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**Care and feeding** Congress has been busy talking about reforming its ethics in the wake



Susan Davis

of the **Jack Abramoff** scandal, but that hasn't stopped a lot of members from hitting the road thanks to freebies offered by lobbyists, think tanks, labor unions, and law schools. Democratic congresswoman **Susan Davis**, for one, was on the move, taking a trip with her husband, Dr. **Steve Davis**, to Punta Mita, Mexico, to "participate in a conference on U.S. policy in Latin America," sponsored by the Aspen Institute of Washington, D.C. Expenses for the trip, which took place from January 8 to 13 of this year, included \$1352.73 each for Davis and her husband's transportation, plus \$3175 for lodging and \$2025 for meals. Punta Mita, 26 miles northwest of Puerto Vallarta on the Mexican coast, features "pristine beaches" and a Four Seasons Resort.

While Davis took a break from her familiar stomping grounds, other members of Congress were happy to get free trips to San Diego. In February, Ohio Republican **Michael Turner**, North Carolina Democrat **Brad Miller**, Utah Republican **Robert Bishop**, and Massachusetts Democrat **William Delahunt** trekked here to participate in the Congress-Bundestag Forum 2006, paid for by the German Marshall Fund of the United States, sponsored largely by the German and U.S. governments. "For four days, German and American lawmakers gathered in San Diego, California, to participate in the third annual Congress-Bundestag Forum, where they renewed and deepened contacts with each other and shared knowledge about political processes on both sides of the Atlantic," according to the GMF website, which also reported that the congressmen had toured the Mexican border. "The group returned to the conference site and continued to discuss demographics, immigration, and integration in Europe and the United States, and also on trade and economic issues related to borders." The total tab for all that conferring by the four congressmen: more than \$10,000.

Later that month, Democrats **Neil Abercrombie** of Hawaii and **James Clyburn** of South Carolina arrived in San Diego to speak to the executive board of the Maritime Trades Department of the AFL-CIO. Each received \$1200. In March, Michigan Democrat **John Conyers** got \$787 from San Diego's Thomas Jefferson School of Law to speak at a conference entitled "Taking Reparations Seriously." Speakers discussed "slavery and reparations as well as other instances of mass injustice, and how these mass offenses relate to broader themes such as justice, causation, group responsibility, moral culpability, racism, and forgiveness," according to the program.



John Conyers

**Let the sun shine in** After more than a year of preparation, the City of San Diego is about to introduce electronic filing, which will allow the

citizenry to look up and sort through the campaign finance disclosure records of candidates for mayor, city council, and city attorney, as well as ballot measures. A spokeswoman says that the goal is to begin e-filing by July 31, which is the deadline for financial disclosures covering the first six months of this year. Campaigns that have raised \$10,000 or more will have to file electronically; those under that cut-off still have the option of submitting paper forms, which will be scanned into the system and be available as PDF files. The spokeswoman says that the City will conduct tutorials during July to acquaint campaign treasurers with the new rules. In addition to saving researchers a trip to city hall, the system will allow them to analyze contributors by amount, employer, employment type, date, and location.

**End of season closeout** Last-minute money continues to pour into local congressional



Brian Bilbray

campaigns. The latest donations, made in the last week, include many from big corporate interests. On May 18 Republican **Brian Bilbray**, running against Democrat **Francine Busby**, posted \$1000 from lobbyist **J. Allen Martin** of the Livingston Group of Washington, D.C. That firm is run by former House Appropriations chairman **Bob Livingston** of Louisiana; Martin was his longtime chief of staff. Republican Livingston was forced to give up his bid for Speaker of the House and resign from Congress in February 1999 after his marital infidelity was revealed.

Other donations to Bilbray include \$1000 from Del Mar's **Marla Shepard**, president of First Future Credit Union; and \$2100 each from **Doug** and **Betsy Manchester**, the bayside hotel owners who just got the big federal contract to redevelop the old Navy office complex at Broadway Pier.

On May 19, Busby collected \$5000 from UAW V-CAP, a political committee of the United Auto Workers union. The same day, she got \$1000 from Golden Door founder **Deborah Szekely** and, on May 18, \$1000 from **Jess Hay** of Dallas, Texas, for whom no employer or occupation was provided. According to the *Dallas Morning News*, the 74-year-old Hay, retired CEO of Lomas Financial Group, remains a major Democratic fund-raiser.

Over in the bitter Democratic primary race between incumbent congressman **Bob Filner** and termed-out assemblyman **Juan Vargas**, on May 19 Filner got \$1000 from La Jolla developer **Barry McComie** and \$1000 from the Bakery and Confectionery Union PAC. On the same day, Vargas, who chairs the Assembly's insurance committee and has been the subject of newspaper exposés about his coziness with the industry, got \$3000 from the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company and \$1000 from Aegon USA, Inc., the United States subsidiary of the giant Netherlands-based insurer.

— Matt Potter

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## Would You Commute Daily To El Centro?

By Don Bauder

**E**l Centro and Yuma are cooling off. No, not the blistering summer heat. That hasn't changed. The economies of those two

small cities between San Diego and Phoenix have been surging the past several years, partly because the federal government is creating jobs by beefing up border security. Pres-

In its May issue, *Inc.* magazine lists "Boomtowns '06: Hottest Small Cities." Yuma, Arizona, is number one. Gushes the publication, "Once a small farming community, this bor-



Yuma park model

ident Bush's visit to Yuma last week may lead to even more border jobs.

But even if new jobs come, these cities' real estate booms are slowing sharply, and some San Diego housing speculators who rolled the dice there could get caught in a down spiral.

der town is one of the nation's fastest-growing areas, with a burgeoning Latino population and a steady stream of Californians in search of a lower cost of living. Surging trade with Mexico has sparked strong growth in services and transportation."

Fifteenth on *Inc.*'s list is El

Centro. Says the magazine, "Located in the state's southeast corner, El Centro has been riding the same global trade wave as other U.S. border towns. It also owes its growth to the Department of Homeland Security, which has boosted its hiring of security and customs personnel to police the busy border."

In both Yuma and El Centro, higher interest rates are squeezing folks who bought homes they couldn't afford with adjustable-rate and exotic mortgages. With interest rates rising, those who took out adjustable-rate loans are having to make higher monthly payments. The worst kind of exotic mortgage is the one resulting in negative amortization, in which buyers pay less interest than is due; the unpaid part is added to the principal, so the size of the loan keeps going up.

Such loans are whacking San Diego, where prices of one-third of the homes on the market have been lowered, according to ZipRealty. Yuma and El Centro have not sunk that far. Yet. But as the bubble deflates in San Diego and other overstretched markets, the pain will flow to nearby communities and perhaps the rest of the nation.

When you drive by Yuma,

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## Mayor Takes Office Crew to Washington

By Joe Deegan

**T**his week Mayor Jerry Sanders traveled to Washington, D.C., for the third time since becoming San Diego's mayor. The trip

was less extensive than the mayor's second visit to the capital, at the end of March.

That three-day visit began in the office of Duncan Hunter early on Wednesday, March 29. The mayor's communications director Fred Sainz and two police officers, brought along for security, had come with Sanders from a previous day of meetings in New York. Also scheduled to fly into Washington were San Diego government relations director Andrew Poat, public safety director Jill Olen, and community and legislative services director Kris Michell.

Briefing notes for the Sanders meeting with Hunter, obtained under a Public Records Act request, called for discussion of homeland security, federal community development block grants, and other primary topics. Under "Other Issues," the notes mentioned the Navy Broadway Complex. "Hunter is very interested in this

the "Veterans Cross." "Congressman Hunter," it said, "authored the legislation that authorized transfer of the La Jolla Cross to the federal government."

Another crucial player would attend the Sanders/Hunter tête-à-tête. Marek Gootman of the public relations firm Patton Boggs had assisted the city's Andrew Poat in planning the capital visit. A July 13 item in the online newspaper the *Hill* says that San Diego pays Patton Boggs \$200,000 a year to make political connections in Washington.

According to a March 1 e-mail, Poat had hoped to get Sanders "a 'wow' event" at the White House. It turned out, however, that during the late-March visit, President Bush would be in Cancún for immigration talks with Mexican president Vicente Fox and Canadian prime minister Stephen Harper. So the mayor had made a one-day trip to the capital

trip to Washington. In early January, Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff released a list of 35 metropolitan areas thought to be at "high risk for terrorist attack or natural disaster." But San Diego did not make the list. Governor Schwarzenegger and local San Diego officials have protested the decision. Last year the city received \$14.7 million under the Urban Area Security Initiative.

In a February 22 e-mail to Gootman, Andrew Poat wrote, "We have four weeks to identify the assurances we want, find an 'in' at [the Department of Homeland Security] with whom to discuss and close out and, ideally, be able to 'announce' something acceptable to all when the Mayor visits."

Gootman wrote back on February 23 saying that a homeland security briefing had been secured at 3:00 p.m. on March 30 at "a Hill location to be determined. The briefing will be classified as secret. They will be able to go into specifics about the San Diego area and how the [funding] formula was applied. [The Department of Homeland Security] will take specific questions ahead of time...if submitted by March 24. FBI agreed to expedited clearance review for Mayor and Jill [Olen], so we will be forwarding that paperwork for fast turnaround."

The next day Gootman e-mailed Poat, Olen, and other city officials: "Discussed with staff what formal assurances we might extract." He continued with a suggestion that San Diego's "border proximity" and "military presence" may have been left out in the Homeland Security funding calculation. "But," wrote Gootman, "we also discussed the most recent tunnel incident as an opportunity to give [Homeland Security] cover for some discretionary adjustment this year, and they would focus a lot of attention in these next briefings on taking the tunnels into account."

Duncan Hunter was not the only local Congressional representative Sanders would see. Before the trip was over, he would meet with Congresswoman Susan Davis and Congressmen Bob Filner and Darrell Issa. He was scheduled in between those and other meetings to give live interviews to



Capitol building, Washington, D.C.



Jerry Sanders

project," suggested the notes. "You [Sanders] may wish to highlight that you will be with the Navy on Friday [March 31] as they unveil the next step in awarding development rights." The briefing then brought up

the previous Thursday, March 23, meeting on homeland security funding with Bush, Vice President Cheney, and others.

San Diego's role in homeland security still drove planning for the mayor's second

KNSD, KUSI, and CNN.

Highlights of the Davis and Filner briefing notes, virtually identical, included directions for Sanders to bring up political threats to community development block grants. "We need to make sure that cuts proposed by President are not implemented," said the notes. "Cut could reduce San Diego spending by \$4 million — and impact important projects like City Heights."

On Thursday, March 30, Sanders was to have breakfast with California senator Bar-

bara Boxer. Only staffer Kris Michell would accompany him to the meeting. The briefing notes identify Boxer as "an important player in environmental issues due to her committee positions. She may be interested in developments in San Diego's consideration of full secondary waste water treatment. Status: significant water reuse and treatment studies are currently under way at the Water and Wastewater departments. Recommendations are expected later this year."

Another major reason for

the mayor's visit to the capital was to meet with senior military officials. To prepare, Poat sought help from a local source. Vice Admiral Peter Hekman, U.S. Navy Retired, is a member of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce's Military Affairs Advisory Council. He formerly served as board chairman for the local chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association.

On February 22, more than a month before the Sanders Washington, D.C., trip, Hek-

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## Daily to El Centro

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you see a proliferation of tiny structures that appear to be king-size privies. Actually, they are 400- to 500-square-foot homes, called "park models." For several decades, Yuma has been a winter home for so-called snowbirds who bring their recreational vehicles down from Canada, Idaho, and other cold climes and park them for the season. Sometimes they will buy or lease a park model to supplement their rec vehicle. But with the price of gasoline escalating, more and more snowbirds are getting rid of their gas guzzlers and occupying one of those 400-square-foot homes for four or five winter months.

The park models sell for \$90,000 to \$100,000. Often, they are located around a golf course. Some people live in them all year. The park models, along with manufactured homes about twice the size, constitute roughly 20 percent of the Yuma home market, thus driving down median

real estate prices. The median price for all kinds of single-family homes is just below \$160,000 — up stoutly from \$125,000 a year ago but now stalling out, according to the Yuma Association of Realtors.

You can see the appeal for retired San Diegans. Sell your house for more than \$500,000 (the San Diego median). Buy a park model for \$90,000 or a larger home for \$200,000 and pocket the difference — perhaps buying another home cheap in Utah, Wyoming, or New Mexico for the spring, summer, and fall seasons.

"In an ordinary year, 70,000 snowbirds come, although it has peaked and dropped a little bit," says Ken Rosevear, executive director of the Yuma County Chamber of Commerce. A big attraction is that prices of many goods are lower in Yuma. For example, "People go to Mexico for prescription drugs, dental care, and vision care," he says.

The economy is supported by agriculture, tourism (mainly snowbirds), two military bases, border activity, and some small manufacturers. Between 1990 and 2000, the county's popu-

lation doubled to 185,000 and the city's doubled to 85,000. That doesn't include snowbirds. The city's population has since risen to 93,000.

Once, people had to drive through Yuma to get to Phoenix. Then Interstate 8 went around the city. Yuma survived that blow. For many years, the Padres trained in Yuma, attracting visitors. "Then Peoria [Arizona] built them a brand-new stadium," says Rosevear. "We couldn't build them what they were looking for." (Sound familiar?) Yuma lost the Padres in 1994 but recovered.

In the past several years, real estate has boomed, but "prices are now peaking," says Dennis Krill, president of the Yuma Association of Realtors. "Investors have backed off. They were taking equity out of their homes in California, paying cash for homes here, and also getting loans," expecting fat profits. "Some were flippers" expecting to get rich in a few months. But now the rents they are receiving aren't high enough to cover their mortgages, so they are selling the homes at a discount, and

this is depressing prices.

The same is happening in El Centro, farther west. Largely because of legal migration, the population has been surging. Over the past year, Imperial County was the third-fastest-growing county in the state, at 3.1 percent. The population of El Centro, the county's biggest city at 41,000, was up 2.5 percent.

However, El Centro is still poor. Household income is only about three-fourths the state's average, and unemployment gets above 30 percent in the summer. Home construction lagged population growth for a long time, but beginning a few years ago, construction began catching up, says Kimberly Collins, director of the California Center for Border and Regional Economic Studies at San Diego State University—Imperial Valley Campus.

The median home value surged 30 percent in the past year to \$285,000. (Unlike in Yuma, the median is not dragged down by a slew of park models.) "But there is a tremendous slowdown now," says Judy Tagg, president of

the Imperial Valley Board of Realtors. "We've seen a 5 to 7 percent decline in pricing, and it now takes 60 to 90 days to sell a home; a year ago it was about 10 days."

People fled rental units to snap up creative mortgages to buy homes that were beyond their financial reach. "The rental inventory went up," says Tagg. Now, as in Yuma, speculators who bought homes, hoping to flip them, find that the rents they get aren't enough to service their mortgages. Many are in trouble, but Tagg hasn't seen a lot of defaults yet.

Some builders report that 10 percent of homebuyers have been commuting to San Diego, says Collins. That's a long commute — one and a half hours to East County. And in the winter, snow can stymie traffic. Two years ago, the San Diego Association of Governments found that 400 people commuted from Imperial to San Diego County for work, while 800 commuted the other direction. Higher gas prices should crimp that activity.

My guess is that a lot of San Diego-based would-be

flippers bought new homes in Imperial County and tried to convince potential buyers that the commute to San Diego would pay off. As Collins points out, people put up with road rage every day driving to Temecula — why not have an easier (and far more beautiful) commute to El Centro? But until gas prices come down, that argument is less compelling.

"We have not really increased our capacity to host snowbirds," says Cathy Kenner, chief executive of the El Centro Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau. It might not be a bad idea to go in that direction. Meanwhile, both Yuma and El Centro get a boost from the Imperial Sand Dunes, where off-road vehicles race about over 118,000 acres, enraging environmentalists. Both El Centro's Kenner and Yuma's Rosevear boast that the dunes attract 200,000 enthusiasts on Thanksgiving weekend.

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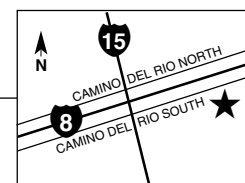
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## Crew to Washington

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man e-mailed Poat, "I believe it would be beneficial if the Mayor were to call on the Secretary of the Navy and on B.J. Penn, [Assistant Secretary] for Installations and Environment. My choice would be Penn if it comes to a choice. I strongly recommend a call in the Pentagon. There are a great number of issues where Penn would like to be reassured."

Hekman went on to suggest several items that Sanders ought to stress in a visit with Penn. Among them were the mayor's "active support for the continuation of the Broadway redevelopment plan between the Navy and the City, his support for the Secretary's stand on the high military value of Miramar, North Island, and MCRD (without directly mentioning an airport)...[and] how our community is equipped to be the best location nationally for tying national defense and homeland security into a coherent, cooperative package."

The mayor ought to say to

Penn that the city is willing to help the Navy with "leaking oil tanks at the Point Loma Fuel Storage Facility," Hekman continued. He then wrote parenthetically, "This is serious and is gaining tree-hugger attention — those that always need an anti-Navy issue in order to survive."

Hekman also recommended that Sanders meet with Marine Lieutenant General Jan Huly. "Things seem to be going negative here. I am detecting an undercurrent of discontent...about our region's attitude toward the Marines. [The Commanding General of the Marine Corps Installations West, Major General Michael] Lehnert believes our attitude to be negative. He is of course more familiar with North Carolina and tends to make comparisons with a different civic culture. [It would be good to inform] General Huly that...[the] Mayor is alert to the encroachment pressures being felt by the Marines and will work to protect the interest of the Corps."

By phone, Hekman is more upbeat. "I've been to places where the relationship between

the city and the military is bad," he tells me. "But that relationship here is excellent and has been that way for a long time." Hekman does question, however, those on the local airport commission who want to recommend a military installation as the new civilian airport site. That would require shared military and civilian use, a solution military leaders call dangerous. "How many of you guys [on the commission]," asks Hekman, "have flown jets in a pattern?" Besides, he says, the military owns and needs the properties, and that ends the discussion.

As Admiral Hekman had suggested, Sanders would meet later on Thursday, March 30, with Marine Lieutenant General Jan Huly. The itinerary had Sanders and the city's safety chief, Jill Olen, getting their classified homeland security briefing. Afterward the other staff members would join them for talks with Mississippi congressman Bennie Thompson, the ranking member on the House Committee on Homeland Security. (Earlier in the trip the mayor had called on another member of the com-

mittee, New York congressman Peter King.) That evening Sanders was scheduled to attend a San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau sales promotion dinner.

Early on Friday, his last day in Washington, Sanders was scheduled to "walk to [the] White House." There he would attend a meeting of the president's Homeland Security Council. In Andrew Poat's earliest planning, Karl Rove had been identified as a White House "target." When that didn't happen, Poat sought Frances Townsend, the Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism. On the last edition of the mayor's itinerary, penned mid-trip on March 30, there is no indication that Townsend would attend the executive mansion meeting.

Afterward, it would be off to the Pentagon for appointments with Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Michael Mullen and Assistant Secretary of the Navy B.J. Penn. According to "talking points" for both meetings, Sanders was to acknowledge the Navy's possible "further asset movement

to the Pacific. San Diego stands ready and willing to receive those assets where the national interests are served." That afternoon the Navy also announced that San Diego's Manchester Financial Group had been chosen to develop the Navy Broadway Complex.

The same talking points suggest discussion of a new San Diego civilian airport. Sanders would say that the "Regional Airport Authority is fulfilling state law by its evaluation of all civilian and military airport locations." But the "Mayor will not support alternatives that the military does not support — once that evaluation is completed."

The mayor and staffer Michell also were scheduled on the trip's last day to meet with Senator Dianne Feinstein. The same topics for the San Diego congressional delegation came up in the briefing notes. An eye-catcher not yet mentioned, however, was the direction to Sanders to bring up "redevelopment/eminent domain" legislation. "Downtown and City Heights show what redevelopment can do for our city," said the notes. "Appreciate the need

for responsible reforms of eminent domain — but let's not throw the baby out with the bath water. Please let me know how we can help you evaluate how congressional proposals will impact San Diego redevelopment projects." City hall views legislation that aggressively limits eminent domain as a threat to its redevelopment plans.

That evening Sanders and his delegation flew back to San Diego. Subsequently the mayor wrote thank-you notes to the officials and many of their assistants with whom he visited. In a letter to Duncan Hunter, the Washington politician with whom he seems to have the most rapport, the mayor wrote, "What better way to start any day, much less my day on Capitol Hill last week, than with a visit to our distinguished Armed Services Committee Chairman." Someday soon the two may break ground together at the new Navy Broadway Complex site.

In a thank-you letter to Assistant Secretary of the Navy B.J. Penn, Sanders for his part repeated a commitment he

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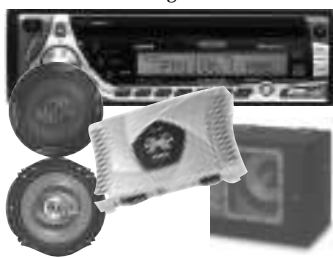
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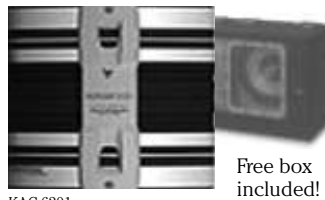
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already made in Washington. "I want to emphasize my strong position that San Diego's search for an airport location will not come at the expense of our historic relationship with the Navy. I remain committed to finding a solution that is acceptable to all parties, including the military."

On May 12, the *Union-Tribune* noted a special alliance between Sanders and Duncan Hunter. The mayor was supporting Hunter's call the day before for President Bush to

save the Mount Soledad cross by condemning the federal property on which it sits. "Sanders said he's going [back] to Washington, D.C., in a couple of weeks," according to the newspaper, "and that preserving the cross is one of the most important topics he will be addressing." That trip has now taken place.

Was the latest trip as costly to taxpayers as the previous trip? At the end of March, the San Diego delegation stayed at the Hyatt Regency Washington. Expense reports submitted afterwards detail travel and hotel bills: For Mayor Sanders and Fred Sainz,

\$1766.93 each; Kris Michell, \$1253.93; Jill Olen, \$1118.93; and Andrew Poat, \$1084.47. The delegation also spent money on food, telephone, car rental, and taxi fares. And the city picked up the full bill for the mayor's two security police officers.

Last but hardly the least, the city used the services of public relations firm Patton Boggs. Among other questions, I wanted to know if those services were covered under the \$200,000 contract with the firm. None of the city staffers who accompanied the mayor, however, would speak with me about the trip. ■

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### Still In Shock Over Judith Moore

I opened the *San Francisco Chronicle* this morning here in the City. It's night now. I am still in shock that Judith Moore is gone. While I never met her — I always anticipated meeting her — she is important in my life. She directed me to the true Ramona, California, story, and so subsequently, I found

Ramon. Thank you, Judith.  
Sharon Doubiago  
via e-mail

Sharon Doubiago's five-part series, "Ramona Then, Ramona Now," appeared in the Reader in the summer of 1994. — Editor

### Quiet Majesty Of Jacumba

When was the Patrick Daugherty article on Jacumba ("How They Ended Up in Jacumba"), which appeared on May 4, written? It is extremely negative in its portrayal of Jacumba as a depressing, unloved place. It is not the Jacumba my husband and I know and love so well.

We go there every week to escape the buzz of San Diego, drink the pure water, enjoy the pristine hot springs, breathe clean air, and explore the quiet majesty of the area. We treasure the people liv-

ing there and think of Jacumba as our most beautiful spot on earth.

Kathy Dolphin  
via e-mail

The story was originally published on April 19, 1990. — Editor

### Vicious Break-Up Leads To New Band

I am currently in a band called Campaign for Quiet. I have been a member for about three and a half years. And lo and behold, in last week's Reader there is an article ("Rock Hideaway," May 11) that was rerun from about five years ago about my old band, the Fiction Engine, and our rehearsal space, which does not exist anymore either, after a vicious breakup. I am the Frankie Fiction noted and photographed but recognizably different with a beard and long hair as opposed to the

sideburns in the photo and playing a completely different style of music. In the article, it mentions that the Fiction Engine's music is available at the now-defunct MP3.com. However, my newer band, which has the same drummer, is available on myspace, and we have a show at 4th and B on May 27 with Daredevil Jane.

Frankie  
via e-mail

### Grossed Out

I enjoy reading Mr. Board's column on parties, but his last one ("Crasher," May 11), where he seems to find it so enjoyable to socialize with guys that are eating castrated bull testicles, was absolutely disgusting. I normally enjoy this column, but if your writer feels this makes for good copy, I will discontinue reading.

No, I'm not a member of PETA. Just a vegetarian who

enjoys reading a *usually* fun column about parties. If this is the stuff the Reader is relegated to writing about, I'll just use your magazine to line the bottom of my birdcage.

J. Perry  
via e-mail

### You Need To Understand Our Disdain

I, too, enjoyed Geoff Bouvier's article "Sax" (April 20). But I cannot let Mike Whisler's letter in the May 11 issue pass without comment. He seems to take offense that straight-ahead jazz fans don't care for Kenny G. Well, I avoid Mr. G's vacuous playing whenever I can — staying out of elevators and dentist offices as much as possible. And the point that Kenny G "is the all-time best-selling instrumentalist" as a reason to enjoy him is laughable. Popularity is not a badge of quality, creativity,

or intelligence. For parallels, just consider many top movie box-office winners and several of our elected officials.

Still, I believe Mr. Whisler has every right to listen to and enjoy Kenny G. Just understand that many real jazz lovers consider such music to be boring.

Tim Price  
La Jolla

### You Rock

Ollie, I don't care what anyone says about you. You rock! I swear I live for Thursdays just so I can read "Remote Control King." Some people just don't appreciate witty humor or a good story, both of which you do well. And for the record, I think tan towels are lame.

Neacy  
via e-mail



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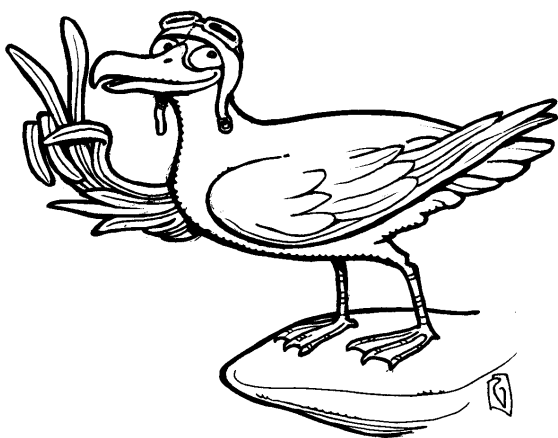




# STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

Illustration by Rick Garry



Dear Matthew:

On my way to work the other day, I was watching what I think were seagulls flying in a V formation. I've seen ducks and geese do this, but it suddenly occurred to me that I've never seen other birds like sparrows or pigeons fly that way, even though they hang around in flocks like geese and ducks. Is there a reason for this? Can you find out what it is?

— BG, Vista

The geese stonewalled us, but ornithologists and aerodynamicists have studied formation flying, of course, and they're only too happy to go on at length for the benefit of us lesser mortals. As usual, the answer you get depends on who you ask, "truth" being a slippery commodity when it comes to the whys behind animal behavior. I'll go with the generally accepted notions.

On page one of the flight instruction manual it says, the more you weigh, the harder you have to flap. The average hanging-around bird weighing only a few ounces needs to maintain an air speed of 11 to 15 miles per hour to keep itself airborne. If an ostrich could fly, sez one scientist, it would have to zoom along at 100 miles per hour to keep all 250 pounds off the ground. By extension, the most aerodynamically well-designed scientist would probably have to maintain 65 or 70. At any rate, flight is the most demanding physical stunt a bird can do. Any edge it can get it will take. Formation flying is one such advantage.

In an effort to find out what that advantage is, the lab coats devised a clever little calculation called Munk's Stagger Theorem. This allows a scientist sitting on his butt in front of a computer to tell geese how to get the most out of flight. The fact that geese don't fly in strict compliance with theory just means they still know something we don't. As it should be, I think.

Like planes, birds create turbulence behind them as they fly. Air coming off the top of a bird's wing produces down-turning eddies of air. Any companions flying too close on a goose's heels would have to work even harder to stay at the proper altitude and keep up with the flock. But the tip of each bird's wing creates vortexes that turn in the opposite direction, creating an updraft. A bird flying above and just off the end of its neighbor's wingtip benefits from the buoyancy. Taking advantage of this, a flock of two dozen geese can increase its range by as much as 71 percent.

Another advantage of V-formation flight is its self-correcting quality. Any bird that surges too far ahead of its position is slowed down by the lack of lift and naturally falls back into place.

Why geese and not sparrows? Most common sparrows don't fly any farther than the next outdoor restaurant, so they don't have much reason to worry about long-distance aerodynamics. And as handy as the wingtip vortexes are, they disintegrate fairly quickly. The larger the wing, the longer the effect lasts. For sparrows to take full advantage of the updrafts, they would have to fly too close together, turning the well-ordered flock into a 30-car pileup.

Hey, Matt:

In the summer my thermometer in the open sun reads 110 to 120 degrees while the news reports 90 to 100. How do they get such low readings? Do they put their thermometers in the shade? Doesn't that distort the true outside temperature? Working in the yard, I'm feeling 120 degrees and it doesn't make me feel better knowing it's 98 in the shade.

— Jerry, Santee

Guess the "microclimate" concept hasn't filtered out to Santee yet. Watch San Diego's weather map and note the variety of temps displayed, all created by our mixed-bag ocean-desert-mountain-valley terrain. But the basic answer to your question is that San Diego's "official" National Weather Service temperature is taken at Lindbergh Field. What does Lindbergh have that Santee doesn't? Where to begin? Cool bay/ocean breezes for one. Santee, well known as the sweat pit of the county, will always be 20 degrees warmer than "official" San Diego. Of course, the Convention and Visitors Bureau loves it because our "official" temp will always look moderate and alluring to the rest of the nation, whatever the season, since Lindbergh's numbers are always tempered by the ocean. No one should ever know what the real temperature is in Santee, and I suggest that you get rid of that thermometer immediately. Is it of the rectal variety, by the way?

## Behind the Bathroom Door

In the Very Old Business mail heap we have several notes from Alicelanders who suggest that bathroom doorknobs are brass on the hall side, silver on the can side to match the chrome bath fixtures. Yeah, like you can tell under all those wet towels. You heard it here first.

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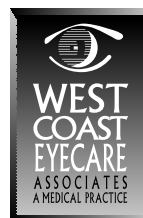
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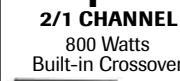
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By Patrick Daugherty

# A Column In Two Parts

The May 4 issue of the *Reader* carried a reprint of a story, "How They Ended Up In Jacumba," that I wrote in 1990. Some readers thought the story was contemporaneous, written this year, describing 2006 Jacumba and its residents. A few took umbrage at the opening sentence, "Jacumba is the last shit-ass 1953 Oklahoma town left along the San Diego I-8 corridor." I don't know why.

That was the first story I wrote for the *Reader*. I arrived in Jacumba a few days before Christmas in 1989. Hung out for a month, wandered around town, strolled across the border (then an imaginary line drawn through a flood plain), and stayed with Richard Spencer and Kirk Gilliam in Jacumé, a Mexican village two miles south of the boundary. In those days locals walked back and forth between Jacumba and Jacumé on whim. I was just weeks out of Alaska and had no idea what I was doing. I knew I liked Jacumba. It was frontier. I didn't think that was possible in Southern California. There were mountain men, artists, dilapidated buildings, rusted pick-up trucks, and a feeling that anything could happen. There were no jobs, no cops, no rules, and no money. Reminded me of home.

But, that was 17 years ago, when you could buy a house in Jacumba for \$40,000. There are houses selling for \$400,000 now. In the story, I wrote about Robert Mitchell, who still appears in this column now and then. At the time I said that Bob had a "bit of the carny in him." I'd known Bob for two weeks when I wrote that. What I didn't know then, and have learned since, is the measure of his quirky generosity, hard rock honesty, courage, humor, and loyalty. I regard him as a close friend.

Seventeen years have passed, Jacumba is rising, reclaiming what it was in the 1920s when Clark Gable and his ilk swanked it up at Jacumba's Vaughn Hotel. They were there for good reasons: ideal year-round climate courtesy of 4,000 feet of mountain, mineral hot springs, and country enough to get lost in right out the front or back door. It's true, I liked the town better in 1989, but I'm a sucker for frontier, and, looking back, I was having a lot more fun in 1989 than I do nowadays, Jacumba or no.

\* \* \*

I keep a list of athletes in my computer. I follow their lives, curious to see what they're

up to; perhaps an "up to" will result in a column. It rarely does. Still, every three months or so I'll open my list, log on to Lexis-Nexis, and run newspaper searches, magazine searches, real property, bankruptcy, criminal, and divorce searches on my honorees.

Save for a very few, the names on my list turn over every two or three years. The listees are mostly world-class athletes (Tyson, Tonya, Rodman), who retired or were thrown out of their sport and went on to become freak-show personalities. Often, freak-show troopers lead interesting lives, in a car-wreck sort of way. One name has remained on the list since the moment it was first placed there in 1998. Ryan Leaf.

Chargers general manager Bobby Beathard drafted Ryan Leaf on April 18, 1998. The Chargers had the third pick in that draft. In order to move up one position, Beathard gave away everything in the Chargers vault. Leaf went 4-14 as a starter with a 48.8 quarterback rating while in San Diego. Set the franchise back years. He is universally acknowledged as the worst draft pick ever made.

Every three months I ran a Lexis search on Leaf, checked the Eastern Washington, Montana, and Idaho papers. And there was nothing. Always. I'm looking for a man who extracted an \$11 million signing bonus from the Spanos mattress, then got run out of the game after four lazy, dismal, injury-plagued seasons. He left with millions of unearned dollars and the ill will of humankind. And nothing showed up in my research. Year after year. Nothing.

It got to be a thing with me. How could a guy like that, an arrogant loud mouth, a kid who'd been pampered all his life, keep his money, stay out of the newspapers, stay out of jail, and stay out of court?

Then, suddenly, a bonanza. Leaf surfaced in an April 28 *Indianapolis Star* article followed by a May 20 appearance on *Real Sports With Bryant Gumbel*. Turns out, the bastard is a first-year quarterback coach at West Texas A&M University, "The northernmost senior institution of higher learning in Texas," aka Division II football.

Here's the finish. Leaf told *Real Sports* interviewer Bernard Goldberg that the reason he didn't make it in the NFL was, get this, because he wasn't that good of a player.

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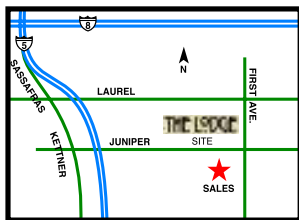


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**Sunday school enrollment:** 25  
**Annual budget:** n/a  
**Weekly giving:** n/a  
**Singles program:** no  
**Dress:** semicausal, plenty of button down shirts, no ties, some skirts and dresses.  
**Diversity:** mostly Caucasian, a few Hispanics and African-Americans  
**Sunday worship:** Warm Traditional, 9 a.m.; Cool Contemporary, 10:30 a.m. (in Fellowship Hall at 1969 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard)  
**Length of reviewed service:** 1 hour, 10 minutes  
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When Pastor Terry Miller arrived at Ocean Beach First Baptist two and a half years ago, he had a desire to “open the doors, warm up the service, and lift up praise.” He wanted a stronger sense of welcome, a greater spirit of joy. Part of that effort at renewal involved a major updating of the sanctuary. Gone now are the red walls, the blue baptistery, the rugged cross set against a paneled wall at the front of the church. Now, the walls are buttery, the baptistery is decorated with a riverbank scene, the carpet is a mossy green, and the cross, set against a blue sky streaked with clouds, is projected onto the wall. The hymns and songs — some rootsy, some folksy, some bordering on pop-country — pour out of a new sound system. Only the stained-glass windows, their white panes streaked with gold, remain unchanged.

A dedication service was planned for the afternoon, “as a way to reach out to the community, as a way of saying, ‘we’re really wanting to partner with you guys...in trying to make Ocean Beach a better place.’”

Miller saw the new church as “an oasis.” The traveler in the desert finds at the oasis water, shade, nourishment, camaraderie, encouragement. Similarly, “our little church” provided “a place where people from this part of San Diego can come and find shelter and nourishment and refreshment and friendship.... Since we finished the project, I sneak down here several times a week. Every time I walk through the doors, I feel refreshed.”

So, asked Miller, “what now?” He offered three goals for the renewed church.

One: “The uplifting worship of God. God is actively seeking men and women in this generation who not only love Him and are committed to Him but are actively involved in worshipping God.” The Old Testament’s David “was a man’s man; he was a warrior; he was a fighter. But he was a lover of God, and

he loved to worship God. Because of that, God said, ‘David is a man after my own heart.’ In spite of David’s faults, and he had them, and in spite of David’s sins, and they were many, God blessed him, because David had a heart for worshipping God.”

Two: “Ministry opportunities in the life of the church.” Miller cited Paul’s account of the one body having many members. “So it is with Christ. There’s something for every one of us in the body of Christ to be doing.” He mentioned the greeters, the children’s ministry, adult education, the worship ministry, the prayer ministry, the women’s ministry, the men’s fellowship (as yet unfounded), and volunteers at the Discovery Center, a nearby community center sponsored by the church.

Three: Evangelism. The service was “only half full. It’s better than it used to be, but we need to fill this place up. There are people in this community...that need to be in this oasis. That happens when we invite someone to

something that’s going on...and in the process give God the opportunity to do His work in their heart and life. A few weeks ago, Diane invited Jason.” Jason came back a few weeks later, “and I had a chance to pray with him. I think we’re talking maybe about a baptism next Sunday. Jason told me, ‘I’m going to invite a bunch of people to my baptism, because I want people to know what God is doing in my life.’”

On those solo visits to the sanctuary, Miller began paying attention to the painting of a sailboat in the left front alcove. “It tells us a few things about what God would like to do here among us.” First, “if there’s no wind in the sails, there’s no movement. The wind is the power of the Holy Spirit. Wise is the church that knows how to discover where God is leading and...raise the sails and turn them

the right way. The sails represent the various ministries in the church.” Second, “the wheel is usually turned by the guy in charge. Whose boat is it? The Lord Jesus Christ’s. We had better be listening to that voice, hearing His commands.” Third, “everybody on board has a job.”

“That’s the vision for our little church: it’s God giving us power, it’s Jesus giving us direction, and it’s every one of us finding our place to do our part. Do you want to be part of something like that, or shall we just play church? Let’s be that. Ocean Beach needs a church like that. San Diego needs a church like that.”

What happens when we die?

“If we put our faith in Christ,” says Miller, “we go to heaven. If we don’t, there’s judgment waiting. What does that look like? My answer changes day by day. I believe in hell, but I don’t like it.”

— Matthew Lickona

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TERRY MILLER

**Ocean Beach First Baptist Church**  
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### Sermon

content.....★★½  
delivery.....★★½

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— EVE KELLY

The strawberry fields are calling again, and the family is answering the call. This time, though, we're not going to cram strawberries into our mouths until we swear we'll never look at another one again. This time, we're going to make preserves.

I called my friend Michael, who grew up cooking with his Italian grand-mother and has since added a scientific bent to his culinary exploits. "I make preserves about four times a year," said Michael, "but I've made it the old-fashioned way only once — with my mother when I was a kid. We bought two big racks of blackberries. Smelling them in the car on the way home, I thought, 'This is going to rock.' But when I saw the operation unfold, I said, 'I'll never do this again.'"

A couple of things contributed to that resolution. "First, we got Mason jars, which have a seal, a lid, and a glass jar. The glass jars had to be boiled in a 25-gallon stockpot with a big rack inside it. It was so heavy, Mom needed Dad to lift it onto the stove, and it took over an hour to start the water boiling."

The jars spent 15 or 20 minutes being boiled under pressure. "You do that to kill spores. They're these little buds that live in a calcium shell, and you have to super-nuke them to make sure they don't start growing in the anaerobic environment of your jam." After boiling, "we took this rack full of super-hot glass out and lifted it onto a towel. Then we boiled the lids and inner rings for about 10 minutes."

Meanwhile, "in another stockpot, we mashed about ten pounds of blackberries with a potato masher. And here is where the story gets ugly for me. For every cup of mashed fruit, we had to add six cups of sugar. The amount was hideous; it dwarfed the amount of fruit." However terrifying, there was a reason for all the white stuff. "Everything done in the process of making homemade preserves is for the purpose of preventing any kind of microbe from living in this fruit mixture. Fruit and sugar are the perfect matrix for 'bugs' to live in. You add all this sugar to draw out the water from the fruit — the sugar exerts osmotic pressure. The water forms a bond with the sugar molecule, and so it isn't available for consumption by the 'bug.'"

"It took a long time to melt all that sugar, and we were stirring constantly for about 45 minutes. It took a lot of arm work. You know it's incorporated when you scrape along the bottom of the pan and no little granules show up." Then you add pectin, set it at a low boil, sit back, and watch. "It took a long time — over an hour."

To test how it's coming along, "you take a spoon and put it in the freezer. Then you dip it in the mixture and watch the rate at which it drips." When you think it's done, "you pour that mixture into the jars. Oh — and don't touch the edge of your huge stock pot to the

"I can't wrap my mind around blasting fresh fruit with all that sugar."

edge of the jar, because you'll have to start over." Some bacteria might have been transferred. It would have been better, said Michael, "if we had had a metal ladle from a restaurant supply store that we could sterilize in the pressure cooker and use."

Then, "we let the jars cool for about two hours. Then we melted paraffin and carefully poured it over every jar. Once the paraffin had cooled — another two-hour wait — we put the lids on."

The preserves lasted a long time — at least two years, ideal for an age that didn't have the benefit of refrigeration. "But the color wasn't black any more. It was a weird blue. The texture was like Jell-O, probably because we didn't thicken it correctly — we added too much calcium chloride on top of the pectin. And the taste was of blackberry, but more of a candied blackberry." Michael found himself wondering, "In the age of refrigeration, isn't there a way to modify this? I can't wrap my mind around blasting fresh fruit with all that sugar."

A simple recipe from *Cook's Illustrated* showed him the way. "I'll give it to you from memory. You take one pound of prepared fruit — that means washed and mashed with a potato masher. Add two tablespoons fresh lemon juice and one cup of sugar. I do this four pounds at a time.

I buy four bags of frozen Marian blackberries from Trader Joe's [frozen available late summer, fresh available now, \$2.99 for 11 oz.]. I put them in a glass bowl to defrost. I wash six 20-ounce Mason jars [\$9.99 for two 13-oz. or six 8-oz. jars at Target] in the dishwasher, so they come out nice and warm and steaming. Then I cook the fruit mixture in a cast iron skillet on low, low heat, stirring every five minutes for about an hour and a half. I do it slowly, because I don't want the taste of cooked blackberries. I want to highlight the freshness of the fruit."

After the hour and a half, "a white foam forms at the edge of the pan, and I incorporate the foam into the middle. Then I take a plate that I've chilled in the freezer, drip a little bit on the plate, and watch how it slides down. The first three or four times, it runs off like water, but eventually, it doesn't even reach the edge of the plate. I call that done. I put it in the jars, not worrying about not touching the edges, and I put the jars in the refrigerator. My preserves last around six months. It gets eaten, and doesn't have enough time to ferment or have a 'bug' grow."

Michael was careful to note that he's not bagging on the old way. "Andrew Johnson said that there are two kinds of fools: those who think something is old, therefore good, and those who think something is new, therefore better." But this way gives him what he wants, and it sounded like a good place for the Kellys to begin.

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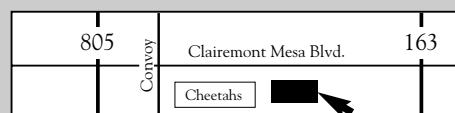
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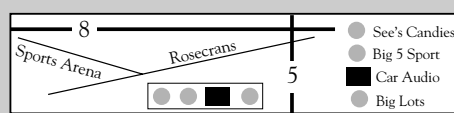
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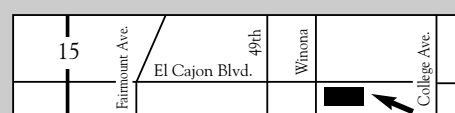
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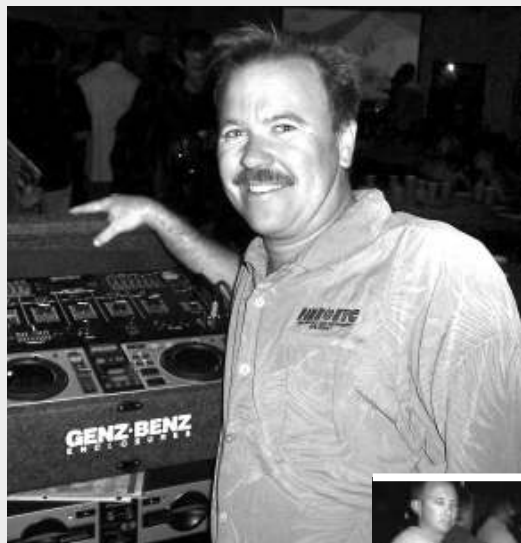
**I** didn't have to travel far to the firefighter party in Little Italy's Firehouse Museum, but firefighters came from all over the U.S. and other countries to attend this party. I was told there were several firefighter parties around town. They were in town for a few days of training at the Convention Center.

I heard Australian accents and listened as three Aussies talked about how 30 percent of their firefighters are female, up from 10 percent years earlier.

It was a nice start to the party when I saw a variety of expensive cigars being sold near the entrance. There was an antique fire engine parked out front. The smell of cigars wafted down Columbia Street.

I bought a stogie and lit it up. I asked one guy why cops and firemen have mustaches. One lady said, "I don't have one!" Her friend said, "It's my cigar duster." As the lady walked inside, he then said, "It's because women don't just like to ride on the fire trucks."

A band called Dumb Luck was playing, making it difficult to talk, so I hung out in front of the museum. On display were a variety of hydrants, badges, and firefighting equipment that went back a hundred



years. One room held some of the first fire trucks, which looked like big carriages.

I asked a few firefighters what the strangest thing they've seen on duty was.

One said, "It was my first maternity-type call. This woman had no family, and she was on the floor when we got there. We propped her up. She insisted her water broke earlier, and as I got down there, well...she farted in my face."

**"Play 'Pyromania,' and turn it louder! If it's too quiet, the girls stop dancing."**

He laughs as he continues, "She got so mad...she kicked us out of the house."

A guy from Oakland told me, "We have lots of strange...local prostitutes. But they're nice ladies, and I don't



Top: DJ Neal Behnke (left), Dan Noonon and John Williams (right); Bottom left: Firefighters indulge their love of smoke and fire, with cigars; Bottom right: Female firefighters have increased in numbers.

want to talk bad about them."

I walked around to look at the relics on the wall. I noticed that the antique firehose looks a lot like the firehoses that are used today.

I saw two dogs running

around. Neither were dalmatians and neither did anything to the fire hydrants around the party.

I overheard a few guys talking about their shift schedules, which sounded unusual. I



was told they work for two days and then take three days off. I asked why they don't work normal eight-hour shifts, and they went into detail about how they don't have to transfer as much information and something about "equipment check teams."

This party was raising money for the museum. There were tip jars set up near the bartenders and that money would go to the museum fund. I crashed, but there was an admission charge to get in. Someone told me they expected to raise about \$3,500.

It was interesting looking

at the different shirts the firefighters wore from the cities they worked in or with funny phrases related to firefighting. There were, as always, a few guys in their 50s wearing Hawaiian shirts.

I ran into a firefighter from Chula Vista and asked him about the strangest thing he'd seen on the job. He said, "There was a 9-1-1 call. With those calls, we are usually the first dispatched to the scene. This guy had something...very large...stuck in his butt. He said it had been there from the night before, and he couldn't get it out."

I was laughing at the visual of firefighters standing around with hard hats and gloves on. "We just got him in an ambulance and he went to the hospital."

I heard a lot of noise upstairs so ventured up the spiral staircase. There was a bar and a pool table but not a lot of room to move around. When I heard the band take a break, I headed back downstairs.

A DJ was playing, and I asked him if he was going to play any "fire" songs. I rattled off several titles. He smiled and showed me his list. All the fire songs I mentioned were on the list, as well as about 15 others.

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I was determined to think of a few songs he didn't list. He didn't believe me when I told him that a guy named Arthur Brown had a hit in 1968 called "Fire."

As we were discussing songs, a firefighter yelled from the dance floor, "Play 'Pyromania,' and turn it louder! If it's too quiet, the girls stop dancing."

There were several guys with tattoos. I tell my brother that he looks stupid with flames tattooed on his arm, but seeing flames on somebody who fights fires for a living seemed appropriate.

One guy showed me to the kitchen and offered me pizza. They ordered ten, so I grabbed a slice and a drink of punch, which was labeled "Firefighter Brand, EMS, HydroEnergy." Fire-fighting might be the only profession with its own beverage.

A crew from San Bernardino County was out on the back patio smoking. I asked them about the strangest thing they had

experienced on the job. They took time to ponder it, and then a guy said, "Okay, here it goes. A woman had a ring in her belly button. Somehow, as she was sleeping, her dog's leg got stuck in it. We attempted to cut the ring, but it was stainless steel, which our cutters wouldn't slice. As one guy tried moving the dog's leg, he got bit in the arm. Another guy was peed on by the dog. They finally took her to the ER."

The band started up again and seemed to be louder than before, so I headed out. As I was leaving I asked one more firefighter for a strange story. This guy worked in National City. "It was around 2:30 a.m. We got a call about an accident on the 54 freeway. We came off of the I-5 and saw a tire in the road and a minivan a little farther up. There were three black guys fixing the tire. They said there was no accident; they just got a flat that they were fixing. We drove back

to see what the other tire was from and we see another car that is missing a tire. And there's a couple having sex. Right there on the side of the road. We knock on the window, and they just continue. I guess the guy who was drunk and was going to be taken in figured he'd have some fun before being arrested." ■

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by Barbarella

*Journal writing is a voyage to the interior.*

— Christina Baldwin

I looked around for something to throw. The thought of slashing out physically caused my heart to skip a beat in anticipation of such animalistic satisfaction. In a panic to find a release for my mounting frustration, I considered

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each object around me: *Boa? No, too flimsy; a wimpy, feathery flutter will only disappoint. Paperweight? Too heavy, I'm upset, but I don't want to break anything. I could hit something, but that might hurt my hand.*

While scanning my bookshelves for an inanimate victim that I could chuck to the ground, my eyes fell on the topmost right shelf, where my journal waited for me to notice it.

The last words spoken by my sister echoed in my head. She had disconnected the call with cruel swiftness during the first syllable of my response. I wanted to finish my thoughts, express how I felt, whether or not she was willing to hear it. I

needed to know what was beneath the anger and rage simmering inside of me; perhaps more frustrating than not having the chance to explain my position was that I didn't really know *what* my position was. As I reached for my leather-bound confidante, my face began to cool, the blood that had rushed to heat it returned dutifully to my veins and organs.

I held the book in my hands, and its weight, whispering the promise of inviting blank pages, transmitted a calm that began in my fingertips and spread its soothing warmth through my body, causing the tension in all of my muscles to dissipate. It is always the same when I turn to my journal — irritation and emotions build until I want to explode, but I know, as do the pages already covered in my scribbled ink, that transforming my feelings into

words is the one true remedy.

I went about converting the room into a space worthy of confessions and epiphanies. I lit a candle and stared at it. This was my favorite candle, a cylinder of deep burgundy hinting at the berry fragrance that will emanate as soon as the wax around the wick begins to melt. Later, when I extinguish the flame with a gentle, focused breath, the scent, mingled with a swaying stream of smoke, will deepen in complexity, and its sugary sweetness will become musky and heady. The following morning, upon waking, I will breathe in its faint memory to trigger the sensation of serenity my brain will forever associate with the aroma of writing.

I sat in my favorite chair, a dark wood-framed brocaded rococo armchair more suited to a Victorian-era tearoom than where it is settled, in the corner of my office, facing a room filled with contemporary furnishings. I selected a blue ballpoint pen — I had let go of my preference for consistent-colored ink years ago, when I decided the only things that really mattered about a pen were the way it felt in my fingers and the fluidity and ease with which the ink ran from its tip onto the paper.

My best friend lay closed on my lap. I hesitated to open it, savoring the righteous taste of anger, because I knew once I lifted the front cover, I would have to surrender to the truth beneath my mask of rage and embrace the part of me that is as insecure and uncertain as the feeble old wizard cowering behind the curtain. I thought of my father's new-agey theory that anger does not exist, that no emotions exist out-

side of fear and love, and that every other feeling we think we have can be boiled down to one of those two common denominators. In the case of sibling rivalry, I reasoned, it's a mixture of both.

It took me two years of journaling before I was honest with myself for the first time, honest in that ugly, poorly lit naked way in which we are petrified of seeing ourselves. I was 19, and though I cringed at what I saw reflected back at me through this mirror of words, I soon became addicted to the clarity and peace of mind journaling gave me and used it as a form of self-medication.

As the candle began to emit its intoxicating essence, I opened the journal and flipped through the pages before stopping at *June 21, 2002*. The words were uneven, messier than the entries surrounding them: *I have that feeling of lonely despair; I know I've felt this before. You know the drill — I'm surrounded by people, friends, family, coworkers, etc. — and I feel so unbearably alone. I feel like nobody gets me. Like as close as they think they may be to me, they are kept by me at arms' length.*

But I wasn't alone, I thought, running my index finger over the words, as if I might be able to touch the very pen that spilled this black ink four years ago. I turned to the first blank page toward the end of the book, the fourth of its kind, its predecessors filled from cover to cover with my ranting, raving, and soul searching. Suddenly, with the same disbelief I experience when emerging from a dark movie theater to see that the sky is still lit by the sun, I realized the



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last of my anger had vanished.

I allowed my stream of consciousness to pour forth, my pen a funnel through which only one word could fit at a time, forcing order and sense from what would otherwise remain a jumble of ideas muddying up my mind. I transcribed the argument and, once it was down in blue and white, I did my best to explain how the argument had affected me, to question the true source of the white-hot anger that had coursed through me 30 minutes earlier.

I gave myself over and without discretion to the pen in my hand, allowed it to write every thought that entered my head. *I feel like... if only I knew how to finish that sentence*, I wrote. *I guess I don't know myself as well as I thought I did*. It is amazing how candid one can be when all potential for judgment is removed. Right and wrong are ideas I attribute to myself as I consider my thoughts. *I don't want to see her hurt. I love her. She's tense. She's quick to anger. She's a lot of wonderful things as well — but I'm starting to forget what they are. And that's just tragic.*

One phrase continued to repeat itself in my head as my hand danced furiously over the page — it's okay. Anything I write is okay, because this is mine, these are my thoughts, and only I can say if they're good or bad. It's okay if my opinion of others is not always glowing. It's okay if I admit I am afraid or in pain or angry for reasons I would never share for fear of being labeled as petty or judgmental. It's okay to *feel*, and it's okay to document those feelings and attempt to figure them out. *I really need to find the balance between what I think I should be doing in terms of family obligations, what I'm willing to do, and what that means about me.*

After I'd recorded two pages worth of self-revelations, I sat, spent, in my chair, and stared at the undulating flame. A few minutes later I returned my journal to its home, and with a quick puff of air, extinguished the candle. I inhaled and smiled as the smoky perfume filled my nostrils, and then went to bed. ■

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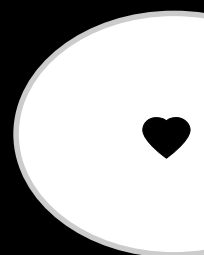


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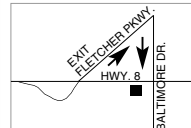
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I squint my eyes. “Damn sun. I wish I could’ve found my sunglasses.”

“You lost your glasses?”

“Yeah. In the move. It’s funny, I thought I knew exactly where they were, but when I looked in that box they had disappeared,” I explain, holding a hand to my eyes in a salute against the raging light. The light streams in, down the alleyway, over the dogs, through the open passenger window, past my friend Mel, and onto the right side of my face. The dashboard of my truck is lit in a flowery yellow, and the bright side of the steering wheel is highlighted white. “The damn things don’t exist in this dimension anymore. I’ve looked everywhere.”

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Mel gives a polite laugh. Traffic eases us into the shadow cast by the home with the cyclone fence, and the blinding saturation that filled the cab abates and draws to the seat and pickup bed behind our shoulders. Rivulets of sweat gather at the short hair of my neck, slip down, and seep into the collar of my T-shirt. I lift my arm and sniff my pit. "Woof! Damn, Mel, I apologize. I'm kicking up quite a cloud of B.O."

"Oh, don't even worry about how you stink," she says, holding her hands up, palms toward me. "But don't come over to this side of the truck unless you *really* want to smell some funk."

At the corner a man in a polo shirt and painter's pants holds up a newspaper. Passing motorists drop peso

coins into the thick skin of his upturned hand. He offers his newsprint papers that flutter at the edges to the customers. After each takes his paper, the man reaches into a canvas pouch around his waist to grab another.

Diagonally across the intersection from the paperman, a round-faced boy strums a light maple acoustic guitar. From behind the streaked and dusty glass of our windshield I can see his mouth open and his bare, pale teeth. He favors and opens the left side of his mouth more and squints that eye also. We can't hear the words, but his face expresses the wrought feelings of the song and the desperation of every musician.

Across the street, closer to our truck, a woman who looks to be carved from a solid

trunk of oak, wearing a purple, white, and green dress, holds up caramel disks of peanuts and popcorn.

"Everyone's selling something," I say. "And everything's for sale."

"That's Mexico," Mel slips out absently as she stares out the window.

"Good ol' Mexicali," I say. "Sorry the truck doesn't have air-conditioning. We could roll up the windows. I doubt you enjoy the smell of burning trash as much as I do."

"It doesn't bug me," Mel says and wrinkles her nose.

"Just the same. Jesus, some AC would be nice. What is it, 112 here?"

"That's what the weather website said."

The midnight blue Ford carrying us lurches forward when I release

the clutch and pull away from the yellow traffic light hanging at an awkward angle over the intersection, and now it's behind us. Cars stop.

"All those people back there selling something. They never had a chance to do something different, did they?"

"What do you mean?"

"I mean, if they were raised in San Diego they'd probably be well-off enough to take vacations in Mexico," I explain. "But as it is, their day is solid.

They've got to get up and start selling to make enough money to pay for food. Go to sleep. Do it again."

Mel agrees. "One of these people could probably do our jobs better than we can, but they've got no opportunity to do it. Where you are defines what you can be.

What you can be is what you are."

We follow a light blue tricycle that's been converted into a parcel carrier — a large flat front end that can hold a dozen medium boxes and be taxied around by pedal. But on this trip the cargo bay stands empty. And as we pass I look to the shirtless man operating the cycle, and he is smiling a wide, beaming, toothless grin — the joy of an empty load.

On our way to Guadalupe Canyon we have to stop outside Mexicali for authentic beer, tequila, and Coca-Cola with real sugar in it. The truck in front of me pulls into a strip mall on the side of the road marked by a hand-painted sign with a cartoon soccer player kicking a goal and a tin-embossed plate that

reads "Cerveza Tecate." I follow the truck into the parking lot, stop behind it, and get out.

"Are we on Highway 2?" I ask.

"Yep," my friend Tony says as he exits the driver's side of his white Toyota. "This is Calle Dos and should take us to the bumpy road that leads to Cañón de Guadalupe."

Behind me the third truck in our convoy skrits its tires against the gravel, idles the engine down, and shuts off.

"You've been here before?" I ask Tony.

"Yeah, but it was almost ten years ago."

"Can you find the road in the dark?" I ask. "It'll be sundown soon."

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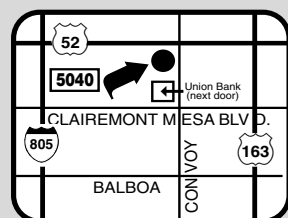
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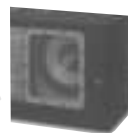
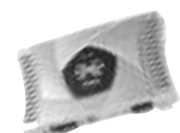
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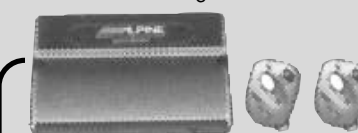
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case sit two loaves of Bimbo bread and at the aisle closest to the cashier are two bottles of red table wine.

As first in line I’m situated behind a family of women. The eldest, the mother, looks to be

in her early 30s, maybe 5 years older than me. Behind her stands a 16-year-old girl in white pants and a pink tank top with a gold toe ring and her black hair tied up in a ponytail. Behind the 16-year-old is a 12-

year-old girl. Behind her is an 8-year-old, and the 8-year-old is carrying her baby sister, who looks to be a little younger than 2.

Quick, sharp Spanish chirps from the mother, and she taps the

sole of the purple sandal on her right foot against the tile, and a thin ring of gold encircling her ankle jingles on each toe-fall. When the woman is satisfied with the answers given by the cashier, she turns to

leave, and the girls follow her out one by one like ducklings.

Behind the counter the man waves me up and smiles uncomfortably. “Sorry for that, my friend.”

“I don’t mind,” I let slide out of a smile. “I didn’t understand any of it anyway.”

“Well then,” he projects his voice out from a much happier face. Grabbing the pack of beer from me and passing it under a scanner that’s been duct taped above his counter, he smiles a broad, toothy beam. I notice he is well over six feet tall and probably nearing 300 pounds. The red apron he wears looks to be two sizes too small, and his extra-large shirt sticks out wide on each side of it. He smiles, takes the green bills from my palm, and leaves peso coins in their place.

In the bed of my truck I situate two plastic jugs of water, move a box of food, and reset my blankets to make a hole big enough for my beer. Sinking below the horizon the sun paints the sky in pink, gold, and orange. Black smoke rises from three spots to the southwest, over the desert.

Before anyone else is out of the store, Brianna stuffs a mermaid piñata through the passenger’s-side window of my truck. “What the...?” Mel exclaims as the mythological simulacrum comes through the opening and over her lap, tail-first and finally the head, covered in flat red strips of paper to approximate hair.

“This is a mermaid. And this is a box of airplane booze bottles,” Brianna informs us as she passes a small box in. “We can’t stuff her in our truck because it’s a surprise for Renée and she’s riding with us.”

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"I don't know, but it's pretty cool."

"Here, there's a hole in the back of the mermaid's head and one in her butt. Get as many bottles in as you can," Brianna says, pats the box, and turns around to run to her pickup.

Our headlights beam in awkward angles through the parking lot as we maneuver our

trucks around and point them toward the exit. Toward the highway our trucks lurch and spit pebbles behind us as we pull into traffic.

On Calle Dos the wind pushes into the truck in solid slugs and swaps the dust on the dashboard for fresh dust from outside. Mel squints through the thick air and shoves miniature plastic bottles of hooch up a paper mermaid's ass by the azure light from the dashboard.

I turn to Mel and holler over the wind, "At least it's cooled down a bit since the sun's gone down." Beyond Mel, in the right-hand lane, is a 1970s Datsun pickup towing something like a trailer. Mel notices I'm looking past her, and she spins her butt around over the bench seat and stares out into the darkness. "What the hell is that?" she asks.

"It's a Datsun

pickup," I tell her. "It's towing the front half of a Corvair. The Corvair's been spun backwards, chopped behind the doors, and the top has been removed. And it looks like the trunk lid's been taken off. Corvairs were rear-engine, and the trunk was up front. Look, you can see where the headlights were."

And they look back at us as the pickup gains speed down the hill and overtakes us. The Corvair trunk and what used to be the front seat are piled high with scrap steel, washtubs, pots, pans, and the shin-high fence posts that you'd find around the grass in a municipal park.

**THUD BUD WUD BUD THUD!** From underneath the pickup and back-turned erstwhile car, tubular orange cones with a reflective ring around the top come spitting out. **THUD WUD BUD!** An amber safety cone rock-

ets up from beneath the front wheel of the truck and fires across my hood, bouncing over the wipers and careening up and over my windshield.

"**HOLY SHIT!**" Mel and I yell. I romp the brakes and check to my right as the Datsun, makeshift trailer, and load of junk go shooting off a hard edge cut from the asphalt and launch out into the night, down a foot from where the blacktop was, and crash down against a rough dirt road.

Now standing on the brakes and clutch, I spin the wheel to the left and slide my truck into the dirt, gravel, and weeds of the median. The Datsun's headlights angle into the lane I occupied a second before, and with a twisting, slinging jump, it makes it out of the dirt — wheels airborne, lights akimbo, throwing steel, pots, and pans behind it and across the highway.

"Oh my God!" I yell, correct my trajectory, and aim the truck back onto the blacktop. "Did you see that? Their lane ended. It just ended. No warning or anything. It ended. And they came into our lane! No warning!"

Mel releases her white fingers slowly from the dash and plastic interior of the door. Her eyes wild and chest heaving with gasps and a thrashing heartbeat, between breaths she hisses, "That's Mexico."

White bits fall from the trailer and bound along the road in the bathing light of my headlamps. Two minutes after the near-death experience, the right lane ceases to be just a dirt path, and a hard-edged shoulder, a foot up from the dusty floor, marks the reinvention of the second lane, and the dead eyes of the Corvair pull into it.

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mishap, I punch the throttle and pull away from the Datsun. The uphill swing works in my favor, and the mini-truck hauling a load slows and drops back against the strain. Speeding up, I find Brianna's and Tony's

taillights ahead of me and nestle into the rear position of the caravan. Tony's rear lights get brighter when the brake lights come on, and he slows. Crossing the median, bump bump down onto the gravel, bump bump back up on

the pavement, following Tony's truck we cross the opposite lanes of Highway 2. Past a barbed-wire fence that lies down with the wires dipping into the dirt we travel, and two by two our headlights shine on a weathered gray wooden

sign with the words "Cañón de Guadalupe" painted on it in black. "WOOOOO!" I yell as I hop out of my truck and greet the other drivers and passengers. "Man, we are here!" "Wait, wait," Tony pleads. He pushes his

shoulder-length chestnut hair back over his ears and holds his hands up. "It's been a while since I've been here, but I think this washboard road is 30 miles; then we hit a rocky boulder road for 7 miles." "Damn, man. That's

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crack and dip of a Tecate top pops. Kip steps to the side, and behind him is Brianna chugging from a red and gold can. "Aaaah!" She stops and holds the beer up. "What? We're in Mexico. Let's have one while we drive. This is a private road, I'm sure."

Gravel scrapes and skrits from under our soles as we race around the back of our vehicles and dig through the jostled supplies for cold gold beer.

"There's also a dry lakebed we can cross, but we can't see the tracks at night," Tony tells us, pointing out past the scrub brush lining the side of the road. "It's just open desert. It's a good bet you'd get lost at night."

With that the truck doors slam, starters crank over, music blares from tinny dash speakers, and the hard rubber tread of our tires crunches through the pebbles and stones of the road as we ease away from the sign and down the bumpy road.

Condensation forms on the outer edges of my fingertips and rolls, transitioning from aluminum to skin, and evaporates in the bustling air of my pickup cab. "I'm done," Mel announces to me over the rushing wind. "That's all the booze that's going to fit up Ariel's tailpipe," she informs and sets the piñata on the seat between us. Cones of illumination emanate from the dark hood of my truck and reflect back only the whiteness of a dusty road like moonlight on snow. On the side of the road, the greenish-gray vegetation and fencing give way occasionally to the dark husks of burnt-out cars.

"That's four," Mel says. "So far, we've passed four flipped-over cars on the side of the road." Her voice is shaky like a child playing horsy

on an adult's knee because we're shooting down "the bumpy road." The bumpy road is a stretch of hell, carved with ruts situated every six inches, perpendicular to the road and three inches deep. So when

Mel says "road," it comes out "ro-o-o-o-o-a-d." I test different speeds, shift gears, ease the throttle on and off to get the smoothest ride. Thirty-five miles per hour sets the truck up on the high spots of the

chuckholes and puts us motoring above turbulence, like a boat that rises up over choppy waves and skims the surface of a lake. The truck still shakes but not the way it does at lower or higher speeds. I try to

keep it at 35 to keep the shaking to a minimum. Only occasionally do the tires find a harmonic vibration between the four of them. When the truck does find the harmonic, the front tires drop, the

rear tires pop up, and then they start swapping positions like a seesaw. Little clips come flying off from the grill on each side of the radiator, our gear in back levitates above the rails of the bed, and the doors shake

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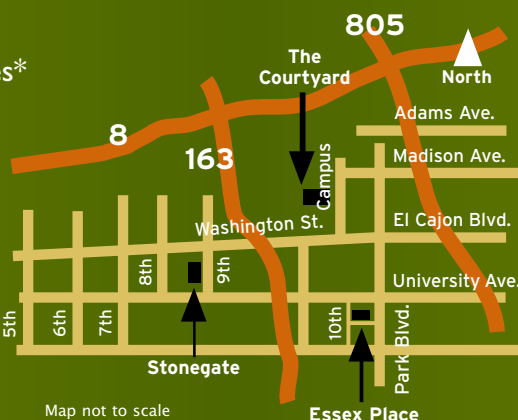
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inside their jambs and clang and pop open. Mel and I develop our skills at grabbing the handles and leaning in to slam the door without having to slow down or stop. Eventually, the harmonic shaking stops, and we stream over the waves smoothly once again, only to hit the shimmying shake a few minutes later, lean out, slam the doors, check by rearview mirror that our stuff is still stowed in the

back, adjust the throttle, punch the clutch, grab a gear, and race off again under the Mexican moon.

"All right, Mel!" I yell into the cab of the truck. "Let's do it!"

I maneuver our craft to the center of the road and stab the gas a little. On the left, I start to overtake Brianna's pickup, and I ease back down to match her speed and glide in next to her. When I'm even

with her window and I can see the glow of her face in the dashboard lights, she turns to us and Mel leans out, hooking her knees inside the door, and with both hands Mel yanks up her white tank top and bra and screams "WOOOOO!" out into the dark void between our racing trucks.

Brianna's face twists into a laugh, and her truck slows down as she loses her focus on driv-

ing. Mel replaces her shirt, and we sidle up next to Tony. Once again, "WOOOOO!" she screams out, and I can see Tony's face crack up into a sly smile and he reaches one hand off his steering wheel and pulls his shirt up, in turn, to reveal his thin, hairy chest, and he drives with his right hand. Mel collapses back onto the bench seat, and her laughter is chopped by the shaking of the truck, and I ease the truck back into formation behind Tony's and in front of

Brianna's.

After our doors pop open a few more times and we've cracked another beer, the caravan slows to a stop. We both exit the vehicle and take our positions in various spots of light and shadow, by bushes and alongside the road, and we all, all eight in the convoy, pee.

"I'm going to stop," Mel says.

"Stop what?" someone asks.

"Stop counting flipped-over, burnt-out cars," Mel answers. "That

was the 12th."

I notice a single tennis shoe up the hill, turned over on a rock. I scan the vicinity for the other of the pair but don't find it. All I find are two wooden crosses, whitewashed, printed with names, and hammered into the dirt past the sneaker, ten yards up the bank.

"Tony, are you sure you know where we're going? Let me see the directions."

If you take the bumpy road to its completion 28 miles from Calle Dos you'll come to a white gate. The gate separates the two sides of the campgrounds. Arturo's camp is to the right, 7 miles up a road that isn't much of a road, but more like a lane in the terrain that isn't overgrown with grease brush, ocotillos, and barrel cacti. Other than that it's just the side of a hill, rocks, boulders, stones of every size. This is why you need to bring a truck to Arturo's camp in Cañón de Guadalupe. A car doesn't have the clearance to make it. You'd tear the oil pan out from under you in anything except a pickup or an SUV.

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After two more beers and miles more of bad road, the dust rolls off the top of our tires and swirls in the yellow-

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white cones of our headlights. Before us hang the fingery leaves of tawny palm branches over a rectangle of wooden support studs in a configuration about half the size of a garage with a park bench and picnic table beneath it.

"This is it, man!"

Kip yells. "We're here!"

We hustle about.

Situating our vehicles in the perfect spot, pitching tents, opening cots, and inspecting the hot tub. One by one we plod through the center of camp across the floor of thick dust, cracking beers, changing into swim trunks, throwing towels over our shoulders.

"What time do you think it is?" Ed asks. We're each up to our necks in steaming spring water. "I looked at my cell phone, but it doesn't work down here."

"My truck clock read just after 1:00 a.m. when we pulled in," I answer.

Crunch. Crunch.

Crunch.

"Man, that bumpy road takes a lot of time."

Crunch. Crunch.

Crunch.

"Damn, it's rough to get over too."

Crunch.

"We'll ask around tomorrow and get directions to the dry lakebed," Tony tells us. "It's supposed to be smooth sailing all the way to Highway 2, no bumps or potholes or anything."

Crunch. Crunch.

"What the hell is that crunching noise?" I yell. With water cascading down from my shoulders and kicking up from my knees, I push myself out of the tub and reach over to a camp chair and pluck the flashlight off its seat. "I hear it too."

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"It sounds like somebody's eating cookies up there."

The crunching stops in the location of the light beam and starts up in a different location from wherever I aim the torch.

"It must be some creatures that live in the trees."

"And eat cookies."

Bugs swarm the glowing tip of the flashlight, the sting of mosquito beaks burns into my shoulders at hot poker points, and a beetle buzzes past the cone of light and lands on my collarbone.

"Yeee!

Yeaghughyiggy!" I shriek and swat at my chest and neck. The beetle lands with a soft *plff* in the dust and squirms about on its back. I nudge it over with my toe, and it takes flight again. I switch the flashlight off and splash back into the tub to save my skin from the swarming,

biting insects.

Across the canyon in the campground opposite ours we hear a dogfight break out. "It's okay," an American yells. "They're okay. They won't hurt you." The clamor reaches a peak, and one dog yelps out into the night air, "*Yarp! Yarp! Yarp!*"

"Jesus," Kip says.

"How often do you hear a dogfight like that?"

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"I think it was the Middle Easterners who thought that since the sun and moon affected

the big things on earth, like the tide and crops, that the smaller stars affected the smaller things," I tell the group after we identify a handful of constellations and zodiac signs. "The different zodiac constellations had different houses and, depending on where they were when you were born, affected how your health and money and relationships went for the rest of your life." For some reason while I'm explaining this I think that making a little "house" with my hands is going to relay my point better.

"Is that true, Mel?"

Kip asks.

"I don't know. Why ask me?"

"Well, you work for NASA."

"As a graphic designer. I make pamphlets and presentations. I work in my apartment in Hillcrest," Mel says, cocking her brow at Kip. "Besides, I

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don't think NASA navigates the solar system using the old horoscope charts."

"It's like what we talked about in the car," I say. "I don't believe in astrology, but where you are physically defines your options. Where you're born. Where you move."

"A neat trick to stargazing is to stop thinking that you're looking up but instead to think that you're looking out," Brianna instructs us. "Like out a window."

We sit in silence for a minute and adjust our perception of the night sky, the stars, and our orientation on land.

"Whoa. Trippy."

"Yeah, that's trippy."

"Trippy."

"On that note..." I say, splashing out of the tub. After unhooking my towel from an ocotillo bush, I soak the residual water from my skin with it and stagger to my truck. Nestling into a pile of camp pads, pillows, and blankets arranged in the back of my truck, I lie face up, stargazing until my lids ease shut and block out the dancing lights of the Milky Way. I fall asleep listening to the critters that eat cookies in the foliage of the palm trees surrounding my truck and the camp with my friends contained in a hot tub.

I wake up to my friend Renée poking my feet and in a loud voice berating me, "Get up, sissy. First one to fall asleep, you wimp."

"You're a sweetheart," I yell from under my pillow. I had strategically smothered my face beneath all my bedding in the middle of the night to keep the mosquitoes from doing that soft-buzzing-soft-buzzing-soft-buzzing-LOUD-BUZZING-LOUD-BUZZING-LOUD-BUZZING thing in my goddamned ear all night.

"Whatever," she says. "Here's your coffee." A porcelain mug *clung-clunks* against the tailgate of my truck, and a little hot liquid singes my toes. I sit up.

"Mmmm..." I say, sipping from the cup.

"Mexico." My free hand reaches up to rub my right triceps and deltoid. Counting with my fingertips, I register over 60 mosquito bites on the back of my arm and top of my shoulder. The texture of my skin feels like

those orange massage balls you can buy in Sharper Image. "Super," I say to no one before taking my next sip and easing off my tailgate.

"You ready to hike?" Brianna asks me from the center of camp.

"Almost," I answer. "Let me put my shoes on and grab a couple beers."

"If I remember correctly," Tony starts, "we just walk out of the camp up the hill, and there are arrows leading

us to the trailhead."

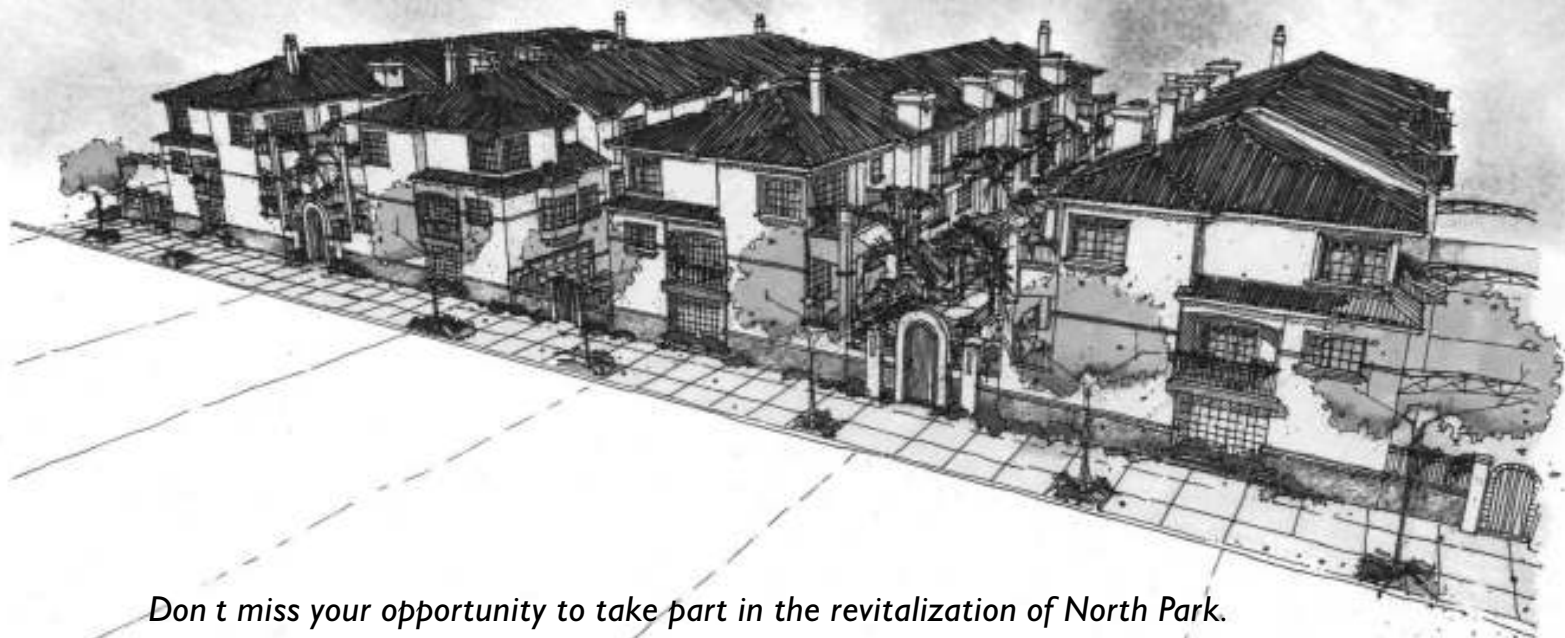
"The trailhead?" I ask. "What about after that?"

"If I remember, it's fairly obvious the direction we take," Tony gestures up the shale cliff. "We just have to follow

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the creek up until we run into the upper waterfall."

After I lace up my black Converse All-Stars and put a Tecate in each pocket, I follow the group out of camp and up the hill.

The trail starts off easy. Arrows of white, painted against the larger boulders, guide us along our way, and we traverse the rocks without problem. Tony scouts ahead of the rest of the pack and from time to time will stand up on a tall rock and show us which direction we should be taking. "From up here it looks

like there's a trail over this side of the creek and up along that ridge."

Beneath the shade of a gigantic palm we stop to rest, and I pop the last of my beer. "Jesus, I should've brought some water," I say.

"We packed some. You can have some of ours," Renée offers.

"No, thanks," I say. "There's water in beer."

"How long were we supposed to be out here?" Mel asks.

"This morning Tony said it was a half-hour hike."

"How long have we been out here?"

"An hour." Sweat rolls down our hot red faces. "Where'd Tony go?" I ask.

"He went to scout around and find the trail again," Kip answers. Gulping down the last of my beer, I crush the can and Brianna takes it from me and places it in her backpack. "Thanks," I say. "Well, let's get on it. We either have to keep going until we find the waterfall or turn back."

A black outline of Tony set against the bright backdrop of the sun-raging sky waves his arms from atop a high boulder of granite. "It's

just around the corner," he yells down. "I think I know where we are now."

"Tony, I'm going to slap the hippie off of you if we don't find this damned thing," I yell up to the shady figure. His outline shakes with a little laugh and brushes the hair back over his ears.

"I told you it's been a while since I've been up here."

Rocks crunch under the soles of our shoes as we start back down the trail out of the shade of the big palm. Scratching, poking, nettling plants drag across our shins, and our hands sizzle against the expanse of sun-soaked gray stone. I push on someone's butt to get them over a boulder, and they in turn

lean down to pull me up by my arm.

Tony's above us again, on a rock to the right, his hand held out flat and at arm's length pointing to the sun and his head cocked to one side. "I think it's right over this ridge. Let's see. The sun's going this way..." Tony's voice trails off and his hand holds higher.

"Tony, we're lost. If we're lost, just say we're lost," I yell up playfully to my friend.

"I know exactly where we are," Tony plays along.

Scrambling over the side of a sheer granite cliff, I stand up, and laid out before me is a perfect pool of shimmering water, and on the end opposite of me is the white, babbling, cascading

waterfall.

"WOOO! HOO!" I scream, pulling my shoes off and shucking my shirt. "Come on, Tony!" I yell. "Jump in."

"I'm going to wait until everyone gets up here. I feel bad that it's taken so long. I think we were lost for a while."

"Don't feel bad, Tony. C'mon! We're here now!"

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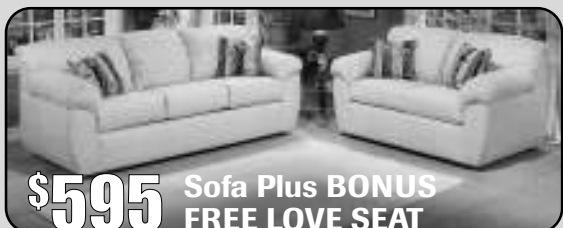
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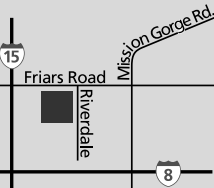
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and splash down. One by one, as groups, holding hands, we jump in, paddle around, run our hands over the rough sandy bottom, sit in the clamoring waterfall, cycle in and out of the pool. At one point a green snake makes an appearance. Ed and I unsuccessfully attempt to remove the snake by its tail.

"Just grab it behind its head," Renée yells at us.

"Yeah," I say over my shoulder, attempting to corner the snake.

"Why don't you just grab it behind its head?"

"C'mon, you ninny," she yells. "Just grab it."

"What if it bites me?" I ask. "If I'm poisoned and I pass out, will you carry me down the hill?"

"It's not poisonous. It's a green garden snake."

"Are you sure about

that? I mean, are you willing to risk it?"

"Oh, Jesus Christ," Chrystal says, jumping into the pool. "Get out of the way." And she reaches down in the water, submerges her head, and with her hands in front of her like an underwater outfielder snatches the snake behind its head and swims it to the edge of the pool and releases it.

"SISSIES!" Renée yells. "A girl did it!"

After the snake is removed, more diving contests, breath-holding contests, and funny-hairdo contests take place until late afternoon, until we wind down and we're all beneath the shade of a ledge cut from the granite stone, sleeping. We softly snore in the shadow of the big rock, stirring gently, rolling over, and dreaming the

afternoon away.

We each wake and splash in. A couple more dips in. Duck our heads in. Soak our hats and shoes in. And as a group start ambling back down the side of the mountain toward home.

"That's funny," the normally quiet Ed speaks out. "I just saw a squirrel, a hawk, and a barrel cactus all in a line on that ridge."

"Why's that funny?"

"It just reminds me of the time I lived in Arizona. There were these ground squirrels that lived in burrows all around my house. One day I came home from work and saw one pegged to the top of a barrel cactus in my front yard. It was stuck and squealing."

"How the hell does a squirrel get on top of a cactus?"

"That's what I wondered," Ed says, squint-

ing his eyes and looking up to the right. "I figured out it must've been snatched up by a hawk but dropped there before the hawk had a good grip on it."

"Did it live?"

"Yeah, yeah, it lived."

I dragged it off the cactus with my work gloves on my hands so it wouldn't bite me and I set it free," he continues. "I saw it a couple weeks later. It came out to splash in a puddle of water I made while I washed my truck. It had a bum leg and was smaller than its brothers and sisters. It was sillier too. It's funny how silly it acted because it hadn't been out adventuring around and learning how to behave like an adult. It was still a little kid, kind of. I suppose he grew up all right after that. I'm not sure. I didn't see him after that."

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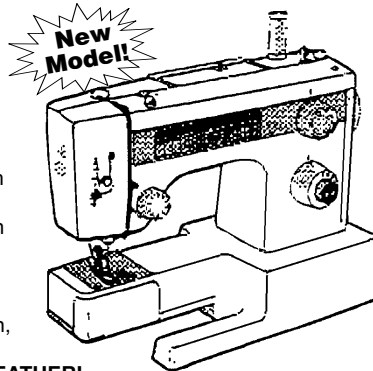
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Bounding over rocks and sliding down boulders is quicker than boosting up over rocks and climbing boulders. We're halfway back to camp after ten minutes of sauntering down the hill. Over a rock and around a palm tree I'm halted where I stand.

"Hi," I say and stick out my hand. There's a woman in a red bandanna standing in front of me. "I didn't think I'd see another person all weekend. My name's Ollie."

Grabbing my hand and shaking, she introduces herself, "Hi, I'm Lisa. It's strange to see an American down here. I'm from San Diego."

"We are too," I say and gesture to the group behind me. Tony walks past and says, "Nice to meet you. It's weird. We're probably neighbors, but we haven't run into each other up there. We had to come to the side of a rock 100 miles into Mexico to meet."

"How far is the waterfall from here?"  
"Just up the way. It's easy to find."

"Good luck!"  
"See you. Oh, my friends are behind me. Don't be startled when you run into them."

"Okay."

Beneath the purple shadow of a boulder, Tony and I find easy footing, and the trail is evident. My shirt, cooled by the water, seems light on my shoulders, and we amble along leisurely.

*Snap!* A branch in front of us breaks, and from around the boulder appear three dogs, their sharp, intense, determined barking shattering the air around us. Ground squirrels, quail, and sparrows skitter, flutter, and beat their

wings along the upper ridges, in retreat from the terrifying pack.

Tony squats and raises his arms to menace the oncoming snarling, slobbering canines. I spin and reach behind me. "Hold your

ground!" Tony yells at me. He thinks I'm turning to leave. "They'll chase you if you run." I'm not turning on my heels to flee the confrontation. I'm fumbling along the ground for a fist-sized rock. In a sec-

ond I've found what I'm looking for, and I take my stance next to Tony, the rock high over my head.

"Call your dogs off, man!" I yell into the surrounding canyon. "Hey! Get these goddamned

dogs!" my voice pitches higher.

"Oh, they're friendly," a woman's voice says, and she comes around the boulder and stands over the growling, drooling, hair-raised pack.

"Yeah," I scream. "They look *real* friendly!" Now, call them off or I split their skulls open with this rock!"  
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still going nuts, tugging against her restraining hands, snapping their jaws at the air, and in staccato bursts voicing their fear and hatred. Her husband rounds the corner and holds the third one by its collar.

"Get the hell off the trail!" Tony yells at them. "What are you thinking bringing those rabid goddamned dogs out like this?"

"Oh no, they're friendly."

"I'm sure Lisa told you we were down here. She was supposed to tell anyone she came across."

"Yeah? She didn't tell us you had wild dogs with you!"

After a couple more harsh words forced from

us by our squeezing adrenal glands, pumping hearts, and racing lungs, the couple assures us once again, the dogs are very friendly, and we pass by. "Our friends are behind us. Don't let those fuckin' dogs bite anyone, get it?"

One by one we pass the rest of their straggling group, comprising children and old women, eight in all.

Back in camp we each grab a beer from the icy water of the cooler. We each crack one and hold it up and touch the thin aluminum cans together. "Here here," Kip says. "A job well done." The cold amber liquid slides down our parched throats in waves, and we

each break from it and gasp, "Aaaaaah!"

"I'm starvin'. I'm cooking that carne asada," Renée says.

Kip and I pile some wood in the grill along with some charcoal, spray it down with starter fluid, and strike a match. Flames lick up from around the blackened bars of the grill. "That's how you clean a camping grill in Mexico," Kip says. "Fire kills everything, and you're good to go."

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Your child will stay on current ADHD treatment and receive an investigational medication or placebo. This research study is sponsored by a major pharmaceutical company. Enrollment time and space are limited.

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

- Both parent and child will be compensated for time and travel.
- All research medication and study-related medical care will be provided at no cost.

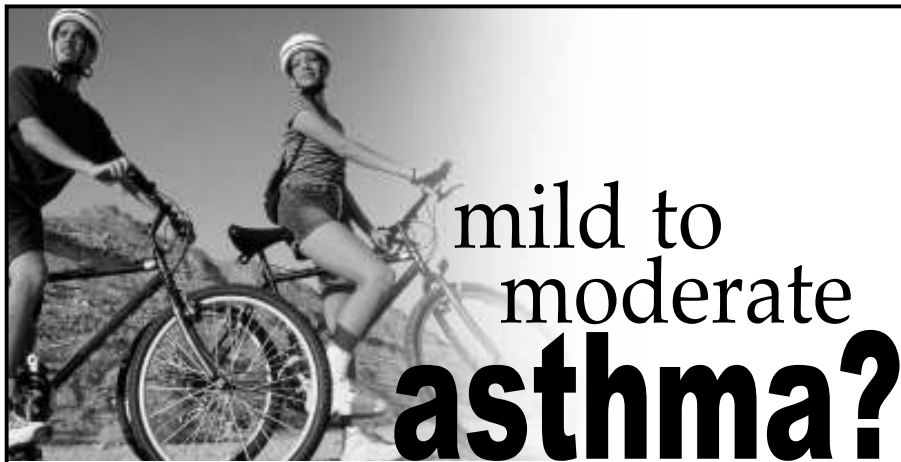
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# mild to moderate asthma?

If you are a person with mild to moderate asthma but are otherwise in good health, you may qualify for a clinical research study of an investigational medication for asthma.

*To qualify you must be:*

- age 18 to 50
- diagnosed with asthma for at least the past year
- a non-smoker or a previous smoker (for at least 2 years)
- currently on inhaled corticosteroids

Qualified participants will receive all study-related exams and investigational medication at no cost and may also be compensated up to \$2,350 for their time and travel.

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While the sun bursts over the ridge in a spectacle of hue, Kip and Mel get up without notice and leave the table. We sit beneath the color-streaked levitating clouds and marvel at the sight. When the orange and pink are replaced with purple and gray a few moments later, Kip and Mel return with a halo of light below their chins.

"Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday, dear Renée! Happy birthday to you!" we all carry on together. Moon Pies with candles routed through the center of the marshmallow-y disks are passed around, licked, bitten, and scraped away from

paper plates.

"Thank you, thank you," Renée says, blushing. "I'm very fortunate to have you all here for my birthday. I mean, who else would drive across the border, down a washboard road, and up the side of a hill for little ol' me?"

"Here here!" Kip says and raises his Tecate. The thin aluminum pops in and out as we touch cans above our heads.

More toasts are made. Toasts to Mexico. (MEXICO!) Toasts to Chrystal. (THE SNAKE WHISPERER!) Toasts to the constellations. Toasts to silly ground squirrels. Another round to Mexico. (MEXICO!) And a couple to us. (YAY! US!)

Behind me, my truck door slams, and I turn to see who's digging through my gear. Brianna holds her finger to her lips to keep me quiet as she smuggles out a papier-mâché mermaid from my front seat.

"All right, Renée," Ed says. "Here's your big birthday present. Close your eyes."

"Oh," Renée gasps, a little startled. "Okay."

Ed produces a handkerchief from his back pocket, and from behind her camp chair he blindfolds Renée. "What the...?" she says and touches the blindfold.

"All right, get up," Ed instructs her. "We're going to spin you around. Now, we don't

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# Depressed? Sleeping Too Much? Not Enjoying Life?

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## DO YOU HAVE DEPRESSION THAT KEEPS RETURNING?

### Do you know someone who has depression that keeps returning?

If you or someone you know experiences recurring episodes of sadness, sleep disturbance, low energy, feelings of worthlessness, emptiness or guilt...

You may be eligible to participate in a clinical research study for an investigational medication for Major Depressive Disorder. You must be between the ages of 18-64. You will receive study medication or placebo, study-related care, and diagnostic exams at no cost.

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# Insomnia

## Sleepless Nights Exhausted Days

A clinical research study for insomnia is now underway. Doctors are enrolling patients in a study of an investigational drug for insomnia.

To qualify for participation in this study, you must:

- Be 18-64 years of age
- Have had trouble falling and staying asleep for more than 3 months

Study participation includes, at no charge:

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- Investigational study drug
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Qualified participants could receive compensation for incidental costs and travel.

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# Depression Research Study

If you have been previously diagnosed and treated for depression and in recent months you are experiencing a recurrence of similar or increased symptoms, you may be eligible to participate in a clinical research study.

Those symptoms may include feeling sad or empty, feeling worthless or guilty, decreased interest in activities you once enjoyed, difficulty concentrating, weight loss, difficulty sleeping or lack of energy.

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If your child qualifies to participate, study-related assessments will be conducted by our research staff. Investigational medication may be provided at no cost. There will be a screening office visit, two sleep studies, and approximately eight office visits.

Compensation is provided for time and travel.

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have any way to pull this up or down on a rope, and we forgot our baseball bat. So we're just going to point you in the right direction and let you go. Here. Here's a two-by-four."

Renée's face beneath the blindfold registers only surprise at the events taking place around her in the short time it took for her to stand up, but she rolls with it and grasps the wood stud with both hands. Still a little dizzy

from the spinning but aiming in the right direction, she locates the piñata with the two-by-four, swings back over her shoulder, and *POP!* blows the aqua-green body right off the mermaid's white and red head. Finger-length plastic bottles of gin, vodka, and whiskey skitter across the dust floor and slide beneath the picnic table and find room in the dark corners of the palapa. "Hur- ray!" we all yell out and

scramble to find our favorite type of booze.

The head of the mermaid is left to hang in the center of the palapa as a warning to all other mermaids who might try to invade our camp.

By now the bumps on my arms and chest are lighting up like a pinball machine, and if I have more than a second to waste with idle hands, they reach for the mosquito bites and rub and scratch and tear at them with hard-edged nails. "Stop scratching," Mel says and holds cold beer cans against my shoulders.

"Yeah," Renée says in a snotty tone. "If you hadn't gone to bed before everyone else you could've sprayed down with mosquito repellent like the rest of us."

"Super. Thanks."

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To qualify you must:

- Have had 4 or more episodes of genital herpes in the past year (or 4 or more in the year before you started suppressive therapy in the past)
- Be a healthy adult 18 years or older

Qualified participants will receive:

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Today, local doctors are evaluating an investigational medication that could someday help treat persistent asthma that is difficult to control.

To be eligible for the study, a person must:

- Be 12 years of age or older AND
- Have had a medical diagnosis of persistent asthma for at least 6 months

Qualified participants will receive a study-related medical evaluation and the investigational medication at no cost. Reimbursement for time and travel will also be provided.

To learn more about this local study, please contact:  
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Do you or someone you care for suffer from  
**DEPRESSION?**

Common symptoms include:

- Sadness and/or irritability
- Loss of pleasure or interest in usual activities
- Changes in sleep patterns, appetite, and energy levels

Optimum Health Services is conducting a clinical research study in depression. If you are between the ages of 18-65 and are experiencing symptoms of depression you may be eligible to participate. Eligible participants will receive:

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- Compensation for time and travel may be available.

For more information about this clinical research study, please call: 888-290-9255

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Do you have trouble  
falling asleep?

A research study is being conducted to evaluate an approved medication in an investigational use in the treatment of Insomnia.

If you have been diagnosed with chronic insomnia and experience difficulty falling asleep and staying asleep, you may qualify for participation in this study.

Qualified participants will receive study drug and study-related physician visits at no cost and could be compensated up to \$1,200 for time and travel.

If you would like more information or think you may be eligible for this study, please contact the physician's office below.

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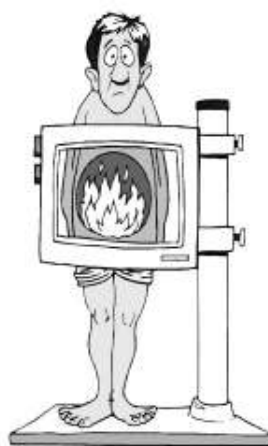


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It's decided upon as a good idea to spend the rest of our last night in Mexico soaking in the natural waters of the piped-in hot springs. Beer is gathered in coolers, dragged to the tub, chairs and towels are pulled over, and we settle ourselves into the pool, feet to the center, and arms spread out around the rocky concrete rim.

Across the canyon the sound of a dogfight kicks up in the night air. Half-drunk and soaking in the hot tub, the eight of us yell, "Oh, they're friendly!"

A child screams, and the dogs' barking reaches a high-pitched, frightening timbre.

"Yeah!" I scream and stand in the knee-high pool of steaming water. "They're friendly!"

More beer. More dogs barking. More

yelling. More fun, and into the bed of my truck after my eyelids get too heavy for me to manage.

"Oh, Jesus," I say and run my left hand over my left calf. "No-o-o." My voice trails off into the deep, choppy tone of morning throat gravel. I forgot to put mosquito repellent on. A blanket covered my upper body and the pillow sat over my head, but in the middle of the night my legs slipped out from the bedding pile and the stretch below my shorts was left as a big white field for midnight mosquito games. My fingers count the bumps around my left knee. Half dozen. One dozen. One and a half dozen. I stop counting after I sense two dozen bumps from the soft flesh on the interior across the kneecap to the smooth hinge of the exterior. "Super," I say

and rub my ankles together like a cricket and use the rough bumps on each foot and heel to scratch their corresponding sores on the opposite foot.

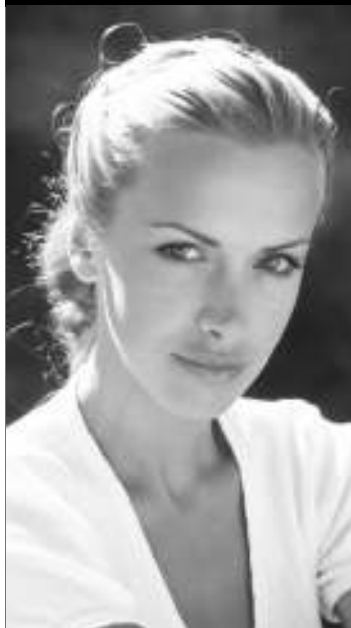
"Here's your coffee." Clung-clunk. "Thanks."

Sliding my butt across the plastic liner of my tailgate, I set my feet against the dark tan earth. My head cocks to the side as I try to figure out why one foot is closer to the ground than the other, but it's early in the morning, and it's taking me a second. I sip my coffee and gaze at my feet. After two more sips, the blanket of morning fuzz is peeled back from my mind and I shout, "No. Dammit. SHIT!" and scramble around to the driver's side. I find my rear wheel on that side sitting on a thin bed of deflated rubber tread.

## RESEARCH STUDIES

### Research Study on

# DEPRESSION



Do you suffer from these symptoms?

- Difficulty concentrating/remembering
- Difficulty sleeping/eating
- Fatigue/loss of interest
- Persistent sadness/hopelessness

The UCSD Psychopharmacology Research Initiatives, Center of Excellence, is conducting research study on major depression. The research study involves the use of an investigational drug compared to placebo.

If you have been previously diagnosed and treated for depression and in recent months you are experiencing a recurrence of similar or increased symptoms, you may be eligible to participate.

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# Insomnia?

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

You might qualify to take part in a research study of an investigational new medication for Insomnia if you are:

- 65 years of age or older
- Have a history of insomnia for at least 3 months

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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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## Do you find yourself nodding off during the day?

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If you are over 18 years of age

— AND —

If you experience difficulty staying asleep and difficulty during the day due to sleepiness

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# BIPOLAR DEPRESSION



Do you...

- Feel sad or anxious
- Have feelings of hopelessness
- Feel tired, lack energy or are unmotivated
- Have difficulty concentrating or making decisions
- Feel restless or irritable
- No longer have interest in once pleasurable activities

If you are experiencing some of these, you may be eligible for a research study.

Some qualifications are:

- Aged 18-65 years
- Non substance/alcohol dependent
- Using reliable contraceptive
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"What's the matter?" Kip asks from the center of camp.

"My tire's flat."

"From last night? We didn't drive anywhere."

"It must've picked something up on the road and leaked out slowly. I didn't notice until right now."

*Creeek*, my door opens and pops on its hinges because it's been sitting for a couple of days and dust has been forced into the slight openings and settled on the greased moving surfaces. More dust puffs off the seat back as I lean it forward and rummage for my star wrench. Camo blanket. No. Rope. No. Army surplus MRE. No. Here it is. Star

wrench.

I spin the chrome wrench in my hand, pull the camo blanket out. Spreading the camouflage polyester cover across the ground beneath the tailgate, I lean under into the shade and ease myself down.

That's not a lug nut. I reach up and finger the nut holding my spare tire in place and see that its edges are square instead of hexagonal like the sockets in my star wrench. I replaced the tires a month before the trip, including the spare. The retards at the tire shop must've lost the lug nut that holds my spare in and replaced it with a nut that no earthly wrench, at least no

wrench in Cañón de Guada-Goddamned-Lupe, Mexico, would fit — sonovabitch!

I lie there staring at that stupid square nut. "What's happening?" Kip asks as his shoes scuff the dirt around my waist.

"I'm screwed," I say. "I'm covered in mosquito bites, I have to get home *today* to work, my tire's flat, and I can't get the spare out. I'm sure I'll be fine, but I'm going to lie here for a minute and lose my cool."

"Okay," Kip says and his heels turn against the little stones set into the dust and walk away.

I stare up at that stupid nut.

Tires roll down the road ten yards away

from my truck. "Hey, does that guy need some help?" a woman's voice calls out.

"No, we're okay," Kip says.

"Where are you guys from?"

"San Diego. You?"

"San Diego," Kip answers. "Funny who you meet out here, huh?"

"Yeah. You guys leaving today?"

"Yeah. After we eat and pack and he fixes his flat."

Kip's feet stroll to the door of the SUV, and he continues the conversation in a lower tone. I stare at that stupid nut.

"AHA!" I yell up into the undercarriage of my truck and pull against the bumper to

slide out from under it. I run around to the passenger's side and *creeek*-pop the door open, pull the seat forward, and rummage. Under a 15-piece tool kit in a hole for a six-by-nine speaker, I find the can. The can that is the opposite of that stupid nut in the symbolic sense. A golden can of hope and salvation.

Along the side of the can is written in block white letters, "FIX-A-FLAT."

"YES!" I hiss and pump my fist. I scan the directions on the label. Okay. Thread tube onto valve. Okay. Push button on top. Okay.

Rechecking the directions in the sunlight and following them, I attach the tube

and press the top button. *Shhhhhhhhhhhhhhh*, white foam creeps up the tube to the tire valve, and the flat rubber circle plumps around its metal center, and the rear quarter panel on the driver's side rises up. The tube stops pumping foam and continues with air until the tire is hard and at full attention.

"Did you fix it?" Kip asks.

"Yep. Thank-you-God, I left this stuff in my truck from Burning Man. Man, I got lucky."

"That's Mexico," he says. "When you think you're screwed, luck pulls you out."

"Who were those folks?" I ask and watch the brake lights of the

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burgundy vehicle light up and the wheels creep over the boulders on the road.

“They were down here just like us. They camped up the hill a little ways. They came here and are going back out along the dry lakebed,” Kip says and lets it sit between us for a second. “They said it takes half the time and there are no bumps, not like on the road. I got directions from them if we end up going that way.”

“I don’t see why not,” I say. “If it saves us some time and keeps us off that road, I say we do it.”

Tents are packed away. Bourbon is poured into coffee cups. Tecates are cracked open.

“I’m only having one because I’m driving, but damn they taste good. It’s already getting hot out here.”

My arms and legs are paraded in front of

everyone for them each to yell, “Holy shit! You should’ve used bug spray.” Yep. Thanks.

Bagels and cookies are munched on and returned to their cellophane sleeves. Peanut butter is sealed in its jar and tossed into the back of my truck. Camp chairs are folded and put back in their slick canvas bags, slung over shoulders, and placed with the rest of the gear.

“Good Lord, it’s hot.”

“Here. Here’s some spray-on sunscreen.

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• be experiencing symptoms of depression

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• Study medication

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## Do you or anyone you know have **SCHIZOPHRENIA or SCHIZOAFFECTIVE DISORDER?**

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Some symptoms of schizophrenia include:

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- Hallucinations, or seeing or hearing things that others don't see or hear
- Paranoia, or unnecessary mistrust or suspicion

Hospitalization, medical evaluations and the investigational drugs will be provided at no cost. Eligible participants will also receive compensation for their time and travel.

To find out more information and to see if you qualify please contact **Optimum Health Services** at:

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Keep applying.”

Stiff coffee is swilled. Trash is collected and deposited in receptacles. Breaks are taken in the shade, and work is divvied up until spoons are cleaned and repacked, boxes are filled with supplies, and the camp is returned to the state that we found it in, with only the hint of burnt charcoal left, floating from the steel box covered with a wire grill.

My worn key slides into the ignition slot on the steering column, and Lucille, my 1995 Ford Ranger, stirs from her long nap. “Good ol’ Lucille!” Mel yells, buckling herself into the passenger seat.

1:00 p.m., the clock radio reads. Time enough to get home, unpack, and get to work at around 6:00 p.m. Perfect. Spray on some sunscreen to hold off the

harsh light beaming in from the windshield and we’re off. In a lazy line of zig-zagging, over to the right to avoid this rock, over to the left to avoid that one, we roll our trucks down the side of the mountain, keeping them in the lane between the rows of scrub brush that outline our track.

Ambling down the dusty trail for a beer’s worth of time, we slow to a corner and make a right-hand turn. I’m following Tony’s truck that’s shuttling Kip, who has the directions.

Behind me Ed is driving Brianna’s truck with her, Renée, and Chrystal all tucked away inside their extended cab. In my rearview mirror I can see the red aluminum cans in each of their hands held high to counteract the rocking of the truck on the boulders, and I can see their

giggling faces. Their truck gets off the boulder-y road and lights down on the bumpy road facing right, behind me and Tony.

Once we’re all aligned we start off again. Dust billows up behind Tony’s truck and covers me. Dust billows up from me and covers Brianna’s truck that Ed’s driving.

“Wish we had some air-conditioning,” I apologize to Mel. “We could roll up these windows and keep some of this crap out.”

“Ah, it’s okay. We’re in Mexico. I expect to get a little dusty.”

On the bumpy road we pass an olive grove with a hay-bale farmhouse situated in the center of the plot. “Man,” I exclaim. “People live out here.”

“Well, yeah,” Mel says in a surprised voice. “People live everywhere.

## RESEARCH STUDIES

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We are seeking volunteers for a clinical research study of an approved medicine under investigation for the treatment of depression due to bipolar disorder.

### TO QUALIFY:

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- You must have been diagnosed with bipolar disorder
- You must be experiencing symptoms of depression

### QUALIFIED PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE AT NO COST:

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People live in Alaska and on islands in the Pacific Ocean. This is only a few miles out of a dry lakebed and 20 miles from the city of Mexicali."

"Talk about your limited options though. If you're born out here on an olive grove, guess what you're going to do the rest of your life?" I say. "I suppose you're right though. It's remote, but it doesn't mean they're unhappy." Pausing for a second to mull over her answer, I then say, "Speaking of the dry lakebed, why are we on the bumpy road still? It's been about half an hour."

"I don't know. Kip was pretty drunk this morning. I guess he fig-

ured he didn't have to drive so he could get shithoused."

"That's awesome. Our navigator is trashed."

Tony's truck slows, the dust cloud he's kicking up abates, and I can see his glowing brake lights. A left-hand turn signal kicks on and blinks through the haze. I throw my lefty on and pull at the wheel, and our convoy bumps up over an irregular hump in the road, and we're off down another dirt road.

"Where the hell are we going?" I ask Mel.

"I have no idea. I thought we were supposed to get to the bottom of the boulder-y road and then we were supposed to be on the

dry lakebed for half an hour. We've been driving for at least twice that by now."

Our trucks pull along through olive groves until we come across a farmhouse off to our left with a clearing around it and what looks like a performance stage in the middle of the open lot.

"That's weird," Mel and I say.

"What do those signs say?" Mel asks.

"I'm not sure. I can't read all the words, but that one is 'Federales.' I know what that means. That's the federal police down here."

We continue on into the compound. On our right are lines of military vehicles, and before us is

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another large hump to overtake. Our trucks bump up and over. I follow Tony's truck and lose sight of him as he crests the hill and drops off the other side. As I cross the peak of the bump I see Tony's truck stopped at the bottom.

A man is talking into Tony's window, and I ease closer to hear what he's saying. We're in the front yard of a house, large by American standards, huge by Mexican standards, and if you think about where we are in Mexico, a few miles in the desert away from Highway 2 and 20 miles after that from Mexicali, then the damn house is downright enormous.

"That's easy, amigo," the swarthy, shirtless man says, gesturing in front of Tony's truck. "It's down to the right and straight ahead. I'll take you there." And with that the Mexican steps up onto Tony's rear bumper and grabs onto the rack on top of Tony's camper. Another man comes down from the knoll and steps up onto the passenger's side of Tony's black bumper.

Tony's rear tire spits dirt, and we traverse the yard on our way deeper into the olive grove. The men tap on the camper and we turn. Right. Left. "Go straight now, amigo," the man yells and points into Tony's mirror. Farther into the grove.

Around a bend in the row of trees and we're upon a concrete building where a muscular man is shaving his head in the stream of an outdoor shower.

"What the hell is going on?" Mel asks.

"I have no idea."

I lean out the window and yell, "Tony!" He cranes his head out his window and back to look at me. "What the hell are we doing?"

"I don't know," Tony says. "I asked these guys to show us where the

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dry lakebed is and how we can get to Calle Dos, but we're here now."

Brianna's truck pulls in and boxes me into the yard. To my right is a metal scaffold structure with a water tank atop it. To my left is the concrete building. Before me is Tony's truck. Behind me Brianna's.

"Something's wrong," I yell. "Let's get the fuck out of here!"

I throw my gearbox into reverse and look behind me. Ed gets the hint and starts to back up. The hefty man in boxer shorts scraping

shaving cream off his head lumbers over to Tony's truck and leans in. Ed and I are already backing out, but I stay to wait for Tony.

The man points. Tony leans his head out, and his backup lights come on. "Okay!" Tony hollers at the shaving man. "¡Gracias!"

Our trucks all spin, angling backwards down the road, and once we're lined up again with Tony in front, we start off deeper into the olive grove.

When we clear the grove, the vast expanse

of the dry lakebed opens flat and lies before us, spanning from horizon to horizon, circumscribed by distant purple mountains — the closest range a deep violet and the farthest a steel blue-gray. Three columns of black smoke rise from pinpoints before the hills and fade to slanting cones, ominous and terrible in the sky — the particles that compose them black but illuminated in the sunlight.

Tony's tires slide his pickup to a stop.

Stretching my legs and back pushes my

diaphragm up, and in a yawning voice I say, "Ahhh. Finally. The dry lakebed. We must've taken a wrong turn somewhere."

"Yeah, sorry about that," Tony mutters through the tight-lip formations of a mouth cracked by dehydration and sun.

"No sweat. We're doing fine."

"Yeah, we're okay," Ed chimes in. "No sweat, Tony."

"All right. Besides being really freakin' weird, that was actually a productive stop. We

took a wrong turn on the bumpy road," Tony admits. "The bald guy told me to drive to a pile of tires and turn right. He said we'd see the tracks of other cars in the lakebed. We follow those to Calle Dos."

"Fantastic," I say.

"Let's do it to it. I still have to work today."

"You work from home," Renée says.

"That's true, but I have a lot of things to get done."

"What was that place, anyway?" Kip asks, a little freaked out by the oddity of the situation.

"It was a drug rehab center," Chrystal, who speaks a little Spanish, informs us. "That's what those signs said."

I dig through the blanket of dust covering my supplies in the back of my truck to pull out a dented bottle of water.

I crack it, take a sip, and sigh, "Ahhh. Warm and plasticky, just the way I like it." Mel takes a sip and sprays my shoulders and arms down with sunscreen.

"Eew," she grimaces. "The grime on your arm is gritty. This coat of lotion is just going to

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“Let’s hit it.”

“Let’s do it.”

“*Ándale.*”

In the trucks and on the trail our spirits are lifted a little. We’ve each got a beer, and in the

reflections of mirrors, mine and Tony’s, I can read the smiles on people’s faces to mean they’re not worried about being lost anymore.

We come across a pile of tires, and Tony makes a right. Ed and I follow, and we’re out on the bright, open lakebed. Ed whips his truck up a gear and passes me on the right and cuts it to the left. His face is laughing in a playful manner for the first few seconds and then con-

torts to a mask of fear. Something’s wrong. His truck goes squirrely and wobbles across the buckskin-tan surface, slides to the side, and almost upends. At the last second before flipping over, his truck tips to two wheels but rights itself and stops.

Tony and I stop our trucks, get out, and run toward the other truck, Ed and Brianna’s, with the rest of our friends inside, that has almost tipped over, and we’re a little freaked out. Once

out on the crust of the lakebed we realize it’s not totally dry but rather a slippery coat of mud across a hardpan bottom layer. My feet slide to one side, and I nearly wind up on my ass.

“Whoa!” I yell out. Ed hops out of the truck and slithers across the mud, catching his hand on the door to prevent a fall. “I guess that’s why they said stay on the track. This stuff is slick!”

“You guys okay?”

“Yeah, it was a little

freaky, but we’re cool.

Brianna threatened to shoot me if I crash her truck.”

“All right. Get back on track and follow us.”

“That means everybody stay in a line on the trail,” Tony hollers at us with his hand held vertically to the side of his mouth, projecting his voice to us across the open space.

Back in line and gunning our engines, we make our way out across the desert.

“Burning Man’s

held in a place like this, isn’t it?” Mel asks. “What do they call that?”

“Yeah, it’s in a dry lakebed too. They call it the *playa*. I think *playa* means ‘beach’ in Spanish.”

“That’s right. The *playa*. The beach. We’re having a day at the beach.”

“This is a little grittier than a day at the beach,” I chuckle. The dust is blowing through the cab of our truck in waves, and the max air from the vent is blowing

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it across our chests and arms.

My arms are dark now. The tattoos have taken a deeper hue, and the skin beneath them has tanned to a walnut color. Mel keeps spraying me with sunscreen, and the grit sticks to it. The thin layer of lotion atop my exposed skin gets a black film built up. In the rearview I can see that my face under the brim of my straw cowboy hat is now nearly charcoal.

Mel and I pick up our discussions of surroundings, stars, fortune, and love. We're soon engrossed in a deep conversation about making out with strangers in the basement of the Kava Lounge by the airport in San Diego.

"I wonder when this road is going to curve around," I absently breathe out.

"I don't know. Why should it curve?"

"Because this road is going south. Mexicali, Calexico, hell, San Diego and the U.S. are to the north of us. We must meet up with another highway on the other side of this *playa*, and that takes us north to California."

Shielding the digital clock in the dashboard radio from the omnipresent blinding rays of the sun affords me a glimpse of the time: 4:44 p.m.

"I thought this was supposed to take half an hour," Mel says.

"I thought so too."

We're driving toward a dark horizon line inside the boundary of the foothills leading to the mountain range we've been driving toward for almost three hours. My foot probes deeper beneath the dash to goose the accelerator

pedal more and more as the trail gets lighter, the dust reduces quite a bit, and we're on a lakebed that hasn't been traveled and tamped down by many cars. "We're almost out of road. It keeps fading," I tell Mel.

Tony's truck banks upward and starts up a dune and disappears behind the ridge. When I cross the summit, I see Tony's truck sliding to a stop, and I stand on my brakes. Ed, in Brianna's truck, slides to a stop beside me.

We stop a few feet before the bank of a marshy creek. Vegetation grows thick along its bank. "I didn't think we had to cross a creek," I tell Mel.

"Neither did I."

Tony's out of his truck and approaching mine.

"Tony," I say. A realization sits across my head like a halo. A feel-

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ing pulls at my stomach. It's the same feeling I had at the waterfall and the same terrible perception I had in the olive grove.

"We're lost again, aren't we?"

When I exit the truck and walk toward Tony, I pass my front fenders and hood and laterally Brianna's truck slides back from my side view to reveal a charred husk ten yards away along the bank of the rivulet. Turning my head to focus on it, I see that the blackened, upside-down carapace is a burnt-out, flipped-over

Volkswagen Beetle — stripped bare and lit by looters.

"Goddammit! Goddammit!" Kip yells.

"Take it easy, Kip. It's not Tony's fault. We just got some faulty directions," I say.

"I know. I know."

Usually reticent, Ed speaks up. "This was supposed to be something easy. That American couple in the burgundy SUV said it was real simple. It took 20 minutes to find the lakebed and 30 minutes to cross it. So far, this hasn't been easy or simple."

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"You're right," I said. "Ed's right. We've just taken some bad turns. We've got to turn around. That's all. We've driven almost three hours in the wrong direction."

"Which way did we come?"

"From the north to the south."

"Why were we going south?"

"I don't know. I was following you guys, shooting the shit with Mel. I thought we had a handle on it."

"Where are we now?"

"Well, the sun is over Cañón de Guadalupe now. We're quite a ways south. We have to backtrack. I thought this road would turn back to the north or we would meet a highway out here that headed that direction."

"No such luck."

I see, in the back seat of her truck, Brianna's mental breakdown presented on her face. She covers her mouth and nose, and tears stream from her eyes.

I grab a branch off a bush and strip the leaves

off. I jam the stick into the dust and start drawing. "This is where we turned from camp." Draw a circle. "This is the road." A line from the circle. "This is that rehab center here. This is the right-hand turn, the left-hand turn, here's where we exited the olive grove." My hand jolts at the realization; my gaze darts upward and catches Tony's, Ed's, and Kip's in an instant. We know why we are lost.

"We turned right at a pile of tires and headed south. There was

probably a second set of tires farther down the road that if we turned at would point us north." The stick breaks in my hand, and I move to the dusty windshield of my Ford. With my fingertip I draw a detailed diagram. "I'll bet there's a second pile, here, to the west." My face, reflected back to me through the gritty windshield, shows how dirty I've become with the dust and grease, smoke and grime of a long haul through the desert. And across my eye shines a streak of sunlight, bent around

from the top of the glass to the side in a thin sliver.

It's almost 5:00. If we've gone two hours in the wrong direction and we backtrack, that'll be almost 7:00 when we get to the pile of tires. We have another hour to get out of the desert before sundown. After that we'll have to camp. There's no way we'll see the desert road in the dark; hell, I can barely see it now. And Ed's already demonstrated that we can't blaze our own path, even if we see the lights of Mexicali on

the horizon and try to drive to them in the dark across the mud. Too many unknown variables with that scenario — barbed-wire fences, creeks, glass to puncture a tire. I've already used my Fix-A-Flat and can't get the spare out. How much water do we have? How much gas? Everyone has about half a tank. We should be good, but it'll be close. We have a tent to pitch. We have some bagels and peanut butter. A couple gallons of water. Stuff to light on fire, maybe a signal of

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some sort. We'll be okay, but we've got to get out, get headed in the right direction.

"What about your work?"

Laughing, I turn and say, "Man, I ain't worried about work right now. I just want out of this desert."

"Here we go," I say from my driver's-side window, jamming my transmission into reverse.

"Who wants to take lead?" Tony asks from the cab of his pickup.

"I'm taking lead," I yell, and the drivetrain of gears, shafts, cranks, and pistons that make up the heart, lungs, and guts of Lucille start to whine in unison as I back her up over the dune and turn her around.

Convoy. We're lined up and hauling ass now. I'm not worrying about spraying dust on the

others. They aren't worried about falling behind. We are moving across the sand at a pace our pickups couldn't handle forever but is necessary for our time constraints. One hand on the shifter, one on the wheel, I drive the accelerator down and focus ahead on the tracks gullied out by vehicles before us and on our own tracks. Hauling. Mel and I keep the chatter to a minimum. Focus. Our eyes watch the clock as we motor across the *playa*.

6:30 p.m. Tony pulls alongside. "Those are the tires we turned right at originally."

"All right," I shout over the noise of our engines. "Let's keep on it. We've got an hour and a half before sundown."

"Let's do it."

*¡Ándale!*

Our eyes divide the

time between the sun, the clock, and the crumbled, cracked crust of dirt in front of our grille. Sky's turning pink and the sun's getting low. 7:00 p.m. The road's getting deeper, the tracks are worn. Must mean more people have come this way. There's the theoretical second pile of tires, standing guard to the road leading to Calle Dos and out of this desert. Sun's squinting down across that ridge. 7:50 p.m.

"Look!" Mel yells. "Telephone poles on the horizon."

"WOOO!" I scream. 8:15 p.m. The sun is a white, broad line running the length of Guadalupe Peak, and the dusty road leads to an entrance to Calle Dos.

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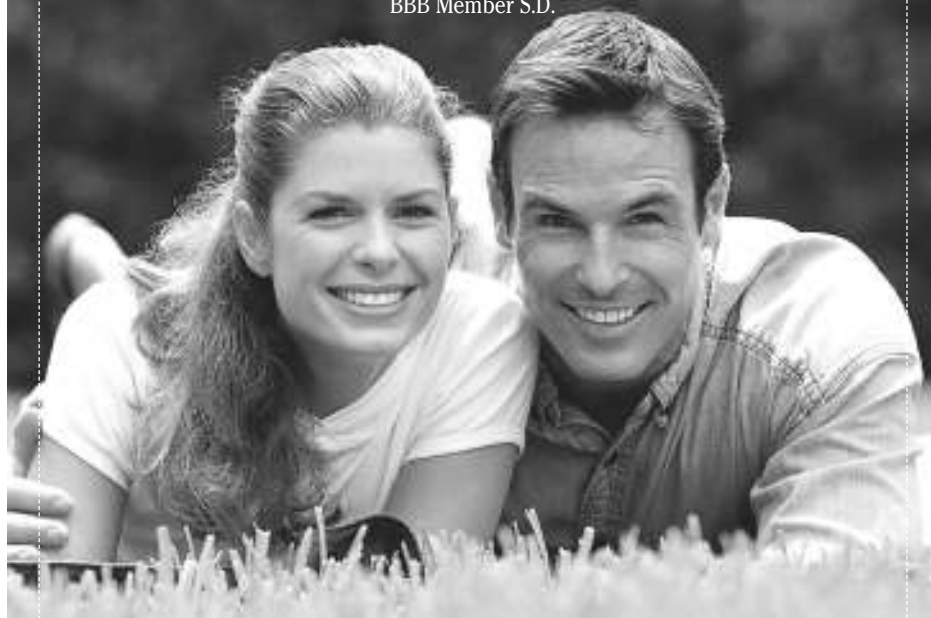
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Sipping a Coke with real sugar and crossing the border at Mexicali, I see a young athletic kid

jump the fence and run off. "That guy's an American now," I say. "He must've thought his options on this side of the border were limited," Mel agrees.

A border guard waves us through, and we're on the other side. And everything looks weird. In America. The signs aren't hand painted; they're manufactured from aluminum and neon. The buildings aren't asymmetrical leaning sheds but straight upright and square. They aren't built of tin sheets and scraps of wood but brand-new lumber and plywood, coated with a skim of stucco and painted all one color. Rigid and perfect, bright and lit up by fluorescent bulbs that beam out of clean windows.

I turn to Mel. "Damn," I say and take a

pull off my Coke. "Almost killed by a crazy driver with a makeshift trailer, hauled off by mosquitoes, lost on our hike, splashing down in the cold pool beneath a waterfall, Chrystal tossing that snake out, damn near attacked by dogs, drunk, in a hot tub, flat tire, lost in the foothills, asking directions at a federal rehab facility, lost *again* in the dunes of the desert, snatched from the jaws of death. Woo! How's that for a week-end getaway?"

"That's Mexico," she sighs and turns to me. "You're not going to be able to finish your work tonight. Your boss is going to skin you alive."

"Nah. Not if I tell her this story. That was Mexico, baby. Things are different down there."

"That's Mexico," Mel agrees. That's Mexico. ■

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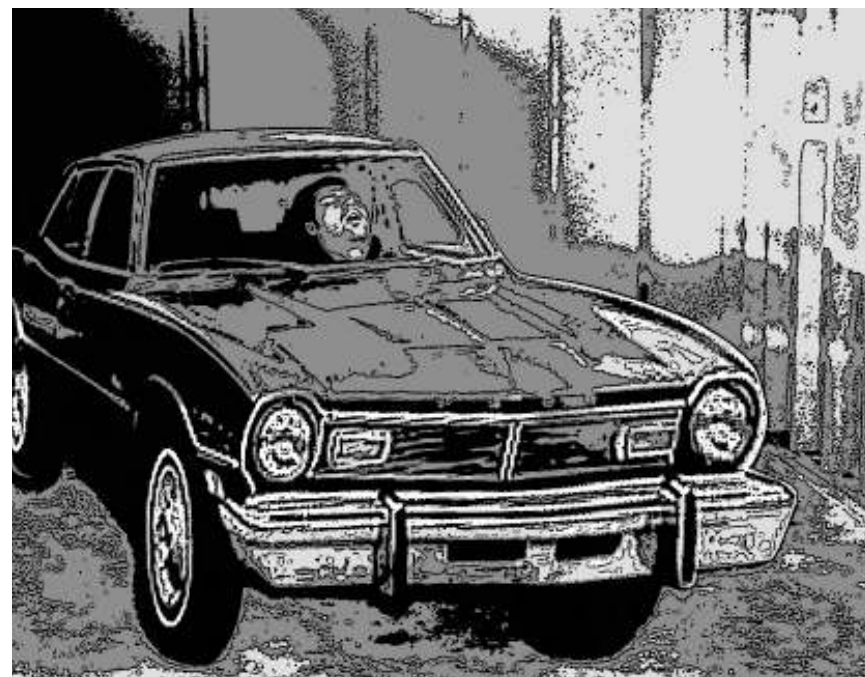
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Rodger Whitehead rented a small apartment attached to the back of Will's house on K Street, in a well-worn section of Sherman Heights. Just two months earlier, Whitehead had been installed as secretary-treasurer — top man — in Teamsters Local 481, officially named the Automotive and Allied Industries Employees, International Brotherhood of Teamsters. The local represents 2000 to 2500 employees, depending on the season, working for about 25 companies, including the San Diego Zoo and Wild Ani-

mal Park, Hertz and Avis car rentals, several tire companies, and Earl Scheib paint shops. Whitehead had led a reform slate of 10 Teamsters who successfully ousted union leaders who had run the local for more than 20 years, and he had been the subject of the usual — maybe more than usual — amount of harassment, intimidation, and threats associated with Teamsters' elections. So when Will realized it was probably Rodger dead or dying in the garage, he was not thinking suicide.



Will rushed to the side door of the garage. The padlock was missing, and the hasp was open, but the deadbolt was locked. He unlocked it and opened the door. The exhaust fumes seared his eyes and nose. Pulses of blue light flickered down between the spinning blades of the rooftop ventilator into the dark, cluttered garage. But Will could see Rodger's shape, motionless in the driver's seat of his blue '75 Maverick.

Will hit the button for the automatic garage-door opener, but it just

strained against the locked hasp. He hurried outside and undid it, then opened the garage door. Water from the Maverick's overheated radiator was in a spreading pool on the concrete floor. Rodger's head was tilted onto his right shoulder. Will reached through the open driver's side window to shake him, and Rodger's whole body moved. Rigor mortis. He switched off the ignition. "Rodger! Rodger!" he yelled, and shook him again. Finally, Will ran inside the house and dialed 911. "What should

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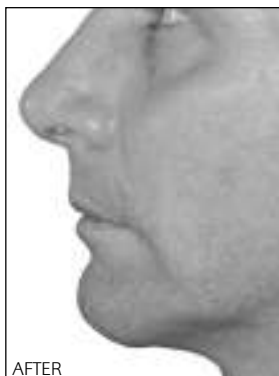
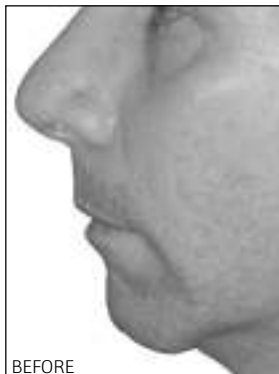
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I do?" he asked. "Get him outside into the fresh air," the emergency operator said.

Will tried this, but the car door was so close to the garage clutter he couldn't pull Rodger out. The paramedics arrived just as he was about to push the car into the driveway. They took one look at the body in the Maverick and then spoke a code word over the radio. They didn't try to revive him. Rodger Whitehead, 37 years old, was dead. The deputy coroner arrived and judged that by outward appearances and pending autopsy and toxicology tests, Rodger was a suicide.

To say that his friends, family, and colleagues were surprised by Rodger's death is a gross understatement. "If there was one thing Rodger was concerned about, it was communication," explains his landlord and friend Will Vukmanic. And yet Rodger left behind no note to explain his suicide. He and his girlfriend, Marianne Lachman, were

close friends who were talking about moving back in together; he still owed his best friend Joe Greenberg \$100, and Rodger was not the kind of person to blow off a debt. "If he was going to kill himself, he would have made sure I got the hundred bucks," says Joe. Rodger was not an impulsive person. "Rodger was

a large collection of campaign buttons, \$348 in cash, and four money orders in the amounts he owed for his utility and phone bills.

The questions Rodger left behind form a hole from which no light escapes. Rodger was a Quaker who had little use for material things. He didn't own a television, and when he took

## THE CORONER'S TOXICOLOGY STUDY FOUND NO ALCOHOL, COCAINE, OPIATES, TRANQUILIZERS, OR METHAMPHETAMINE IN HIS BLOOD.

the kind of person who thought everything through," his mother explains. "I was anxious to go through his things to see if there was a book on suicide. Rodger would have studied it before he did it. But we found nothing." All he left behind, other than questions, were a few personal belongings, including

over as head of Teamsters Local 481, he had to be browbeaten into taking a yearly salary of \$29,500; all he wanted was \$25,000, less than half the salary of his predecessor. Rodger had no bank account, no credit cards, almost no bills. His personal life was not a mess from which he might want

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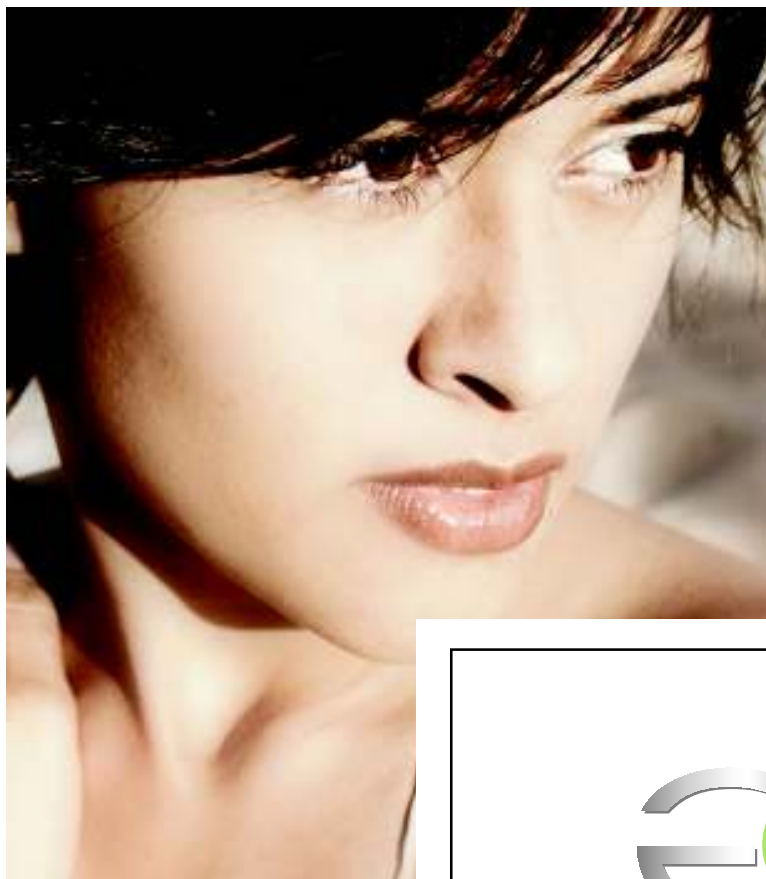
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to escape. And although Rodger and his slate of reformers were handed a union that was on the verge of bankruptcy, the problems at work weren't much different from those faced by any new group of local Teamsters officials. In fact, "Things were really starting to go his way," Will recalls.

When Charles Kelley, the deputy coroner, arrived at the garage, Will told him about Rodger's affiliation with the Teamsters, about

some of the threats Rodger had received, that he had been beaten up about a month before by a person Rodger thought was involved with the Teamsters, and that he might have been under some pressure at work. "As soon as I found out who we were dealing with," Kelley recalls, "I said, 'We gotta look at this real close.' I had grounds to believe that there was a potential for something other than suicide. We looked at that. But we found nothing."

The coroner's toxicology study found no alcohol, cocaine, opiates, tranquilizers, or methamphetamine in his blood. During

the autopsy, the medical examiner carefully studied Rodger's throat to determine if he had been choked into unconsciousness before he was placed in the car, but no such evidence was found. Rodger's eyes were also checked for the hemorrhages that might indicate he was knocked out by pressure exerted on his carotid artery, but there were none. What the examiner did find was a 95 percent saturation level of carbon monoxide in his blood, leading to her conclusion that Rodger committed suicide. Kelley contacted SDPD homicide investigators, who found no reason to open a criminal investigation.

"If he'd been murdered, somebody would have had to dope him or knock him out," Kelley theorizes. "But he wasn't doped, and we found no evidence of a choke hold. I'm not saying it wasn't a possibility — it may still be a possibility; some guys are really sharp. But just because he didn't leave a note doesn't mean it wasn't suicide. The majority of suicides don't leave notes."

Detective Don Strey of the San Diego Police Department's Missing Persons Unit, which investigates all suicides, says, "I checked out the Teamsters angle, thinking maybe this was a homicide, but my

sources say no, there's nothing there. Most unions get grumbly when there's a changeover, and some of them are violent. But this was suicide. I'm satisfied in my own mind that one of the major causes was, he took on a burden that was bigger than he thought it was, and he wasn't prepared to handle the load of work. This, and the radical change in his lifestyle, he decided to take the easy way out and he offed himself." To which Rodger's friends reply: Spoken like a true bureaucrat who knew nothing about Rodger's makeup and who just wanted to close a case

that was potentially very messy.

## The Union

Rich Nageotte met Rodger Whitehead last October, during the campaign leading up to the December 4, 1989, election of officers for Teamsters Local 481. They both worked at Lindbergh Field — Nageotte for Avis, Whitehead for Hertz. Before the campaign started, Nageotte knew of Whitehead only as that guy over at Hertz who had hair down to his waist (usually worn in a ponytail) and smoked a pipe. "We'd gotten flyers about some people trying to organize and take over the union,"

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Nageotte recalls. "I was pretty disenchanted with the union myself — the rank and file hated the union management — but at first I thought, this is just another group of people who wanted to rip us off. But other guys went to a meeting and came back and said, 'Hey, you oughta meet these guys. They're for real.'" Nageotte eventually did meet them and was invited to join the ticket as a candidate for vice president, which he won easily. Then when Rodger died, Nageotte was appointed secretary-treasurer of the local.

Nageotte says that Rodger came along at the perfect time. One man, Willard Kline, had been secretary-treasurer of Local 481 since the 1960s. Kline retired in 1988, and the man named to replace him was William Martin, the local's business agent in the '60s, later appointed to a union officer's post. Martin's longtime crony Patrick Rossi was appointed president, which is second in command. For almost 20 years, these three men ran the union and never faced opposition in elections. These "white ballot" elections, in which only the incumbents' names appeared, were held every three years. They paid themselves more than \$50,000 a year apiece and were perceived by the union members as do-nothing toadies for company management. Nearly everyone complained about the weak labor contracts the local negotiated for them, but the rank and file either didn't know or didn't care that it might be possible to unseat the union leaders. Then Rodger Whitehead came along.

Whitehead had been a political activist all his life. He'd become a Quaker at Richmond High School (class of '71) in Richmond, Indiana, because the Quakers were nonviolent and opposed the Vietnam War. He'd been arrested and jailed for participating in a war protest on the lawn of the White House. He'd attended every Democratic national convention since 1968. When he and his girlfriend, Marianne Lachman, came to San Diego in 1984, they proceeded to canvass for votes for a series

of causes, including the nuclear freeze and various environmental initiatives. One thing Rodger learned over the years was how to run a campaign.

He took the job at Hertz after Marianne started

working at Battered Women's Services. Soon afterward, he began studying the history of organized labor and attending the once-a-month union meetings, and he became union shop steward at

Hertz. Marianne recalls that the union meetings lasted "about seven minutes," and anybody like Rodger who tried to ask questions was rebuffed. It took him weeks just to extract a copy of the local's

bylaws from the local's management. Rodger was a personable guy, and people gravitated to him because of his growing knowledge of union rules. It was easy for him to come to understand how widespread was

the disaffection within the members of Local 481.

Union members found that most of their labor grievances were going nowhere. Rodger's friend, Joe Greenberg, who also worked at Hertz, says that

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if you had a problem at work, "The union management found out about it before you even went to them. I had a problem one time, and Rossi called me out of the blue and said, 'Your boss is upset with you, but don't worry, I took care of it.' It was bizarre." When Rodger became a problem to the union management by asking too many questions, Hertz changed his work schedule so that he had to punch in at 7:30 every evening. The monthly union meetings began at 7:00 p.m.

What really set the whole union management debacle into motion was the drug bust at the San Diego Zoo in December 1988. After a four-month undercover investigation, dozens of zoo employees, many of them Teamsters, were detained and searched. The zoo disciplined 39 employees for various offenses, including 19 who were fired. When the employees appealed to the Teamsters for help, "The union told everybody to

plead guilty and forget about it," recalls Randy Reiss, a Hertz employee who worked on Rodger's campaign. Ultimately, the union did act to get five of the firings overturned, but some of the zoo employees who retained attorneys were told that they actually might have a better case against their own union for non-

Union (TDU). Membership rolls in this group are held in secrecy, but Rodger openly declared himself a member. Since the group was begun in 1976, scores of reform-minded Teamsters locals around the country have elected TDU members to office.

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representation than they would against the zoo.

While Rodger was beginning to organize some opposition to run against Martin, Rossi, et al., he joined a nationwide dissident group within the union, known as the Teamsters for a Democratic

sters and get it back to unionism," explains Ken Paff, a TDU national organizer based in Detroit. He declares, "The reason we exist is, we charge the whole setup was rigged" to perpetuate the leadership of corrupt union officials. The TDU is despised by the

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Teamsters' old guard, in part because the TDU intervened in the racketeering case the federal government brought against the Teamsters international union in June 1988 and helped force the Teamsters to agree to a first-ever election of the top leadership by the 1.6 million members of the union. In the past, the international's officers were voted on by delegates from each Teamsters local, but the rank and file had no say in who the delegates would be. Those jobs went automatically to a local's officers. Now, however, delegates are elected by the rank and file and must declare which international candidates they support before that election.

The government had charged that the Brotherhood of Teamsters had been more or less taken over by the Mafia, and prosecutors wanted to put the union into the hands of a trustee. "But the Rodger Whiteheads of the union stood up," Paff says. "We didn't want receivership; we wanted the right to vote for our own leaders." The case was settled on March 14, 1989. The election of the international's officers is set for December, 1991.

Whitehead's affiliation with TDU, combined with his long hair, persistent manner, and obvious popularity among the rank and file, did not endear him to Local 481's management. Rodger had vowed not to cut his hair until Ronald Reagan left office, but the election of George Bush wasn't enough of a change, so he kept the hair. But last August, after he decided to run for secretary-treasurer, he decided the long hair had to go.

This still didn't stop the charges of "commie," "druggie," and "homosexual" from being thrown at him by loyalists to Rossi and Martin. And he received telephoned threats every week. Randy Reiss heard one of them, which was left on Rodger's telephone answering machine. "It went something like, 'Give up the campaign, because if you win, you'll never take office,'" Reiss reports. Will Vukmanic, Rodger's landlord, says the tires on Rodger's motorcycle were slashed several times. Reiss

tried to get Rodger to report the threats and intimidation to the police, but he refused. "He said, 'Hey, this is the Teamsters. They pull shit like this. You gotta take it in stride,'" Reiss relates. "Rodger thought it was just

some idiot."

When the election took place on December 4, the only surprise was the margin of victory for the reform slate. Whitehead beat Martin 390 to 257. The margin for the rest of the slate

was even larger. The winners were elated, until they took office on January 2 this year.

The new officers discovered that the old officers acted in predictable Teamsters fashion: they left the

local's bank accounts nearly empty. On December 29, Martin and Rossi had checks cut for themselves totaling about \$29,000, money they claimed was accrued vacation pay for the years 1974 to 1986.

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nia Labor Commission. "The perception was, they were trying to bankrupt the union," says Randy Reiss. But after hearings this spring, the commission upheld the claims.

When Rodger and his cohorts took office, Local 481's bank balance was about \$5000. The longtime bookkeeper who ran the office quit when Martin and Rossi left, and didn't train a replacement. In the files, they found receipts for \$250 lunches at Lubach's. A tall stack of grievances had piled up. And the new officers discovered that the local, which collected about \$40,000 a month in dues,

had no tangible assets. It didn't even own the building it occupied on Adams Avenue. Rodger, who had quit his job at Hertz in late

10 extra days to pay his rent, and he borrowed \$100 from Joe Greenberg.

Rodger reacted to this turn of events in a man-

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December, decided to forgo his salary for the first month so the union coffers might be built up more quickly. He asked Will to give him

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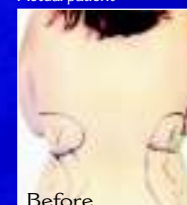
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inadequacy," explains Rich Nageotte. "He had ambitious plans, like steward training and other things, that he wasn't going to be able to do right away because of the financial situation. But he wasn't despondent. He wasn't reacting differently from the way other people would have."

In January Rodger contacted Tom Bernard, a Teamsters business agent in Denver, soliciting him to come out and work at 481. Bernard has worked for three newly elected sec-

retary-treasurers, "and the situation here wasn't new," he says. "But I hadn't seen a local whose finances were bled this badly." Still, the feeling of inadequacy felt by new union leaders is common, according to Bernard. Before he moved from Denver, he spent time talking with Rodger. "I wouldn't have come to work here for anybody I thought would be a quitter," he declares. "Rodger was committed to principle, the kind of person I could depend on, and I liked his ideas." All of his friends

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said the same thing in different ways: Rodger was stubborn, persistent, not a quitter.

But Rodger may have experienced some vertigo when he first took office. After several months of high-intensity campaigning, with a lot of people around him, suddenly he found himself isolated in an office with just one other person. "He came in right at the top, didn't have a real good chance to see what

he was in for," says Nageotte. "During the campaign we met together a lot, then when he finally got into office, people went back to their families and regular jobs. He didn't have that reinforcement. In Rodger's mind, it was all of us working together to be elected. For the rest of us, we were working to get *him* elected."

He may also have been frustrated because of his leadership style. A naturally timid person, Rodger

wasn't given to making quick decisions about anything. "He was a Quaker. He was into consensus decision-making," says Bernard. "He went to extremes in trying to get everyone involved in even minor decisions. It made things real cumbersome." If he did kill himself, it was an uncharacteristically decisive act for him.

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there were high expectations among the rank and file. Ten union contracts with various companies were due to expire in the first six months of the year, but Rodger had no experience in negotiating contracts. There was an increase in grievances that people probably had held off filing under the old union bosses, because they felt it was futile. Criticism began to filter up. Rodger started calling his mother at odd hours, talking about a “whispering campaign” against him. He wanted to computerize the office, but there wasn’t enough money, so he had to operate with the same antiquated system he had campaigned against. The newly elected executive committee of Local 481 had even talked about having to raise dues, which filled Rodger with trepidation. “And Rodger didn’t even trust banks — here’s a guy responsible for thousands and thousands of dollars who doesn’t have a checking account and pays his bills with money orders every month,” Nageotte observes. “We were just trying to keep our heads above water, for no money, and the reality of the situation set in fast. It’s easy to see how a guy could get overwhelmed.”

Even though he may have felt as if walls were pressing in on him, suicide still doesn’t make sense to his friends. The day before Rodger died, the union had won a small victory by getting a continuance on the vacation-pay issue in a hearing before the state labor commission. Early that same evening, he had gone to a dinner meeting attended by many other Teamsters secretary-treasurers from West Coast locals. Tom Bernard walked with him to his car as Rodger headed for the meeting, and he seemed “in good spirits.” Joe Greenberg talked to one of the men who was with Rodger at the dinner, who reported Rodger to be in a jovial mood.

Rodger called Joe Greenberg that same night, a little after eight. He and Joe often grabbed a pizza and watched a video at Joe’s place, and Joe had called him earlier in the day, inviting him over. Rodger had said he was too busy. But



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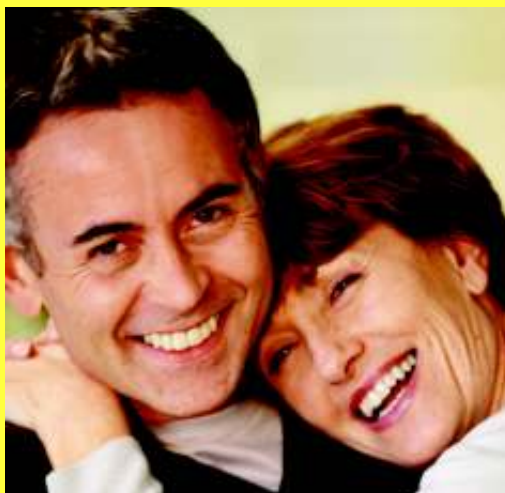
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Greenberg recalls, "He called that night and said, 'Is it too late to come over and watch a movie?'" It was. Greenberg had to get up at 4:00 a.m. to go to work. Rodger apologized for being short on the phone, earlier in the day.

"No big deal," Greenberg rejoined. "Let's get together later in the week." "Okay, I'll look forward to that," Rodger replied. That was the last time Greenberg talked to his friend.

Rodger also called another friend, Jim Joiner, the night before he died. Joiner, a senior bear-keeper at the zoo, had been elected to the union's board of directors on the reform ticket. "He called me a little after nine that night and

apologized for calling so late," Joiner says. "He was just touching base on the hearing that was held that day. He said that the continuance gave us a chance to come up with more material to fight those guys."

Rodger's death the next day was "a total shock" to Joiner. Like most of Rodger's friends, Joiner thinks the police should have investigated it more fully or at least talked with the union officials who worked with Rodger up to the time of his death. "Rodger loved to talk on the phone, loved to leave long messages and notes. He had a beautiful speaking voice and was very eloquent in his words. Why wouldn't he leave some kind of note?"

Rodger had Christmas

dinner at Joiner's house and had become good friends with the military retiree. "He was such a gentle person. He apologized to me. He knew I was retired military, and here he was a draft protester. I said, 'We're not running on a draft protest; as long as you don't burn a flag in front of me, we'll get along fine.'" Joiner might not have known that Rodger was also a tax protester who never filed a federal tax return. Will Vukmanic filled out his W-4 form for him, on which Rodger insisted that no exemptions be listed. Will told him, after computing his state taxes for him, that he was probably due about a thousand dollars from the feds, but Rodger refused to file for it. This tax issue was the one skeleton Rodger thought might be used against him as a candidate, or later as the head of the union. Will says Rodger was prepared to resign if the question was ever raised.

Although suicide doesn't make sense to him, Joiner has a theory about what might have caused Rodger to kill himself. "He realized he was in over his head," Joiner speculates, "and he didn't want to go before his board and quit. That's the only thing I can

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### The Girlfriend

Marianne Lachman recently graduated from law school and is now awaiting the results of her bar exam. Shortly after Rodger's death, she decided she would try to use her training as a lawyer to begin an official investigation into the case. She believes Rodger was murdered. "This whole thing was so uncharacteristic of him," she insists. "He was a fighter. His dignity as a person mattered to him more than almost anything else." She rifles through the dozens of cards, letters, and notes Rodger wrote to her over the years. "He was so in love with me," she remarks, fighting back tears, "and we were on the verge of getting back together. He wouldn't have done this without leaving me a note."

Marianne and Rodger first met in 1981 in New Brunswick, New Jersey, where they both worked for the League of Conservation Voters. They ran campaigns for independent candidates, operated phone banks, conducted door-to-door canvassing operations. In 1984 the league didn't have an office in San Diego but decided to set up a temporary "parachute campaign" here in support of Roger Hedgecock in his runoff election against Maureen O'Connor. Marianne was asked to go to California and run the campaign. When she returned to New Jersey, she persuaded Rodger to come out to San Diego. "Rodger was an expert in canvassing, which is a high-burnout, high-turnover job," Marianne explains. "His goal was to reform canvassing into a profession, so people could do it for years and make a living at it, so all kinds of community organizing could be done." After taking a six-week, cross-country train trip to San Diego, their plan was to stay here for a short time and then move to Oregon, which was more friendly territory for liberal activists. But Marianne began a job counseling battered women, and Rodger

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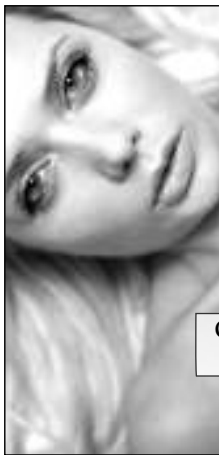
Rodger and Marianne broke up in 1987 but remained close. She loved his sense of humor (friends say he did a killer Groucho Marx imitation) and his commitment to equality and justice. "There was a

spiritualness about him. He tried to practice the Quaker principles of love and understanding with every person he met." She is convinced that he was killed either because he, along with Tom Bernard, represented a dangerous trend in the democratization of Teamsters locals in California (Bernard had sued the Teamsters for, among other things, taking a contract out on his life) or because he discovered something about the union that he was going to expose.

Marianne finds par-

ticular significance in the fact that Rodger was beaten up four blocks from home on January 31 of this year. He was sitting in his car in the drive-through line at the Jack in the Box at 24th and Market Streets when, according to the police report of the incident, a man came up to his car and asked, "Who you gonna vote for? You know who you're gonna vote for, don't you?" Rodger assumed the man was talking about the upcoming intra-union election for the head of a Teamsters regional body called the joint council. Before

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Shortly thereafter, Rodger asked Marianne to go shopping with him. He was colorblind and needed help to match his clothes. Marianne laughed when he said he wanted to buy clip-on neckties. He didn't tell her why he wanted them. She found out about the beating incident several weeks later.

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friends say he and the bag were inseparable. He even took it with him into movie theaters. It was stuffed with notes, tapes, pamphlets, magazines, boycott lists, granola, Kleenex, manuscripts, his personal phone book, anything that was important to him. But after Rodger died, the bag was found empty in the trunk of his car. Also, a valise that he used was found empty on the seat beside him. What happened to his per-

sonal papers? Marianne claims that Rodger never put his shoulder bag in the trunk of his car, and Will Vukmanic confirms this. One explanation for the disappearance of the material he most identified with is that Rodger, in getting ready to kill himself, also decided to destroy the contents of the bag precisely because they were a representation of himself. That Wednesday was the day the garbage

men came through Sherman Heights. Perhaps Rodger made sure they took away that cherished part of himself. But why would he not also throw away the bag itself? Marianne speculates that "Rodger found out something that was going on, and that's why they killed him. And maybe he had something in that bag that was incriminating to somebody." It's true that Rodger was habitually conducting

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a kind of intelligence gathering. One section of his bedroom was given over to the audio tapes he made of his conversations with a variety of people, using a tape recorder hidden in his shirt. Will says he heard some snippets of these tapes, "And you couldn't believe some of the stuff he had on people. People at work, supervisors, yelling and screaming at him, and he'd just nod and smile, because he was taping all of this. He taped everything, because if people came up to him and wanted to talk about grievances, he wanted to know exactly what they had said. We'd been talking about cataloguing some of this stuff just before he died."

## The Mother

Joanne Sipe, Rodger's mother, has all those tapes now, as well as Rodger's huge collection of campaign buttons. She also has the tie that was torn from his neck. Over the phone from her home in Richmond, Indiana, she said that she's been going through the dozens of tapes

trying to find some clue to his death. So far all she's come across is an angry male voice saying he'd been "fucked" by the union and going on and on about how screwed up the union was. It sounds like a threat to her.

Mrs. Sipe says, "We've just had very mixed feelings. Rodger wasn't the suicidal type. His two sisters — a sister and a stepsister — can't believe he killed himself. And you know how sisters study out brothers." Rodger's mother finds it curious that nothing unusual was found in Rodger's blood or his organs, given the fact that he had called in sick to his office the day he died and had vomited while he was on the telephone. "He was sick all night and day before he died. I smelled the vomit near his chair when I got out there. But the pathologist's report found nothing. They tested his stomach, and there was nothing to indicate he'd been ill."

Mrs. Sipe says she talked to her son many times during the campaign and after he took office. He was

extremely excited that he'd won, and even when he told her that the previous union leadership had left very little money in the accounts, "he didn't seem under pressure when I talked to him. We've wondered if he realized what he was going to face when he got elected. But Rodger wasn't naive, and he'd had to work long hours in stressful situations before. He knew how things worked." He did seem to be hurt by the "whispering campaign," his mother recalls. "He said they called him a druggie and a homosexual. He was perturbed about it. He was sensitive to criticism, and he never liked people to talk about anybody behind their back. He felt sorry for people. But I can't believe that he'd commit suicide because people were criticizing him. I don't understand this. I guess I'll take it to the grave with me." ■

— Neal Matthews



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# Run, Grunion!

*Grunion Lecture, Film, and Observation*

**W**hen they come up, the female [grunion] actually spiral down like a drill into the sand and lay their eggs in the sand, and the males drop the milt, or sperm, onto the eggs," says Birch Aquarium executive director Nigella Hillgarth. "It may only take thirty seconds, but some [fish] stay on the beach for several minutes."

On Sunday, May 28, the Birch Aquarium will host Grunion Run Fun, a lecture and film followed by a guided exploration of the beach where grunion are expected

### LOCAL EVENTS

to spawn. In the past, grunion have been found on areas of Solana Beach, Del Mar, La Jolla Shores, and Pacific Beach. Scientists can predict general areas where the fish may appear based on tide information, but no one location for spawning seems to be consistently popular among the grunion. This species of fish is only found off the West Coast from Baja California to Point Conception, which is about 50 miles north of Santa Barbara.

It is not legal for people over age 16 to catch grunion unless they have obtained a fishing license. "We encourage people to be naturalists," says Hillgarth. "I don't think we've ever had anyone come [to one of our events] with a license. Most people come with their families and stand quietly on the beach to see [the grunion], which, to me, is as exciting as whale watching."

The Department of Fish and Game stipulates that sport fishers may use only

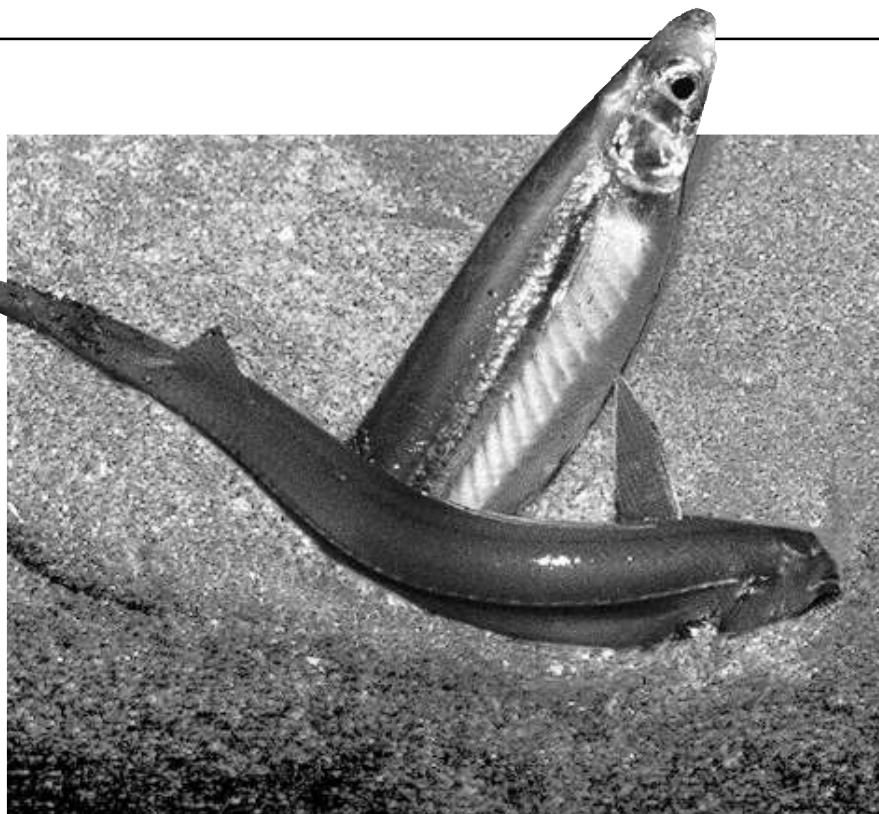
their hands to capture grunion. At most sites, spawning grunion number in the hundreds to thousands. But, advises the Department of Fish and Game, "Despite local concentrations, grunion are not abundant," and they are not sold commercially.

"We're all a bit worried about the future of the grunion, though they're not endangered at the moment," says Hillgarth. "A lot of things could affect them very easily, like beach erosion and pollution. If they can't lay their eggs in a decent place, then that's a problem." Fertilized eggs remain in the sand for two weeks, or until the next high tide. The fish are able to spawn at the end of their first year.

"Grunion eggs can survive in dried sand for several months," Hillgarth explains. "All that is needed to activate them, which is what happens during high tide, is movement in the water that causes [the eggs] to break open." It is difficult to spot the tiny, newly hatched grunion. "They're minuscule, like the size of a pinhead."

The Department of Fish and Game explains how, like sea monkeys, grunion eggs can be hatched at home "by collecting a cluster of eggs after a grunion run [any clump of sand from the spawning area should contain eggs] and keeping them in a loosely covered container of damp sand in a cool spot for 10 to 15 days. Then add one teaspoon of sand and eggs to one cup of sea water and shake gently; the eggs will hatch before your eyes in a few minutes."

Grunion can grow up to eight inches in length and live for up to three years. Because they are not sold commercially,



*Grunion*

you will never find them in a restaurant. However, sport fishers do eat them. Grunion, which taste like smelt, can be prepared like any other fish. A recipe for "Grunion and String Bean Parcel" suggests cooking the fish and beans inside a foil roasting bag with butter and spices. According to [beachcalifornia.com](http://beachcalifornia.com), grunion can be baked or fried but "are best used...in a green bean casserole."

Open season for grunion begins in March and ends in August, but is closed April through May in accordance with a regulation passed in 1947 to protect the fish during those peak spawning months. The time at which grunion appear on the beaches varies from night to night, depending on the tides. Grunion runs occur on the first four nights of either a full moon or a new moon. According to the Department of Fish and Game's chart, spawning on May 27 is expected between 9:45 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. and the following evening from 10:25 p.m. to 12:25 a.m. When they are not spawning, these non-migratory fish swim fairly close to shore

and rarely go beyond 60 feet in depth.

According to the volunteer group known as the Grunion Greeters, poachers (the term includes licensed anglers using anything other than their hands) have been seen using gear like nets to catch grunion. Grunion Greeters strongly encourage catch and release and requests (as does the Department of Fish and Game) that people take only those fish they themselves will consume. Hillgarth maintains, however, "The human side of catching grunion is only a problem when added to all of the effects of pollution and erosion."

— Barbarella

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## BAJA

**Readings** from Calderón de la Barca's *La Vida es Sueño* planned by Antonio Crestani, Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. Free. (TIJUANA)

**Selections by Bach, Beethoven, and Schubert** on tap when Orchestra of Baja California performs Thursday, May 25, 8 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Busy on Thursday? Concert repeated on Friday, May 26, 8 p.m., at Teatro del Estado in Mexicali. Tickets to either concert: \$15 U.S. 011-52-664-684-0182. (TIJUANA, MEXICALI)

**Pianist of the People**, Raúl Di Blasio in concert, Friday, May 26, 8 and 11 p.m., at Camino Real Hotel in Zona Río. Tickets: \$40–\$70 U.S. 011-52-664-633-4099. (TIJUANA)

## OUT & ABOUT

### PARIS ON A SHOESTRING

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(SEE LECTURES)



**"Monologos de la Vagina"** presented at 7 and 9:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27, at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Tickets: \$30, \$35 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**"Tools from the Ancient World** (Armas del Mundo Antiguo)" — exhibit from collection of San Diego Museum of Man opens Friday,

May 26, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). Free viewing through July. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**The Tijuana-Rosarito Bike Ride** starts at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 27, at 10470 Boulevard Agua Caliente. Registration: \$15 U.S. 011-52-664-686-1511. (TIJUANA, ROSARITO BEACH)

**Rock Concert** by El Mago de Oz, Saturday, May 27, 8 p.m., at Auditorio Municipal. 011-52-664-608-4692. (TIJUANA)

**10K Run on the Beach**, Sunday, May 28, starting at 9 a.m. at Muelle Rosarito, finishing at Parque Abelardo L. Rodríguez. 011-52-661-612-0396. (ROSARITO BEACH)

**Mainly Mozart Festival 2006**, annual musical series gets underway with Cuarteto Latinoamericano performing Gabriela Ortiz's "Aroma foliado" and selections by Mozart and Dvořák, Sunday, May 28, 8 p.m., at Centro Estatal de las Artes, Calzada de los Presidentes y Calle Ciudad Victoria, Mexicali; \$3. Concert repeated Wednesday, May 31, 8 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río); \$10–\$30. 619-239-0100. (MEXICALI, TIJUANA)

**The 24th Annual Book Fair** continues through Sunday, May 28, on Avenida Revolución. Free admission. 011-52-664-687-2604. (TIJUANA)

**Matadors Rafael Ortega**, Juan Antonio Adame, and José Rodríguez perform Sunday, May 28. Bullfighting starts at 4 p.m. in Monumental Bullring by the Sea. 011-52-664-686-1510. (PLAYAS DE TIJUANA)

**Author David Toscana** reads from, discusses his new book *El Ejercito Iluminado*, Tuesday, May 30, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

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Dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 1, at Teatro de la Ciudad, Ensenada (\$5); and 8 p.m. on Friday, June 2, at El Palenque in Tijuana (\$6-\$50). 858-484-7791. (ENSENADA, TIJUANA)

## OUTDOORS

**Chamise and Buckwheat**, two of the most common native flowering plants in San Diego County's sage-scrub and chaparral plant communities, are in flower this month through June. Chamise, also known as greasewood, readily sprouts from root crowns after fire. Much of the area between the Laguna Mountains and El Cajon, swept by the mammoth Laguna Fire of 1970, is now smothered by chamise 4-8 feet high and buckwheat 2-3 feet high. A few years from now, the even larger area burned in 2003's Cedar blaze will again be covered by this dominant type of vegetation. The stems of both chamise and buckwheat are tipped by clusters of small white or cream-colored flowers, fading to russet-brown by July. Near the coast look for flat-top buckwheat, common on south-facing slopes. Here it shares space with other low-growing sage-scrub plants like black sage and California sagebrush.

**Agaves**, or century plants, have been sending up their asparagus-like flower stalks all over the San Diego area lately. In warm weather, the tips can rise as much as a foot a day. During summer, big clusters of yellow and green flowers should appear on the tops of the stalks, some up to 30 feet tall. After the blooming cycle ends, the spine-tipped, fleshy daggers at the base of the stalk die (after a life of 10 or 20 years, not a century) and the stalk dries up, but suckers usually remain to continue a new cycle of growth, flowering, seed production, and death. The smaller desert agaves (*Agave deserti*), which are native to the western edge of the Anza-Borrego Desert, are now finishing their blooming cycle.

**Oleander** bushes, now beginning to bloom in gardens and along roadsides in the interior valleys and desert, will continue putting on a good show through the summer. Good displays of white, pink, and red varieties can be seen along the medians of Interstate 8 in east El Cajon and along Interstates 5 and 15 in parts of North County. Oleander's toxic characteristics are well known: all parts of it are poisonous if ingested.

**Rabbit and Rodent** population is reaching a peak in the canyons and hillsides of coastal San Diego County. In many neighborhoods, car headlights illuminate the rear ends of scampering cottontail rabbits making raids on succulent garden vegetation. On the fringes of suburbia, sleek coyotes are sometimes spotted slinking about in pursuit of rodents and rabbits, or easier-to-catch fare — house cats.

**Highest Tides** this month, measuring +6.4 feet, occur on Thursday, May 25, at 8:20 p.m., and on

## OUT & ABOUT

### SOUL OF A YOUNG GIRL

Dances of Anne Frank through June 4, Eveoke Dance Theatre.

(SEE DANCE)



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Friday, May 26, at 8:57 p.m. The lowest tide of this month, measuring -1.3 feet, occurs on Saturday, May 27, at the inconvenient hour of 4:17 a.m.

**Look for Black-Chinned Sparrow**, mountain quail, lazuli bunting, many other birds when Audubon Society birders head to Noble Canyon, Saturday, May 27, 8 a.m.-noon.

To reach trailhead, take I-8, exit at Pine Valley. Go under freeway to Old Highway 80. Turn left,

drive just over one mile, cross bridge, and make a sharp right turn at end of bridge onto Pine Creek Road. Proceed about 1.4 miles and watch for trailhead sign. Turn right, proceed short distance to parking area. Bring water, lunch. Considerable hiking of moderately strenuous nature. Free. 619-692-3246. (PINE VALLEY)

**Explore Cottonwood Creek Falls** with Canyoneers, Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m. Two-mile hike in Laguna Mountains boasts 500-foot

elevation gain/loss. Free. Directions: 619-255-0203. (LAGUNA MOUNTAINS)

**Bizarre Trees**, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll through desert garden, Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m., starting from park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

**An Expert Birder** from San Diego Audubon Society leads bird walk in Tecolote Canyon on Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m., at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. (CLAIREMONT)

**Trekking the Refuges**, view migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of Tijuana Slough National Wildlife Refuge during outing hosted by Chula Vista Nature Center, Saturday, May 27, 8:30 a.m. Free. Required reservations: 619-409-5903. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

**Happy Trails**, explore Rancho Santa Fe with Walkabout perambulators on Saturday, May 27. Three-hour walk at moderate-plus pace over mixed terrain starts at 9 a.m. in front of Rancho Santa Fe Library (17040 Avenida de Acacias, at La Granada). Bring water. Free. 619-231-7463. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

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**Hike the Boulder Loop** in Daley Ranch with naturalist Carol Stanford, Sunday, May 28. Learn about animals, birds, wildflowers. Jaunt starts at 9 a.m. in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Free. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. (ESCONDIDO)

**Hike up Volcan Mountain** during docent-led five-mile round trip, Sunday, May 28, 9 a.m. Bring water, wear sturdy shoes. Free. Directions: 760-765-4098. Moderately difficult. (JULIAN)

**Grunion Run Fun** led by Birch Aquarium-Museum, Sunday, May 28, 9:30-11:30 p.m. Lecture, film on grunion, moonlight beach explorations. Fee: \$12 for adults, \$9 for children 6-14. Reservations, directions: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

**Herb Walk** with Will Bowen in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, Sunday, May 28. Find out how herbs have been used in magic, medicine, and shamanism by ancient and modern people. Outing starts at 4 p.m. at west-end staging area on south side of Sorrento Valley Boulevard (one-half mile east of intersection of Vista Sorrento Parkway). Free. 858-484-3219. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

## DANCE

**"Soul of a Young Girl-Dances of Anne Frank"** presented by Eveoke Dance Theatre through June 4. Performances begin at 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets: \$25 general; "pay what you can" each Thursday and Sunday one hour before curtain. Find Eveoke at Tenth Avenue Theatre, 930 Tenth Avenue. 619-238-1153. (DOWNTOWN)

**Salsa Central!** Dance to salsa and Latin club mix, Thursday, May 25, 8 p.m., in Mission Room above Valley Tavern at Mission Valley Resort Hotel (875 Hotel Circle South). \$7. Dance lesson: 8 p.m. 619-596-9777. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Ragtime-Era Dances** featured at beginner-friendly dance, Friday, May 26, in room 207 of Casa del Prado. Lesson at 7:30 p.m., followed by open dancing for all ages.

## OUT & ABOUT

**ALL THINGS ARE CONNECTED**  
Ceremony honoring Mother Earth with Irene Bedard, Friday, May 26, SDSU.

(SEE SPECIAL)



Partners not required. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

**String Theory** makes music, JoAnn Koppany calls for contradance, Saturday, May 27, 8 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Beginner's workshop: 7:30 p.m. \$7. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

**All Things Swing Dance Party** with live music by Sue Palmer, workshops, dancing, performances, games on Saturday, May 27, at Dance North County (535 Encin-

tas Boulevard, suite 100). Intermediate "fancy spins" workshop (7:15 p.m.), total beginner class (8:30 p.m.); open dancing 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Dance only, \$13; additional fees for classes and workshops. 619-291-3775. (ENCINITAS)

**English Country Dancing** takes place every Sunday, 6-9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). Judee Pronovost is caller on May 28. Beginner's instruction at 6 p.m. Fee: \$6 per class; \$20 per month. 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

**Zydeco Dances** with lessons are offered every Tuesday, including May 30, at Tio Leo's (5302 Napa Street, between Morena Boulevard and Linda Vista Road). Beginning dance lessons at 7 p.m.; open dancing to recorded tunes from 8-10 p.m. \$5 (first visit free). 619-857-8409. (LINDA VISTA)

**Spring Dance Concerts** with various dance styles showcased by students at San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts, Wednesday-Friday, May 31-June 2, 7 p.m., in school's Florence Johnson Grand Theater

(2425 Dusk Drive). Tickets: \$5-\$7. 619-470-0588. (PARADISE HILLS)

**Hip-Hop Don't Stop**, hip-hop instructor Prince leads classes on Thursdays, 7:45 to 9 p.m., at 4569 30th Street. \$10 per class, \$35 for four. 858-635-1211. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Dance West Coast Swing** and more, every Thursday, 8-10 p.m., at Pattie Wells Dancetime Center (1255 West Morena Boulevard). DJ is Jane Hance. \$6. 619-203-1922. (BAY PARK)

## FILM

**Nothing but "Star Wars"!** Short films inspired by *Star Wars* saga created by fans in past five years shown Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Program boasts over 20 shorts including *Trooper Clerks*, *Anakin Dynamite*, *Hardware Wars*. \$7. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Carlsbad High School Film Festival 2006** video award nights planned Thursday and Friday, May 25 and 26, 7 p.m., at Carlsbad Village Theatre (2822 State Street). \$5. 760-331-5100 x5264. (CARLSBAD)

**"Le Notti Bianche,"** made in 1957 with Marcello Mastroianni and Maria Schell by Luchino Visconti, screens for Italian Film Fes-

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**"Cinema Under the Stars"** showcases *Victor/Victoria*, starring Julie Andrews and Robert Preston, Thursday-Sunday, May 25-28, at Tops (4040 Goldfinch Street). Next up: *Moonstruck*, June 1 and 2. \$12. 619-295-4221. (MISSION HILLS)

**"The African Experience"** — A *World Apart*, starring Barbara Hershey, screens for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series, Wednesday, May 31, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

**Order up a "Juicy Estrogen Cocktail"** and see Felicity Huffman in *Transamerica*, screening for Film Forum on Wednesday, May 31, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Bosomania! Attack of the Sexploitation Trailers"** hits Whistle Stop Bar (2236 Fern Street) on Thursday, June 1, 9 p.m. Array of "adults only" coming attractions promises "funniest previews the cinema ever spawned." Free. 619-281-3456. (SOUTH PARK)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Greece: Secrets of the Past* and *Wired to Win: Surviving the Tour de France*. "Fridays at the Fleet" features *Mystery of the Nile* (6 p.m.) and *Antarctica* at 7 p.m. on May 26. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

## LECTURES

**"Paris on a Shoestring,"** Kevin Brown and Tamara Smith of Hostelling International divulge "not-to-be-missed places," accommodations, entertainment, and more, Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m., at Le Travel Store (745 Fourth Avenue). Free. RSVP: 619-544-0055. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**Get to Know the Blueberry** when varieties, effective growing techniques are discussed during California Rare Fruit Growers meeting, Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m.,

## OUT & ABOUT

**SONGS MY MOTHER Taught Me** — Lorna Luft, Saturday, May 27, Birch North Park Theater.

(SEE IN PERSON)



in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free. 619-846-3337. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Circus of Life"** — artist Wayne Schoenfeld discusses images included in "The Art of Photography" exhibit during free art talk, Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m., at Lyceum Theatre Gallery in Horton Plaza. 858-793-0900. (DOWNTOWN)

**Adventures Slide Show** exploring Mt. Whitney and the other 14,000-foot peaks of the Eastern Sierra, Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m.,

REI San Diego (5556 Copley Drive). Free. 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

**"People and Mountain Lions — Can They Co-Exist?"** UC Davis field biologist Michael J. Puzzo answers the question when Sierra Club gathers, Friday, May 26, 7:30 p.m., in Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). 619-585-3773. Free. (HILLCREST)

**You Do Udon?** Learn to make basic udon (soup noodle) during

class, Saturday, May 27, 10:30 a.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. \$25. Reservations: 619-232-2780. (BALBOA PARK)

**Wander the Lavender Fields** to harvest materials, then create fresh lavender wreath with Nadine Spier, Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at Lavender Fields (12460 Keys Creek Road). \$60 fee includes materials. Registration: 760-944-9369. (VALLEY CENTER)

**Parrot Education and Adoption Center** offers seminars on variety of topics on May 27 and 28. "Behavior Problems" addressed at 1 p.m.; "Sex and the Single Parrot" examined at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

"The Avian Gourmet" served up on Sunday at 1 p.m.; focus on "Excessive Screaming" at 3 p.m. on Sunday. Classes in room D-6 at Marina Village Conference Center (1936 Quivira Way). \$15. Reservations: 619-287-8200. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Starting a Vegetable Garden** — learn about soil preparation, pest

control, irrigation, caring for crop when master gardener Bob Miller speaks, Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m., at Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). \$8. Reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

**"The Search for the Historical Jesus"** illuminated when Association for Rational Inquiry gathers to hear Harry Sutton, Sunday, May 28, 7 p.m., in Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Donation. 619-421-5844. (HILLCREST)

**Plumeria-Grafting Techniques** imparted when Carl Herzog and Ken Ames present demonstration for Southern California Plumeria Society, Sunday, May 28, 1 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 102. Free. 619-443-4795 or 760-451-1472. (BALBOA PARK)

**Recent Fossil Discoveries** illuminated by Rex Dalton, West Coast correspondent for *Nature*, when Atheist Coalition of San

Diego gathers, Tuesday, May 30, 7 p.m., at North Park Recreation Center (4044 Idaho Street). Free. 619-342-7388. (NORTH PARK)

**"Mind Mapping"** explained by Walter Holtschi, Tuesday, May 30, 6 p.m., at Sacred Pathway Bookstore (300 Carlsbad Village Drive, suite 107). Free. 760-729-2434. (CARLSBAD)

**"Urban Tropicana: The Parrots of Southern California"** presented by Larry Allen for Buena Vista Audubon Society, Wednesday, May 31, 7:30 p.m., at Buena Vista Nature Center (2202 South Coast Highway). Area is home to more than a dozen naturalized species of parrots and parakeets. 760-439-2473. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

**"The SmART Collector: Art Collecting Secrets Revealed** — Get Intimate With the Basics" presented by Patricia Frischer, Wednesday, May 31, 6 p.m., at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of

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City Manager Graham Mitchell provides answers for History Alive series hosted by Lemon Grove Historical Society, Thursday, June 1, 1:30 p.m., in H. Lee House Cultural Center (3205 Olive Street). Free. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

“Print on Demand” is topic when author Charlotte Foster discusses her experiences writing and publishing two novels, Thursday, June 1. This Sisters in Crime meeting starts at 7 p.m. at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). \$3. 760-735-9313. (HILLCREST)

“Funding Your Film and Creating Your Future” presented Saturday, June 3, 9 a.m.–1 p.m., at Media Arts Center San Diego (921 25th Street). Carol Dean coaches students on perfect pitch, where and how to find donors, tips on film branding, more. \$40. Registration: 619-230-1938 x102. (GOLDEN HILL)

IN PERSON

“Gandhi’s Body and Further Representations of War and Peace” presented by Carol Becker, Thursday, May 25, 6 p.m., in deCerteau Room of 3155 Literature Building at UCSD. Becker is dean of faculty at school of the Art Institute of Chicago. Free. 858-534-4618. (LA JOLLA)

ROAM-○-RAMA

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

Civilized and gracious Kensington is one of the most interesting of San Diego’s distinctive neighborhoods to tour — especially by foot, on skates, or by bike. Kensington sprawls across nearly flat terrain, so skating and biking — let alone strolling or running — along its streets do not involve much effort.

Most of Kensington was built prior to World War II on a formerly barren terrace overlooking Mission Valley. Although busy freeways snake their way through canyons below today, the streets of Kensington proper are quiet, consisting mostly of long, looping drives and numerous cul-de-sacs. Kensington was one of the first neighborhoods to break out of the rectilinear mold.



Kensington’s developer long ago bestowed English place names on the streets, but the houses here are typically Spanish-style with red tile roofs. Behind the rows of palms, every lawn seems meticulously trimmed, flowers grow in profusion — especially at this time of year — and most homes offer a bright, freshly painted face to passing onlookers.

Kensington’s streets connect with the rest of the

city only on the south. Other than on Adams Avenue, the principal thoroughfare, there’s not much

mize right turns and minimize encounters with automobile traffic. North of Adams Avenue, you can

KENSINGTON WALK

Tour Kensington, one of San Diego’s most gentrified neighborhoods, on a perimeter sidewalk route.

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traffic to worry about. So take the time to relax, look around, and appreciate the scenery.

A good place to start is the small park and library on Adams Avenue between Kensington Drive and Marlborough Avenue. Go south on Marlborough, and follow the circuitous, counterclockwise, six-mile route shown on the map, which is configured to maxi-

stay put on sidewalks (only if skating or walking; bikes legally belong on the street) and hardly ever cross a curb as you circle each of the cul-de-sacs that reach out to the edge of the terrace. Omitting some of the dead-end streets will shorten the trek, but don’t miss the east extension of Ridgeway, where many of the finest homes in the area can be found.

**Special Warfare throughout Human Civilization** chronicled in *To Dare and to Conquer* by Derek Leebaert, which he’ll sign and discuss on Thursday, May 25, 6 p.m., at Bay Books (1029 Orange Avenue). Free. 619-435-0070. (CORONADO)

**San Diego-Based Rockers P.O.D.** sign autographs, Thursday, May 25, 3–5 p.m., at Anchor Blue in Westfield Plaza Bonita (3030 Plaza Bonita Road). Free. 619-267-6670. (NATIONAL CITY)

**Ship of Fools, Madcap Fun!** Join *SS Fern Street* for an “around-the-world voyage” with Fern Street’s requisite circus fun, May 19–28. Clowns, contortionist, aerial thrills, jugglers, stilt walkers, much more.

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**Spirit West Coast** — Christian music festival, May 26–28, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Concerts by over 50 artists (Jeremy Camp, Newsboys, Audio Adrenaline, more); comedians, contemporary Bible and life application teaching, action activities for all ages, action sports and games, shopping and various activities.

Hours: 1 p.m.–midnight on Friday, 9 a.m.–midnight on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets available for single days, in packages. 408-377-9232. (DEL MAR)

**“Voices from Vietnam”** — this Vietnamese show starring Hong Nhung, Quang Ha, Nhom and Lo Lem, Trung Nghia and Hoang Thi Thi is slated for Friday, May 26, at 7:30 and 10 p.m., in Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way). \$25. 619-659-3380. (DEHESA)

**Mystery Author** David Skibbens signs, discusses *High Priestess*, Friday, May 26, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747). Free. (CLAIREMONT)

**“The Few and the Proud:** Marine Corps Drill Instructors in Their Own Words” discussed, signed by author Larry Smith, Friday, May 26, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Smith will be joined by Sergeant Major “Iron” Mike Mervosh, Sergeant Major Bill Paxton. 858-456-1800. Free. (LA JOLLA)

**Virtuoso Accordionist** Duck-mandu performs for Technomania Circus, Friday, May 26. Saturday, May 27, take in the Bologna Ponies, Hell on Heels. These shows start at 8 p.m. at Center for Amusing Arts (2438 Commercial Street). Variety show, black-light show, Dr. Techno.

“Kids and Clowns” on Sunday, May 28, 2 p.m. Tickets for any show: \$15. 619-231-1950. (BARRIO LOGAN)

**UCSD’s Jazz Ensemble** plays pieces by Herbie Hancock, Charles Mingus, Wayne Shorter, and others, Friday, May 26, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD’s Mandeville Center. Free. 858-534-3229. (LA JOLLA)

**“Money Sucks,”** explore whether money sucks or brings happiness, during poetry reading, Friday, May 26, 8:45 p.m., at Voz Alta (1544 Broadway). Discussion, open-mike poetry. Donation: \$5. 619-917-6106. (EAST VILLAGE)

**“The Show”** — with break-dance battles and DJ Pokey — Friday, May 26, 8 p.m., at Arts and Entertainment Center (3026 University Avenue). \$5. 619-260-1731. (NORTH PARK)

**“Songs My Mother Taught Me”** performed by Lorna Luft, daughter of Judy Garland, Saturday, May 27, 7 p.m., at Stephen and Mary Birch North Park Theatre (2895 University Avenue). Tickets: \$100, \$150. 619-239-8836. (NORTH PARK)

**“Danny Maseng: Wasting Time** with Harry Davidowitz” presented for San Diego Jewish Music Festival, Saturday, May 27, 8 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). Storyteller, singer, composer, classical guitarist Maseng leads “odyssey from Jerusalem to Eilat,” in search for spiritual fulfillment. \$19. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

**“Mingle,”** art event with poetry readings, fashion, and music, Saturday, May 27, 6 p.m., at San Diego Visual Artists Guild (1098 Ninth Avenue). 858-869-7914. (DOWNTOWN)

**Screen and Mystery Writer** Linda Palmer (*Love You Madly*) and Southern California mystery author Diana Killian (*Sonnet of the Sphinx*) sign and discuss their new books, Saturday, May 27, 2 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

**The Psalmist Hour** showcases live music and poetry by Judahl1, Lauren Silva, Angela Petty, Saturday, May 27, 7 p.m., at Arts and Entertainment Center (3026 University Avenue). Tickets at door: \$10. 866-815-6550. (NORTH PARK)

**Author** T.R. Virelli discusses, signs *The Undoing*, Saturday, May 27, 2 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (668 Sixth Avenue). Free. 619-702-7420. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**Former NASA Astronaut** Rick Hieb visits Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, Saturday, May 27, 2 p.m. Hieb makes presentation at 2 p.m., signs autographs at 5 p.m. Space availability, reservations: 619-238-1233 x810. (BALBOA PARK)

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**"The House of War"** signed, discussed by author James Carroll, Saturday, June 3, 6:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Book chronicles Pentagon — who created it, "pathologies it has spawned." Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

**A Mind with No Horizons**, it's how John Steinbeck described marine biologist and conservationist Edward Ricketts. Editor Katharine A. Rodger discusses new book *Breaking Through: Essays, Journals, and Travelogues of Ed Ricketts* on Friday, June 16, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

**An Unstable World in the Near Future** is setting for Carolyn See's new novel, *There Will Never Be Another You*. See discusses, signs books at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue) on Thursday, June 22, 7:30 p.m. Among her books: *The Handyman* and *Golden Days*. 858-454-0347. Free. (LA JOLLA)

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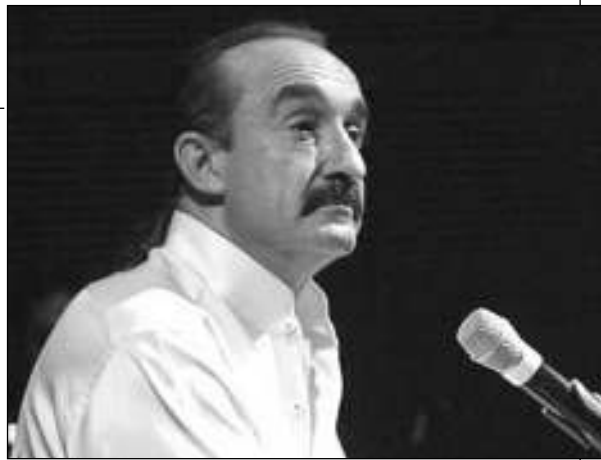
**San Diego Padres** host St. Louis Cardinals in Petco Park, May 26–28, at 7:05 p.m. on Friday, 1:05 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The Colorado Rockies arrive for games, May 29–31, at 6:05 p.m. on Monday, 7:05 on Tuesday, and 12:35 on Wednesday. Tickets: 877-374-2784. (EAST VILLAGE)

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**Three-Mile Walkathon** benefiting Granulosa Cell Tumor of the

Ovary Foundation research, Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m., at Miramar Lake (10710 Scripps Lake Drive). \$10. Registration: 858-646-9898. (MIRAMAR)

**Showpark County II Horse Show**, Saturday and Sunday, May 27 and 28, 8 a.m. p.m., at Del Mar Horsepark (14550 El Camino Real). Free. 858-794-1171. (DEL MAR)

**Bonsall in Reverse** — bicycle to Oceanside and back through Poway with Bicycle Touring Society riders, Sunday, May 28. The 82-mile ride begins at Doyle Park (8175 Regents Road at Nobel Drive) at 8:45 a.m. Free. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

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# Reading

## Generation Me: Why Today's Young Americans Are More Confident, Assertive, Entitled – and More Miserable Than Ever Before



Jean M. Twenge

By Jean M. Twenge  
Free Press; April 4, 2006; \$25; 304 pages

### FROM THE DUST JACKET:

The Associated Press calls them "The Entitlement Generation," and they are storming into schools, colleges, and businesses all over the country. They are today's young people, a new generation with sky-high expectations and a need for constant praise and fulfillment. In this provocative new book, headline-making psychologist and social commentator Dr. Jean Twenge documents the self-

focus of what she calls "Generation Me" – people born in the 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s. Herself a member of Generation Me, Dr. Twenge explores why her generation is tolerant, confident, open-minded, and ambitious but also cynical, depressed, lonely, and anxious.

Using findings from the largest intergenerational study ever conducted – with data from 1.3 million respondents spanning six

decades – Dr. Twenge reveals how profoundly different today's young adults are – and makes controversial predictions about what the future holds for them and society as a whole. But Dr. Twenge doesn't just talk statistics – she highlights real-life people and stories and vividly brings to life the hopes and dreams, disappointments and challenges of Generation Me. With a good deal of irony, humor, and sympathy, she demonstrates that today's young people have been raised to aim for the stars at a time when it is more difficult than ever to get into college, find a good job, and afford a house – even with two incomes. GenMe's expectations have been raised just as the world is becoming more competitive, creating an enormous clash between expectations and reality. Dr. Twenge also presents the often-shocking truths about her

generation's dramatically different sexual behavior and mores.

GenMe has created a profound shift in the American character, changing what it means to be an individual in today's society. Engaging, controversial, prescriptive, and often funny, Generation Me will give Boomers new insight into their offspring, and help GenMe-ers in their teens, 20s, and 30s finally make sense of themselves and their goals and find their road to happiness.

### WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

*Publishers Weekly:* In their 2000 book, *Millennials Rising*, Neil Howe and William Strauss argued that children born after 1982 will grow up to become America's next Greatest Generation – filled with a sense of optimism and civic duty – but according to San Diego State psychology professor

Twenge, such predictions are wishful thinking. Lumping together Gen-X and -Y under the moniker "GenMe," Twenge argues that those born after 1970 are more self-centered, more disrespectful of authority, and more depressed than ever before. When the United States started the war in Iraq, she points out, military enlistments went down, not up. (Born in 1971, Twenge herself is at the edge of the Me Generation.) Her book is livened with analysis of films, magazines, and TV shows, and with anecdotal stories from her life and others'. The real basis of her argument, however, lies in her 14 years of research comparing the results of personality tests given to boomers when they were under 30 and those given to GenMe-ers today. Though Twenge's opinionated asides may occasionally set Gen-X and -Yers' teeth on edge, many of her findings are fascinating.

And her call to "ditch the self-esteem movement" in favor of education programs that encourage empathy and real accomplishment could spare some Me-ers from the depression that often occurs when they hit the realities of today's increasingly competitive workplace.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Jean M. Twenge, Ph.D., is a widely published associate professor of psychology at San Diego State University. Her research has appeared in *Time*, *USA Today*, *The New York Times*, and *The Washington Post*, and she has been featured on *Today* and *Dateline* and National Public Radio's *All Things Considered*. She holds degrees from the University of Chicago and the University of Michigan. Dr. Twenge lives with her husband in Rancho Peñasquitos.

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**Bike to Leo Carrillo Ranch** with Sierra Club bicyclists, Sunday, May 28. Peppy-but-social 30-mile ride through North County starts at 9 a.m. at Harvest Ranch shopping center (Rancho Santa Fe Road at Encinitas Boulevard). Bring lunch. Free. 858-456-7849. (OLIVENHAIN)

**Region-One Arabian Horse Show** at Del Mar Fairgrounds, May 31–June 4, 8 a.m.–9 p.m. Free. 619-445-5520. (DEL MAR)

**June Jamboree Festival Horse Show**, June 1–4, 8 a.m.–5 p.m., at Del Mar Horsepark (14550 El Camino Real). Free. 858-794-1171. (DEL MAR)

## SPECIAL

**"Reflections VII,"** seventh annual exhibition of art by artists with disabilities begins with reception including food and wine tasting, Friday, May 26, 6–9 p.m., at Balboa Park Club (\$40 per person, \$60 per couple). Space availability for reception: 858-450-1443. Featured artist this year is Philip "Moki" Martin. Multimedia exhibit is open for free viewing through Sunday, June 4. (BALBOA PARK)

**"All Things Are Connected,"** Native American ceremony honoring and healing Mother Earth, Friday, May 26, 7 p.m., in Montezuma Hall at San Diego State University. Ceremonial songs, stories, dances, prayers, with participation by actress Irene Bedard, Yona Welch, Toltecas en Aztlan, Spiritual Storm, many others. \$10. 619-281-5964. (SDSU)

**Valley Center Western Days** run May 26–28, at Valley Center Community Hall (28246 Lilac Road). Events on Friday include carnival (noon), mechanical bull rides (5 p.m.), live music and dancing to Moon Dance

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On Saturday, fun lasts from 7 a.m. (pancake breakfast) to midnight. Parade (10 a.m.), dancing to music by Runnin' Kind of Band, Joe Vegas Band; 4-H barbecue. Sunday's events (10 a.m.–4 p.m.)

include pancake breakfast, live entertainment, mechanical bull riding, carnival. Both Saturday and Sunday promise vendors, food booths, exhibits, live entertainment. Tickets, details: 760-749-8472. (VALLEY CENTER)

**Doggie Café** hosted by San Diego Humane Society, Friday, May 26, 6 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society and SPCA (5500 Gaines Street). Bring friendly, on-leash dogs to socialize with other canines. Trainers offer training tips

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## A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:

My phone conversation with Dr. Twenge took place the morning before she was to fly to New York to appear on the *Today Show*. Although her bags weren't yet packed, she had decided what she would wear, and she was excited about the television appearance. "So, who's going to interview you?" I asked.

"I am not sure yet. I hope it'll be either Katie or Matt. We'll see."

"You say that 'Generation Me' spans the '70s, '80s, and '90s. How did you come to lump them all together?"

"Well, I came up with that idea because the emphasis on self-esteem for children in schools and in media sources really began in the early '80s. So, if you were born in 1970 and afterward, then you're a part of the generation who was raised to believe that everyone should have high self-esteem. I was born in 1971, so I'm at the leading

edge here. And that was my experience in childhood. Beginning in the early '80s, there were many programs that were focused on self-esteem. I absorbed these media messages about the self and these programs in the schools as well."

"What have you found to be the reason for the schools adding self-esteem to their curriculum?"

"It's a little bit of a mystery where they got the idea. There's very little research to support the idea that high self-esteem leads to good outcomes. Almost all the research that's been done shows that it goes the other way around. When you make good grades and behave well, then you have high self-esteem, and not vice-versa. I believe that it grew out of the human potential movement and other similar things in the '70s."

"I'm OK, You're OK?"

"Yes. The baby boomers got into this stuff in the '70s as young adults and then when they started to have children themselves, and to work with children, they decided this would be a good idea. I think this was

where the school programs started."

"As you say in your book, media and advertising reflect and promote that message."

"I grew up with a lot of these phrases and took them for granted and I think maybe I didn't notice them until I started working on this book. I was surprised at how many television shows, movies, and magazine articles used phrases about the 'self,' and talked about self-esteem and loving yourself before you love someone else, and believing in yourself."

"Do you think this movement started with the school system, or did it bubble up in society in general?"

"It started with society in general and then it moved to the school systems."

"In your book you also focus on the high expectations that 'Generation Me' faced all the while they were growing up. Not only are you unique and wonderful and special but you'll rule the world, essentially. How is that experience different from the 'Boomer' generation that grew up believing that, or being

told that, anyone could grow up to be president?"

"Well, the boomer generation didn't grow up with that. They grew up in the '50s, and they didn't hear that anybody could be president. The idea of 'you can be anything you want to be,' and so on, that did not become prevalent until the '70s." "Parents want to have high expectations for their children, and want them to have high aspirations for themselves, and yet, there's reality to contend with. What do you counsel parents as to the line between those two?"

"You should encourage kids to aim high and to have goals for themselves, absolutely, but a phrase like 'you can be anything you want to be' is wrong."

"You write about the anxiety and the intense emotional distress that this generation is experiencing as young adults. Could you explain what you see as the big stressors?"

"The first is loneliness. A lot of this generation started to date very early, like at 12 or 13, but then we marry much later than the Baby Boomers. The average Baby Boomer woman

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got married before she was 21 years old. The average was 20.8 for women in 1970. Today, we marry when we are 25 to 27 on average. We've got about 15 years where we're dating and breaking up, and that's a formula for anxiety and depression.

"A second major stress factor is the fact that you have this generation raised with very high expectations. Eighty percent of college sophomores say that they're going to graduate from a four-year college; in reality, probably only about 25 percent of them will do so. Seventy-five percent of college freshmen say that they're going to get a graduate degree.

"Then there is the segment [of Generation Me] who expects to be rich and famous and become a basketball player or a movie star."

"What has to give in order for people to take better emotional care of themselves?"

"I think we have to start with the messages we're giving kids. I actually think it helps teenagers to know that it might be hard to get into college and that you have to work hard to be able to afford a house."

"You mentioned that Generation Me begins dating at a very early age. What other differences in attitudes toward relationships and sexual behavior

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**Book Sale**, Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., at Lemon Grove Library (8073 Broadway). 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

**Ethnic Food Fair** showcasing food from over 30 nations, Sunday, May 28, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., at International Cottages of the House of Pacific Relations. Native costumes, ethnic music, songs, and dancing. Admission: free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

**Meet the Winemaker**, head to Belle Marie Winery (26312 Mesa

Rock Road) on Sunday and Monday, May 28 and 29, 1–3 p.m., to meet winemaker Mick Dragoo and assistant winemakers, enjoy "savory samples," take guided winery tour (1, 2 p.m.), taste wine. 760-796-7557. (ESCONDIDO)

**Arlington West Memorial**, Monday, May 29, 10 a.m.–6 p.m., at Live Oak Park (2746 Reche Road). San Diego Veterans for Peace honor each U.S. soldier killed in Iraq since March 2003. Free. 760-451-1959. (FALLBROOK)

**"Salute Our Troops"** during San Diego Auto and Cycle Swap, Monday, May 29, 6 a.m.–2 p.m., at Qualcomm Stadium. Vehicles on display and for sale, along with "acres of parts and accessories." Admission: free for active military, \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342. (MISSION VALLEY)

**A Classic California Craftsman Orchard House** found at 14333 San Dieguito Road is site for San Diego Historical Society's Showcase 2006, open for public tours through May 29. Eighteen designers worked on showcase. Home is on part of Rancho San Dieguito land grant made by Pio Pico in 1840.

Hours: 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Tuesday–Sunday, with hours extended to 7 p.m. on Thursday. \$20. 619-533-7355. (EAST DEL MAR)

**"What's Wrong with American Journalism Today — Is It Bi-**

ased?" Ponder question and discuss, Wednesday, May 31, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

**Home Alone Workshop** addressing the management and prevention of troubling behaviors in bored canines, Wednesday, May 31, 6 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society and SPCA (5500 Gaines Street). \$35. Registration: 619-299-7012 x2247. (MISSION VALLEY)

**"Del Mar: Spanning Time and Place"** — exhibit chronicling long-term patterns of human/environment interaction prior to European contact and 20th-Century urbanization in Del Mar area continues through May at Del Mar Library (1309 Camino del Mar). On display: artifacts from dozens of Del Mar Mesa archaeological sites. Free. 858-755-8869. (DEL MAR)

**Bicycle Coalition's Bike Night** is Thursday, June 1, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Speaker: Scott Peters; auction, entertainment, food, beverages. \$25. Reservations: 858-487-6063. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Dialogue:** Judy Christensen, Sally Hagy-Boyer, Kathy Miller, and Lisa Olson" exhibit artists' books through Sunday, June 18, in lower level of west wing of UCSD's Geisel Library. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

**"Italia Mia — Real Photos** by Real People" continues through Saturday, September 16, at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). Exhibit boasts 75 photographs by 37 people representing "their most ideal Italian fantasy." Viewing, 1–4 p.m. on Saturdays, is free. 619-237-0601. (LITTLE ITALY)

**Japanese Cultural Bazaar.** Buddhist lecture, *hondo* (altar)

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did you find?"

"One of my graduate students, Brooke Wells, did her master's thesis on that. I owe her for that chapter in my book. She found that the average age for losing your virginity has dropped to 15, that the vast majority of teenagers and young adults say that premarital sex is acceptable, and that the majority have engaged in and find oral sex acceptable."

"What accounts for the change?"

"Like a lot of things we've been talking about, it's that move toward the individual and away from social rules. Across all of

these different realms what you get is 'express yourself,' and 'do what's right for you.'

"In a previous era it would have been, 'you're not supposed to do it until you're married, and you're supposed to follow these rules and so on.' But now, 'if it feels good, do it' is the rule. Because it's about what feels right for you, and sex feels good."

"There is also an interesting move toward hooking up. Being a little more promiscuous rather than relationship based."

"And that attitude is shared by males and females?"

"One of the biggest trends Brooke found was that the changes were a lot larger for girls and women than they were for boys and men, because they had farther to go. Now there are just not that many differences in [sexual attitudes] between males and females."

"What are the emotional consequences of this kind of sexual behavior over time?"

"I don't think we really know, exactly, whether the anxiety and depression can be traced to that. I personally doubt it, because there's another element

in this. In the last ten years, teenage pregnancy has actually gone down. So, although it seems like there's more sex among teenagers, they seem to be engaging in it more responsibly."

"If you look across time and across cultures, early sexual activity has been the norm. So, I'm reluctant to say that there's any connection between the two."

"In what ways are you like the generation you describe?"

"I did grow up with a lot of these individualistic crazes and I think they did influence my thinking and they did encourage me...there's always good things and bad things."

"I am grateful every day I was born in the '70s instead of the '40s because I would probably not be a college professor and writing a book if I were a woman born 30 years earlier than I was. I am not one of those people who want to go back. But the disadvantage is, I think, I had to learn as an adult to value relationships and to think about other people's feelings. I think my parents tried to get that [idea] across but I think the messages that I was getting from TV and every other

source trumped that."

"Because I was pursuing my own goals, I didn't settle into a stable marriage until I was 32. In an earlier era that would not have been the case."

"I've also got that assertiveness that previous generations of women didn't have; you know, I feel that I have that self-esteem and the self-focus. Oh, and chapter five, about thinking that marching in the streets isn't going to do any good, I totally fit that."

"How are you not like the statistics for Generation Me?"

"I really question a lot of those messages that this generation takes for granted, but I think it was through the process of working on the book that that happened."

"I haven't ever gone through a really, really major depression but I've certainly had the anxiety."

"You're a university professor, you've published this book that's being widely received, you're famous, you're going to be on the *Today Show*, why did it come together for you when it hasn't come together for so many others of your generation?"

"You didn't see me in my

## "You may get what you need and not what you want."

20s. I mean, seriously, when I was a post-doc making \$25,000 a year, living in Cleveland, by myself and depressed, with no permanent job and a relationship in the toilet, and everything else. So, it took like a good ten years of not-so-great years, to get to the good stuff where finally things have worked out. And I actually think that happens. I've seen that in a lot of my friends' lives — their 20s are hell, and then slowly in their 30s things begin to work out."

"So, the promises may come in some form but not as quickly as one would like?"

"It's not going to be as soon as you'd like because we're also a very impatient generation. We think that we're going to get all of this stuff when we're 23, and it actually is probably going to take a lot longer, if it happens at all."

So, that's the first thing. And it may not happen in the way that you think it's going to happen. You may get what you need and not what you want."

"I think all of us expected to end up as professors at major universities in the place we wanted to live. None of us have gotten all of those things. I got the place I wanted to live, and I feel extremely lucky for that. But I didn't get the major university part quite as much. And then another friend of mine got his major university job, but he's a New Yorker and he's in Nebraska."

"Compromise."

"We were not taught that when we were younger and it's hard. We've had to learn how to do that with housing and with jobs and all of that stuff."

— Jerry Miller

tour, martial arts and variety of cultural demonstrations, koto, taiko drumming, dance, ikebana, foods (for sale), games, and crafts for children — the party is Sunday, June 4, 11 a.m.–5 p.m., at Buddhist Temple of San Diego (2929 Market Street). Free. 619-239-0896. (GRANT HILL)

## FOR KIDS

"**Sleeping Beauty**" is presented by Weaver's Tales through Sunday, May 28, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Lynn Trimble promises look at *Comical, Magical Ventriloquism*, May 31–June 4.

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)

"**Sea Schoolers: T Is for Turtle**" offered Saturday, May 27, 9:30 a.m., at Birch Aquarium-Museum (2300 Expedition Way). Aquarium scavenger hunt, live animal encounters, stories, crafts. For kids three and four years old with chaperone. \$28 per pair. Reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

"**Super Grover! Ready for Action**" hits stage at ipayOne Center, June 22–25. Super Grover loses his "superness," and Sesame Street needs a hero; never fear, your favorite Sesame Muppet friends are here. Healthy habits taught through Broadway-style song and dance.

Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 22; 10:30 a.m. on Friday, June 23; 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 24; and 1 and 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 25. Tickets: \$13–\$35 general, \$11.50–\$35 for kids, available

through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

## MUSEUMS

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

**Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum**, the museum locates, collects, documents, and preserves historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related to agriculture and the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil drilling, and construction industries. Blacksmith and wheelwright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. Find the museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

**Bonita Museum and Cultural Center**, the "Juried Fine Art Ex-

hibit 2006" continues through Saturday, June 3. "This, Our Beloved Valley" exhibit focuses on Sweetwater. The museum highlights the history of the Sweetwater Valley from the mid-1800s, with historical photographs; artifacts, tools, and farming implements; the district's 1953 fire engine; and bound copies back to the 1930s of the *Chula Vista Star News*. Find the museum at 4355 Bonita Road. 619-267-5141. (BONITA)

**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)

**Campo Railroad Museum**, showcasing more than 130 years of American railroad history and technology through static and operating exhibits, the museum includes cabooses, steam and diesel locomotives, track motorcars, 1880s "Jim Crow" segregated passenger cars.

Interpretive 1.5-hour train rides offered each weekend (11 a.m., 2:30 p.m.) over portion of the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway. Find the depot on Highway 94 at Forrest Gate Road. 619-465-7776. (CAMPO)

**Chinese Historical Society and Museum**, view artifacts from San

Diego's Chinese and Chinese-American history, culture, and art. Current museum artifacts include a 1920s warlord's bed, exhibits on Chinese footbinding and Chinese-American veterans. The museum is in a building originally built in 1927 for the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the building is an Asian garden with koi pond and waterfall.

Find the museum at 404 Third Avenue (at J Street). 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

**Chula Vista Heritage Museum** the museum features glimpses of Chula Vista's past; exhibits feature lemon packing crate labels, photographs of downtown Chula Vista, doors and adobe blocks from the original *Star* newspaper building, and relics from the Otag Watch Company. Find the museum at 360 Third Avenue. For further information, call 619-420-6916. (CHULA VISTA)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

**Creation Museum,** a museum contrasting the evolution and creation world views is found at 10946 Woodside Avenue North. For more information, call 619-448-0900 x231. (SANTEE)

**Gemological Institute of America Museum,** permanent exhibits include displays depicting science and art of gemstones and history, lore and cultural significance of jewelry. Find the GIA at 5345 Armada Drive. Required reservations: 800-421-7250 x4116. (CARLSBAD)

**George White and Anna Gunn Marston House,** historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store

founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, emphasizing simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue; 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

**House of Pacific Relations,** International Cottages are open every Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. to present the history and traditions of 30 ethnic groups. Select cottages open on fourth Tuesday of the month, *Children Around the World* videos are shown in Hall of Nations, fourth Tuesday of every month. 619-538-4069. (BALBOA PARK)

**J.A. Cooley Museum,** an eclectic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an “Industrial

Product Collection,” with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with “some classics and a concept car.”

Find the museum at 4233 Park Boulevard. 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

**Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park,** old adobe buildings were once vacation retreat and working rancho of actor Leo Carrillo. Tours on Saturdays (11 a.m., 1 p.m.) and Sundays (noon, 2 p.m.). Find Rancho de los Quiotes at 6200 Flying LC Lane. Free. 760-476-1042. (CARLSBAD)

**Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum,** housed in a historic building, the museum features five permanent galleries with artifacts, uniforms, vehicles, weapons, and photographs depicting Marine Corps history. The museum is located in Building 26 at MCRD, just inside Gate 4, off Pacific Highway. 619-524-6038. (MIDWAY)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center,** “NASA Accomplishments: In Space and On Earth” chronicles scientific accomplishments and technological spin-offs resulting from NASA missions. How have these discoveries entered our everyday lives?

Ongoing exhibitions include “Origins in Space: Spin-Offs in Science and Technology,” “The Swing of Things: The Science of Motion and Perception” (closing Sunday, June 4), “San Diego Science Showcase,” “Kid City” (for preschoolers), “The Best of Symmetry and Signals,” and “TryScience!” “Comet Impact” is theme for motion simulator ride. “Night on Dream Mountain” is the current planetarium show. Films are shown daily in the IMAX theater. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Archaeological Center,** the museum is dedicated to “curation of archaeological projects and sharing them with the public.” Find center at 16666 San

Pasqual Valley Road; 760-291-0370. (ESCONDIDO)

**San Diego Automotive Museum,** more than 80 automobiles and motorcycles from horseless carriages to future prototypes are included in the museum’s permanent collection. Find the museum near the Starlight Bowl; 619-231-2886. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Hall of Champions,** ongoing exhibits include “Bird Watching — Tony Hawk in Flight,” “Surfing in San Diego,” exhibits of baseball card art, fencing, local rugby history. The museum — dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement — is located at 2131 Pan American Plaza. 619-234-2544. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Historical Society Museum,** “Developing San Diego: Making History Every Day” features a “now and then”-style view of San Diego. Exhibit “illustrates the changes to our built and natural environments over a long period of time.” Thirty contemporary photographs by Chris Travers are accompanied by historical images from Booth Historical Photograph Archives and text by Will Chandler. Continues through May.

“Romp! Children Discover Balboa Park” focuses on why Balboa Park exists, examines the 1915-16 and 1935-36 Expositions, and includes exhibits, attractions, and “marvels that were found in the monumental buildings created to showcase the West.” Historic film footage allows visitors to tour the Ford Building as it existed in 1935 and see displays and machinery that were there.

The museum is located in the

Casa de Balboa building; 619-232-6203. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Maritime Museum,** “Taming the Pacific Swell: The Evolution of Surfing” continues through January 2007, tracing history of modern surfing from its Hawaiian beginnings to billion-dollar industry it is today. Changes in surfboard design used to illustrate evolution of the sport.

The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego’s waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, the old San Diego-Coronado ferryboats, the tuna fishing industry, and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark *Star of India*, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat *Berkeley*, and the 1904 Scottish steam yacht *Medea*. The H.M.S. *Surprise*, used in film *Master and Commander*, is permanently on exhibit; see artifacts, costumes, props used in making of the flick. Also open for touring: a B-39 Soviet attack submarine, among the largest conventionally powered submarines ever built. This Project 641/Foxtrot class diesel-electric submarine was designed to track U.S. and NATO warships throughout the Earth’s oceans. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

**San Diego Museum of Man,** “Body Ornamentation: Artistic Representations of Self,” continuing through March 27, 2007, examines this enduring art form. Exhibit focuses on many different types of body art in variety of cultures around the world, as well as underlying reasons behind the ornamentation. See examples of body painting, tattooing, scarification, piercing; documentary videos, photo murals.

“Reflections” showcases rare and significant objects representing 90 years of the museum’s collection history; some of the objects have never been displayed for public. Items include a *Seri* woodcarving of a whale; bronze sculpture by Alan Houser; more. Through Sunday, September 24.

Permanent anthropology exhibit “Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution” features “more than a hundred touchable replicas of early humans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine).” 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Tug Boat Museum,** a 100-foot retired Korean War-era tug boat built in 1951 is open for tours at museum. Boat is docked along Harbor Drive, between Grape Street and Broadway. 619-200-7417. (DOWNTOWN)

**San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park** commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. Narrated slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. Self-guided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road. 760-737-2201. (ESCONDIDO)

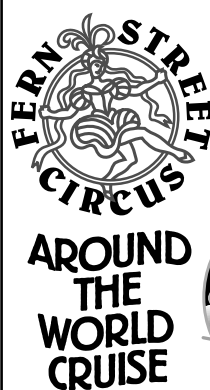
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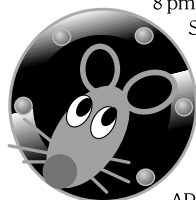
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**Mainly Mozart Festival** gets underway with performance of Gabriela Ortiz's "Aroma foliado" by Cuarteto Latinoamericano, Saturday, May 27, 8 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Also hear pieces by Mozart, Dvořák. \$42. 619-239-0100. (LA JOLLA)

Cuarteto Latinoamericano also plans concert on Tuesday, May 30, for San Diego Jewish Music Festival. Program features "Yiddishbbuk" by Osvaldo Golijov, pieces by Mendelssohn, Mozart, and Gershwin. Recital begins at 7:30 p.m. at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). \$19. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

**Sunday Soirée**, classical "open mike" opportunities with concert pianist John Danke planned on fourth Sunday of each month, including May 28, 7–8:15 p.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church (3450 Clairemont Drive). Performer registration: 6:30 p.m. Offering. 858-717-4320. (CLAIREMONT)

**Evensong and Spring Concert**, Sunday, May 28, 5 p.m., at Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Following festive evensong, Cathedral Choristers, St. Cecilia Choir, and orchestra join to present "Spatzenmesse," "Misericordia Domini" motet, more in celebration of Mozart's 250th birthday. Donation: \$10. 619-298-7261. (MIDTOWN)

**Organ Concert** in Spreckels Organ Pavilion by civic Organist Carol Williams, Sunday, May 28, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**Beethoven's "Egmont Overture,"** "Eight Instrumental Miniatures" by Stravinsky, and Piazzolla's "Tangazo: Variations on Buenos Aires" may be heard when UCSD's Chamber Orchestra performs, Tuesday, May 30, 8 p.m., in Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD. Free. 858-534-3229. (LA JOLLA)

**Mesa College Guitar Ensemble** plays classical and Spanish music for spring concert, Wednesday, May 31, 6:30 p.m., at Clairemont Library (2920 Burgener Boulevard). Free. 858-581-9935. (CLAIREMONT)

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**"Ghost Portraits"** conjured by Kat Flynn, who has felt "haunted by images" from clothing, accessories, artifacts she's collected as proprietor of Buffalo Breath Costumes for more than 30 years. Exhibition of Flynn's work opens with reception on Friday, May 26, 6:30 p.m., at Athenaeum and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Through Saturday, June 17.

"SDSU Scholarship Winners Exhibition" opens with concurrent reception, continues through Saturday, June 10. Exhibit was open to all art majors, working in all media. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

**"Reflections VII,"** seventh annual exhibition of art by artists with disabilities begins with reception including food and wine tasting, Friday, May 26, 6–9 p.m., at Balboa Park Club (\$40 per person, \$60 per couple). Space availability for reception: 858-450-1443. Featured artist this year is Philip "Moki" Martin. Multimedia exhibit is open for free viewing through Sunday, June 4. (BALBOA PARK)

**Dutch Artist** Nanne Balyon has paintings on view at Simic New Renaissance Galleries (1205 Prospect Street); receptions planned Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27, 6–9 p.m. RSVP: 858-456-5255. (LA JOLLA)

**"Living Aloha"** — exhibit showcasing 30 new tropical island landscapes and still lifes by Daryl Millard opens with reception for artist on Saturday, May 27, 5 p.m., at eponymous Daryl Millard Gallery (342 South Cedros Avenue). 858-847-9030. (SOLANA BEACH)

**"Spiral Bound: The Spiritual Journey of Aging"** opens with

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**"The Space Between:** Ritual Transformations" continues through Friday, June 2, at Sana Art Foundation (131 South Orange Street). Exhibit "presents a dialogue between traditional African, Pacific Island, Native North American ritual art and contemporary interpretations." Reception: Saturday, May 27, 5 p.m. 760-737-2903. (ESCONDIDO)

## 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**, "Sam Maloof — Dean of American Furniture Makers" showcases work by this self-taught designer craftsman who makes his living working with his hands. The Maloof rocker, his signature object, is part of the White House collection of American furniture, the first work included by a living artist. Closes Sunday, October 15.

Concurrently, enjoy retrospective exhibition of pottery by Martha Longenecker, a designer craftsperson, educator, founder, and director of Mingei International Museum. San Diego State University hired Longenecker to develop its ceramics program in 1955.

Explore "¡Carnival!" in exhibit on view through Sunday, September 3. Carnival celebrations in Europe and the Americas showcased with mannequins dressed in carnival costumes, videos of celebrations.

"Symbols of Identity — Jewelry from Five Continents" may be seen through March 2007. Exhibit is composed of adornments from North and South America, Africa,

Asia, and Europe, with traditional work and contemporary designs included.

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)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown**, "Strange New World: Art and Design from Tijuana/Extraño Nuevo Mundo: Arte y diseño desde Tijuana" documents recent explosion of artistic experimentation in Tijuana. Exhibit explores "subtle shift in focus from art about the border experience to art that takes advantage of a new type of accelerated urbanism being pioneered in developing cities around the world." Show features 150 works of art by 41 architects, artists, designers, and filmmakers (at both downtown and La Jolla locations). Closes Sunday, September 17.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), di-

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Over four decades of work made by artists from Los Angeles to the Mexican border showcased in "Southern Exposure," continuing through Sunday, September 3. Some of the art is politically motivated, some is concerned with formal considerations. Highlights include important early works by John Baldessari, Ed Ruscha, Robert Irwin.

"Cerca Series: Yvonne Venegas, Tijuana Portraits" continues through Sunday, September 3. Venegas created portraits of artists in upcoming "Strange New World: Art and Design from Tijuana" exhibit, asking each artist to select location for portrait; resulting pieces record physical and physiological spaces connecting places and their inhabitants.

Raymond Pettibon's work, often showing darker side of society and American hypocrisies, is also on view through Sunday, September 3. Pettibon — known for "his

idiosyncratic renderings and room-sized installations" — exhibits a large-scale wall drawing.

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

**San Diego Museum of Art**, "Goya's Portraits" — through Sunday, June 18 — features selection of approximately ten important portraits, highlighting Goya's *Marquis of Sofraga*.

The museum's growing contemporary collection and acquisition strategies are chronicled in "Tracking and Tracing: Contemporary Acquisitions 2000–2005," on display through Sunday, July 9. Exhibition includes 90 works in wide range of media, dating from 1960s to present, representing a variety of artistic approaches.

"American Ceramics 1884–1972" demonstrates depth of museum's holdings, with examples from key firms associated with American Art Pottery movement, such as Rookwood, Newcomb, Grueby, Van Briggles. Runs through Sunday, September 3.

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

**Timken Museum of Art**, "Traditions in Transition: Russian Icons from the Age of the Romanovs" illustrates how icons produced during Romanov period (1613–1918) departed from tradition under the influence of Western culture. Exhibit of 45 works follows emergence of decorative *oklads* (covers) made from precious materials and stones. Through Tuesday, August 15.

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# Point Man with the Chainsaw

*He used MTV techniques — quick cuts, visuals, simplistic generalities.*

Lee Atwater played rhythm guitar on a B.B. King recording. He could show you all the “stops” to Chuck Berry songs on his Fender Telecaster and could do the James Brown slide, to “Please, Please, Please,” wearing football cleats.

This same being, when he ran George Bush’s 1988 presidential campaign, devised the racist Willie Horton strategy that many say won the election. Early in the polls — the ones Atwater didn’t fake using “independent pollsters” — Michael Dukakis led by 17 points. Then ads appeared, claiming that Dukakis’s prison-furlough policy allowed convicted murderers, like Willie Horton, to roam Massachusetts streets on weekends. Atwater didn’t produce the ad, which inflamed racial prejudice, but vowed to make Horton seem like Dukakis’s running mate.

Called “the point man with the chainsaw” and “the arch-fiend of spin,” Atwater didn’t invent dirty tricks and *argumentum ad hominem* personal attacks on politicians. He just used them more indiscriminately than anyone else, the end always justifying the means. He read Machiavelli’s treatise *The Prince* (but not his more humane *Discourses on Livy*); he used MTV techniques — quick cuts, visuals, simplistic generalities — for political ads; he studied Nixon’s campaign tactics,

then handed them down to his protégé, Karl Rove.

Wound tight, he had a desperate energy, as if running from, rather than to, something (an observer said, “He acted almost hunted at times”). And he was always on the attack. “Even guys who enjoyed being with Lee,” observed a friend, “could never be sure he wouldn’t do something for a laugh at their expense.” At age 39, he developed an inoperable brain tumor.

He embraced Catholicism and renounced all his slimy tactics, even wrote contrite letters to politicians he’d abused. Atwater died in 1991.

Cygnal Theatre concludes its third impressive season with Robert Myers’ 90-minute take on the hyperactive hatchet man, *Atwater: Fixin’ to Die*. The play suffers from a linear, biographical approach: some periods of Atwater’s life (the 1988 Bush campaign) are more interesting than others; also, it glances at topics the audience may not know (David Duke, Howard University) and doesn’t develop them. The Cygnal production wrestles with the play’s rhythms, as mercurial as their subject, all evening long.

Atwater’s a no-boundary moral swine, but Jeffrey Jones’s performance amazes. Bouncing with nervous ticks and twitches, flashing world-sized smiles, his confidence stoked by a vast internal furnace, Jones’s Atwater has a rock star’s

## REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Jeffrey Jones in *Atwater: Fixin’ to Die*

**Atwater: Fixin’ to Die**, by Robert Myers

Cygnal Theatre, 6663 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area

**Directed by Rosina Reynolds;** cast: Jeffrey Jones; scenic design, Sean Murray; costumes, Michael

Dondanville II; lighting and sound, M. Scott Grabau

**Playing through June 18;** 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.

**Pulp!** by Patricia Kane, music by Amy Warren and Andre Pluess, lyrics by Kane

Diversioary Theatre, 4545 Park Boulevard, University Heights

**Directed by Delicia Turner Sonnenberg and Jason Southerland;** cast: Terri Park, Jo Anne Glover, Jennifer Eve Thorn, Jessica John, Liv Kellgren; scenic design, David Weiner; costumes, Shulamit Nelson; lighting, Chris Walsh; sound, Southerland; musical arrangements, Josh Finstein

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*Pulp*

energy. He's always on. Always gaming.

Jones is one of San Diego's very best actors (he was *born* to play Val Xavier in *Orpheus Descending*). He suggests sides to the character better than the script, and vulnerability, and—using cutouts of political figures (George Bush, Dan Quayle)—often functions as a stand-up comic. This is living spin. And you never know when, if ever, he's being honest, even in the end.

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"I'm a lesbian, plain and simple," says Terry Logan, looking right at the audience. "I don't make any bones about it." A

Woman's Army Corps pilot, Terry knew that if she messed around long enough she was bound to get caught. Sure enough, a bout of "backseat bingo" with the general's daughter did the trick. Roaming around Chicago, in the sultry summer of '56, Terry's cruising for conquests. She talks like a pulp gumshoe: "Been around the block, even gave tours." Cupid has yet to penetrate her steely veneer. But at the Well, a cabaret for women "of a certain ilk," Terry, Winny, Eva, Pepper, and Viv—yep, even the "Ice Princess" herself—will plummet into love.

Patricia Kane based her play

with music, *Pulp!*, on old movies and the lesbian pulp novels of the 1950s. She wrote a "celebration," she said in an interview, not a "campy parody," since "camp has an edge to it I didn't want in the play." Like the Well, where owner Liv doesn't allow "hanky-panky" on display or "upstairs," *Pulp!* eschews skin shows for young hearts finding their way amid rampant '50s repression.

As genres go, a celebration's awfully vague, and there are times during the Moxie/Diversary Theatre staging when the writing feels flimsy, as if trying *not* to do something rather

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than assert its own case. The fun happens when the cast adopts *Pulp!*'s B-movie tough talk and if-you-get-my-drift asides: they know something you don't, or just you and the actor and no one else (the talk deliberately marginalizes audience members not of that "ilk"). Like jets over the Starlight Bowl, key words trigger freeze-frame reaction-poses — at appropriate, nudge-nudge, "on the down-low" moments.

"It's been a hard day," a character says, "a hard week."

Then Terry (Jo Anne Glover with an accent that's pure Audie Murphy) turns to the audience with a dead-eyed stare and *entre nous* confidentiality and opines, "a hard life..."

Tough talk aside, *Pulp!* has more in common with *Cheers* than *Women Behind Bars*. Or *Cheers* with musical interludes. And one could wish the songs, performed unevenly by the employees as "drag kings," had more spunk (they need to be kicked up; turning on the mike the performers sing into might give them the much-needed smoky cabaret feel).

The play abounds with references, from *Double Indemnity* to *Silk Stockings*. Thanks to costume designer Shulamit Nelson and

makeup artist Missy Bradstreet, the cast has some striking look-alikes: as the innocent Pepper, Jennifer Eve Thorn quotes Barbara Stanwyck almost nonstop but looks a *lot* like Marilyn Monroe circa 1956; stately Liv Kellgren's deep-denying Viv loves melodramatic gestures (the back of the wrist slammed to the forehead, with accompanying swoon) and resembles her namesake, Vivian Blaine. As the fatal *femme* Eva ("Bada Bing") Malone, versatile Jessica John looks and acts like a brassy Ava Gardner. And Terri Park recalls every vulnerable soul seeking sanctuary from the conformist, claustrophobic '50s, an age that's become a dead ringer for our own. ■

## THEATER LISTINGS

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### Atwater: Fixin' to Die

Cygnnet Theatre Company stages Robert Myers' drama about the "bad boy of the Republican Party" and "creator of the political spin." Rosina Reynolds directed.

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### Broadway Sunday Bonus

The Broadway Theatre's Sunday series features one-acts by local writer Michael Thomas Tower: *The Pull of Paradise*, *A Certain Unsoundness of Mind*, and *To Hear a Distant Tune*. Ximena Paola Herschberg and Jeffrey Ingman directed.

BROADWAY THEATRE, 340 EAST BROADWAY, VISTA, THROUGH JUNE 4; SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 760-805-7905.

### The Compleat Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)

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### Crave

By the end of Sarah Kane's 50-minute piece, the four tormented speakers on a collision-course with suicide may have found release. Sometimes they hear each other; other times, not. A topic generates clusters of reactions, violent, hurt, spiteful, like caustic sibling rivalries. Imagine a group therapy session in which negatives accumulate value. This session, however, takes place in the mind of a single person who really needs to leave. Lynx Performance director Al Germani treats *Crave* as a musical quartet. In a small, dark space, the audience sits in the round, close enough to be part of the session. Pinspotted from above, their bodies facing each other on diagonals, the four actors speak into microphones. This configuration has a physical sameness, after a while, but calls attention to the words and their rhythms, which often resemble jazz riffs or jagged ritual chanting. Disorder becomes an ordering principle. In the background a musical chord, sustained throughout, provides a baseline of stability. The performance I caught was

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shaky (never envy an actor who must sit next to an audience and assert speeches and parts of words, with stopwatch precision, based on the strangest of cues). But Kane's achievement is undeniable. It's hard to think of a play that will get you closer to the mindset(s) of someone who could say, "Death is my lover, and he wants to move in."

**Worth a try.**

LYNX PERFORMANCE THEATRE SPACE, 2653-R ARIANE DRIVE, SORRENTO VALLEY, THROUGH JUNE 11; FRIDAY AT 9:00 P.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-889-3190.

**The Diary of Anne Frank**

Patio Playhouse stages a new adaptation of the haunted tale of a "frank" young diarist and her family hiding from the Nazis. Jay Mower directed.

PATIO PLAYHOUSE, 201 EAST GRAND AVENUE, SUITE 1D, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH JUNE 4; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-746-6669.

**Forbidden Broadway: Special Victims Unit**

Some of the sharpest, and funniest, theater criticism around! The framing device — the show's a Special Victims Unit for Broadway clunkers — doesn't last two minutes before it disappears. But no matter. Gerard Alessandrini's latest attempt to "turn the Great White Way gray" 's a winner, thanks to his ever-present wit and amazing performances by Jeanne Montano (who skewers Yoko Ono and *Jersey Boys*) and Valerie Fagan (co-author of *Six Women With Brain Death*, who slanders Sarah Brightman). Male performers Jared Bradshaw and Kevin B. McGlynn certainly hold their own (especially Bradshaw's demolition of Harry Connick Jr. and McG-

lynn's take on a forgetful Robert Goulet, who slaps lyrics from *Camelot* onto *South Pacific*). The revue reprises old favorites: no *Forbidden Broadway* would be complete without some *Les Miz* and *Lion King* trashing ("Can You Feel the Pain Tonight?" one sings, under the weight of Julie Taymor's gigantic headgear), and Alessandrini's spoof on *Chicago* and how to dance the Fosse style ("bowler hats," "spread your fingers so") is a hoot. As are every last one of Alvin Colt's cartoony costumes (often changed in split seconds). Amid near-constant laughs, the revue makes serious points about contemporary Broadway's disturbing penchant for "puppet" and "jukebox" theater, and its general dumbing down of late. All true, yet never put so memorably. **Critic's pick.**

THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS STREET, OLD TOWN, THROUGH JUNE 11; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-688-2494.

**The Foreigner**

OnStage Playhouse presents Larry Shue's durable comedy about a Brit at a Southern hunting lodge. David Rethoret directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AVENUE, CHULA VISTA, THROUGH JUNE 3; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-422-7787.

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The San Diego Repertory Theatre concludes its 30th anniversary season with a festival of music, dance, theater, guest speakers, and the New Orleans Klezmer All-Stars. SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH JUNE 21; FOR ARTISTS AND EVENTS, CALL 619-544-1000.

**Little Mary Sunshine**

Scripps Ranch Theatre stages Rick Besoyan's musical comedy about life in the 1900s, in which the hero is brave, the villain base, and Little Mary Sunshine exudes virtue. Raylene J. Wall directed. SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, ALLIANT UNIVERSITY, 10455 POMERADO ROAD, THROUGH JUNE 17; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-578-7728.

**Nocturne**

The "resilient narrator" of Adam Rapp's drama can understand suicide but not accidents. There must have been a reason why his sister was run over 15 years ago, by a 1969 Buick going 45 in a 30, and why he was behind the wheel. Any answer is preferable to none at all. The play, a longish monologue/reverie on "night thoughts," follows his road through grief, depression, and unknowing not to a dramatic breakthrough, where the clouds part and the sun smiles, but to a point where progress can continue. In many ways, *Nocturne* is more a piece of writing — language-based, with a literary gloss — than a play (the author has a penchant for the labored and the purple). But the New Village Arts production gives it a stillness, both doom-haunted and restoring, and an arresting central performance. The stage, in Kristianne Kurner's minimalist de-

sign and Joshua Everett Johnson's subtle direction, is a gallery of painful scenes frozen, at first, then set in motion, then joined as the production moves from words to actions. Seated downstage center, his toes pointed inward, Francis Gercke's narrator's an innocent thrust too soon into experience. As Gercke speaks, first around the subject then into it, the narrator gains momentum, possibly even strength, from the telling. Gercke inverts the playwright's often distant language to a means of pinning down bits of chaos, albeit for the moment. **Worth a try.**

STUDIO SPACE AT JAZZERCISE, 2460 IMPALA DRIVE, CARLSBAD, THROUGH MAY 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 760-433-3245.

**No Way to Treat a Lady**

North Coast Repertory Theatre stages the California premiere of Douglas J. Cohen's musical, based on William Goldman's novel and film. Rick Simas directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987 LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH JUNE 4; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

**The Odd Couple**

The Coronado Playhouse presents Neil Simon's comedy about a neatnik and a slob and when the twain were forced to meet. Keith A. Anderson directed. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO, THROUGH MAY 28; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-435-4856.

**Pulp!**

Reviewed this issue. DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK

BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, THROUGH JUNE 11; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M., FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M., SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-220-0097.

**The Real Thing**

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents Tom Stoppard's hall of mirrors examination of love's mysteries. Martin Benson directed. SEGERSTROM STAGE, SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 655 TOWN CENTRE DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH JUNE 25; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AND TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 714-708-5555.

**She Loves Me**

New Vision Theatre stages the Harnick, Bock, and Masteroff musical charmer about a secret epistolary romance in Maraczek's *Parfumerie*. SUNSHINE BROOKS THEATRE, 217 NORTH COAST HIGHWAY, OCEANSIDE, THROUGH MAY 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-529-9140.

**Sunday Funnies**

Korbett Kompany Productions presents a slate of one-act comedies that "takes a humorous view of dysfunctional relationships." Bob Korbett directed. GET WIRELESS STORE, 116 WASHINGTON STREET, MIDTOWN, THROUGH JUNE 4; SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-297-7309.

**The Violet Hour**

The Old Globe Theatre stages Richard Greenberg's deep comedy about a publisher, with enough money to publish only one book, and a strange machine that publishes the future. Carolyn Cantor directed. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS,

BALBOA PARK, THROUGH JUNE 25; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

**What's Wrong With This Picture?**

The Broadway Theatre presents Donald Margulies's comedy about Shirley. Since she died her husband's been such a mess she needs to go back and straighten things out. Randall Hickman directed. BROADWAY THEATRE, 340 EAST BROADWAY, VISTA, THROUGH MAY 28; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-806-7905.

**Win, Place, or Die...My Jockeys Are Killing Me!**

Mystery Cafe Dinner Theatre presents James Pascarella and Patricia Harris-Smith's interactive "race-track romp." It's opening weekend at Upson Downs, and the Thoroughbred Club'll never be the same. Pascarella directed. IMPERIAL HOUSE RESTAURANT, 505 KALMIA STREET, HILLCREST, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-544-1600.

**Zhivago**

The La Jolla Playhouse opens its new season with the world premiere of this musical — book by Michael Weller, music by Lucy Simon, lyrics by Michael Korie and Amy Powers — based on the Boris Pasternak novel. Des McNuff directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS THEATRE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, THROUGH JUNE 25; TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P.M., THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010.

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**Monkey Karma** After a rancorous fight with her landlord, Hot Monkey Love Café owner Alma Felan says her seven-night-a-week, all-

there will be June 30. Felan said she hopes to open up the new venue by mid-July.

Felan and Hot Monkey Love endured three years of litigation over property easement issues with her landlord, the Alliance for African Assistance, which is headquartered next door.

Felan's attorney, Sandy

Walter Lam: "He knows how to beat the system." She said he would "blame the café for every single issue that was happening on El Cajon Boulevard."

Felan is now less bitter. She says she wishes Lam and the Alliance "the best. I don't want to have any bad karma."

Felan said she heard from other sources that the Alliance had a change of heart and in fact wanted Hot Monkey to stay. "But I am not staying. I don't want to give them any more money."



**HOT MONKEY'S MOVING DOWN THE STREET**

Alma said in spite of the court battle, she is happy with the resolution. "This forced our business to grow and make it better. We had a lot of

great memories [at the current location]. A lot of great moments."

A call to Lam was not returned.

Hot Monkey Love has a live performance or a DJ seven nights a week. Jazz, rock, salsa, and reggae bands are given their own night of the week.

— Ken Leighton

**Big foot** "They are good for 2500 to 3000 tickets." That's how one local promoter described Switchfoot's local box office draw at an all-age venue. But that estimation considers paying customers. How many fans would turn out to see Switchfoot if they played a free concert on the beach?

Since blink-182 disbanded, multiplatinum-selling Switchfoot has become San Diego's most successful locally based band. As a way to say thanks to its local fans, Switchfoot is presenting its own free concert and surf contest called the Switchfoot Bro-Am, Saturday, June 3. A stage will be erected on the sand at Moonlight Beach in Encinitas. The band is absorbing all production costs, including staging and security.

Kip Locke grew up surfing with Switchfoot founders Jon

and Tim Foreman and Chad Butler. He was asked to oversee the June 3 event. He said the City of Encinitas has been told to expect 3000 to 4000 people at the event.

Pro surfer Rob Machado said Switchfoot's appearance at his tenth annual Surf Classic and Beach Fair in Cardiff last year drew such a huge crowd that it had a part in getting officials to pull the plug on his annual event.

"We are working out traffic control and security right now," said Locke. "They played at the Santa Monica pier several months ago, and they drew about 3500. Luckily they had a real nice crowd with no problems."

Locke said a corresponding surf contest and an auction/dinner connected with the concert will benefit Casa de Amparo, a North County charity that helps abandoned youth.

At present, the June 3 appearance is Switchfoot's only scheduled local

appearance for 2006. Locke said he did not know if Switchfoot would appear again locally this year.

Tristan Prettyman, Tom Curren, This Holiday Life, and Years Around the Sun



**SWITCHFOOT LAUNCHES BRO-AM**

perform from noon to 4 p.m., followed by a one-hour set by Switchfoot. Moonlight Beach is at the west end of Encinitas Boulevard.

— Ken Leighton

**Go Sit in the Corner** Solo vocalist Naomi learned what it's like to be an immigrant trying to work on a recent tour in England.

"I got stopped at customs on my way in," says Naomi. "They were asking me, 'What are you doing in this country?' At first I was, like, 'I'm just on vacation.' And then they were, like, 'Really. What are you

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the inside track

age music venue has signed a lease for a new building. Hot Monkey Love will be moving out of its 2000-square-foot space on El Cajon Boulevard for a new home at a 4000-square-foot building down the street.

Although she said she had signed a long-term lease last week, she did not want to disclose the new address except to say that it is near SDSU.

Hot Monkey Love has been at its current location for almost four years. Its last day

Troy, claimed the Alliance would hang a chain across a driveway, making it impossible for Hot Monkey customers to leave. He said bolt cutters had to be used to allow them to leave. Troy also maintained the Alliance would harass Hot Monkey's clientele by taking photos of them.

Felan lost a court case with the Alliance earlier this year and was told Hot Monkey would have to vacate.

At the time Felan lost the case, she said this about Alliance executive director

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doing here?’ And then I said, ‘I’m a musician. I have shows here.’ They got upset because I think you have to have a work permit to do that, even though I was not planning on getting paid anything, and I had no expectation that it was any kind of job. They were uptight about it and were really mad and made me go sit in the corner.”

British customs officials took Naomi’s passport away and told her someone would be with her. Naomi says she sat near the medical quarantine section of the airport for three hours, missing her connecting flight, which she called “a giant fiasco.”

“Finally they just said, ‘We’ll let you come into the country, but we could deport you for this.’ It was really heavy and serious. I didn’t expect anything like that to happen.”

Naomi flew to England by herself with her laptop as her accompanist. “San Diego was feeling kind of small, and so I kinda wanted to either move somewhere that seemed like it had a lot more activity musically that I could really be interested in, or I wanted to tour,” she says. “I decided to tour.”

She was able to book shows through the Internet and by calling venues across England. The only problem she had was when a show she

thought she booked in Manchester never materialized. The venue owners believed her story and let her crash with them for the night.

“Actually it was really hard [to book shows]. I’ve heard that’s one of the hardest places to get shows and that a lot of bands don’t even go there,” Naomi says. “I think it’s partially because the music industry’s huge there and there’s a lot of competition to get shows. When I was there it seemed kind of insular. Not



NAOMI FLIES SOLO

that they weren’t aware of things in the rest of the world but that they just didn’t care because there was so much stuff going on there.”

Naomi will play the Ché Café May 21 with Bunky and the Robot Ate Me.

— Jeremiah Griffey

**Bringing Down Pala Bowl**

“When the ratio of skaters to metalheads gets out of whack, that’s when everything gets put at risk.”

For four years an empty pool on the Pala Indian Reservation has been a haven for skateboarders. Known as Pala Pool, the owner of the property has allowed professional and amateur skaters to use the pool for free. One skater who didn’t want to be identified says live bands that now play poolside may be ruining it for the skaters.

“The band-scene party thing has been going on for a

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couple of years. There now seems to be more long-haired rocker dudes and less skaters. Once you get beyond the [skater] element, you’re in trouble.”

On occasional weekend nights, bands will show up and play on gear powered by a generator. Local bands Nihilist and Wrecking Crew, Orange County’s Skatanic Rednecks, and Cheerleader 666 from Canada have played the Pala Bowl in the past few months.

The skater said perfect



SKATERS ROCK POOLSIDE AT PALA

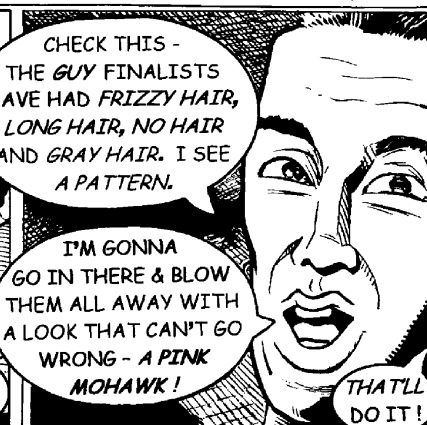
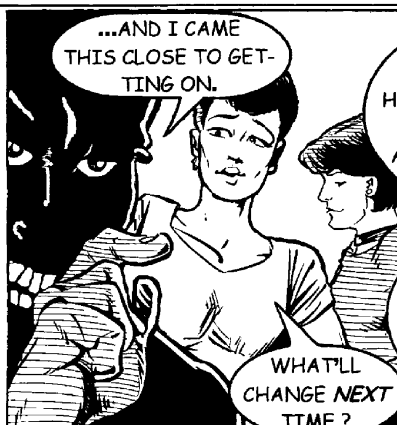
skate meccas are “few and far between. There was a pool in Palm Desert called the Nude Bowl. What caused the death of the Nude Bowl [in 2000] was when promoters got involved and started doing parties there. It was the wrong crowd and the wrong scene. They didn’t have respect for

what the Nude Bowl was. It was a skater sanctuary in the desert that got snuffed by parties. Pala [Bowl] is not a whole lot different.”

The skater suggests Oceanside-based *Transworld Skateboarding* magazine is inadvertently playing a part in bringing down Pala Bowl. “Those guys aren’t pool skaters,” he said of the magazine’s staff. “It’s just not their scene.” He said a recent *www.skateboarding.com* photo spread called “Party of the Year” drew tons of nonskating metalheads. “They brought in a lot of nonskaters. If you want to have a band play in a vacant dirt lot somewhere for a party, that’s fine, but Pala [Pool] is not a place like that. You have to treat a place like that with respect.”

“The Indian who owns the pool lives a half-mile away. Now he is starting to post signs about age limits and capacity. It is a result of all the partying and not because of the skating. He’s been nothing but generous to us, but I think his patience for this is waning.”

Because the pool is on an Indian reservation, it is not frequently patrolled by police. Though, the skater said, “One time the sheriffs were on a pursuit looking for someone.



They burst in with shotguns and treated us as suspects.”

— Ken Leighton

**666 Postponed to Later this Summer**

6-6-06 was supposed to see the reunited Slayer debut music from their first album in five years for around 11,500 fans at the Sports Arena.

Unfortunately, this first date of the “Unholy Alliance Tour” was postponed when

singer/bassist Tom Araya needed “minor gallbladder surgery,” according to a publicist. The tour will instead begin June 10 in

Peoria, Illinois, leaving some Slayer fans pissed and, in some cases, at a financial loss.

“I wuz gonna fly out [to San Diego],” says Jimson on the *gauntlet.com* message board. “Already got the plane tix and their not transferable...maybe I’ll go scare tourists at Leggoland instead.”

“I fuckn’ paid \$250 for second row [seats],” says GGmanga on the *Blabbermouth.net* board, “and I only get back the face price if

I don’t go to the [rescheduled] show, which I can’t, cause I’m getting married that day.”

Slayer will still release their new EP, *Eternal Pyre*, on 6-6-06, available exclusively at Hot Topic stores (“Their souls are due to Satan, not some mall blowjob parlor,” says Jim Traficant at *Blabbermouth.net*). Slayer’s last album, *God Hates Us All* (recorded before long-gone drummer Dave Lombardo



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rejoined in 2003), had the unfortunate release date of September 11, 2001. The band’s San Diego show (with Children of Bodom and Lamb of God) has been rescheduled to July 20, where the original tickets will be honored.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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# Cheeky

*"A friend of mine is friends with Jessica Alba's boyfriend."*

**W**e just got back from a mini-tour up the coast," says Cheeky front-man Shant Salakian. "We went as far as San Louis Obispo. It was a new experience for us. It's the first time we've been on the road for more than a couple of days."

What's next for this local act? "Our next CD will be *Live at Le-stat's*," says Shant. We recorded it about a month ago. Right now it's in the mix-down stage."

Shant was born and raised in Zimbabwe, then joined San Diego natives Andy Jensen (bass), Chad Slaughter (lead guitar), and Gabriel Johnston (drums).

Cheeky performs Thursday, May 25, at Brick by Brick.

## TRICKIEST PROBLEM PLAYING LIVE?

**Shant** "Most sound guys don't really care how well you sound onstage. It's the most frustrating thing: playing a whole gig and having someone come up to you at the end and say, 'Great show, but I couldn't hear the vocals.'"

**Gabe** "Poor sound reinforcement for vocals."

**Andy** "Keeping Shant's guitar in tune and his mind in a happy place."

**Chad** "Ideally, you'd like to hear onstage what the peeps in the audience are hearing."

## FAVORITE AXE AND ITS HISTORY?

**Shant** "Taylor T5. It's an incredibly versatile guitar and lets me get both acoustic and electric sounds. I just bought it and don't know how I've

lived without it up until this point."

**Gabe** "Yamaha 13-inch brass snare. I had been eyeballing it for months, then I went into the store and I didn't see it anywhere. I thought I had lost my chance, but a salesman pulled it out from behind the counter just as I was beginning to sulk. I bought it on the spot — not that I had the money for it, but I knew I wouldn't get another

shot."

**Andy** "Cort five-string bass. Bought it sight unseen on eBay, and I've loved it ever since."

**Chad** "70s Les Paul XR1, bought in '93 or '94. It was my first 'real' guitar. I recently gutted and sanded the paint off of it so as to make a super-axe. It's still a work in progress."

## BEST/WORST GIG?

**Gabe** "The Tiki Bar [gigs] are always the best. They always just 'feel' right. Worst: At the Jumping Turtle in San Marcos. It is a good place to play, but the night we played there was so dead. San Marcos just isn't a hopping part of town."

**Andy** "Best gig was in Hollywood on Melrose. The place [Venus] was packed, fans were going nuts, and there was plenty of evil to be unleashed later that night."

## BRUSH WITH THE FAMOUS?

**Gabe** "I met Ike Turner once while working at the Guitar Center in San Marcos, back in 1998."

**Andy** "A friend of mine is friends with Jessica Alba's boyfriend. That's only four degrees, I think,



Chad, Shant, Andy, Gabe

but that's four degrees closer to the hottest woman in the world than anyone else I know."

**Chad** "Got burned by Taylor Knox at Lower's."

## WHERE DO YOU SEE MUSIC GOING IN THE 21ST CENTURY?

**Shant** "I see all the genres melting into one and most music getting to a point where you can't really categorize it."

**Gabe** "I would hope to see a push for more live music being performed in the 500- to 1000-occupancy venues, as opposed to the big 10,000-seat venues. If fans claim that the music they listen to is so personal to them, why would they prefer huge venues as opposed to smaller, more intimate ones?"

## GIG DREAMS?

**Shant** "I have a recurrent dream/nightmare:

We're playing to a 100,000-size crowd, and they're going crazy, and we're just about to start playing...but none of our equipment is working."

**Gabe** "I had a dream once about playing in a swing band on a cruise ship and everybody was dressed like in the movie *Titanic*. But not so stuffy and totally shaking a leg."

**Andy** "One time I dreamt that our singer was here illegally from Africa."

## ENCOUNTERS WITH RECORD LABEL EXECS?

**Shant** "I don't really know if major record label is the way to go. I would never give up ownership of my music. When the time comes, we'll see what they have to offer."

**Chad** "Yeah, they keep trying to sign us, but we're, like, 'No way, man, you can't handle this.'"

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Sunday, June 11



**Clarke/Duke Project**  
featuring **Stanley Clarke & George Duke**  
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Sunday, June 18



**Baaba Maal/  
Richard Thompson**  
Monday, June 19



**India.Arie**  
with special guest **Chrisette Michele**  
Thursday, June 22



**Acoustic Planet Tour**  
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String Band**  
Friday, June 23



**The 5 Browns**  
Wednesday, June 28



**America/Richie Furay**  
Friday, June 30

## may

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## june

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Friday, June 23 • 6:30

**Pink Martini**  
Saturday, June 24 • 8:00

**The 5 Browns**  
Wednesday, June 28 • 7:30

**Ringo Starr & his  
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**America/  
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## july

**Nickel Creek**  
Wednesday, July 5 • 7:30

**Linda Ronstadt**  
Thursday, July 6 • 7:30

**Indigo Girls**  
with special guest **Michelle Malone**  
Friday, July 7 • 7:30

## july

**Hapa/Barefoot  
Natives: Willie K.  
& Eric Gilliom**  
with very special guest **Ledward Ka'apana**  
Sunday, July 9 • 7:00

**Blues Traveler**  
Monday, July 10 • 7:30

**Miranda Lambert**  
Wednesday, July 12 • 7:30

**Eddie Money**  
with special guest **Firefall**  
Thursday, July 13 • 7:00

**Chris Isaak**  
Friday, July 14 • 7:30

**Lyle Lovett**  
Sunday, July 16 • 7:30

**The Beach Boys**  
Tues. & Wed., July 18 & 19 • 7:30

**Hootie & The Blowfish**  
with special guest **Kai Brown**  
Thursday, July 20 • 7:00

**Bruce Hornsby &  
The Noisemakers**  
Friday, July 21 • 7:30

**Herman's Hermits**  
starring **Peter Noone/  
Peter & Gordon/  
The Turtles**  
Sunday, July 23 • 6:30

**Terri Clark**  
with special guest **Ryan Shupe**  
Thursday, July 27 • 7:30

**Celtic Woman**  
Friday, July 28 • 8:00

## august

**Boz Scaggs**  
with special guest **James Hunter**  
Tuesday, August 1 • 7:30

**The Rippingtons**  
featuring **Russ Freeman**  
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David Benoit**  
Wednesday, August 2 • 7:30

**David Bromberg  
with Angel Band/  
the subdudes**  
Thursday, August 3 • 7:00

**Foreigner**  
with special guest **Joe Bonamassa**  
Friday, August 4 • 7:30

**Olivia Newton-John**  
Sunday, August 6 • 7:30

## august

**Ian Anderson**  
plays **Orchestral Jethro Tull**  
Monday, August 7 • 7:30

**Randy Newman**  
Wednesday, August 9 • 8:00

**Ottmar Liebert  
& Luna Negra**  
Thursday, August 10 • 7:30

**Yolanda Adams**  
Friday, August 11 • 7:30

**Lonestar**  
Sunday, August 13 • 7:30

**Poco/Pure Prairie  
League**  
Thursday, August 17 • 7:00

**Dennis DeYoung:  
The Music of Styx**  
Special guest appearance by  
**Glen Burtnik**  
Friday, August 18 • 7:30

**Dave Brubeck Quartet**  
Sunday, August 20 • 7:30

**Michael Franks**  
with special guests **Willie & Lobo**  
Monday, August 21 • 7:00

**Etta James**  
Tuesday, August 22 • 7:30

**Big Head Todd  
& The Monsters/  
Toad The Wet Sprocket**  
Wednesday, August 23 • 7:00

**Air Supply/  
Christopher Cross**  
Thursday, August 24 • 7:00

**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy**  
Friday, August 25 • 7:30

**Gordon Lightfoot**  
Sunday, August 27 • 7:30

**Rosanne Cash**  
Monday, August 28 • 7:30

**Doobie Brothers**  
Tuesday, August 29 • 7:30

## september

**Joe Cocker**  
Tuesday, September 5 • 7:30

**Jesse Cook**  
with special guest **Sophie Milman**  
Thursday, September 7 • 7:30

## september

**Los Lobos**  
with special guests  
**Ivan Neville's Dumpstaphunk**  
Friday, September 8 • 7:00

**Southside Johnny &  
The Asbury Jukes/  
The Fabulous  
Thunderbirds**  
Sunday, September 10 • 7:00

**Steve Tyrell**  
Thursday, September 14 • 7:30

**Tower of Power**  
Friday, September 15 • 8:00

**George Carlin**  
Saturday, September 16 • 6:30 & 9:00

**Brian Culbertson**  
featuring **Eric Darius/  
Keiko Matsui**  
Thursday, September 21 • 7:00

**Temptations**  
Sunday, September 24 • 7:30

**Na Leo**  
Friday, September 29 • 7:00

## october

**Emmylou Harris**  
Tuesday, October 3 • 7:30

**Queensrÿche**  
Wednesday, October 4 • 7:30

**Bobby Caldwell**  
Friday, October 6 • 8:00

**Cecilio & Kapono**  
Sunday, October 8 • 7:30

**Larry Carlton  
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featuring **Robben Ford**  
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**Joan Baez**  
Wednesday, October 18 • 7:30

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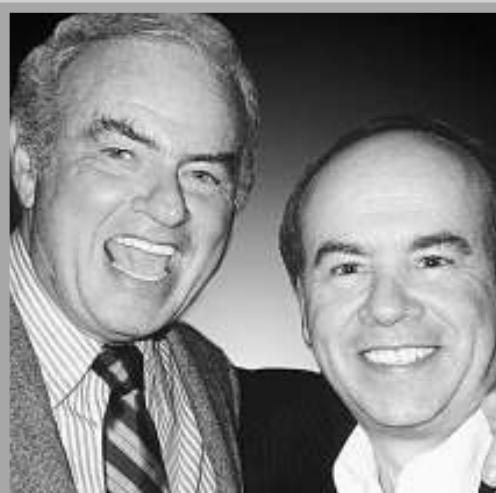
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CONCERTS

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Radiohead /183/: Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Monday, June 26, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

The String Cheese Incident /572/ and Ratdog: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Monday, June 26, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Melissa Etheridge /587/: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 27, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Radiohead /183/: Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Tuesday, June 27, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Ringo Starr and His All-Starr Band /218/: Palomar Starlight Theater, Wednesday, June 28, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

Lifefhouse: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Wednesday, June 28, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Widespread Panic /129/: Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Wednesday, June 28, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Ringo Starr and His All-Starr Band /218/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 29, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

Counting Crows /598/ and The Goo Goo Dolls: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, June 29, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

America /582/ and Richie Furay: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,

Friday, June 30, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

JULY

Kenny Loggins: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, July 1, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Ozomatli: 'Canes, Sunday, July 2, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Fairport Convention: Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, July 2, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Reverend Horton Heat: House of Blues, Sunday, July 2, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Carrie Underwood: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Monday, July 3, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Ozomatli: 'Canes, Monday, July 3, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

K.C. & the Sunshine Band: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, July 4, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Nickel Creek: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 5, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

Rob Thomas and Jewel /881/: Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Wednesday, July 5, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Linda Ronstadt: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 6, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

"Vans Warped Tour" with NOFX /109/, Saves the Day, Anti-Flag, and many more: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, July 6, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Buddy Blue once wrote words to the effect that "Carlos Olmeda is a Mexican who thinks he's an Irishman." Over coffee and lemonade one afternoon, I ask Olmeda to explain what the late writer meant. "You know, he and I were e-mailing back and forth about that until just a few weeks ago. Buddy said, 'It's my job to make fun of guys I like.' I said, 'Okay, but I'm sensitive.'" After this admission, the singer-songwriter's face breaks into a grin. It is no mystery that Olmeda's musical style is more in line with Irish folk and even vaudeville than Latino, except for his unabashed love songs or those rare moments when he slips into his native tongue.

Olmeda is a vibrant folk performer. His

guitar playing is complex and executed with little apparent effort. But his voice is his main instrument. It is most comfortable, I think, in the higher reaches of the tenor and the perfect instrument for his love songs, his Irish pub songs, his ramblings about the woman who lives in the downstairs apartment, or his childish whimsy. "Mommy," he sings about a shotgun-toting father who likes to hunt, "are there ducks in heaven?"

We drink our drinks and bash Air Supply and the state of music in general for a while. Then we leave for a benefit that Carlos is playing later that evening. There, while he works the room, I learn from his girlfriend Suki that he has actually been to Ireland once before. The two of them have plans to return later this year when Olmeda is scheduled to perform at a festival in Belfast. I begin to think that maybe



CARLOS OLMEDA

Buddy Blue got it right. Michael Tiernan, Jane Lui, Aaron Bowen, and Lindsey Yung also perform.

CARLOS OLMEDA, Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 31, 8 p.m. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497. \$7.

The Indigo Girls: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 7, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

Pearl Jam and Sonic Youth: Cox Arena, Friday, July 7, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0429 or 619-220-8497.

"Ozzfest": Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, July 9, 11 a.m. 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Maldita Vecindad: House of Blues, Sunday, July 9, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Blues Traveler: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 10, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo /586/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, July 11, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Eddie Money /617/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 13, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

Roy Book Binder /967/: Acoustic Music San Diego, Thursday, July 13, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Chris Isaak /561/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 14, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

John Renbourn: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, July 15, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Ray Davies: Spreckels Theatre, Saturday, July 15, 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

Lyle Lovett: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 16, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

The Foo Fighters: San Diego Civic Theatre, Monday, July 17, Third Avenue and B Street, 619-220-8497.

The Beach Boys /569/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 18, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

The Beach Boys /569/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 19, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

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Edwin McCain: House of Blues, Thursday, July 20, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.  
Bruce Hornsby [621]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 21, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.  
The Thievery Corporation: 4th & B, Friday, July 21, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.  
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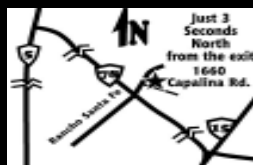
Randy Newman: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 9, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.  
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"Roots Rock Reggae" with Ziggy Marley [737], Sinéad O'Connor [200], Sly & Robbie, and Ozomatli: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, August 10, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.  
Yolanda Adams: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 11, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.  
Creedence Clearwater Revisited [628]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, August 12, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.  
Ben Harper [956]: Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Sunday, August 13, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.  
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Buddy Guy [959] and Robert Cray: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, August 16, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.  
Los Lonely Boys: Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Wednesday, August 16, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.  
Shakira: San Diego Sports Arena, Wednesday, August 16, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

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Boz Scaggs [613]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 1, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.  
Pete Yorn: The Casbah, Tuesday, August 1, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego. 619-232-4355.  
Michael Bolton [599]: Palomar Starlight Theater, Thursday, August 3, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.  
Julio Iglesias [627]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, August 4, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.  
Foreigner [612]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 4, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.  
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**Etta James [600]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 22, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**The Red Hot Chili Peppers [299]:** San Diego Sports Arena, Tuesday, August 22, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

**Big Head Todd & the Monsters [629] and Toad the Wet Sprocket:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 23, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Def Leppard and Journey:** Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, August 23, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

**Air Supply and Christopher Cross:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 24, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Al Jarreau and George Benson:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, August 24, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Randy Travis [780]:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, August 25, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy [626]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 25, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Al Jarreau:** Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, August 25, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**"American Idols Live 2006":** San Diego Sports Arena, Friday, August 25, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

**The Dave Matthews Band [198]:** Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, August 26, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

**Marco Antonio Solis:** Palomar Starlight Theater, Sunday, August 27, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**Gordon Lightfoot:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 27, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**The Doobie Brothers [614]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 29, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**John Fogerty:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, August 29, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

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**James Brown:** 4th & B, Saturday, September 2, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Joe Cocker [608]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 5, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Los Lobos [605]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 8, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**The James Gang Rides Again:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, September 9, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Ricardo Arjona:** Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 10, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

**Bonnie Raitt [593] and Keb' Mo':** Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Wednesday, September 13, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Dwight Yoakam [777]:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, September 14, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Tower of Power:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 15, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Pepe Aguilar:** Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Saturday, September 23, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**The Temptations [958]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 24, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

## OCTOBER

**Emmylou Harris [830]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, October 3, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Celtic Frost:** House of Blues, Wednesday, October 4, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Queensrÿche [558]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, October 4, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Frank Black:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 15, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Joan Baez [817]:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, October 18, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010 or 619-220-8497.

**Ana Gabriel:** Pala Events Center, Friday, October 20, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

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## DJ EVENTS

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**Ascension:** Second Friday of the month, Robin Roth and Tom King spin the best in dark underground dance music. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Kava Lounge, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, middletown, 619-543-0933.

**Borders Collapse v7:** Fourth Saturday of the month, Tijuana electronic artists and poptronic-bossa-glitch-funk with BN Loco, Wero, and Orlando. Visuals by La Idra. No cover. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**BrokenBeat Night:** First Saturday of the month, machine funk, disco house, and electro with Get Ugly, Skutech, Jon Wesley, and more. No cover. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**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, Terry, and other female DJs spin indie, electro, and Britpop. 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 Walkrawler, 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, live hip-hop with DJs Veep Reekins and Mr. Riddles. Buster Daly's, 3112 University Avenue, North Park. 619-284-2747.

**Inferno Young Adult Nightclub:** Thursdays, college jam; 18 and up. Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, house, and reggaeton. Sunday, Memorial Weekend jam. 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.

**Manic Mondays:** Mondays, DJ Marc Thrasher mixes the best of '80s and '90s music videos. 9 p.m. to close; 21 and up. Whiskey Girl, 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-236-1616.

**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.

# NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

As a band with a photogenic singer and an address in New York, **Elefant** gets a lot of press. Although most of that press is along the lines of "Front man **Diego Garcia** is the sexiest man in rock!" some of it isn't so flattering. Here's an abbreviated list of artists whom Elefant has been accused of ripping off: Interpol, the Strokes, David Bowie, Elastica, the Cure, Suede, Iggy Pop, Morrissey. It's got to be embarrassing to be accused of ripping off Elastica, a band that got sued for ripping off Wire. Still, you've got to tip your hat to anyone who can simultaneously rip off Iggy Pop and Morrissey. That's some kind of achievement.

The truth is that Elefant sounds a little like some of these influences and a lot like

others, and they are all good artists to sound like. It would be more impressive if Elefant could find a way to sound like Elefant.

Garcia works the same kind of dis-solute-romantic urban hipster vibe that the Strokes' Julian Casablancas made his own, but where Casablancas croons melodies like a sentimental fool leaving drunken messages on someone's voice mail, Garcia spent most of Elefant's 2003 debut album *Sunlight Makes Me Paranoid* using a mannered monotone. It was sort of the vocal equivalent of standing on the dance floor so you don't wrinkle your cool outfit. On the new album *The Black Magic Show*, he loosens up a bit, and his expert band follows suit. But on "Lolita," which has an R-rated video heavily



ELEFANT

promoted on the Internet, Garcia falls on his pretty face when he tries to rip off an artist who's way out of his league: Vladimir Nabokov.

**ELEFANT, The Epicentre, Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m. 858-271-4000. \$15.**

## CLUBS BY AREA

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**Belly Up Tavern**, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, *War and the Mardi Gras Gypsies*, rock/blues. Friday, *the English Beat*, ska, and *Sierra Swan*. Saturday, *Lyrics Born*, *Deep Rooted*, and *the Kneehighs*, hip-hop/reggae. Sunday, 9 p.m., *Don Carlos* and *Audio Antics*. Tuesday, 8 p.m., *Aceyalone*, *Ugly Duckling*, *the Procuissions*, *Diverse*, *Mayday*, and *Wrekonize*, rock. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Michael Tiernan*, *Linsey Young*, *Carlos Olmeda*, *Jane Lui*, and *Aaron Bowen*, acoustic/folk.

**Bistro 221**, 221 Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-7398. Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Carlos Rull*, jazz.

**The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe**, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Ed Kornhauser*, jazz.

**Borders Books and Music**, 1905 Calle Barcelona, Carlsbad. 760-479-0242. Saturday, 8 p.m., *John Bosley*, acoustic.

**Borders Books and Music**, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Friday, 8 p.m., *Winterhawk*, original acoustic.

**The Calypso Cafe**, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, *Chicharones Guapos*, Latin. Friday, *Jeff Moore* and *Dean Smith*, blues. Saturday, *Triple Shot*, blues. Sunday, *the Duotones*. Monday, *Cactus Twang*, roadhouse rock. Tuesday, *Jack Tempchin*, folk. Wednesday, *Palos*, Latin jazz/salsa.

**Carvers**, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *Nite Hawk*, classic rock.

**Cheers**, 2475 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-0270. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock/country. Sunday, 4 p.m., and Tuesday, 5 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic.

**Churchill's Pub and Grille**, 887 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-471-8773. Saturday, 9:30 p.m., *the Leperkhanz*, rock/funk/reggae.

**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., *Robin Henkel*, blues; 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., *Len Rainey & the Midnight Players*; 10:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., DJ event. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *the Swingin' Kings*, blues; 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Bruce Cameron*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Northstar*, classic rock.

**Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)**, 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, DJ event. Saturday, *DeVerb*.

**Inferno Young Adult Nightclub**, 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-1271. Thursday, college jam. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m. to 1:15 a.m., *DJ Kool T*, hip-hop, house, reggaeton.

**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 alternative/rock. Thursday, 8 p.m., *DJ Mini Mee*, rock. Friday, 6:30 p.m., *the Battalion of Saints*, *Tipper's Gore*, *Hellfire Trigger*, and *Dirtbag*. Saturday, 7 p.m., *Opus Dei*, *FM Revolver*, *Gimmick*, *Invictus*, and *Rishloo*. Sunday, call club for information. Tuesday, 8 p.m., *Tim Malley*, *Alyssa Jacey*, *Eric Slater*, *the Wild Truth*, and *In Reverent Fear*. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *Agent Steel*, *You Die First*, *Nihilist*, and *Damycan*.

**The Kraken**, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, live blues. Friday, classic rock. Saturday, *Custard Pie*, classic rock. Sunday, *the Blues Brokers*. Monday, *the Charles Burton Blues Band*.

**La Playa Cantina & Grill**, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-7550. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Stefani Stevens*, acoustic pop.

**Le Papagayo**, 1002 North Highway 101, Leucadia. 760-944-8252. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Flounders*, acoustic.

**Leucadian Bar**, 1542 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia. 760-753-2094. Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Honkys*, rockabilly.

**Longshot Saloon**, 643 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-8576. Friday, *Superna*, *Individual*, and *Awaiting Samsar*, alternative.

**Mas Fina Cantina**, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

**North Bar Sports and Spirits**, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

**Ocean House**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Friday and Saturday, live rock. Sunday, salsa. Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Cradit Union*, swing. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., blues jam.

**Palomar Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**, 1600 Buena Vista Drive, Vista. Saturday, 3:30 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock/folk.

**The Pine Hills Lodge**, 2960 La Posada Way, Julian. 760-765-1100. Sunday, 9:30 p.m., *Cowboy Jack*, alternative country.

**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, *the Stone Shakers*, rock. Saturday, *the Alternatives*. Wednesday, open mike.

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**Blind Melons**, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *the M-80's*, rock. Friday, *the Expendables* and *Agave*, rock. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Funky Pox*, 9 p.m., *Vegetation*, reggae. Sunday, *Afroman*, hip-hop. Monday, *Alyssa Jacey*, folk. Tuesday, blues jam. Wednesday, *Straight Trippin'*, rock.

**Bully's**, 5755 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-459-2768. Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Gregory Michael*, Motown blues/funk.

**'Canes**, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8 p.m., *Thriving Ivory*, *Emerald City*, *Call Down Fire*, and *Big Backyard*. Friday, 9 p.m., *the B-Side Players*, Latin jazz, and *Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations*, reggae. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Boy Toy Jesse*, *DJ Buddha*, and *DJ David*, '80s music. Sunday, 9 p.m., *the Atomic Punks*, *Song Bird*, and *Arm the Angels*. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Broken Silence*, *Eve White Eve Black*, *Neosonic*, and *Vintage Honey*.

**Chateau Orleans**, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

**Coaster Saloon**, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4438. Friday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., *the Reaganomics*, rock. Saturday, *Big Backyard*, rock.

**Dreamstreet**, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Thursday, 7 p.m., *Age-Old Question*, alternative. Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, live rock/alternative.

**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.

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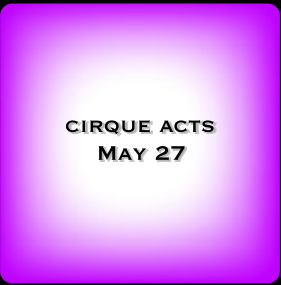


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**Hennessey's Tavern (PB)**, 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Thursday, 10 p.m., *Split Finger*, reggae. Friday and Saturday, live rock.

**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.

**Pasquale on Prospect**, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-0722. Thursday, 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *P. Trac Armenta, Gil Barron, James East*, and *Israel Maldonado*, Latin/smooth jazz/soul/pop. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Nick Fiore, John Giulino, Dave Scott*, and *Cynthia Hammond*, jazz.

**Portugalia**, 4839 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach. 619-222-7678. Sunday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Tim Nunnink Quartet*, traditional jazz.

**Thrusters**, 4633 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-483-6334. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Willovealot*, smooth jazz/funk/R&B. 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, *Secret Samauri*, rock. Saturday, *Earl's Son and the Bar Tones*, Sunday, open mike. Tuesday, *Big Backyard*, rock. Wednesday, call club for information.

**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. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, *the Ruined, Gadget*, and *the Wagon*, rock/reggae. Saturday, *Mystic Roots*, reggae, and *the C.H.I. Club* with *DJ Nonprophet*. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *the West Coast Ironworks Band*, blues. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, classic rock. Tuesday, *the High Rolling Loners, Grampadrew*, and *All Marbles*, alternative country/rock. Wednesday, *Shakabuku* and *High Tide*, reggae.

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**The Aero Club**, 3365 India Street, San Diego. 619-297-7211. Tuesday, 7 p.m., *the San Diego Blues Trio*.

**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.

**Bernardo Winery**, 13330 Paseo Del Verano Norte, San Diego. 858-487-1866. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., *Keith Jacobsen*, smooth jazz saxophone.

**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., *Javid*, flamenco.

**Brick by Brick**, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Super D, Cheeky*, and *Riboflavin*. Friday, *Klub Therapy*. Saturday, *No Duh, Beautiful Trouble*, and *Unbeknown*. Sunday, *Panic, the Rebel Emergency*, and *Scientific Lifestyle*. Wednesday, *If Nobody Knew* and *Silent Type*.

**Buster Daly's**, 3112 University Avenue, North Park. 284-2747. Saturday, 11:30 p.m., *Alex Arndt*, rock/reggae, soul/blues.

**Camel's Breath Inn**, 10330 Friars Road, San Diego. 619-281-1722. Monday, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., *the Blues Invaders*, blues. Saturday, DJ event.

**Claire de Lune**, 2905 University Avenue, North Park. 619-688-9845. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Electric Soul*, soul/Top 40.

**Epicentre**, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Music is rock/alternative. Thursday, *Elefant, Voxtrot*, and *Silversun Pickups*. Saturday, *Eligh & Luckiam*, and *PSC of Living Legends*. Sunday, *A Time Without Heroes, xBattleshipx*, the *Saigon Suicide Squad, Tomahawk Jam*, *Through Thick & Thin*, and *Take Offense*.

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**Henry's Pub**, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Thursday, *Flock of 80's*. Friday, *DJs Tony Aguilera* and *Nick Shakes*, dance. Monday, acoustic music. Saturday, groove. Tuesday, *the Stiletos*, rockabilly/swing. Wednesday, *Lady Dottie & the Diamonds*, jazz/blues.

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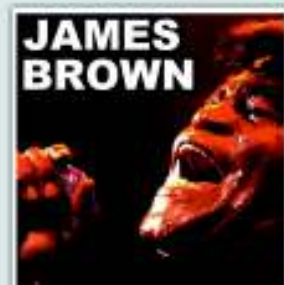
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**Kitima Thai Restaurant**, 406  
University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-  
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Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., the *Jim  
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**Lestat’s Coffee House**, 3343  
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Thursday, *Jack the Original, Get Back  
Loretta*, and *Gayle Skidmore*. Friday,  
*Chad Farran*. Saturday, the *Shambles*,  
*Dennis Borleck*, and the *Citizen Band*.  
Sunday, *Carlos Olmeda*, *Aaron Bowen*,  
and *Chuck Schiele*. Monday, open  
mike. Wednesday, *Marc Danzeisen*  
and *Appleseed*.

**Magnolia’s**, 336 Euclid Avenue,  
San Diego. 619-262-6005. Sunday,  
8 p.m. to 11 p.m., the *Lee Brown  
Perspective*, jazz. Tuesday, 6 p.m. to  
9 p.m., *Willovealot*, smooth  
jazz/funk/R&B.

**Milano’s**, 8685 Rio San Diego  
Drive, Suite B, San Diego. 619-263-  
3335. Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.,  
*Kev* and *Jim Earp*, acoustic.

**O’Connell’s Pub and  
Nightclub**, 1310 Morena Boulevard,  
Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday,  
9 p.m., the *Jefferson Jay Band*, *Pocket  
Utopia*, and *Development of Souls*,  
rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., the *Grams*,  
*Soul Ablaze*, and *Johnny Different*,  
rock. Monday, 7:30 p.m., *Mystery  
Train*, blues. Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.,  
*Eric Slater*, *Lindsay White*, *Christopher*

*Cash*, *Switchyard*, and *Zindu*,  
rock/acoustic.

**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, 9 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.,  
*Night Life*, blues/swing.

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*Big Rig Deluxe*, rockabilly. Saturday,  
*Lexington* 619, rock.

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San Diego. 858-277-5777. Friday,  
8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Hugh Gaskins*,  
rockabilly/blues.

**San Diego State University**,  
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Sunday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., the  
*Realivepraizas, O.N.F.I.Y.A.H., Out  
Tha Darkness, Those Dang Robinsons*,  
and *Young One*, gospel hip-hop.

**Scolari’s Office**, 3936 30th Street,  
San Diego. 619-296-3546. Friday,  
9 p.m., *Firethorn*, alternative rock.

**Second Wind**, 8515 Navajo Road,  
San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Friday and  
Saturday, *Uptown Groove*, 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.

**Soma**, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard,  
San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is  
rock/alternative. Thursday, *McLars*,  
the *Matches*, *Whole Wheat Bread*, and  
*Something with Numbers*. Friday, the  
*Higher*, the *Fire Restart*, *Z-Factorial*,  
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*Rocket Summer*, *Paramore*, the  
*Nightmare of You*, and *Brandison*.  
Tuesday, June, *Houston Calls*, the  
*Junior Varsity*, *Lydia*, and *As Tall As a  
Lion*.

**Tio Leo’s Lounge**, 5302 Napa  
Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay  
Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Spell  
Toronto*, rock. Saturday, *Big Rig  
Deluxe* and *Todd Stedman & the Fat  
Tones*, rockabilly/blues. Monday,

tango. Tuesday, zydeco blues.  
Wednesday, 7 p.m., the *High Society  
Jazz Band*.

**Top of the Cove**, 1216 Prospect  
Avenue, La Jolla. 858-454-7779.  
Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, *Kristi  
Rickert*, piano.

**Tower Bar**, 4757 University  
Avenue, San Diego. 619-284-0158.  
Friday, call club for information.  
Saturday, *Omar & the String Poppers*.  
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blues. Tuesday, DJ event.

**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  
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University Heights. 619-296-0616.  
Music is acoustic/folk unless  
otherwise noted. Thursday, 8:30 p.m.,  
*Chris Carpenter*, *Josh Hall*, and *Shana*.  
Friday, *Coles Whalen*, *Deadline Friday*,  
*Melissa Ivey*, *Mike Marion*, *Stasia  
Conger*, and *Zack Hexum*. Saturday,  
*Burnside*, *Kethro*, *Robert Hester*,  
*Sterling Witt*, *Todd Boston*, and *Eyal  
Kedar*. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., the  
*Celtic Ensemble*.

**Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant**,  
3025 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park.  
619-282-7040. Thursday, 8 p.m. to  
11 p.m., *Willovealot*, smooth  
jazz/funk/R&B.

DOWNTOWN

**Blarney Stone Pub**, 502 Fifth  
Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519.  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and  
Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

**Borders Books and Music**  
(Gaslamp), 668 Sixth Avenue, San  
Diego. 619-702-4200. Friday, 8 p.m.,  
*Kim DiVincenzo*, folk. Saturday,  
8 p.m., *Jane Lui*, folk.

**Cafe Cerise**, 1125 Sixth Avenue,  
San Diego. 619-595-0153. Friday,  
7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Gaea Schell* and *Rob  
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otherwise noted. Thursday, *Dee Ray*, *Plural*, *Ex-Maquina*, and *the Infants*. Friday, *Rookie Card*, *Unsteady*, and *the Displaced*. Saturday, *Pelican*, *Tarentel* and *Mono*. Sunday, *Society*, *the Soft Lightes*, and *Grand Ole Party*; 10 p.m., *Jivewire* and *One Nation Under a Groove*. Monday, *the New Amsterdams* and *the Lashes*. Tuesday, *His Name Is Alive* and *Nomo*. Wednesday, *Theo & the Skyscrapers*, *the Powerchords*, and *Squidido*.

**Club Luxor**, 1100 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-933-6095. Saturday, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., *DJs Lime*, *Dan*, *Civals*, *Steel*, and *A-Rod*, techno/trance/hip-hop.

**Croce's Jazz Bar**, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the David Patrone Quartet*. Friday, *Yavez*. Saturday, *Primo*. Sunday, *the Archtones*. Monday, *Dave Scott*. Tuesday, *the Shep Meyers Quartet*. Wednesday, *Fuzzy & the Bluesmen*.

**Dick's Last Resort**, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Music is rock and roll. Thursday and Friday, *Private Domain*. Saturday, *the New Breed Band*, jazz/pop. Sunday, *the Disco Pimps*. Monday, and Wednesday, *the Ghost of Sada*. Tuesday, *the 86'd*.

**Dizzy's**, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Thursday, 8 p.m., *ESP*, jazz. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Rob Whitlock & Sketchin'*, jazz.

**4th & B**, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343. Thursday, *T.I.* Friday, *Crystal Method*, rock. Saturday, *Daredevil Jane*, *Campaign for Quiet*, *Cape May*, and *Blues from a Gun*, rock.

**The Honey Bee Hive**, 1409 C Street, downtown. 619-702-6010. Friday, 8 p.m., *Higher Minds*, *the Guy*, *Pack-a-blacks*, *Black Dot*, *Heaterville*, and *Acethetic*, hip-hop. Saturday, call club for information.

**House of Blues**, 1055 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-299-2583. Thursday, *P.O.D.*, *Stavesacre*, and *Maylene & the Sons of Disaster*, rock. Friday, *the Rugburns*, *Bob Schneider*, and *Matt the Electrician*, pop/alternative/rock. Saturday, *the Eels* and *Smoosh*. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., gospel brunch, 9 p.m., '90s music. Wednesday, *Stripped Acoustic Showcase*.

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**The Laurel Restaurant and Bar**, 505 Laurel Street (corner of Fifth and Laurel), downtown. 619-239-2222. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Tokeli & the Ed Kornhauser Trio*, classic jazz.

**Patrick's II**, 428 F Street, downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues/soul unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Len Rainey & the Midnight Players*. Friday, *Jamm*. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., *Chet Cannon & the Committee*, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., *the Nik Simon Blues Band*. Saturday, *the Bill Magee Blues Band*. Sunday, *Red Lane* rock. Monday, *Blue Four*. Wednesday, *Shelle Blue*.

**Samba Grill**, 514 Horton Plaza, Gaslamp. 619-236-1000. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Edo Brazil*, Brazilian jazz.

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**The W Hotel**, 421 B Street, downtown. 619-231-8220. Ipanema Lounge: Thursday, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., DJ event, Brazilian beats/bossa/breaks. Saturday, 9:30 p.m., *DJ Who?*, hip-hop/mash-ups/rock.

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**Album:** *Finest Qualities*, 2005

**Artist:** Shoestring Strap

**Label:** self-released

**Songs:** 1) My Seat at the Bar 2) Tongue Tied 3) Quicksand 4) Tijuana Jail 5) Hangin' On 6) Struttin' 7) Through the Night 8) Indian Summer 9) Jamie Girl 10) You Can't Hear Me 11) Rocky Mountain Lady

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**Band:** Dave Lowenstein, guitar, vocals; Kent Stephens, guitar, bass, vocals; Keith Tenzer, mandolin; Mickey Lee, bass, vocals; D.J. Bonin, drums, vocals

Shoestring Strap is a blue jeans and camping-in-the-mountains band in sweat-shirts and hats. Their sound ranges from the acoustic guitar, mandolin, and harmonized voices of bluegrass to the electric guitar, fiddle, and lonesome

vocals of honky-tonk. If you couldn't tell the two apart, you wouldn't be interested in the album *Finest Qualities*. "Country" music is a taste not shared by all. Hell, even I can't stand that "Save a Horse, Ride a Cowboy" and "Honky Tonk Badonkadonk"

11:30 p.m., *Fran Loskota*, pop/jazz/Top 40. Tuesday and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Faith Page*, jazz.

**Whiskey Girl**, 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-236-1616. Thursday through Saturday, *DJ Marc Thrasher*. Also, Saturday, *DJ Daniel*. Sunday, *Justin James & the Down 5* and *DJ Daniel*. Monday, *DJ Marc Thrasher*. Tuesday, 9 p.m. to midnight, *Nitro Express*, Southern rock/country/blues. Wednesday, *the Stepping Feet*.

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Shoestring is less glitz and glam and more honesty, fun, and talent, which may hurt them in the long run but makes them a damn better listen. And they are talented. Not one note is missed, fuzzy, or off on the entire album. They're tight and crisp with the timing and sophisticated with the riffs and beats.

Although I don't think it would be out of place in the other tracks, "Tijuana Jail" is the first on the CD to feature the fiddle. It's about a man in the border town's clink. It sounds a little like Robert Earl Keen's "Road Goes on Forever," with a slower pace but just as catchy sing-along-with-us lyrics. It's not a rowdy party song but a bluesy lament. "Struttin'" is a hop-along country song about walking with a girl that has a pace to



Shoestring Strap

match its theme. A few of the songs are about leaving, loving, and the things we ought to do instead of the things we end up doing. One of the "leaving" songs is "You Can't Hear Me." It's a wintry, rainy-day, sad ballad and my favorite song on the album.

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**Hotel del Coronado**, 1550 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-6611. Babcock and Story: Thursday and Sunday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., also, Friday and Saturday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Tony Lasley*, Latin jazz. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Barbara Jamerson*

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**Over the Border**, 3008 Main Street, Chula Vista. 619-427-5889. Friday and Saturday, *Los Ingratos*, rock en español.

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**Borders Books and Music**, 159 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon. 619-593-5119. Friday, 7 p.m., *Jim Earp*, acoustic. Saturday, *Heather Baker*, piano.

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**Dirk's Niteclub**, 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove. 619-469-6344. Friday and Saturday, *Rock Candy*, rock.

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**Fannie's Nightclub**, 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley. 619-698-2204. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, *Aerodrive*, rock.

**The German-American Societies**, 1017 South Mollison Avenue, El Cajon. 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 p.m., *the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band* featuring *Jo Dark*.

**Renegade Inn**, 14335 Old Highway 80 (half mile east from Lake Jennings turnoff), Flynn Springs. 619-561-8105. Friday and Saturday, *Coyote Moon*, country.

**Second Wind**, 8528 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-596-8350. Friday and Saturday, *Serious Guise*, classic rock.

**Sixty 7 Bar & Grill**, 10109 Maine Avenue, Lakeside. 619-561-6767. Thursday, *DJ Deff Waxx*, hip-hop. Friday, 9 p.m., *DJ Dirty Hat*, hip-hop/Top 40. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Collage Menage*, rock. Tuesday, 9 p.m., *DJ Girth*, old skool/hip-hop/techno.

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TONIGHT

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TONIGHT

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UPCOMING:  
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# Calendar

## BANDS

**FM Revolver [228]:** The Jumping Turtle  
**The Fire Restart:** Soma  
**Firethorn:** Scolari's Office  
**Gimmick:** The Jumping Turtle  
**The Grams:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Grand Ole Party:** The Casbah  
**Hellfire Trigger:** The Jumping Turtle  
**The Higher:** Soma  
**His Name Is Alive:** The Casbah

**If Nobody Knew:** Brick By Brick  
**In Reverent Fear:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Individual:** Longshot Saloon  
**The Infants:** The Casbah  
**Invictus:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Johnny Different:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Judgement Day:** The Kensington Club  
**The Lashes:** The Casbah  
**Mayday:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Maystar:** The Kensington Club  
**McLars:** Soma  
**Mono:** The Casbah  
**The New Amsterdams:** The Casbah  
**The Nightmare of You:** Soma

**Nihilist:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Nomo:** The Casbah  
**Opus Dei:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Panic:** Brick By Brick  
**Paramore:** Soma  
**Payton March:** Soma  
**Pelican:** The Casbah  
**Plane without a Pilot:** Soma  
**The Powerchords:** The Casbah  
**The ProcuSSIONs:** Belly Up Tavern  
**PSC of Living Legends.:** Epicentre  
**The Rebel Emergency:** Brick By Brick  
**Riboflavin:** Brick By Brick  
**Rishloo:** The Jumping Turtle  
**The Rocket Summer:** Soma  
**The Rugburns [263]:** House of Blues  
**The Saigon Suicide Squad:** Epicentre  
**Bob Schneider [252]:** House of Blues  
**Scientific Lifestyle:** Brick By Brick  
**Silent Type:** Brick By Brick  
**Society:** The Casbah  
**The Soft Lightes:** The Casbah  
**Song Bird:** 'Canes  
**Soul Ablaze:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Superna:** Longshot Saloon  
**Take Offense:** Epicentre

**Take the City:** Soma  
**Tarentel:** The Casbah  
**Theo & the Skyscrapers:** The Casbah  
**Thriving Ivory:** 'Canes  
**Through Thick & Thin:** Epicentre  
**A Time Without Heroes:** Epicentre  
**Tipper's Gore:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Tomahawk Jam:** Epicentre  
**Ugly Duckling:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Vinyl Radio:** The Kensington Club  
**The Violet Burning:** The Kensington Club  
**xBattleshipx:** Epicentre  
**You Die First:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Z-Factorial:** Soma

## EXTENSION 4003

## ROCK

**Aerodrive:** Fannie's Nightclub  
**Agave:** Blind Melons  
**Agent Steel:** The Jumping Turtle  
**All Marbles:** Winstons  
**Alex Arndt:** Buster Daly's  
**The Atomic Punks:** 'Canes  
**The Bartones:** Tiki House  
**Beautiful Trouble:** Brick By Brick

**Benchmark:** Don's Cocktail Lounge  
**Big Backyard:** Coaster Saloon, 'Canes  
**Blues from a Gun:** 4th & B  
**Broken Silence:** 'Canes  
**Cactus Twang:** The Calypso Cafe  
**The Citizen Band:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**Collage Menage [403]:** Sixty 7 Bar & Grill  
**The Clay Colton Band:** Tom Giblin's Irish Pub and Restaurant  
**Custard Pie:** The Kraken  
**Daredevil Jane:** 4th & B  
**Deadline Friday [404]:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**The Detroit Underground:** Humphrey's  
**Development of Souls:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Drop Joy:** DeOro Mine Co.  
**The Duotones:** The Calypso Cafe  
**Earl's Son:** Tiki House  
**The Eels:** House of Blues  
**The 86'd:** Dick's Last Resort  
**The Electric Waste Band:** Winstons  
**Emerald City:** 'Canes  
**Eve White Eve Black:** 'Canes  
**The Expendables:** Blind Melons  
**The Fall Guys:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill  
**5 O'Clock Shadow:** Humphrey's  
**Funky Pox:** Blind Melons  
**Get Back Loretta [529]:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**The Ghost of Sada:** Dick's Last Resort  
**The Honkys:** Leucadian Bar  
**Houston Calls:** Soma  
**Justin James & the Down 5:** Whiskey Girl  
**Jamm:** Patrick's II  
**The Jefferson Jay Band:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Jumpstart:** Island Sports and Spirits  
**June:** Soma  
**The Junior Varsity:** Soma  
**Laguna:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill  
**Red Lane:** Patrick's II  
**The Leperkhanz:** Churchill's Pub and Grille  
**Lexington 619:** Riley's Sports Bar  
**Lydia:** Soma  
**The M-80's:** Blind Melons  
**The Matches:** Soma  
**Matt the Electrician:** House of Blues  
**Maylene & the Sons of Disaster:** House of Blues  
**Neosonic:** 'Canes  
**Nite Hawk:** Carvers  
**No Duh:** Brick By Brick



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FRIDAY, MAY 26

**JEFFERSON JAY BAND**  
**POCKET UTOPIA**  
**DEVELOPMENT**  
**OF SOULS**

SATURDAY, MAY 27

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Friday • May 26

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Saturday • May 27

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6/2: **THE WORKING**  
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Friday, May 26  
**ARCHERY**  
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**THE VIOLET BURNING**

Saturday, May 27  
**END OF POWER**  
**WOLVES & THE**  
**DIRTY FINGER**  
**CASKETS ON PARADE**

Sunday, May 28  
**MOTHER F\*\*\*ER**  
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Thursday, June 1  
**INIGO**

Friday, June 2  
**HOT LIKE (A) ROBOT**  
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Saturday, June 3  
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**Plural:** The Casbah  
**Pocket Utopia:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**P.O.D.:** House of Blues  
**Private Domain [489]:** Dick's Last Resort  
**Dee Ray:** The Casbah  
**The Reaganomics:** Coaster Saloon, Jimmy Love's  
**Rock Candy:** Dirk's Niteclub  
**Ron's Garage:** Island Sports and Spirits  
**Roots to Rockets:** Coyote Bar and Grill  
**The Ruined:** Winstons  
**Secret Samauri:** Tiki House  
**Serious Guise:** Second Wind (Santee)  
**The Shambles [454]:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**Smooosh:** House of Blues  
**Something with Numbers:** Soma  
**Spell Toronto:** Tio Leo's Lounge  
**Squiddo:** The Casbah  
**Stavesacre:** House of Blues  
**The Steely Damned:** Humphrey's

**The Stepping Feet:** Whiskey Girl  
**The Stiletto's:** Henry's Pub  
**The Stone Shakers:** Surf N'Saddle  
**Straight Trippin':** Blind Melons  
**Super D:** Brick By Brick  
**Switchyard:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Unbeknown:** Brick By Brick

**Undecided:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill  
**Uptown Groove:** Second Wind (San Carlos)  
**Vintage Honey:** 'Canes  
**The Wagon:** Winstons  
**War [589]:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Whole Wheat Bread:** Soma  
**The Wild Truth:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Wrekonize:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Zindu:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

**B Natural:** Bahia Belle Cruise  
**Crush:** Jimmy Love's  
**Electric Soul:** Claire de Lune Coffee Lounge  
**Fran Loskota:** The Westgate Hotel  
**The Love Rangers:** The Alley  
**Rick Lyon:** The Imperial House  
**The New Breed Band:** Dick's Last Resort

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

**Burnett Anderson:** Cafe LaMaze  
**The B-Side Players [649]:** 'Canes

**The Ray Barrie Big Band:** The German-American Societies  
**Gil Barron:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**Tom Bishop:** Rancho Bernardo Inn  
**Ray Briz:** Hotel del Coronado  
**The Lee Brown Perspective [678]:** Thrusters, Magnolia's  
**John Cain [703]:** Bahia Resort Hotel, Hotel del Coronado  
**Bruce Cameron:** Coyote Bar and Grill  
**Sammy Canonizado:** Cafe LaMaze  
**Gilbert Castellanos [667]:** Excelsior  
**Sandy Chappel:** Cafe LaMaze  
**Jo Dark:** The German-American Societies  
**Jesse Davis:** Humphrey's  
**James East:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**Edo Brazil:** Samba Grill  
**ESP:** Dizzy's  
**Nick Fiore:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**The Jim Gala Jazz Trio:** Kitima Thai Restaurant  
**Joe Garrison:** Cafe LaMaze  
**John Giulino:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**Cynthia Hammond:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**The High Society Jazz Band:** Tio Leo's Lounge  
**Keith Jacobsen:** Bernardo Winery  
**Barbara Jamerson:** Hotel del Coronado  
**Ed Kornhauser:** The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe  
**Tony Lasley:** Hotel del Coronado  
**Barry Levich:** La Valencia Hotel  
**Stellita Lindgren:** Hotel del Coronado

**Dave Lindgren:** Hotel del Coronado  
**Israel Maldonado:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**Turiya Mareya & the World Beat Jazz Ensemble:** World Beat Center  
**Masterpiece:** Jimmy Love's  
**Jerry Melnick:** The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn  
**The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]:** Croce's Jazz Bar  
**Adrienne Nims & Spirit Wind:** Fresh Seafood Restaurant and Bar  
**The Tim Nunnink Quartet:** Portugalia  
**P. Trac Armenta:** Pasquale on Prospect  
**The David Patrone Quartet [647]:** Croce's Jazz Bar  
**Primo:** Croce's Jazz Bar  
**Rick Ross:** La Valencia Hotel  
**Carlos Rull:** Bistro 221  
**The San Diego Concert Jazz Band:** The Inn Suites  
**Gaea Schell:** Cafe Cerise  
**Dave Scott:** Croce's Jazz Bar, Pasquale on Prospect  
**The Soul Revue:** Jimmy Love's  
**The Stage 4 Jazz Quintet:** Buon Giorno Restaurant  
**The Third Coast Jazz Band:** South Bay Fish and Grill  
**Rob Thorsen [673]:** Cafe Cerise  
**Tokeli & the Ed Kornhauser Trio:** The Laurel Restaurant and Bar  
**The Jaime Valle Quartet [704]:** Tutto Mare  
**Rob Whitlock & Sketchin':** Dizzy's  
**Willovealot:** Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant, Magnolia's, Thrusters

**Yavez:** Croce's Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

**Audio Antics:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Batch:** World Beat Center  
**Don Carlos:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Deep Rooted:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations [748]:** 'Canes  
**The English Beat:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Gadfly [738]:** Winstons  
**High Tide:** Winstons  
**The Mystic Roots:** Winstons  
**Ras Attitude:** World Beat Center  
**Shaka Buku:** Winstons  
**Split Finger:** Hennessey's Tavern (PB)  
**Unsteady:** The Casbah  
**Vegetation [753]:** Blind Melons  
**The Zoniers:** World Beat Center

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

**Big Rig Deluxe:** Riley's Sports Bar, Tio Leo's Lounge  
**Coyote Moon:** Renegade Inn  
**Grampadrew:** Winstons  
**The High Rolling Loners [763]:** Winstons  
**Nitro Express [762]:** Whiskey Girl



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## Calendar BANDS

EXTENSION 4008

### ACOUSTIC / FOLK

**Appleseed:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**Heather Baker:** Borders Books and Music (El Cajon)  
**Dennis Borleck:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**John Bosley:** Borders Books and Music (Carlsbad)  
**Todd Boston:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Aaron Bowen:** Lestat's Coffee House, Belly Up Tavern  
**Brax:** The Ould Sod  
**Steve Brewer:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**Burnside:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Chris Carpenter:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Christopher Cash:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**The Celtic Ensemble:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Stasia Conger:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Tony Cummins:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**Marc Danzeisen:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**Kim DiVincenzo /824/:** Borders Books and Music (Gaslamp)  
**Jim Earp:** Borders Books and Music (El Cajon), Milano's  
**Chad Farran:** Lestat's Coffee House  
**The Flounders:** Le Papagayo  
**Mike Gardner:** Cheers, North Bar Sports and Spirits, Mas Fina Cantina, Palomar Unitarian Fellowship  
**Josh Hall:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Harmony Road:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Joey Harris:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Robert Hester:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Zack Hexum:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**David Houser:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Melissa Ivey:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Alyssa Jacey:** Blind Melons, The Jumping Turtle

**Jack the Original:** Lestat's Coffee House

**Javid:** Borders Books and Music (Mission Valley)

**Eyal Kedar:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Kethro:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Key:** Milano's

**Le String Band 5000:** Turquoise Cafe

**Jane Lui:** Borders Books and Music (Gaslamp), Belly Up Tavern

**Tim Malley:** The Jumping Turtle

**Mike Marion:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Carlos Olmeda:** Lestat's Coffee House, Belly Up Tavern

**Omar & the String Poppers:** Tower Bar

**Gary Rich:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Chuck Schiele /872/:** Lestat's Coffee House

**Shana:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Skelpin:** Humphrey's

**Gayle Skidmore:** Lestat's Coffee House

**Eric Slater:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, The Jumping Turtle

**Stefani Stevens:** La Playa Cantina & Grill

**Sierra Swan:** Belly Up Tavern

**Jack Tempchin:** The Calypso Cafe

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# Re-Enter the Dragon

“The Golden Dragon” must never plunge to earth: The neon sign is a historic landmark, so it has to shine on above University Avenue in perpetuity, even while the restaurant below has been renamed, refurbished, and reopened in a wholly different culinary style. The Asian Bistro looks a lot better than Jimmy Wong’s venerable chop suey joint did in its final days. All is fresh and clean, with a stone-tile floor and banquettes covered in dark-red brocade. Billie Holliday sings over the speakers. At the rear of the dining room is a wooden sculpture. I expected the standard carving of a modestly dressed smiling woman, hands pressed together in a *wai*, the Thai gesture of greeting, but when I looked closely, it was obvious that this lady is no modest Thai girl: Bare-breasted, with her arms over her head and her feet afire, it turns out that although she was carved in Buddhist Thailand, she’s a figure (what a figure!) from the Hindu epic *The Ramayana*, proving her marital fidelity by walking through flames.

The menu is an eclectic sampling of the cuisines of China, Japan, and Malaysia — but with a focus on Thailand, since the owner and chefs are Siamese. If you were one of the many fans of Celadon before 2005, then you’ve enjoyed Songsri Thammasuckdi’s cooking. As executive chef here, she creates many of the recipes and checks in several times a week to oversee the kitchen. Chef de cuisine John Thammasavong’s handiwork may also be familiar — he cooked for 15 years at Royal Thai in the Gaslamp.

Unfortunately, many of chef Songsri’s labor-intensive masterpieces (her superb stuffed chicken wings, her lavish pineapple fried rice that’s a favorite of the Queen of Thailand, and her Bua Sawan, a.k.a. “heavenly dish”) haven’t traveled to the Asian Bistro’s more casual, pun-filled menu, which includes such dishes as “Thai Me Down” (spring rolls) and “Green House” (house salad). You begin here with “Fresh Start” (appetizers) and “Warm U Up” soups, followed by a new menu section called “Yum!” (a mixture of salads and noodle dishes — *yum* means “salad” in Thai). “Greens” includes more salads, some with proteins like Peking duck or seared scallops. Entrées (the standard curries, stir fries and noodles) follow, along with “Royal Treat,” the chefs’ Thai specialties, mingling with dishes of other Asian nations and some fusionista creations. The menu is still changing every



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few weeks, so don’t be surprised if you arrive to find it revised again, with new dishes and feats of wordplay added.

We didn’t try a lunch because we’d heard from several foodie friends in Hillcrest that it was sub-par compared with the evening meals, perhaps because Patty Allen, the owner/sous-chef, doesn’t come on line until 7:00 p.m. Instead, we came for a couple of dinners with friends, beginning the first one with the appetizer sampler called “Too Wong Foo.” It includes “yummy sticks,” satay chix, “money bags,” and spicy lettuce wraps.

The spicy lettuce wraps, a.k.a. *larb gai*, are a salad of minced chicken with onions, peanuts, mint, and ginger in a spicy lime dressing, with an equally spicy cuke-and-onion relish on the side. This hand-chopped rendition is the best version of the dish I’ve tasted in San Diego. Bearing little resemblance to the grinder-processed or Cuisinarted “chicken sawdust” I’ve railed at in other reviews, it’s complex and spicy enough to tingle. Adding a little peanut sauce when you wrap it up in butter-head lettuce leaves accents the flavors. “Money

bags” are shrimps wrapped in wonton skin and fried, served with plum sauce — crisp and enticing. “Yummy sticks” prove to be crisp vegetarian egg rolls the size of a short, thick cigar with a glutinous sweet-sour dipping sauce. The filling is the standard mixture of cabbage, carrot, and sparse shiitake shreds. We felt that the dish’s title overstates the case — they’re just okay. Satay chicken breast seemed rather plain, with no distinctive flavors from a marinade or a smoky grill. The meat was reasonably tender and came with a heavy peanut dipping sauce with the oil starting to separate.

We couldn’t resist “Jumping Jarvis,” the odd Louisiana appetizer on the menu — soft-shell crab fried in a light, spicy Cajun-style batter. (The recipe comes from friend of the owner and local chef-around-town Danny Jarvis, ex-Kemo Sabe.) The crab was succulent and sea-salty, with a nice crunch from the thin edible shell and the crisped batter. It’s greasy but go-o-o-d. It comes with four little pots of sauce ranging from hot to *ha-eee!* My partner tasted them each in turn: “I’d rate them 2, 4, 6, and 8,” he said. “And I don’t know how anyone can

## Golden Dragon, the Asian Bistro ★★½ (Good to Very Good)

414 University Avenue (just east of Fourth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-296-4119; [www.theasianbistro.com](http://www.theasianbistro.com) (website not yet fully operational).

**HOURS:** 11:00 a.m.–3:00 a.m. daily.  
**PRICES:** \$4.50–\$7.50, sampler plate, \$11; soups, \$3.50–\$8; salads, \$4–\$8; entrées, \$7.50–\$18. Specials at lunch.  
**CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Eclectic pan-Asian menu with emphasis on Thai flavors. American and Asian beers including Singha; international, affordable wines, most available by the glass.  
**PICK HITS:** Spicy lettuce wraps; “Jumping Jarvis” crab; miso soup; Tom Kah; “Atomic Hog Wings”; “Her Secret”; coconut ice cream.  
**NEED TO KNOW:** Difficult street parking; Rite-Aid lot at Fifth Avenue and Robinson Street (\$7, credit cards accepted). Note very late hours. Casual-clean attire. Takeout menus outdated — hours changed (no breakfast, no lunch buffet).

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eat the 8.” He used the number 6, I took the number 4, but we liked the crab too much to use much of them.

Son-in-law’s egg is a favorite Thai nosh rarely offered in the U.S., a pair of fluffy, hard-cooked eggs, deep-fried and glazed in vibrant sweet-sour tamarind sauce, set among spring greens drizzled with tamarind vinaigrette. It’s pure fun. “Long Time No Sea” is a salad of seafood and greens, garnished with sliced ripe tomatoes, cukes, celery, basil, cilantro, and spearmint (which, unfortunately, tastes very different from genuine Asian mints — but is evidently the mint that Sysco stocks). The dressing is a delicious lime-chili vinaigrette sweetened with palm sugar, an authentic Thai flavor combination, and just-right spicy. Unfortunately, the seafood tastes as if it’s been

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frozen — watery scallops, chewy green-lip mussels, and knife-sculptured slices of thick calamari (cut from a huge squid), plus tender medium-large shrimp.

Chilled by the May Gray, we chose a miso soup from “Warm U Up.” It was light and subtle, closer to a good chicken broth than to the earthy Japanese version, with a few floating pieces of silken tofu and scallion. It’s a miso for Thai tastes, and we gulped it down happily. On a return visit, the Tom Kah Goong (coconut shrimp soup) had a thin broth strongly seasoned with citrus juice, lemongrass, and enough chilies to register about a 6 on the heat scale. It’s bracing rather than soothing, another true Thai taste. When the succulent shrimps were gone, we lifted our bowls and drained them to the dregs. Many other soups are available — in fact, they’re multiplying by the week — including several Chinese specialties (egg-drop, hot-sour, and wonton) made from recipes bestowed by Golden Dragon’s last chefs, the Fongs. (The kitchen will also prepare off-menu Chinese entrées like broccoli beef when the Dragon’s devotees request them.)

We chose our entrées entirely from the “Royal” house specialties. “Hog Wings” are everybody’s favorite — small smoked pork shanks (from a little luau-ready piggie of about 35 pounds), braised soft and then grilled. They come in two versions: “Atomic Hog Wings” is a Thai-style rendition, sauced with a host of semi-hot fresh chilies in a spicy red sauce made

with minced, fresh red small chilies and their seeds. It’s not incendiary but rates a solid 4 or 5 on the heat scale. A naked haystack of red-and-white cabbage and carrot slaw is heaped next to the meat. If you’re happy with the spicing of the sauce, it makes a good dressing for the slaw, which otherwise can serve as a cooler-of-the-flames. “Asian Hog Wings” are the milder version with a teriyaki and sweet-chili sauce.

“Her Secret” is a winner if you have a sweet tooth. It’s shrimp in a thick, gooey tamarind sweet-sour sauce (like that of the son-in-law’s eggs), a Coney Island for the mouth. In Thailand, the only times I encountered sweet entrées were at Chinese-Thai lunch buffets laid out for tour buses full of *farangs* (foreigners). “Her Secret” is, happily, way better than the buffet slop — the shrimp are perfectly cooked, the flavors bright with the fruity tang of fresh-squeezed tamarind pulp and the dark sweetness of palm sugar. (Incidentally, if you’re on one of those “good carb” diets like South Beach, palm sugar’s glycemic index seems to be much lower than regular sugar.)

Some of the Bistro’s specialties display expert cooking but less-than-fabulous ingredients. “Golden Treasure” offers the same seafood mixture as “Long Time No Sea,” here bathed in a blandly sweet, cornstarch-thickened gravy and presented in a pan-fried noodle basket. The crisp noodles are tasty, but unlike the zingy salad, the pallid sauce emphasizes the faults in the raw materials. Our tough mussels had a bitter undertone, the squid tasted like dried scallops, while the scallops had no flavor to speak of. Only the shrimps were nice and shrimpy.

“The Last Emperor” features

a roasted half-duck in spicy red curry sauce with cherry tomatoes, grapes, pineapple, bell peppers, and basil. Unlike duck dishes in many other local Thai restaurants, the meat didn’t taste old and stale — the owner buys crisp-skinned Cantonese roast duck “as needed” from a Chinese barbecue in Linda Vista — but the type of duck isn’t very “ducky.” (It resembles the defrosted leg-thighs that I buy, cheap, at a City Heights Asian supermarket.) I did like the crisp skin and the tangy glaze. The spicy red coconut milk curry surrounding it was rich but thrown off balance by the powerful herbal flavors of non-Thai spearmint and sweet basil.

“Crying Tiger” suffers from tough beef. At its best, it’s made with tender cuts like sirloin. Here it’s chewy “ranch round steak,” sliced thin, marinated in lime juice and salt, then grilled. It doesn’t get much smoky char-broil flavor (in fact, nothing does in this kitchen — an equipment issue, clearly). Served with a spicy dip, it comes with lettuce wraps for rolling up. If you’d like a smaller sample, the meat is newly available in an appetizer Thai beef salad.

The fried rice was a highlight, a delicate mixture with corn kernels, carrot bits, scalion, peas, and egg, sprinkled with a few black sesame seeds. Un-fried rice topped with the seeds comes automatically with most entrées. At our second visit, we tried an alternate starch, Pad Thai. These were the quintessential “forty lashes with a wet noodle” noodles — soggy, underseasoned, under-garnished (no dried shrimp, no peanuts, no spice, *no life*). It’s actually the worst Pad Thai I’ve ever tasted. If this is how local customers like it, Patty oughta rename it Pad Farang. (She, too,

prefers the authentic version — and may even introduce it as an alternative while keeping this one for the paler palates.)

Desserts include interesting house-made ice creams. The coconut ice cream proves similar to Indian *kulfi*, tasting like a combination of coconut milk and condensed sweetened milk, with an ice-in-velvet consistency. Bits of canned tropical fruits (primarily jackfruit) run through it, lending textural surprise. It comes scattered with whole peanuts and streaked with raspberry sauce — an exotic treat. We also loved the house cheesecake — dainty slices deep-fried in a sugared, cinnamon-coated egg-roll wrapper, then chilled ice cold and served with a drizzle of the same raspberry syrup. If the Asian Bistro is all about fusion, its desserts are delightful exemplars of the concept. The fact that you can get them at 3 a.m. is just icing on the cake.

#### ABOUT THE OWNER AND CHEF

Patty Allen is the high-energy co-owner (with her mother) of the Asian Bistro. After she learned to cook from her grandmother in Thailand, she now spends every evening popping back and forth between the kitchen and the dining room. “I was born in California,” she says. “My parents went to USC, but after graduating they went back to Thailand and I was raised there. My dad owned a pretty famous restaurant in Bangkok for about 15 years...I came back to California in 1985, when I was 17, to go to UCI. My dad is still in Thailand, but my mom came here 5 years ago. I moved down to San Diego in 1995. We’ve been jumping everywhere.

“Opening a restaurant was always in the back of my mind.

I grew up with it, and then when I went to college, I waited tables. When I came to San Diego, I worked weekends as a waitress at Taste of Thai. I got my real estate license, but some kind of plan to open a restaurant in Hillcrest was always brewing.

“The Princess of Thailand lived in Del Mar, and I was friends with her daughter. One day her daughter told me, ‘I’m not going to see you much anymore, I’m moving to L.A.’ And I say, ‘Why you’re going to L.A.?’ ‘Oh, San Diego is so boring, nothing to eat after nine p.m.’ And I got the idea, if I ever open a restaurant I would serve until late night, because there’s nothing here then except Denny’s and Jack in the Box.” Another realtor alerted her to a new listing for a run-down restaurant in Hillcrest. “I just fell in love with it,” she says. “It’s really old, so much history. It’s a shame the previous owner let it run down that badly.”

Even the refrigerator and the ice machine were broken. The remodeling took seven months and cost \$400,000 to meet code requirements, about four times what she’d expected. “As a realtor, I think anything can be replaced except location,” Patty said, “and this has the best location in town. My mom warned me that the first year I’d work for free — but for that year at least I’d get to eat every day and my kids wouldn’t starve because we own a restaurant.

“I didn’t want to make another Thai restaurant,” she says. “There are already so many. I wanted to serve a fusion-food where people can have miso and teriyaki chicken, or kung pao, or curry. I wanted more of a variety. But my staff and I are Thai, so we specialize in that...Yet I can’t get away from Golden Dragon; we have to make kung pao chicken every night for

somebody.” The Chinese dishes follow Golden Dragon’s recipes, while Patty and her staff wing it on the Japanese dishes (which emerge with a Thai accent).

“I’m in the kitchen every night. I want to make sure that every dish comes out perfect...I try to buy the best ingredients that I can, but of course I’m just a baby in this business...Our prices are very reasonable, because I’d rather have people come twice a week rather than once every two weeks.”

Her executive chef, Songsri Thammasuckdi, learned her skills at Thailand’s Royal Academy of Cooking and was the longtime chef at Hillcrest’s Celadon. She’s a favorite chef of the Princess of Thailand, and when Queen Sirikit visited San Diego, Miss Songsri cooked for her and 50 of her guests. She now divides her time between the Asian Bistro and Dara Thai, downtown.

“Miss Songsri wants things a certain way,” said Patty. “She trained everyone in the kitchen, and she comes in every couple of days to check up. We can’t use canned tamarind, we have to squeeze it from fresh. We do have to use canned coconut milk, mixed with thin coconut milk that comes in a bag from Thailand — but if she could, she would make us squeeze the coconut milk from fresh coconuts every day. So every morning we have to make everything fresh, all the sauces, which takes a lot of time. I cannot use shortcuts — otherwise she would not let us use her name.

“But the response has been so much more than I expected. The people in Hillcrest are so nice, and so many people come in late at night and hug me and say, ‘Thank you so much for staying open late.’ I was surprised how many people want to eat curry at three a.m.” ■

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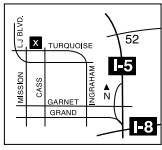
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# Little Piece of Old Europe

*"No cereals in our sausage, just meat. Ask my husband."*

**S**ANDWICH TWO: So here I am, nicely filled with a tawny cheese, sweet pear, seedy sourdough, and Starbucks coffee. Yet something about that sign across Washington Street hauls me out of my seat.

"Sausage King," it says. I cross Washington and head to this place that has most of its sidewalk frontage bricked up. I haul the door open and discover...wow. A little piece of Old Europe. The place drips with traditional food products, in tins, in bottles, on shelves. German smoked meat, continental crackers and chocolates, different rye breads, canned German soups, Norwegian caviar paste, cabinets filled with meat, and above all, German sausages: sausage links hanging from racks, sausages filling display cases, sausages against the back wall.

Then I realize there's someone behind the counter. An older woman.

"We make everything here," she says. "You make the sausages, the smoked meats?"

"Everything. And we don't use fillers. No cereals in our sausages, just meat. Ask my husband."

She's a slim woman. Her name is Charlotte. Says she and her husband Manfred came from Germany via Canada. "We came to San Diego for our honeymoon. After Winnipeg — nine months winter, three months mosquitoes — this was paradise. So we set up here. Forty-three years ago."

I've gotta try this stuff. "Uh, I was wondering

if I could sit down and eat," I say. But Charlotte shakes her head. "We don't serve the food. We just sell it."

Then she thinks again. "Well, actually we sell our meat in bread. It's ready to eat. But it's 'to go' only."

I guess I could sit over at Starbucks again. Charlotte directs me towards the display cabinet filled with the wursts, smaller sausages, and luncheon meats. "Have any of them in your sandwich. Would you like liverwurst? It takes us a whole day to make that. We have to cook it, grind it, flavor it. Or blood sausages? Or salami? We make and dry them here. They take several days. If you notice, hot southern countries make dry sausages like salami. Cooler northern countries make fresh or semi-fresh sausages. Cold weather helps give lasting power."

Turns out Manfred makes 34 different sausages and luncheon meats, plus 10 different smoked meats like turkey, beef, Westphalian ham, black forest ham, and even bacon.

Charlotte says the recipes for curing all these meats has always been kept within his family as a secret. "Fred's family were farmers," she says. "They always made their own sausages, to their own recipe."

Those recipes must have worked. People are constantly coming in and buying, often speaking German. "It's mostly Europeans who appreciate our sausages," Charlotte says. "Also Filipinos,

and Americans who were in the military and spent time based in Germany."

Me, I'm working up courage to try one of the blood sausages in my sandwich.

"Try the liverwurst," Charlotte advises. "It's rich and tasty."

"Fine," I say, just as Manfred comes around the corner.

"Want to see how we make the sausages while you're waiting?" he asks. He takes me through to the room behind, Ah, now I see why the frontage was bricked off. All the cutters, mincers, and sausage-stuffing machines are in here. "We can process 10,000 pounds of sausage a day here, if we need to. But that doesn't happen anymore. We're down to this one place again. We did at one time build up to five."

Part of the trouble is that there are no more slaughterhouses in San Diego. "We lost six of them. Now, no more sides of beef. We have to get meat delivered in boxes down from North Dakota."

We pass great, blackened smoke rooms, with the sawdust of hickory in a channel on the floor, ready to smoke again tonight.

Back in the shop, he points to a bunch of sausages on a rack prepared for smoking. "*Landjeger*," he says. "It means 'Country hunter,' which means 'country police.' In France they call them '*gendarmes*.' They were developed a long time ago in Switzerland as easy food for the police to take on treks into the mountains. It's like American Indians' beef jerky."

Fred says most of his sausages are still encased in sheep's and pigs' intestines. "These wieners

are in intestines from New Zealand sheep." 'Course I'm not really thinking when I ask how come wieners are called "wieners."

"Because they were created in Vienna," he says. "*Wien* in German. Frankfurters in Frankfurt, Bologna from Bologna, Italy, Salami from the ancient Greek city Salamis..."

"Sausages are an ancient food," says Charlotte, as she wraps my sandwich. "Babylonians served sausage meat 3500 years ago. They were high-status food in ancient times."

She hands me my liverwurst. "That's \$2.25." Wow, history and lunch for \$2.25. Not only that, but Fred insists on giving me a couple of *landjegers*. "Just to make sure you don't starve on the way back to civilization," he says.

I chew into them — rich inside — as I wait to cross the light at Washington and Falcon. That these two could survive in the age of Boar's Head and Kraft is pretty amazing.

Back at Starbucks, my cup is still sitting on the counter. Great. I whip it 'round and ask for a refill. Fifty cents. Save a buck. I cruise back out to the sidewalk and tuck into the liverwurst. It's thick, oozing out of the crisp-shelled German-style bun. I try to concentrate on the taste, 'cause, honestly, all I can think about is the wonder of my two great discoveries — Gina, scouring the world for her 600 cheeses, and Manfred and Charlotte, recreating the wide world of sausages right there in their kitchen. And both offering up these gut-filling samples so cheap.

'Course eating them still depends on Starbucks. Must remember to tip the guy. ■

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Let's say the sommelier at Wine & Dine is a model of restraint and lists his wines at only triple wholesale (more is not uncommon). Let's say your Cabernet sells in your tasting room for \$20, a 30 percent markup over your proposed wholesale price of \$14. So, you'd like to see it on his list for \$42. He shakes his head, sadly. He's got Rutherford Ranch — a Napa Cabernet — for \$30. Same for Kunde, an established name from Sonoma. Heck, he's got Clos du Val for \$42. You? A local winery in a region that has yet to win national acclaim? He'd be doing you a favor to list it at \$25, and if your wholesale price doesn't allow him to do that, then he can't help you. Oh, and don't forget your distributor — the one who actually sat down with the sommelier and pitched the wine. He needs his cut. To grow the brand, you've got to be ready to make a lot less per bottle than you would selling in your tasting room. Depending on your production expenses, etc., you may actually end up losing money at first, hoping all the time that

sales volume will eventually make the model worthwhile.

And that's just restaurants. Retailers can be harsher still. You may mark up your wines for a 30 percent profit on each bottle — lots of folks do. But a discount retailer, the kind that can really move wines, may mark up far less, because they know they've got the sales volume to make it work. Less than 20 percent is common, which can lead customers to ask why the wine is so much more expensive at the winery than at Vons. And there, too, you've got the distributor to consider.

And yet...if you can make it work, if the brand hits, then you can really do something. All you need is a way to survive until things take off.

Ira Gourvitz, who owns Fallbrook Winery, had a way to survive — buying bulk wine in the bottle, adding a customized private label, and supplying hotel and restaurant accounts with their house wine. That gave him capital to improve his winery. Over time, he bought new equipment, hired Duncan Williams, a smart winemaker with a knack for blending to produce a consistent style, and started sourcing some choice fruit. Merlot from the Fess Parker vineyards in Santa Barbara. Chardonnay from the Sleepy Hollow Vineyard in the Santa Lucia Highlands. (Gourvitz, once a grower himself in Sonoma, knew a lot of folks up north. He and Williams started in Santa Cruz

and worked their way south on a grape search, and that was how they discovered a winery that couldn't use all of its Sleepy Hollow fruit. "They didn't want to give up their allocation, so we agreed to buy half.") Plus local vineyards where he and winemaker Williams could have a say in the farming.

And the private-label business gave him time to grow the brand. He started with restaurants, getting accounts who had bought his private label to put Fallbrook on their list. To help stay competitive, he turned the local angle to his advantage and dispensed with an in-state distributor, which allowed him to charge less per bottle. "The distributor adds 25 percent. We have a guy who does deliveries in our own truck."

The restaurant accounts grew in number and stature. "The Cohn group pours it, Primavera in Coronado, Osetra, Panevino, Greystone, Fleming's, Donovan's...." Retail was the next step — in particular, the biggest wine retailer in the country: Costco. "They decided to do a road show, where you have table displays, but you can't taste the wines. They said, 'We'd like to carry some local wines, but we want to see what the response is.' I said, 'This is our chance. Duncan, you and I are going there at ten in the morning and we're leaving at six, and we're going to sell enough wine to get in.' He said, 'How are we going to sell if people can't taste it?' I said, 'Just watch.'"

"They had four wineries. Everybody shipped in the same amount — I think it was eight cases. The show was three days, and we sold the most wine of all. We actually had people buy a bottle, come back, and take a case. We'd stop people walking by, say, 'I'd like you to meet the winemaker from Fallbrook. We won medals for these



Costco sells wine

wines" — the Chardonnay nabbed a Platinum at Robert Whitley's Critic's Choice Competition) — "and they're specially priced today." It was the worst — the closest thing to cold-calling in the wine business — "but I knew we had to win. And we did. Costco said, 'We're just going to try yours.' They bought the Chardonnay for their Morena store, and it sold. They said, 'We'll put Cabernet and Chardonnay in.' It just kept expanding. We're in ten stores with the Cabernet, the Chardonnay, and the Special Selection Cabernet — we've got three bins. Their bottle price has to be cheaper than anybody else's," but since Fallbrook was in very few retail locations, "they had no comps. Now, we ship them 70 cases a week."

Gourvitz knows that something has to get a person to buy that first bottle. The by-the-glass offerings at places like Fleming's and Firefly help. So does the recommendation of "the wine guy at Costco who says, 'Try this — it sells pretty well.'" But he and his employees still work to get the word out. "We go to almost every wine event we're invited to. At Wine & Roses, six hundred

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people go by and taste wines.” They know how important the medals were in selling folks at the Costco road show, so they enter competitions: the L.A. County Fair, the Orange County Fair, the California State Fair. And they still visit restaurants. “Somebody from the winery is downtown twice a week. It’s been four years. I think we’re on the right track. It’s like anything else: if you keep at it, that’s what it’s all about.” ■

## RESTAURANT LISTINGS

*The Reader’s Guide to Restaurants are recommended listings written by our reviewers (Ed Bedford, Barbara David, Ambrose Martin, Shari McCullough, Max Nash, Eleanor Widmer, Naomi Wise). Each issue contains only a fraction of over 500 reviews. A complete searchable list is available online at SanDiegoReader.com. Price estimates are based on the latest information available for a mid-range entrée. Inexpensive: below \$10; moderate: \$10 to \$19; expensive: \$20 to \$24; very expensive: more than \$25. Please call restaurants in advance for reservations.*

### NORTH COASTAL

**Azafran** 1001 South Coast Highway 101 (at West Street), Oceanside, 760-435-0005. This place just feels Cuban, with its echoey inside, bongos, washed orange walls, and giant Cuban jazz mural. We’re talking Caribbean-style food, not hot by Mexican standards. Most delicious intro: traditional Cuban pressed sandwiches, hot-pressed

to mix the juices of, say, smoked ham, roast pork, cheese, mustard, pickles (“Cubano #2”), or roast pork (*lechón*) with a *mojo* (garlicky-citrus) sauce that makes it juicy. The bread, baked right here, is news in itself — crunchy and sometimes sweet (ask for *medianoche*). You get a lot, but don’t leave without trying a plantain dish or the cheese flan. Or a cup of Cuban coffee. Lunch and dinner. Closed Monday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

**Beach House** 2530 South Coast Highway 101 (at Lomas Santa Fe), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-1321. This beautiful restaurant, with its breezy seafront patio, is a branch of an upscale beach mini-chain (others are in Dana Point and Laguna Beach). Its main menu features steaks, seafood, and some “Continental” warhorses (lobster thermidor, etc.) that are best avoided. The view is even more spectacular from the upstairs “Top of the House” which features pub grub and fish in a lighthouse-like setting. On Sundays, local families flock in for the moderately priced à la carte champagne brunch featuring the standard dishes of the genre plus some less-successful fancied-up ones, with endless Freixenet champagne (Wyclef is its house champagne, though). Whatever the meal, stay simple here — burg-

ers, steak, unfussy eggs — and enjoy the atmosphere. Reserve for a view table or outdoor seating at Sunday brunch. Full bar but few wines. \$2 valet parking. Restrooms accessible by elevator, may be tight fit for wider wheelchairs. Daily brunch/lunch and dinner. “Top of the House” serves until 9:30 p.m. in winter and until 11 p.m. in summer. “Early bird” cut-price dinners daily. Brunch moderate, dinner moderate to very expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

**Charlie’s by the Sea** 2565 South Coast Highway 101, Cardiff-by-the-Sea (a long block south of the stoplight), 760-942-1300. This seaside spot offers a blissful patio right on the breakwater and a terrific, authentic Boston-style clam chowder to match the view — it’s light, creamy, and loaded with clams, unpeeled red potato chunks, and bits of honey-cured bacon. The kitchen’s good with simple dishes, including fresh raw oysters and the lively “Bayou Burger” with Cajun seasonings and well-made spicy fries. The dinner menu includes more ambitious items, but the weekly main event here is Sunday brunch, with a menu of standard brunch dishes at affordable prices, featuring endless refills of champagne. (Hint: Veuve Clicquot it’s not.) Huge wine list, full bar. Free valet parking. Brunch reservations ad-



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## RESTAURANTS

visable. Monday through Saturday, lunch or brunch and dinner; Sunday, brunch only. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (9/03)*

**Jamroc 101** 101 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3162. At this former site of D.B. Hacker's, you can still get great fish'n'chips — but the Brit batter now gets its lift from Jamaica's Red Stripe beer, mon. The shack by the tracks now sports bright tropical designs on its back-patio walls, and the fare is casual Jamaican (plus a couple of Cajun dishes). Check out the bargain-priced samplers which include luscious soft-fried plantains and splendid patties (empanadas to you and me) with a choice of beef, curry chicken, or veggies. The spicing of the jerks and curry entrées are down-tuned to suit tourist

tastes, but the table bottle of Walkerswood Scotch Bonnet Hot Sauce can kick that right up. Don't miss the fresh coconut water, served out of a young Thai coconut. Soca, ska, and (clean) reggae set the mood, and there's live steel pan some weekend evenings. Beer, wine, Bigga soft drinks. Open Sunday through Wednesday until 8 p.m., Thursday through Saturday until 9 p.m. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (4/05)*

**Kim's Restaurant** 745 First Street, Lumbeyard Shopping Center #103, Encinitas, 760-942-4816. Both Vietnamese and Chinese dishes are offered in a calm atmosphere with quick, pleasant service. The menu lists 265 items, including many Vietnamese house specialties, 28 seafood dishes, and a whopping 45 vegetarian/vegan dishes, many made with *seitan* (mock poultry). The seafood isn't necessarily fresh catch — some shellfish is evidently obtained frozen, scallops are phosphate-preserved, and the reasonably priced abalone dishes involve slightly chewy, rehydrated dried abalone from Asia. On the other hand, portions are enormous,

and the cooking is careful and tasty, although some flavors have evidently been adapted to American palates and ingredients. Open Tuesday through Sunday, continuous service lunch and dinner; closed Monday. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/01)*

**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 Tues-

day through Sunday. Low moderate. — *N.W. (6/05)*

**Meritage** 897 South Coast Highway 101, Lumbeyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-634-3350. Chef-owner Susan Sbicca creates pristine California Cuisine here, highlighting fresh (and usually organic) local produce. A few pick hits are direct imports from her Sbicca down the coast — the irresistible lobster-shrimp bisque is pure Del Mar deluxe. But some simpler dishes cleverly complete themselves as you eat them — salmon served with peas and mushrooms on one side and a creamy sauce on the other creates a whole new sauce when you broach the fillet. A lemon-pistachio cake, too, changes as you cut it, the pieces crumbling into a berry coulis. It's a fun way to eat, engaging the mind along with the palate. The setting is family-friendly (only well-mannered kids come here) with a handsome, airy dining room and charming patio. Wide-ranging wine list, plenty by the glass and even some half-bottles. No corkage on Tuesday; Monday and Wednesday all bottles half price. Reservations advisable. Lunch and dinner daily, bar menu ongoing. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (7/03)*

**Nobu Japanese Restaurant** 315 South Coast Highway 101 (near Dahlia

Drive), Solana Beach, 858-755-7787. No, this isn't the famous fusion-food Nobu of NY, LA, and branches located wherever the money is. Our Nobu has been in the sushi business ten years longer than his namesake, and what he creates is classic nonfusion Japanese sushi and sashimi, with well-seasoned rice, freshly toasted seaweed wrappings, and fresh, fresh seafood. If you're in the mood for a different sort of grazing, you can settle at a table or booth to nibble on a score of appetizers, including a fine monkfish paté and enchanting *chawan mushi* (egg custard) soup served super hot in the cup it was baked in. The Japanese entrées are standard fare, with plenty for vegetarians. It's all comfortable, casual, and kid-friendly, with gracious sushi chefs. Nobu himself usually works the bar Wednesday through Sunday nights. Lunch and dinner daily, with a break between the meals; open weekends until 11 p.m. Large free lot behind restaurant (via Sierra Street, a block west). Mostly moderate; some delicacies expensive. — *N.W. (5/05)*

**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 break-

fast's what a lot of folks come for. "Dieter's Downfall," a three-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 their carrot cake or double chocolate cake — rich, moist, and fresh out of their oven every morning. Breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/03)*

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**Swami's Cafe** 1163 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-0612. No coincidence it's near the famous surf break and the Self-Realization Fellowship compound. You gotta love the very Encinitas vegetarian-spiritual-surfer origins. You eat surrounded by gurgling fountains, wind chimes, wheat grass racks, a rainbow-colored wind sock, and the manager's 1969 surfer van. There are plenty of standard dishes, like eggs Benedict or black bean burrito, but the big emphasis is health. Try the protein veggie wrap, with avocado, feta cheese, tofu, and mole, or the Indian curry with tofu. Open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

**Cabana Cove** Harrah's Rincon Casino, Valley Center, 877-777-2457. This fun eatery brings Pacific Beach to Valley Center with its cheerful (make that gorgeous) surfer decor and a menu of classy surfer grub. With glass walls looking out on the mountains and on two curvy swimming pools, this is the only restaurant in the casino to offer views of the outer world. The eclectic menu, from "surfing spots around the world," includes wonderful, smoky pork as both a taco and an entrée, plus pristine seafood choices. Full bar, cre-

**Hernandez' Hide-Away** 19320 Lake Drive (off Del Dios Highway), Escondido, 760-764-1444. The founder of Hernandez' claims he invented the margarita at his previous restaurant in Bird Rock. True or not, the margaritas (rocks, not slush-ee) are terrific, on a par with Baja's best. The food, though, is detuned for gringos, with a standard menu of Cal-Mex specialties. Even the guacamole is underseasoned, but if you like this sort of thing, a pleasant "en-

**Jimbo's, Naturally!** 12853 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley, 858-793-7755 (also in Escondido and Carlsbad). Jimbo — and there is a real Jimbo — started out selling healthy eating with the famous OB Co-op. Now he has these organic palaces of his own. Inside the Carmel Valley branch, it's high ceilings and lots of color — yellow, purple, white — with all the ducts and pipes exposed like in a giant submarine. The deli bulges with cheese, hams, burritos, wraps, and an elaborate salad bar. At the juice counter they grind carrots and wheat grass and organic coffee. A "hot case" counter offers all kinds of ricey, tabbouleh-type preparations. Best deals are usually the daily specials. Try Seitan stew (a high-protein, low-fat meat substitute) or Shelton's Jerk Turkey in Fig Sauce, served with organic mashed potatoes, gravy, and steamed vegetables. — E.B. (10/04)



**Mille Fleurs** 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesele. Order at will — everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch



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**Bale French Sandwich Shop**  
4879 University Avenue (at 49th Street), City 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 homemade banana

**Pampas Argentine Grill** 8690 Aero Drive (at Montgomery Field), Kearney Mesa, 858-278-5971. The Argentine specialties feature grilled grass-fed beef, including a somewhat Americanized version of the *gauchos'* great *parillada mixta* (mixed grill), with a great chorizo—but minus any exotic organs. The naturally raised meats are lower fat and lower cholesterol than feed-lot beef but are salted heavily in the kitchen unless you request otherwise. Specify rare or medium-rare, unless you really like brown cardboard. Lighter fare includes free-range chicken and fresh, well-treated seafood. Beef empanadas are a tasty, authentic starter. Potatoes (fried and mashed) are splendid, salads are exuberant. The full bar features Chilean and Argentine beverages with many af-

**Seau's** Mission Valley Center mall, 1640 Camino del Rio North (next to Robinsons-May), Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Footballer Junior Seau contributes more to San Diego than just sacks. His extravagant multivenue sports pub is major league fun — a real-life reincarnation of some 1960s McLuhanite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-normal to giant HDTV) running sportscasts and a professional DJ on high, periodically spinning cool sounds over muted talking heads. The menu offers mainstream “something for everyone” choices, including pizza, hefty but so-so burgers, some elementary sushi, all-American entrées, and Seau's family recipe of Samoan teriyaki “plate lunch.” Above all, there's pub grub. The chicken wings are pretty good, and you can get all three sauces (Buffalo, BBQ, and Asian) on one order. Perfect hangout for mismatched couples with one sports fan and one fashionista (the latter can head for

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## THE BEACHES

**Baleen** Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham Street), Mission Bay, 858-490-6364. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida's famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chandeliers, peeking from the paintings) and mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers are charmers. The wine list is long and rather steep at the bottom end with better values farther up the range. Reservations recommended. Very expensive. — *N.W. (12/00)*

**The Bar-B-Que House** 5025 Newport Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-4311. OB's piling in, and for good reason: the chicken and ribs are smoked on an oakwood fire, then char-broiled. Beef, pork, and ham spend eight to ten hours in the smoker. Of course, they have pork ribs. A good-value combo is the Southern-Style sandwich — beef, pork, ham, or chicken with coleslaw inside, along with a sauce that's just right: sweet, tangy, spicy. Most original idea? A BBQ burrito with meat, baked beans, coleslaw, and sauce wrapped in a flour tortilla. Expanded menu includes gyros. Open seven days, breakfast through dinner; till 10 p.m. weeknights; 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/04)*

**Kono's** 704 Garnet Avenue (on the boardwalk), Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with ma-ron canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and

three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB Burger (chicken breast, green chili, and pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

**Mardi Gras Cafe** 3185 Midway Drive (near Rosecrans and East Street, in mini-mall with a 7-11, across the street from Godfather Pizza), Loma Portal, 619-223-5501. The Creole cooking at this café/grocery, to eat in, take out, or have catered for your next party, is sound and tasty, if deliberately underseasoned (just add salt and hot sauce to taste). You can also buy the real and rare ingredients from the freezer, deli case, and grocery shelves, including Cajun *tasso* (spiced ham), *boudin blanc* (rice sausage) and crawfish sausage. Daily brunch through early dinner. No alcohol, everything available for takeout. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/01)*

**MZM Seacoast Bistro** 875 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-424-5800. If you can make it past the bland exterior, you'll discover a well-disguised classy joint inside. A harbinger of a new I.B.? Interior is all peach-colored walls, trendy blue scone wall lights, tweedy booths, and photos of owners Marek and Zofia Migdalski with people like President Bush, Lloyd Bentsen, Sam Donaldson, and Joan Kroc. Migdalski is a recognized private chef who has decided to put I.B. on the gastronomic map. Breakfast, available Saturday and Sunday, tends to be simple but sophisticated, like frittata with Polish sausage, prime rib steak and eggs, or scrambled eggs with smoked salmon. Burgers at lunch are often lamb sirloin. Dinner can be anything, including New York steak or potato-crusted Pacific red snapper. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (6/04)*

**Olive Cafe** 805 Santa Clara Place, Mission Beach, 858-488-1224. What else can you say but "charming"? This Turkish-run alley bungalow-turned-café has an outside deck where nearly

everybody eats and lingers over Turkish coffee. Weekends, the Turkish community comes and makes the place feel like a Mediterranean outpost. There's plenty of surfer food (surf's a block away), but the most interesting breakfast is the one the Turks eat: Mediterranean Breakfast, with kasseri and feta cheeses, olives, tomatoes, cucumber, Turkish rose jam, and a French roll. For lunch, there's the usual spread of burritos, burgers, and melts, but see specials like *kofte*, Turkish mini-burgers in a baguette, or *lahmajun*, thin Turkish-style pizzas. Can you find the Blue Eye, guarding patrons from evil spirits? Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/04)*

**Sapporo Japanese Restaurant** 5049 Newport Avenue (by the pier), Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It's small, but Sapporo has big deals, particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables, and noodles) and *champon* noodle soup (*udon* noodles, scallops, shrimp, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl — a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables, and a swag of rice. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

## CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

**Antique Row Cafe** 3002 Adams Avenue (at 30th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-9750. (Also in Lemon Grove.) Antique-land's favorite eatery is a serious exhibit in its own right, especially if you're into sports memorabilia. Look for signed photos of Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, and Joe DiMaggio (all googly-eyed with Marilyn) on the walls. The word for the food: generous. All-day breakfast dishes include "The Works" omelet, stuffed with bacon, sausage, ham, bell peppers, onions, tomatoes, and cheese bulging

over a big oval plate along with skins-on breakfast potatoes. "Philly Steak Heaven" (you choose: steak, ham, or turkey) is one of the more popular lunchtime dishes. Open daily, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

**Asia Cafe** 4710 Market Street (at 47th Street), Chollas View, 619-527-1917. May be Asian San Diego's best-kept secret. You have to look behind the smog shop at this all-Laotian shopping center to find it. The menu's Southeast Asian, but the owner — and most of the conversation around you — is Lao. Lao dishes include the famous *larb-kai* (chicken salad with hot peppers, lemon grass, and sticky rice). Good regional alternatives: *bamee* (egg noodle) roasted pork soup, Crying Tiger (ground beef salad with vegetables), and *lard nar* (seafood, beef, or pork with sloppy wide noodles and vegetables). Closed Tuesday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

**Magnolias** Market Creek Square, 342 Euclid (off Market), Lincoln Park, 619-262-6005. If you're looking for an authentic Louisiana-style feast, this is the best place in town. Bessie Johnson (of the once-famed Bessie's Garret) is back in business, and mouths are re-joining. At her handsome, spacious restaurant, you'll find generous hospitality, huge portions, and a long, delicious menu of Cajun, Creole, and soul food specialties. The fried chicken is beyond compare, the jambalaya well-nigh perfect, and the BBQ shrimp, crawfish bisque, and étouffée are splendid. Great side dishes include candied sweet potatoes and cornbread dressing. No takeout (except leftovers). Full bar. Lunch and dinner six days; closed Mondays. Low moderate. — *N.W. (2/05)*

**Mama's Bakery and Lebanese Deli** 4237 Alabama Street, North Park, 619-688-0717. You'll remember this lovely little place for two reasons. One, the atmosphere: It's a tiny kitchen attached to an old red-and-green wooden house, with tables and green umbrellas on the sloping sidewalk and also inside a shelter of bougainvillea, green canvas, metal mesh, and white brick. Two, their *sajj*. It's a round Lebanese oven of ancient design which cooks the de-

licious flat bread (also called *sajj*) that goes with pretty much everything, including baba ghanoush ("sweet daddy" eggplant dip) and *fool madamas* (fava and garbanzo bean stew). Gotta-haves include beef *shawerma* wrap or falafel wrap and a meat pie unlike any you've had before. A lovely bonus: fresh Lebanese baklava and a little pot of thick, sweet, black Arabic coffee. Open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Friday, weekends until 4 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/05)*

**Pizzeria Luigi** 1137 25th Steet (at C Street), Golden Hill, 619-233-3309. They claim to make real New York pizza in this tiny storefront and they're not lying. One of the owners is from Brooklyn and his origins are written all over the pies. The sauce tastes right and the crusts are thin enough that you can fold a slice into a "V" to eat on the run, New Yorker style. But it's better to take home a whole pie with your choice of toppings (or a stromboli or calzone) and enjoy it at leisure. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (7/04)*

**Sang Dao** 4212 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-263-0914. Laos has an exotic Shangri-La thing about it, yet the large family that runs this eatery will tell you Lao food is quite plain and simple: vegetables, freshwater fish, chicken, pork, occasional beef, sticky rice, and noodles. But taste their delicious spicy catfish and you're right back at exotic. Thai basil, garlic, and most of all, the gingery *galanga*, a.k.a. "Laos root," help make it unfishy. Other must-trys: BBQ beef, *som yum* (papaya salad), and especially the spicy salad with minced meat called *larb* — closest thing to the national dish. The surroundings here may be homey, but not the excellent cuisine. "Sang Dao"? It means "Star Light." Lunch and dinner six days; closed Monday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/04)*

## EAST COUNTY & COLLEGE AREA

**Brothers Family Restaurant** 5150 Waring Road (at Orcutt Avenue), Al-

lied Gardens, 619-287-0880. Yes, it looks boring on the outside. Brick, reflective glass. But go in and you're surrounded by brothers: John and Bobby Kennedy, Hugh Grant and his brother Jamie, the Wright Brothers, the Blues Brothers, the Brothers Rico. They're there because this place used to be run by three brothers. Good old-fashioned cholesterol city rules here with no apologies, and the locals appreciate it. It's like a *Cheers* for eating. All the staples are served: country-fried steak and eggs, pork chops with eggs, Grandma Jennie's pancakes with ham, bacon, and sausage — even hefty beef or tuna or turkey sandwiches with soup. Open seven days for breakfast and lunch, with early dinner Wednesday to Friday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/04)*

**Charley's Famous Hamburgers and Kebobs** 8312 Broadway (at Sweetwater Road), Lemon Grove, 619-460-2690. When you spot an old red-and-white gas station that looks like a café, don't hesitate. That's Charley's. The palm and ficus trees have replaced the gas pumps and a fountain now gurgles where the air hoses used to be. The menu is a long list of hamburgers, as well as hot dogs, sandwiches, and kebobs. Charley's sweet dough beef-and-onion sandwich is scrumptious. Mostly take-out, but you can dine out at their picnic tables under bougainvillea. Open daily, three meals. — *E.B. (12/01)*

**Couleur Cafe** 7820 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-697-0036. Couleur has gone "raw." The Living Room-comfy café, with couches and classy swirly cane chairs, always had interesting big sandwiches, but now raw is the rage. Walnut burgers. "seafood" cucumber salads, hazelnut-and-raisin breakfast cereal with bananas, macadamia, and Brazil nut milk — all are part of the new diet of live-enzyme food. If you're not ready, four traditional sandwiches are still there (BLT, tuna, salmon, and chicken). Open 12 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday (to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/04)*

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### FAR EAST

**Kountry Kitchen** 826 Main Street, Ramona, 760-789-3200. Thank goodness the Kountry Kitchen's still around. They still open at 5 a.m. for the farmers and anyone else who's up then. The Italian Sausage Breakfast is truly delicious: a fat pale-brown sausage with a rich, sharp, lively flavor, along with eggs and hash browns. Up there, too, is the Cowpoke Country Special, a buttermilk short stack with eggs and sausages or bacon. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**La Casa Del Zorro** Borrego Springs Drive (five miles south of Palm Canyon Drive at Yaqui Pass Road), Borrego Springs, 760-767-5323. La Casa Del Zorro is Borrego Springs' most renowned and ambitious restaurant, set in a deluxe resort five miles south of town. (Drive through the parking lots until you reach the fenced swimming pool; the restaurant's small, dimly marked door is just to the left.) The California Cuisine menu offers elaborate seafood appetizers (out here in the desert) and entrées with fine, subtle sauces, fresh veggies from nearer the coast, and rather mild-flavored, exquisitely tender meats, evidently chosen to be gentle to the dentures of the duffers. Desserts are few and very sweet. Full bar; great (but pricey) wine list. In the most formal of the three dining rooms, collared shirts and jackets required on men (they'll lend you a jacket if needed), dressy-casual wear on women. Open daily, continuously (in theory) from breakfast through dinner. Reserve for weekend evenings. Very expensive. — *N.W. (4/03)*

**The Olde Homestead Fudge Factory** The Center, 590 Palm Canyon Drive (north side of the street), Borrego Springs, 760-767-7782. The Fudge Factory's greatest dish is not what it's named for, and some of its pick hits aren't fudge, either. Of the 24 flavors of housemade fudge, barely a half dozen are available on any given day. The chocolate walnut is especially delicious, but the real masterpiece when in season is the "date shake" — a cold quaff that's ambrosial on a hot afternoon. Then, too, this is one of the few spots in town with an espresso machine. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Monday. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (4/03)*

### UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

**Arrividerci Italian Restaurant** 3845 Fourth Street, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. However you picture an idealized Italian restaurant — sprawling café on the strada or little cozy corner as in *Moonstruck* — somehow Ar-

rividerci is it. The straight-from-Rome look of the crowded sidewalk deck and yellow-and white-awning helps. The menu is a big yet familiar regional potpourri. Reliable standards include *vitello bel monte* (veal in a brandy cream sauce with tomatoes); "straw and hay" (*paglio e fieno al pesto*), pale yellow-and-green pasta with string beans and pine nuts in a delicious pesto sauce; baby rack of lamb with rosemary; or shellfish pasta dishes like *linguine mediterraneo*, with clams, mussels, and big garlicky shrimp. Part of the fun is bumping chairs. Think dining car on a narrow-gauge railroad — you're that close to the next table. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *E.B. (7/04)*

**Berta's Latin American Restaurant** 3928 Twigg's Street (at Congress, diagonal to Rockin' Baja Lobster), Old Town, 619-295-2343. Sampling the whole range of little-known cuisines from Guatemala down to Patagonia, Berta's lengthy menu reads like a culinary "pick hits" list of each country's best flavors, typically rendered with expertise and verve. Some outstanding dishes include sweet-savory Chilean *pastel de choclo* (a casserole of beef, chicken, and corn pudding) from Berta's homeland, spicy ceviche and subtle *seco de cordero* (citrus-flavored lamb stew) from Peru, earthy Guatemalan *chilemal* (cilantro-laden pork stew), aromatic beef curry from Trinidad, and a sensuous *vatapa* (seafood in coconut sauce) from Brazil's African-influenced Bahia coast. Vegetarians will find many meat-and-fowl-free options. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

**California Cuisine** 1027 University (between Tenth Avenue and Vermont), Hillcrest, 619-543-0790. Tod Atcheson is now the chef of this long-lived neighborhood restaurant. Following house tradition, the menu is printed daily and the dishes are chosen according to the harvest and catch of the moment. Still, you can usually count on finding a relatively authentic Caesar salad, a huge and exuberantly garnished bourbon-brined Neiman Ranch pork chop, and irresistible grilled Asian barbecued jumbo shrimp. A summertime special of fresh corn and mussel bisque should-

n't be missed if it's on the menu. There's some day-to-day inconsistency, but a preponderance of deliciousness. Save room for pastry chef Lauren Huff-nagel's outstanding, adventurous desserts. Comfortable atmosphere, but interior gets loud when busy. A heated garden patio surrounding a fountain offers romantic al fresco feasting. Dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (9/04)*

**Chilango's Mexico City Grill** 142 University Avenue (near Third Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-8646. This bright, cheerful café offers authentic cooking from Central Mexico. You know it's real because there are no "combo plates" on the dinner menu. Instead, enjoy rarely found dishes cooked with creative twists — for instance, the delectable *chiles en nogada* features poblano chiles with an exuberantly fruity ground-sirloin stuffing topped with a walnut-cream gravy scattered with strawberries. The "Yucatan salad" with mole-sauced pork is refreshing, and pork with *chile pasilla* sauce is dark, deep, and delicious. Lunches include various tortilla wraps with a choice of six regional sauces. Mexican and European beers, tasty margaritas made from agave "wine." Short but carefully chosen, affordable international wine list includes bottlings from Baja. Patio seating. Lunch Monday through Saturday; dinner nightly. Lunches inexpensive, dinners moderate, entrées half-price on Monday. — *N.W. (9/05)*

**Crest Cafe** 425 Robinson Avenue (at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. "Hearty Homemade Comfort Food" is the boast, and this small retro-deco café backs it up. Cecelia and her dad, Luis Moreno, took over this place back in 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loyal customers get their photos and names on an honor roll that fills one wall. Lots of lazy ceiling fans, long, hanging blue lights, and art. "Matisse in Morocco," Salvador Dali, Frida Kahlo. Consider momsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-glazed pork chops, or the healthy Vegetable Steam Basket. And don't turn down their 11 different kinds of burgers, including the Fresh Salmon Burger, the OuiOui Burger

("aged bleu cheese crumbled under melted jack cheese") or the wicked, spicy Butter Burger (half a pound of lean ground beef stuffed with garlic, tarragon, basil, parsley butter, topped with cheese, garlic-paprika-cayenne-cumin mayo and more butter). Best of all, late hours: open 7 a.m. to midnight, seven days. Dinner at 11 is no problem. How rare is that in San Diego? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Kazumi Sushi** 3975 Fifth Avenue (at Washington), Suite 120, Hillcrest, 619-682-4054. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, *gyoza*, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of *nabeyaki udon* (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. With just a small staff of family members in the kitchen and house, expect a wait for food at busy times. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (10/00)*

**The Mission** 2801 University Avenue, North Park, 619-220-8992 (also in Mission Beach and East Village). "Urban assault food for a revolutionary people," say the wait staff's black T-shirts. But the food here is less revolutionary than halfway between health-nut and greasy spoon. Still, their "conscientious cuisine" is generous, good-looking, and intelligent, if a little middle-class timid. Breakfasts are big here. The delicious chicken-apple sausage and eggs comes on a foot-wide plate loaded with unskinned rosemary potatoes, scrambled eggs, and scrumptious baked-on-the-spot rosemary bread. Pancakes and French cinnamon toast are popular staples, as is the Zen Breakfast (scrambled egg whites, braised tofu, brown rice, with veggies). The roast beef hash can be chewy. Check out the "Chino-Latino" dishes

(lunch only) like the mild-but-still-delicious ginger sesame tofu with brown rice and peanut sauce, which comes with a plethora of jicama-type veggies. The interior has arty, post-industrial, coffee house feel. Open daily, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (4/05)*

**Ortega's, A Mexican Bistro** 141 University Avenue (at Third Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-692-4200. Owned by a member of the Ortega family, the Puerto Nuevo lobster pioneers, this is the Baja restaurant group's first north-of-the-border venture. You'll find Baja-style cuisine featuring seafood and grilled foods, with a focus on local spiny lobster. Unlike the typical Ortega's, the lobster isn't deep-fried before grilling — an improvement in tenderness and flavor. Of course, the crustacean's best in season (October to February). Fish ceviche makes a good starter course. Other choices include small tacos, steaks, kebabs, et al., plus the standard Puerto Nuevo side dishes — stewed (not refried) beans, and an oddly bland guacamole fixed tableside. Full bar; fun margaritas including almond and pomegranate variations. Reservations recommended for weekends. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Mainly moderate (lobsters and Kobe skirt steak expensive). — *N.W. (8/05)*

**The Parkhouse Eatery** 4574 Park Boulevard (at Madison), University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (10/99)*

**Picasso Spanish Restaurant** 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren't the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed *empanadillas*, baby eels in gar-

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lic sauce, stuffed greenlip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house's workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons' favorite beverage. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W.* (6/01)

**Soltan Banoo Persian Eatery & Tearoom** 4646 Park Boulevard (at Adams Avenue), University Heights, 619-298-2801. It's colorful, small, and intimate. This two-room café pulsates with multicolored cloths, midnight blue cushions, Aladdin-shaped pitchers and samovars. What you're eating is basically Persian health food — most Persian fare is healthy food anyway. Try the pomegranate soup, made of spinach with lentils, beans, wheat, and pomegranate juice, or the strawberry tabbouleh salad. Lamb is often a part of dishes. *Ghormeh sabzi* is a lamb stew. *Koufteh-Berenji* is a ball of basmati rice with lamb, eggs, onions, and plums. The selection of teas includes Caspian, decaffeinated peach, and a few others. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/02)

**Whole Foods Market** 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods' prepared food section will feed you better — and faster — than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include the green chili and cheese polenta, the Emerald Mushrooms salad, and especially the *farofa* salad — it's like American stuffing, but it's couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods' vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La

Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 858-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N.* (4/99)

DOWNTOWN

**Acqua Al 2** 322 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-230-0382. Despite its monicker, this isn't a seafood trattoria, but a near-fishless branch of a restaurant in Florence that won success by eschewing the standard Florentine menu while maintaining Tuscan purity of style. Chef-owner Martin Gonzales trained there and serves as charming host of the local outpost. Best bets are the vegetarian pasta and rice dishes made with aromatic porcini mushrooms. The tasting of five pastas may sound tempting, but they're chef's choice — and he tends to choose the dull ones. "Tastings" of salads, cheeses, and desserts are also offered. Mains are mainly rather plain. Lunch weekdays, dinner daily. Moderate (pasta) to expensive. — *N.W.* (11/00)

**The Blarney Stone** 510 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-233-8519. This handsome establishment, made of dark wood from the Emerald Isle, includes a large, good-looking separate dining room that opens when the dining public forms a critical mass, or around 8 p.m. Like most local Irish pubs, the menu is mainly American and gringo-Mex snack foods, including an "Irish quesadilla" (corned beef and cheese on a flour tortilla). The three wannabe Celtic dishes are an indifferent corned beef and cabbage, "steak Kildare" (a tough, mushroom-smothered rib eye), and "fish and chips Liffey," which aren't noticeably different from, say, fish and chips "Thames" or "Afton" or even "Missouri." Lunch daily; dinner

Thursday through Saturday. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/01)

**Buon Appetito** 1609 India Street, Little Italy, 619-238-9880. At the chic, art-filled fourth branch of a chain that started with Hillcrest's Arrividerci, the bill of fare combines the pick hits of the mother-ship and of Encinitas cousin-restaurant I Trulli. The menu calls the cuisine "Nouvelle Italian," blending traditional and trendy Mediterranean ingredients. Seasonal specials change monthly. Most appetizers and pastas are fine (entrées often less so), but the kitchen can be hasty, turning out hard-centered risotto or burnt seafood. Winners include antipasto, quail with lentils, and wine-braised rabbit in the style of the Italian Alps. Desserts are mainly weighty. Wine list is an affordable treat, highlighting mysterious Italian grape varieties from small-scale bottlers; the adept staff can help you choose one to match your order. Euro-pop plays loudly inside; noise-sensitive may prefer patio tables. Lunch and dinner daily (with break between); open until 11 p.m. on weekends. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (5/04)

**Buster's Beach House and Longboard Bar** 807 West Harbor Drive, East Plaza, Seaport Village, 619-233-4300. There really is a Buster, a surfer who traveled the world working in restaurants. Baja, Oahu, Fiji, Naples, Ocho Rios, Phuket — you name it, there's a dish from each of those waters, and every one of them ethnically incorrect. The menu's actually an international anthology of surfer-bar grub — and like Waimea Bay's waves, it has huge ups and downs. Skip the greasy "Short Board" pupu platter and risky daily fish special and go for the well-seasoned crab cakes, fish tacos, spicy "paella" (more like jambalaya), or pizza. The surfy, fun decor

and breezy patio easily compensate for some of the spaciest service in town; a full bar offers a great beer list and decent umbrella drinks. To snag a patio table, reserve it and make sure they write it down. Three hours validated parking, kid-friendly, plenty for vegetarians. Open three meals daily. Prices cover the waterfront. — *N.W.* (7/03)

**Chopahn Authentic Afghan Cuisine** 750 Sixth Avenue (near F Street), Gaslamp, 619-236-9236. Authentic Afghan cuisine resembles Indian and Persian food but is singularly itself: the spicing is exotic but the flavors are clear and unclouded. It emphasizes grilled-to-order marinated meats (especially lamb), stews, and well-seasoned rice dishes, and uniquely delicious appetizers such as leek ravioli (*aushak*), leek or meat turnovers (*bulanee*) and battered vegetables (*pakawra*). The grilled salmon is excellent, and don't miss the side dish of sweet pumpkin topped with yogurt and meat sauce (*kadu*). Plenty for vegetarians, too. Interesting, affordable wine list; Mexican and domestic beers. Small patio. Lunch week-

days, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W.* (8/05)

**City Pizzeria** 1125 Sixth Avenue (between B and C), downtown, 619-531-0955. There's a cultural war going on here. "City" has a New York attitude — just listen to the guys in the kitchen grabbing dough, flailing it around, yakking, joking. But the dough has been a West Coast family's secret for 75 years. Try the "Ranch Chicken" pie with garlic chicken, basil, and ranch dressing, or the BBQ Chicken with pineapple, red onion, BBQ sauce, and mozzarella. (Of course, no self-respecting New York pizzeria would ever consider serving such moonbeamish left coast toppings — not even if they were in New Jersey.) If those don't tempt you, there are eleven other "specialty pies" every day. Open daily till 10 p.m., 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/04)

**Croce's Restaurant and Jazz Bar** 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-233-4355. "Live music is complimentary with purchase of a dinner entrée" at this restaurant and bar run by

Ingrid Croce in honor of her late husband, Jim. Appetizers that mix flavors — like the baked brie and honey-roasted garlic served with mixed greens and a Grand Marnier berry compote — are delicious. But despite creative dishes, like New Zealand sea bass with a pomegranate-macadamia crust, few entrées rise above the level of average Gaslamp fare. Simple is best here — the rich and creamy shrimp *carbonara* fettuccine with Italian pancetta, Kalamata olives, and basil in a white garlic cream sauce. For dessert, try the flourless chocolate cake with roasted walnuts and pecans served with Tahitian vanilla bean gelato and Verona chocolate sauce. The menu is seasonal. Sit by the window for great people-watching or retire to the bar if you prefer live jazz. Open nightly for dining and music (breakfast and lunch Saturday and Sunday). Expensive. — *B.D.* (10/05)

**Deco's** 731 Fifth Avenue (between G and F), Gaslamp, 619-696-DECO. When the disco is not in session here, there's surprisingly fine food in this vast, multiroom glamorama, stunningly

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done up like a Fred-and-Ginger 1930s ballroom. The eats are in a lightly adventurous California-Asian-Mediterranean mode featuring quality seafood handled with care and creativity; don't miss the ethereal bread pudding for dessert. (The requisite sushi "party rolls" are merely okay.) Service is hip, smart, and kind. Call ahead if you want to book an off-menu meal. No cover charge on disco nights for patrons who order dinner; no sneaks, shorts, or Ts if you're clubbing. Serious wine list runs high; full bar. Open to public Thursday through Saturday (dinner served Friday and Saturday). Very expensive, but somewhat affordable if you graze on appetizers. — *N.W.* (7/03)

**El Carrito** 2154 Logan Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-702-4806. It's called "El Carrito" — "The Streetcar" — for a reason. This gem was one of San Diego's fleet of trolleys that trundled around the city for 60 years from 1889. When the city opted to tarmac over the rails in 1948, a local family rescued this car and turned it into an eatery. Today it is little changed. The menu is old-fashioned Mexican, with breakfasts like ranchero-style eggs, rice, and beans; *bistek a la plancha con huevos* (grilled steak with fried eggs, rice, and frijoles); good pork chops; and the Big Three: *caldo de rez* (beef soup), *pozole* (meat and hominy), and *menudo*, the famous tripe soup hangover reliever. Three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (6/04)

**LG's Prime Steakhouse** 789 Sixth Avenue (at F Street), downtown, 619-239-7899. The atmosphere at this chain steakhouse is a little less "old

boys' club" than most of its kind — it's quiet and luxurious, but not especially formal. All the beef is aged on the premises, and the star cut is the superb dry-aged "Jewel in the Crown" Porterhouse, with much beefier flavor than wet-aged meat. Meats are heavily salted unless you request otherwise; sauces taste a little pre-fab. The Caesar salad is made at the table to your tastes. "Escargots alfredo" is fun as an indulgent starter. Everything's à la carte, with good creamed spinach among the sides. Great, if pricey, wine list, but the top reds are barely over retail prices. Full bar. Valet parking at Fifth and Market. Reservations recommended. Open for dinner 365 days a year. Very expensive. — *N.W.* (8/05)

**McCormick & Schmick's** Omni Hotel, 675 L Street (at Sixth Avenue), downtown, 619-645-6545. This ever-expanding chain from the Pacific Northwest may be the Starbucks of fish. Most of the dishes are still the corporate specialties, pleasing rather than exciting. The daily changing menu features about 30 varieties of fresh seafood, delivered daily in over 50 preparations, plus a handful of poultry and meat dishes. The long, interesting, mainly reasonable wine list is printed on back of the daily menu. Restaurant is often busy at lunch and packed for early dinners during Petco home-game nights, so reserve when the team's in town. A heated terrace is mainly used during lunch and game nights. Full bar. Open daily, three meals to 11 p.m. Lunch moderate; dinner moderate to expensive — *N.W.* (10/05)

**Patty's Fruitland** 1789 National Avenue (at Beardsley), Barrio Logan, 619-239-3085. Patty used to sell fresh fruit drinks outside a church in Guanajuato. In 1994 she came to America and married Jose. "Why can't we sell fruit drinks in America?" she wondered. Now they've opened a place

where you can get combos like the *pico de gallo* (rooster's beak) with lots of fresh-sliced fruit and raw veggies (jicama, cucumber), all dusted with cayenne pepper. They've expanded to nonfruit (roast beef and other sandwiches, shrimp tostadas, hot dogs), but the fruit and juices define the place. The most tempting: fruit salad with cottage cheese, granola, and honey. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (3/04)

**Pokez Mexican Restaurant and Vegetarian Cuisine** 947 E Street (at Tenth Avenue), downtown, 619-702-7160. Rafael — his buddies call him Rafa — started this cool student/artist hangout years ago when he was 18. Lunchtime business people come here. Evenings, seems like it's all Rafa's friends: people from downtown, Golden Hill, City College. The food is mostly Mexican vegetarian (though he's got meaty things like chicken or steak ranchero or sautéed chicken fajitas). Tip well: the servers volunteer and share the take from the gravy pot. Three meals weekdays; closes earlier on weekends. — *E.B.* (12/01)

**RA Sushi** 474 Broadway (at Fifth), downtown, 619-321-0021. Big and splashy, this Arizona-based chain restaurant tries to create a high-energy party atmosphere with loudish music and louder "Oriental" decor. Its grazing menu features sushi, sashimi, hosts of Asian-oid appetizers, plus a few substantial noodle dishes and entrées. The food's a mixture of the dire and the delicious — old, pulpy *edamame* versus magnificent miso soup, delicate dilled salmon and desiccated *katsu*. The sushi rice is well seasoned, but the products are inconsistent from hour to hour and roll to roll, depending on how long ago the seafood was defrosted and how recently the rice was cooked. You take your chances, but it's fun anyway. Numerous Asian beers and sakes, afford-

able wines, full bar specializing in fancy cocktails. Those with fading eyesight may need a penlight to read menu. Daily, lunch through dinner, to 11 p.m. Moderate. — *N.W.* (5/04)

**Vincenzo Ristorante Italiano** 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181. The specialty at this tourist favorite is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant's fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete's Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant's hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W.* (8/01)

## SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

**Bino's European Coffees and Crepes** 1120 Adella Avenue (just off Orange Avenue), Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café (south of the Post Office) has to be good: it's a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fantasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crêpes are delicious and filling too. Bino's wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Open daily until 7 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

**Galley at the Marina** 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. This is a great place to relax, take in the view, and decide which yacht you're gonna buy when you win the lotto. It's run by Fran Muncey, widow of Bill Muncey, San Diego's greatest speedboat-racing champion. The tasty, bargain-priced Happy Hour specials (3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday) make a visit worth the trip west of I-5: have a 1/2-pound hamburger with French fries, chicken Caesar salad with sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Next morning, catch the breakfast favorite: biscuits and sausage gravy with eggs. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

**Hot Dog Express** Home Depot (at entrance), 725 Plaza Court, Chula Vista. Is this a guy thing? Hot dogs and home repairs always seem to go together. Look at the number of hot dog stands outside Home Depots. This one is extra friendly, has good chili, and the franks snap when you sink your teeth into them. Good sign. The trick: Come later, to catch what New Yorkers call "dirty water dogs." The franks cook in the broth of juices and salts from the previous wieners — ergo, richer flavor. Which dog? For us, spicy Polish with all the Chicago sides, like mustard, raw onion, pickle, relish, sliced tomato, celery salt. (Eating with a Chicagoan and wanna live? Never use ketchup.) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/05)

**Merkel's Deli-BBQ** 415 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-420-0767. Named after Sebastian Merkel, the owner's German granddad, who jumped ship in New York after World War I. Merkel's claims to be the "first real New York-style deli south of Hillcrest." It certainly has serious, all-day, New York-type breakfasts like pastrami and corned beef three-egg omelets or Reuben omelets filled with corned beef, Swiss

cheese, and sauerkraut. Or salami and eggs, pancake-style. There's even a breakfast Philly cheese steak. But it's not only New York. Out back, their Texas-style smoker burns mesquite for some pretty mean ribs. Also check Chula Vista's truck farm history on the walls, a collection of crate-end labels with all the fruits that this town's soils used to produce. Open every day breakfast through dinner; Sundays breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/04)

**Point-Point Joint** 916 East Eighth Street, National City, 619-474-2866. You're in Little Manila here, heartland of San Diego's Filipino community. So the food has to be authentic. Your problem's going to be choosing. Dozens of dishes with mysterious meats and veggies. You can play safe and choose, say, chicken barbecue on a bamboo spit, chicken *adobo*, or *longganiza* sausage. But you should seek out less familiar choices, too. *Kare-kare* (yam, peanut butter sauce with beef and tripe) is delicious, and so is *dinuguan*, pork in pork blood, also known as "chocolate meat." Want healthy? There's *monggo* (mung beans) with bitter melon leaves, or point to a pile of split, deep-fried fish — *daing na bangus*, vinegar-soaked milk fish, said to be popular with old men with high blood pressure. Lunch, dinner seven days; breakfast Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/03)

**Primavera Ristorante** 932 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-0454. A handsome dining room is the setting for classic fine Italian cooking of many regions, and with creative nightly specials. Stuffed pastas are made in-house and rolled thin, gnocchi are expertly crafted, and entrées are, for a change, more interesting than the appetizers. The *osso buco* is outstanding, as is a frequent summertime special of white king salmon. Choose the simplest

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desserts, as the fancy ones are out-sourced (and heavy). Three parking slots behind restaurant, or scuffle for street parking. Fine service. Romantic ambiance early and late in the evening but often raucous with loud parties at prime dinner time. Dinner nightly until 11 p.m. Expensive. — *N.W. (5/05)*

**Rhinoceros** 1166 Orange Avenue (at Loma Avenue), Coronado, 619-435-2121. This bright, hectic bistro next door to the Lamb's Players Theatre draws pre-theatre crowds as well as locals — and that may be a problem, since the rushed pace of service doesn't abate even after the playgoers have departed. Perhaps that's why there are few appetizer choices (as though to discourage diners from spending extra time at the table). You may even be charged a "split plate" fee for sharing a first course despite ordering individual entrées. Meat and fish choices are simply prepared with ingredients of ordinary quality and generic veggie accompaniments. Why, then, is Rhino so popular? Pasta (and nothing but pasta) is the answer — that's where the kitchen shines. Very noisy when crowded; street tables are slightly quieter despite heavy traffic. Lunch and dinner daily. Reservations advised for weekends and pre-show dinners. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (7/01)*

**Zorba's Family Restaurant** 100 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-8853. We haven't got to plate-breaking yet, but Greek dancing is alive and well at Zorba's on Fridays and Saturdays. That includes the *zembekikos*, where the dancer picks a glass of ouzo off the floor with his mouth and drinks it. The rest of the week? Families fill this place. They're here for the buffet, spooning up the *spanakopita* (spinach in deliciously flaky pastry), *dolmathes*, (ground beef and rice rolled in grape leaves), moussaka (eggplant, zucchini, and ground beef), and lamb. Try dividing your meal into three: first visit the salad section. Grab their real, strong-tasting olives, tabbouleh, hummus, onions, lettuce, and pita bread. Return for the heavies, the lamb and beef dishes. Then leave room for baklava and other desserts. It may not

be the gourmet's method, but there's no better way to fill a belly. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (2/03)*

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**El Rincon del Oso** Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria #47, Río District, Tijuana. Eating goat is an acquired taste. This little market restaurant is a good place to start acquiring. It serves kid for breakfast that's surprisingly easy on the taste buds. The best part is scooping the juices and the meat into a hot corn tortilla, adding cilantro, lime, grated onions, and a splash of salsa, and chomping in. It's meaty, slightly rich, almost gamey, like deer or buffalo, except the juices round out that gamey aftertaste. Come early morning for the best kid and the best market scenes. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

**El Taurino Steak House** Sixth Street #7531 (three blocks west of Revolución), Tijuana, 685-7075. Looking for the home of the foot-long steak? At this old-line surf n' turf eatery (a real) wall-mounted bull's head lunges at you; his severed ears and tail hang beside him. But anchors and portholes and *barcas* (boats) stuccoed on the white and green walls also emphasize the menu's "surf" side. It's all very forties. Fine linens, lifer waiters, and unchanged but good food — like marinated grilled quail, shrimp *al ajillo* (cooked in oil, garlic, and chili), and fish steamed *empapelado* (in parchment paper). A must-try is the signature *cabrería* steak, a thin but foot-long slab with guacamole, beans, onions, jalapeño, tortillas, and soup or salad. On second thought, the *media* (half) *cabrería* should be enough for most. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**La Petite Cafe** Avenida Constitución #720-Q, in Foreign Club Passage off Revolución between 3rd and 4th (beside Maxim's), Tijuana, 688-2171. You're in a side eddy here from the storm of Revolución among Olmec sculptures, Aztec calendars, trees, and amazing quiet. It's standard *casera* (homestyle) food: Spanish chicken with rice and beans, pork chops in green sauce, red enchiladas, steak ranchero, liver-and-onion stew, *chicharrón* (crisp fried pork rind) in a red sauce, and of course *carne asada*, but cooked well and priced amazingly low. Check the generous five-item-plus-coffee breakfast special. Three meals, all-day breakfast and lunches, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**Lonchería La Poca Lucha** Municipal Market, Avenida Niños Héroes #105, Tijuana. Venturing to the far end of Tijuana's *Mercado Municipal* is like entering a scene from *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*. Shafts of sun penetrate the dark of an incredible kitchen of great black iron stoves and giant steaming pots, and hoods gathering into black pipes that snake up and out through the roof. But what a welcome! As you walk through the *mercado*, ladies bounce up, enticing you away to their eateries. Hang in there till you reach *Lonchería La Poca Lucha*, "The Small Struggle Lunch Place." Ask for *carne de puerco* (pork), *chiles rellenos*, *bisteck ranchero*, or *higado al gusto* (liver), all around \$3. *Pescado frito* (fried fish), *milanesa con papas* (veal with fries), *pollo frito* (fried chicken), and *carne asada* are slightly more. Price includes soup, steaming hot corn tortillas, and a soda. Open seven days, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Mariscos el Locochon** Popotla fishing village, five minutes south of Rosarito Beach (non-toll road), dirt road next to Fox studios. There are smarter places to eat, like Puerto Nuevo. Even in Popotla, most other eateries look more like, well, eateries. The thing about Pedro García Barcelo and El Locochón is that they are what they are. His fishermen friends hand him fish straight off the boats, he sells them on a table in the sand, and if you so desire, he'll toss one into a pan of

oil on a wood fire, fry a couple of corn tortillas, add cilantro, tomatoes, radishes, fried *cebollitas* (green onions), and presto! He'll hand you your freshest fish taco ever. Work out a price with him. He's there every day till dusk. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/04)*

**Salon Azteca** Rosarito Beach Hotel, south end of Boulevard Benito Juárez, Rosarito, 661-612-1111. This fabled old hotel's all-you-can-eat Sunday brunch buffet offers a great excuse to check out the gorgeous architecture and meet other travelers in town. To reach the buffet, go to the left behind the registration desk to the Salon Azteca, walk in, grab a plate, and start dishing up your breakfast from the long line of cafeteria-like bins filled with *gringo*, *gringo-Mex*, real Mexican (*menudo*), and international specialties. Expect to tip if you want something from the omelet or carving station. Next, plunk down at a table where a waiter will arrive to serve you juice and endless cups of decent coffee. Casual dress. Secure parking in hotel lot for a small extra charge. Three meals daily; brunch Sunday. Somewhat expensive for the area; Visa and MasterCard accepted. — *N.W. (4/03)*

**Saverio's Restaurant Mediterraneo** Boulevard Sánchez Taboada #3151 (at Escuadrón 201 Street), Zona Río, Tijuana, 686-6442. When Javier Plascencia Huerta wanted to open an Italian restaurant, he went all the way. He built a complete Tuscan villa right next to venerable Hacienda Cien Años. "But then," says Plascencia, "I got interested in what Baja California has to offer." The result: an Italian *palazzo* offering an interesting and changing fusion of Mediterranean-Baja food with dishes like roasted baby octopus, local oysters cooked on the mesquite grill, mesquite-grilled quail from Ensenada's valley of Guadalupe, mussels cultivated in Baja farms, and a delicious rack of lamb raised in the local San Vicente valley. The restaurant even grows its own herbs. Dish presentation is pure art. One of the tastiest: roast duck breast in a guava sauce with a little burrito of candied leg meat. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *E.B. (8/04)*

**MULTIPLE LOCATIONS**

**Chipotle** 734 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-209-3688; 11 other locations in San Diego County. Hard to believe: This chain that McDonald's acquired cleaves firmly to the original vision of the chef who founded it: naturally raised tender meats in authentic marinades made on-premises — it's quality all the way, and way better than most local "Berto's" (which often use cheap meat marinated by their meat-jobbers). The fresh-grilled *carne asada* is splendid, the *carnitas* outstanding. And it's "have it your way" with a wealth of choices as to what you get — burritos, tacos, bowls, fajitas — and what goes into it. You can eat indoors or outside (or take-out), drink margaritas, beer, or soft drinks, and park for free (if a slot's open). Open 10:45 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Rock-bottom prices. — *N.W. (10/05)*

**Karl Strauss Brewery Restaurant** 1157 Columbia Street, downtown, 619-234-2739. One-time Pabst brewmeister Karl Strauss heads his own brewery and a bunch of brewery restaurants bearing his name, so you can't help but be a little wary of an over-slick operation. But at least at downtown's ivy-covered brick drink and eatery, the food's honest, tasty, and sleek, not slick. And Karl's beers are still interesting. Go for honest-but-beautiful dishes like his "Hump Day" meatloaf (Wednesday only), which comes looking like a Magic Mountain. Beer influence is everywhere. Filet mignon has an Amber Lager glaze. Ribs boast a Red Trolley Ale barbecue sauce. It can get pricey; try to hit happy hour. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. Other branches at 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Mesa, 858-587-2739; 5801 Armada Drive, Carlsbad, 760-431-2739; 1044 Wall Street, La Jolla, 858-551-2739. — *E.B. (11/03)*

**The Living Room Coffeehouse** 5900 El Cajon Boulevard (at 59th Street), College Area, 619-286-8434. With deep-draft couches, Persian carpets, pictures on the wall, chunky

wooden tables, and a tree-shaded patio, this Swiss-owned café is a student hang-out with a lively notice board, a rental computer, and good cheap breakfast food in huge quantities. Try "The Works" omelet, with bacon, ham, onions, tomatoes, pepper, cheese on top, potatoes, fruit, and bread. Open daily, three meals, until late at night. Inexpensive. Additional locations (different management) in Hillcrest, Point Loma, and La Jolla. — *E.B. (10/00)*

**P. F. Chang's China Bistro** 4540 La Jolla Village Drive (near Executive Way, opposite UTC), 858-458-9007; 7077 Friars Road, Fashion Valley, 619-260-8484. Okay, you're looking at the haunches of a giant horse right outside your corner window. And there don't seem to be any actual Chinese people among the wait staff. But this busy-busy mall-Chinese chain (130-plus restaurants) has a certain cool. You have to grudgingly like it. Those reproduction Chin Dynasty horses are really something, as are the bits of the Great Wall and the terracotta soldiers scattered inside. The food? The spicy ground chicken and eggplant was too salty for our taste, the "Sichuan from the Sea" shrimp too sweet, and the Cantonese roasted duck not that exciting. Yet there are jewels, like the Shanghai Street Dumplings, whose gingery chicken and sweet sauce flavors matched beautifully. And — not that it's at all Chinese — the massive "Great Wall of Chocolate" dessert will knock you over. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.B. (1/06)*

**Star Of India** 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-1372; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar, 858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It's the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like vegetable *pakora* — a bunch of veggies dipped in chickpea batter and fried, or a nice mess of eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry *masala*, and maybe the first cooked spinach you ever loved, *palak paneer*. At the PB location, you sit under a sky-blue cupola. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

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*You can't very well look a man in the eye on a daily basis when you're stealing from him.*

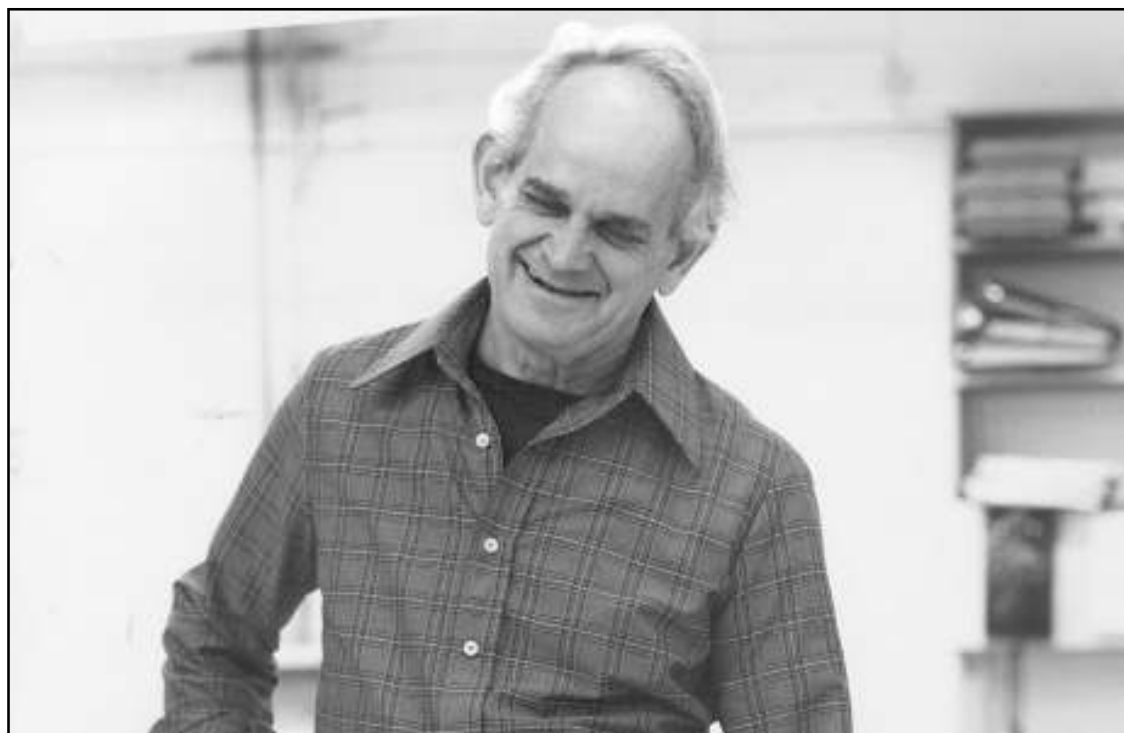
**M**anny Farber was a friend of mine before we ever met. I recall exactly how I was introduced. I had read Pauline Kael's jeremiad on Andrew Sarris and the auteur theory, "Circles and Squares," in her first (and at the time, only) collection of film criticism, *I Lost It at the Movies*, or perhaps I had read it upon

its initial appearance in *Film Quarterly* magazine in 1963. Whichever, it was an attack that aroused nothing so much as sympathy for its victim and curiosity to read for myself the essay that had incited it. I got hold of the pertinent issue of *Film Culture*, America's Independent Motion Picture Magazine, No. 27, Winter 1962/63, either directly from the magazine's offices or, more likely, from that lifeline to the outside movie world for a suburban Minneapolis high-schooler, the Larry Edmunds Bookshop in Hollywood. The lead article, "Notes on the Auteur Theory in 1962" by Andrew Sarris, told me what I had shelled out a dollar-fifty plus postage for, but it got completely upstaged by the article

immediately following it, "White Elephant Art vs. Termite Art" by Manny Farber, a piece that left my head feeling like a punching bag after a Cassius Clay workout, and that seemed to embody to the nth degree the kind of art

the author was touting: "A peculiar fact about termite-tapeworm-fungus-moss art is that it goes always forward eating its own boundaries, and, likely as not, leaves nothing in its path other than the signs of eager, industrious, unkempt activity."

One thing leads to another. Kael to Sarris to Farber. I may have recognized the third name from a handful of references in the collection of James Agee's criticism, *Agee on Film*. I may not. But here, clearly, was a new acquaintance to cultivate. He would confide to me later that when the magazine hit the stands he had an urge to go into hiding, and that Pauline Kael, who had a piece on *Shoot the Piano Player* immediately following Farber's in the magazine, tracked him down to tell him she could not make out what he was talking about. Yet the terminology of his title has —



Manny Farber

shall we say? — gnawed, burrowed, wormed its way into the critical vocabulary and has been much appropriated and misappropriated by others. Only a couple of years ago when I was in Madrid I picked up a flier for an art exhibit entitled "Arte Termita contra Elefante Blanco." But I get ahead of myself.

The next step would have been similar. (One thing leads to another.) I was reading a book-length survey of the contemporary cinema called *The Contemporary Cinema* — this was one of the means whereby a Minnesota rube could find out about the blanks he had to fill in his film education — by Penelope Houston, an editor and

critic of the British film magazine, *Sight and Sound*, to which I had a subscription. In the book, there was a chapter incongruously headed "Production Values," if I remember right, wherein she summarized an earlier article by the same Manny Farber, "Underground Films," from a 1957 issue of the political journal, *Com-*

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mentary. By then the term had been snapped up by the editor of *Film Culture*, Jonas Mekas, and applied to the experimental films of Brakhage, Breer, Baillie, and company, something very different from Farber's application of it to the work of unsung Hollywood action directors, lean, lithe, unpretentious, who toiled in the shadows of "the water buffaloes of film art," Kazan, Zinnemann, Stevens, and company. And he had, to go by the date of publication, been exploring this terrain all by his lonesome, without the aid of an auteurist map, William Wellman, William Keighley, and John Farrow right in there with the anointed Howard Hawks, Raoul Walsh, Anthony Mann. Well, I had to get my hands on that, too, and did so by way of a call slip at the Minneapolis Public Library, dredging up from the vaults a bound year's worth of the periodical, to be read and re-read on the premises.

The next step is less distinct. How I learned that Farber at that time — smack in the middle of the Sixties — was writing a monthly column for *Cavalier*, a girlie magazine with *Playboy*-ish intellectual aspirations, I can't say. I confess I already knew the magazine, and had a copy of it from *circa* 1962, which I wish I still had today, with a peekaboo pictorial of Jane Fonda in it. In any event, it now became a monthly must, and luckily there was a newsagent at Seventh and Hennepin, bless him, who was willing to sell me unlawfully anything I had the coin to pay for. This period in Farber's criticism was, I see in retrospect, unsurpassed in freewheelingness and wordplayfulness, and my head got sharply turned. I had a new star to hitch my wagon to. His influence on my own scribbblings, although unnamed, did not go unnoticed by my twelfth-grade English Composition teacher. It was not until after I had made his acquaintance in the flesh that I was compelled to find other writers to mimic. You can't very well look a man in the eye on a daily or weekly basis when you're stealing from him. Besides which, you may easily enough tap another's language, syntax, even to an extent taste and enthusiasms, but you cannot take over his vision. And no other film critic has been so deeply involved with literal, actual, active vision — with looking, with watching, with seeing, experiencing, reacting. But again I get ahead of myself.

The eventual meeting would occur in the last half of my senior year at Columbia University, a school chosen solely for the number of proximate movie theaters in New York City, my primary yardstick for Quality of Life. By this time Farber — I was still on last-name terms with him — had moved his column to *Artforum*, readily available in the college library, and in some ways his most hospitable venue ever, where his observations on movies could share space with views of Frank Stella, Robert Motherwell, and Andy Warhol instead of views of naked women. Through a dorm-mate on the fifth floor of John Jay Hall, a card-carrying auteurist and not precisely someone I would call a friend, I got wind of a writing workshop run by Farber at the School of Visual Arts, ninety-some blocks southward in Manhattan. The dorm-mate had blazed this trail in the Fall semester, reporting back erroneously that Farber was "really old, maybe eighty," and I would follow along on that trail come Spring. (One thing leads to another.) And then there he was, sitting six feet away from me, his prominent brow and forehead sug-

gesting superhuman braininess, starting off fearlessly reading aloud from a recent piece he had penned on Luis Buñuel: "His glee in life is a movie of raped virgins and fallen saints...."

I was fortunate in my timing. This was early 1970, when the injured Willis Reed would hobble onto the basketball court at the start of Game Seven in the NBA Finals, and Manny — I was now on first-name terms — was a red-blooded American sports fan as happy to talk, in after-class adjournments to the coffee shop, about the Knicks as about the new Hitchcock or new Bresson. Too, he was preparing a show of his recent paintings in SoHo or thereabouts, a side to him I had known nothing about. Film buffs as a breed have a dangerous tendency to put on blinders to anything outside a movie screen, and the broadening of my horizons to the world of art studios, galleries, openings, and the bohemian digs he shared with his fellow painter and future wife, Patricia Patterson, was a healthy thing. Most fortunate of all, he was then putting together his own collection of film criticism, and I was flabbergasted and flattered to be called upon to help sift through the file box of clippings that dated back to the Forties, *The New Republic*, *The Nation*, *The New Leader*. (I'm sure my main function was to plump unreasonably for the stuff from *Cavalier*.) Fortunately, also, Columbia was in the throes of its annual Spring shutdown due to student revolt, a new tradition, and I was freed to spend my time as I pleased, else I might not have graduated. I'd have opted to sift with Manny rather than study for finals.

A year later, after he had decamped to UCSD to start up a program of film studies in the Visual Arts Department, he was back in New York for the launch of his book, *Negative Space*, at a reception in the New Yorker Bookstore over the New Yorker Theater, where he recruited me as a teaching assistant. I had since landed a reviewing job at a movie trade paper edited by the father of one of my fellow students in Manny's writing workshop (one thing leads to another), but seeing that I had more money going out than coming in, and was sleeping on a jerry-built shelf three feet from the ceiling in a tiny cell intended as the maid's quarters in a three-bedroom apartment on the Upper West Side, I jumped at the chance. And the course of my life was set. Minneapolis to New York to San Diego. One thing leads to another.

Manny's film classes — I can speak first-hand of only three years of them, though they would continue for another thirteen until his retirement in 1987 to devote himself full-time to painting — were the stuff of legend, and it seems feeble and formulaic to call him a brilliant, an illuminating, a stimulating, an inspiring teacher. It wasn't necessarily what he had to say (he was prone to shrug off his most searching analysis as "gobbledegook") so much as it was the whole way he went about things, famously showing films in pieces, switching back and forth from one film to another, ranging from Griffith to Godard, Bugs Bunny to Yasujiro Ozu, talking over them with or without sound, running them backwards through the projector, mixing in slides of paintings, sketching out compositions on the blackboard, the better to assist students in seeing what was in front of their faces, to wean them from Plot, Story, What Happens Next, and to disabuse them of the absurd notion that a film is all of a piece, all on a level, quantifiable, rankable,

fileable. He could seldom be bothered with movie trivia, inside information, behind-the-scenes piffle, technical shoptalk, was often offhand about the basic facts of names and dates, was unconcerned with Classics, Masterpieces, Seminal Works, Historical Landmarks. It was always about looking and seeing.

He would endlessly preview the week's movies on the wall of his studio on campus or his rented house in Del Mar, lugging an anvil-weight 16mm projector to and fro, together with three or four valise-sized boxes of celluloid, and yet throughout these endless hours he felt no necessity to watch every reel of every movie. If you wanted simply to know How It Ends, he might not have the answer. One week he had previewed Kurosawa's widescreen *High and Low* without benefit of an anamorphic lens, so that the image was squeezed like an accordion, and all of his prepared comments on narrow spaces and vertical lines, perfectly true to what he was seeing, had to be modified on the fly when the film was shown in class, stretched out horizontally with the proper lens. He was constitutionally unable to make things easy on himself. It never would have occurred to him to follow the conventional pattern (see Robert Osborne on TCM) of introductory remarks, uninterrupted movie from beginning to end, concluding remarks, and call it a day. It was unthinkable ever to repeat the same movie and the same lecture at a later date. People were forever taken aback to find out that something he had written fifteen or twenty years earlier no longer represented his views on the matter. Everything had to be re-examined afresh, looked at from a different angle, turned on its head. Nothing was nailed down, fixed, finalized. Like the metaphorical termite of that 1962 essay, he was always moving forward, less inclined in 1972 to talk about Preston Sturges or Val Lewton than about Werner Herzog or Rainer Werner Fassbinder. While he was very much the sort of teacher to attract followers, hungering for his wisdom and wit, thirsting for his approval, he was not the sort to have actual disciples. He had all the requisite charisma, just not the dogma. He was, succinctly put, too individual, too inimitable. No one could keep up with him.

My privileges have been many. I was privileged, right off the bat in California, to be a sounding board as his essay on Raoul Walsh, "He Used to Be a Big Shot," took shape before my eyes on the typewriter and sometimes with scissors and adhesive, a fascinating process that nonetheless did not cure me of my own neurotic secrecy about the act of writing. All of his film criticism from that point on, until the last published piece in 1977, was co-signed by his wife Patricia, who brought a matching eye for visual detail and added a Memorex memory for dialogue. (It is sobering to realize that the length of time from his first film reviews in *The New Republic* to that last one in *Film Comment* is very close to the same length of time I've been writing in these pages, starting from my second year at UCSD.) I was privileged, too, to be at Manny's and Patricia's wedding, and to have them at mine, very small affairs. Privileged to watch the Super Bowl with him when his 49ers squeaked out their first championship. Privileged to have access to his thoughts on movies in the decades since he stopped publishing them. From afar, it might be tempting to read his silence on the post-*Star*

*Wars* cinema as one of those eloquent silences, a silence that speaks volumes, yet anyone who knows him will know that his engagement in movies has hardly flagged.

To pull back to the widest angle on the subject: Not everyone who goes into his chosen field gets to have as a teacher and a friend the figure who, in the fledgling's eyes, stands above all others in the field. The downside of that is the impossibility of measuring up and the difficulty, for different reasons than that cited earlier, of looking him in the eye on a daily or weekly basis, or, as time slips by, more like a yearly basis. Manny himself has always been kind, considerate, generous, and gentle, to go along with wry, droll, sardonic, contrary, combative, defensive, touchy, testy, cranky, cantankerous, difficult, dissatisfied, complicated, or whatever descriptive adjective anyone might have attached to him. He didn't need to scold me. For that, I needed only his example.

This is the season once again, coming around as seasons will, whether he likes it or not, to pay homage to Manny Farber. A show of his latest paintings and drawings is on exhibit through June 3 at the Quint Gallery in La Jolla. In conjunction with that, a marathon tribute to him, "Manny Farber and All That Jazz," was staged May 13 at UCSD by his long-time faculty colleague, Jean-Pierre Gorin. A new book of his previously uncollected criticism, tentatively titled *Roads*

and *Tracks*, is in the offing. And the man himself is going on ninety. He once told me he knew exactly when he would die. I don't remember exactly. Seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-something. When he said it, it was a number that seemed a laughably long way off. It now seems a number a long way in the other direction. Only not so laughably. ■

## MOVIE LISTINGS

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**Adam and Steve** — Forced gay-ety around two men — a Central Park nature guide and a germophobic psychologist — who meet up again, without recognizing one another, seventeen years after their disastrous first date. The disaster is of gross-out proportions, a prologue that sets the sustained tone of trying too hard. With Craig Chester, Malcolm Gets, Chris Kattan, and Parker Posey; written and directed by Chester. 2006.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 5/25)

**Akeelah and the Bee** — An eleven-year-old black girl (the appealing Keke Palmer) in the South L.A. ghetto braves the taunts of "freak" and "brainiac" to enter the Scripps National Spelling Bee and, on her first try, go clear through to the televised finals in Washington, D.C., where it

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## MOVIES

all comes down to “logorrhea” and “pulchritude,” two words to make even an average speller feel like a champ. In short, it’s the documentary *Spellbound* with a fictional stacked deck, a palatable if not exactly swallowable family film, the sort of thing Oprah could get behind a hundred percent. Laurence Fishburne is the moody private tutor and Angela Bassett the distracted single mom: Ike and Tina Turner together again! Written and directed by Doug Atchison. 2006.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**An American Haunting** — Old-fashioned spook story, as well it ought to be, set as it is in the Eighteen Teens, and based on a documented case in Tennessee. Fumbling direction (by Courtney Solomon), crude shocks, and dull color shatter any illusion. With Donald Sutherland, Sissy Spacek, Rachel Hurd-Wood, and James D’Arcy. 2006.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Art School Confidential** — The reunion of director Terry Zigwoff with the writer of his *Ghost World*, graphic novelist Daniel Clowes, seemed to bode well for his recovery from the badness of his *Bad Santa*. Boding even better, the subject matter — the lowdown on high art in higher education — must be one that a graphic artist would have some first-hand experience of. *Ghost World* itself touched lightly on the subject of art instruction, but the subject awaited a fuller fondling. And if the hoped-for recovery proves to be only partial, it is nevertheless encouraging. The assemblage of characters, plausibly culled from direct observation, has the ring of truth and the tinkle of mirth: the weary, jaded, disappointed, self-deluding, and self-loathing professors (“The faculty is made up of old failures who only teach for the health insurance”), the graduate who measures his success in the art world in dollars alone, the unsuccessful graduate pickled in vodka, and the current undergraduate crop of “walking clichés,” the perennial dropout, the constant suck-up (“Professor Okamura, what are some of your favorite Halloween memories?”), the snow jobber who has learned to advance abstruse theory in place of actual work (“I’ll buy that,” his teacher accedes), the closet homosexual (artistic medium: the sewing machine) who is the last one to recognize his homosexuality, the derivative dead-teenager filmmaker who feels his work is original because he himself



Over the Hedge

has never done it before, and of course the central figure (Max Minghella, a cross between young Tony Perkins and young Richard Thomas), “the class douche bag” in the lexicon of clichés, a sensitive virgin whose goals are to be “the greatest artist of the 21st Century” and, more urgently, to get laid. It is to the credit of Zigwoff and Clowes as satirists that we see the absurdity of the protagonist as much as that of everyone else: an unflattering portrait of the artist as a young man, or vice versa, and an equally unflattering class portrait. The subplot of a serial strangler on campus, quite apart from its triteness, amounts to little more than filler, and very much of a detour. And even when the film stays on point, it does not always make the best use of its time. (In addition to — or rather, in subtraction from — all the unimpeachable knowingness, there is also a lot of randomness and cursoriness.) Still, it fills, or fractionally fills, a definite void and a definite need. Sophia Myles, John Malkovich, Jim Broadbent, Steve Buscemi, Anjelica Huston. 2006.

★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 5/25)

**The Da Vinci Code** — Reviewed next issue. With Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou, Ian McKellen, and Jean Reno; directed by Ron Howard.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA

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**Down in the Valley** — Edward Norton enacts a soft-spoken, slick-shootin’, sore-thumb cowboy in the San Fernando Valley (nowhere sorer than in synagogue), who enters an inadvisable relationship with a too-young girl, the succulently photographed Evan Rachel Wood. His self-styled Westerner persona (“You can be anybody you want to be. You just have to decide on it”) injects psychosis rather than melodrama into the situation, and the film succumbs to repetition and inertia. Not even an improbable stumble onto an Old West movie set, when in flight from the law, can revive it. With David Morse, Rory Culkin, Bruce Dern, and Geoffrey Lewis; written and directed by David Jacobson. 2006.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Friends with Money** — There are, to be exact, three friends with money, and one without, a former teacher toiling now as a free-lance maid, helping herself to the bedside vibrator of one of her employers, and in her spare time harassing an ex-boyfriend with all-hours phone calls and hang-ups. The three with money additionally have mates. One of them, Catherine Keener, is

collaborating with her husband on a screenplay, while adding an unsightly ocean-view second story on their home. Another, Frances McDormand, is a successful clothes designer with one child, plus a peculiar aversion to washing her hair, a reservoir of repressed anger, and a British-accented husband, a bath-products manufacturer, whom everyone but his wife recognizes as a closet homosexual (“Just because you care about what you wear doesn’t mean to say you’re gay”). The third, Joan Cusack, has a passel of kids, plenty of hired help with them, no job and no need of one, enough money to donate a spare couple of million to her children’s school. Assuming the role of matchmaker, she introduces the moneyless and mateless friend, Jennifer Aniston, to her personal trainer, who begins to tag along with her on her housecleaning jobs and to demand a cut for haphazardly pitching in. Writer and director Nicole Holofcener, of *Walking and Talking* and *Lovely and Amazing*, is very adept at finding and pointing out the faults in all these people (no one is exempt), and the entire movie has an air about it of catty girl talk, very concrete and specific and yet ultimately insubstantial and desultory: a litany of everyday outrages (people who cut in line at the cash register or steal parking spaces in the lot), a few useful tips for budget living (free cosmetics samples at the department stores), and of course some gripes about men (the cold-fish husband who won’t be drawn into an argument, the blind date who can’t tear his eyes from an old flame at the far end of the restaurant). Keener and McDormand are in another acting league, a tougher one, from Cusack and Aniston, but the facileness of the latter pair is not the sort of fault that the filmmaker is adept at pointing out. She is adept at minimizing it. 2006.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Goal! The Dream Begins** — An illegal Mexican landscaper, a one-man wrecking crew in a weekend soccer league in L. A., catches the eye of a vacationing Brit and

sails through a course of low hurdles (a defeatist father, asthma, English weather) to secure a spot on the roster of Newcastle United. Insidious inspirationism from Disney’s sports department. With Kuno Becker, Stephen Dillane, Alessandro Nivola, and Anna Friel; directed by Danny Cannon. 2006.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Ice Age: The Meltdown** — More straightforwardly, *Ice Age: The Sequel*. Our three inseparable prehistoric mammals — woolly mammoth, sloth, and saber-toothed tiger — face global warming (as they are already calling it) and the impending inundation of their frozen valley. Even if they can escape the flood, outrun the rapacious sea beasts, and catch the prototype of Noah’s Ark, the end is still near. And at the end of a sequel, even with a final retreat into Major Denial, the end can only be nearer. The consciousness of imminent doom is compounded — is complemented — by the personal identity crisis, the extinction anxiety, of the sore-thumb mammoth: “What if I *am* the last mammoth?” On the trek, he will get an answer to his question when he runs into an opposite-sex mammoth who, raised among possums, acts and thinks like a possum herself, another sort of identity crisis. All this existential *angst* gives the film more resonance than some other computer cartoons, an ominous low hum drowned out nonetheless by the *au courant* smart-ass brassiness. The nonverbal squirrel, wrestling with his own existential *angst*, chasing the unattainable acorn, continues to put in intermittent appearances but ceases to steal the show. With the voices of Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, and Queen Latifah; directed by Carlos Saldanha. 2006.

★ (PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Just My Luck** — Accursed fantasy (bad acting, writing, directing, lighting, taste, everything) about a charmed career girl who exchanges fortunes, when she exchanges saliva, with a luckless stranger on the dance floor at a masquerade ball. With Lindsay Lohan, Chris Pine, Faizon Love, Missi Pyle, Samaira Armstrong, and Bree Turner (she’s not bad, the brunette with the Cupid’s-bow mouth); directed by Donald Petrie. 2006.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Keeping Up with the Steins** — Bar mitzvah comedy with Jami Gertz, Daryl Hannah, Garry Marshall, Jeremy Piven, and Cheryl Hines, directed by Scott Marshall.

(FASHION VALLEY 18; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; FROM 5/26)

**Kinky Boots** — Painless gender-bender comedy about a staid old British shoemaking firm (“since 1895”), which, to survive in the brazen new world, seeks out a “niche market,” namely women’s shoes for men, under the counsel of a cabaret drag queen: “Look to the heel.... The sex is in the heel.” (Quality craftsmanship will be insufficient compensation if the style suits “a bloody Ukrainian peasant.”) The latter role permits quite an expansion of range for the protean Chiwetel Ejiofor, who looks a little bit Diana Ross, a little bit (more) Jesse Nor-

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man. The third-generation shoe man, Joel Edgerton, looks a bit Michael Anderson, Jr., just past his prime. Directed by Julian Jarrold. 2006.  
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**The Lost City** — Havana in the Fifties, with Andy Garcia (who also directed), Dustin Hoffman, Bill Murray, and Inés Sastre.  
(HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 5/26)

**Mission: Impossible III** — The throbbing Lalo Schiffrin theme music from the original late-Sixties TV show is still the best thing about this third mission, as it was about the first two. It’s hard to decide what’s the worst thing. Tom Cruise would be a too-easy fall guy. Granted, he seems to be getting worse and worse as an actor. (His brief disguise as a Czech citizen at the airport bears a striking resemblance to his Ron Kovic in *Born on the Fourth of July*, a reminder of an earlier and better phase.) Yet Cruise is really no more than a cog in the machine. A better actor might supply more grease, but he could not retool the machine. J.J. Abrams, the new director, the third director in three films, a TV director in his feature-film debut, is himself closer to a cog than were either of his forerunners, lacking their established personalities. But that’s not necessarily a bad thing, a worse thing, when the established personalities are as gaudy as Brian De Palma’s and as grotesque as John Woo’s. On a project such as this, there’s only so much a director can do, and most of what he can do is to make matters worse. The film — the series — the franchise — remains fatally committed to the ideal of action as swift, smooth, precise, pre-rehearsed, and worry-free as a Cirque du Soleil production number. (“This is intelligence,” Laurence Fishburne, the IMF commander, remarks at one point. “So far I haven’t seen any.” Of athletics and acrobatics we see plenty.) The film remains committed, too, to that lazy and alienating device of the latex mask which will enable anybody, good guy or bad, to assume the identity of anybody else, bad guy or good. And it’s an open question whether these masks are less bad here because they are hand-me-downs or even worse because they were held onto: less bad, that is, because innocently inherited or worse because uncritically accepted. The plot is perhaps too slight to be a legitimate contender for Worst Thing: the black-market sale of something code-named the Rabbit’s Foot, of which we know only the price (\$850 million) and nothing more. Nor do we ever know more. Nor, to be frank, do we ever care to. And a late, a last, a still less legitimate contender for Worst Thing would be the hip-hop title song by Kanye West, “Impossible,” over the closing credits. This, though, can be easily avoided by heading for the exit, with all due speed, to the final reprise of that Lalo Schiffrin theme. Philip Seymour Hoffman, Michelle Monaghan, Billy Crudup, Ving Rhames. 2006.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; 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; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Mrs. Palfrey at the Claremont** — Softened, sweetened, sentimentalized treatment of a fine little novel by the fine English novelist Elizabeth Taylor. American independent director Dan Ireland has left the basic situation untampered with. A proud lonely widow, resettled at a modest residential hotel in London, makes the chance acquaintance of an impecunious young writer, who cultivates the relationship for his own creative purposes (proposed story title, straight from the old lady’s mouth: “We Aren’t Allowed to Die Here”), and who freely participates in the face-saving ruse of passing himself off to her fellow lodgers as her inattentive grandson. Joan Plowright is properly dignified and Rupert Friend perfectly charming in the principal roles; and all of the characters, not least the dowdy hotel itself, are sharply

visualized. Zoe Tapper, Anna Massey, Robert Lang, Georgina Hale. 2005.  
★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**The Notorious Bettie Page** — Unworthy biopic on “the pin-up queen of the universe,” a brief reign in the mid-Fifties, until a congressional hearing on pornography sent her down the path of repentance, into the sheltering arms of Jesus. Gretchen Mol is game enough in the posing sessions, and has her own kind of vulnerability in the role of the naïve and unreflective (so portrayed, anyway) Southern-bred sex object. Yet, besides missing something in the hips, replacing the dangerous curves with the gentlest of slopes, she cannot hope to match the charisma, the mystique, the mystery, of her assigned character. (It’s no problem to match the raven hair and bangs.) She finds herself in much the same predicament as past impersonators of Marilyn Monroe or Elvis Presley — and no, it is no overstatement to place Bettie Page, sometimes Betty Page, in that company. (Icons of the Fifties.) This mischievous, mute phantom of salacious still photos and silent fetish films is a fantasy figure par excellence; and filmmaker Mary Harron’s stiff, flat, plodding rehearsal of some of the known facts of her life — a molesting father, a battering husband, the private camera clubs of New York City, the under-the-counter bondage sideline of the podgy Irving Klaw, the cheerful cheesecake of Bunny Yeager, the reversion to That Old-Time Religion — adds nothing to, even subtracts something from, the enigmatic evidence in her portfolio. It almost makes her seem (what would have been thought impossible) quite dull. Even the black-and-white photography, or rather the gray-and-grayer photography, seems dull. (Backed up by a “dirty” saxophone, it might not immediately seem so in the opening prowl of a Times Square adult bookstore, past magazine titles like *Wink*, *Titter*, and *Escapade*.) As a diligent evocation of an era, it, too, is unworthy. The fitful switches into color — a buoyant, brilliant, brighter-than-life color that pays knowledgeable homage to 1950s postcards and to Technicolor Hollywood — are anything but dull. One of the things they are, however, is utterly arbitrary. Chris Bauer, Lili Taylor, Jared Harris, Cara Seymour, David Strathairn. 2006.  
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 5/25)

**Over the Hedge** — A population of computer-cartoon Cute Critters, plasticky, foam-rubbery, styrofoamy, and styled to please the eye of the pre-schooler, teaches the lesson that oneness beats aloneness. There are some elaborate and well-timed visual gags, pretty awful to look at nonetheless. The buzzed-up squirrel, not unlike the squirrel in the first *Ice Age*, rather steals the show. With the voices of Bruce Willis, Garry Shandling, Steve Carell, Wanda Sykes, William Shatner, Nick Nolte, and Allison Janney; directed by Tim Johnson and Karey Kirkpatrick. 2006.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA CINEMAS; 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)

**Poseidon** — The remake of *The Poseidon Adventure* trims down its 1972 forerunner by two words of the title and twenty minutes or so of the running time. The result is inarguably lively, although arguably so much so as to neglect to soak up the sights. And on an upside-down ocean liner on New Year’s Eve, there ought to be a lot to soak up. Inarguably, once again, the special effects are improved (German director Wolfgang Petersen, who made *A Perfect Storm* and *Das Boot*, has been through some of these waters before), and arguably the cast can hold its own: Kurt Russell, Emmy Rossum, Richard Dreyfuss, and scrubs (Josh Lucas is top-billed) versus Gene Hackman and a team of almost all-stars. 2006.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CIN-

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#### RALPH DELAURO

Programmer, Cinema Under the Stars

For Cinema Under the Stars I programmed the witty, whimsical, under-the-radar summer fling romancer *Happy Accidents*. Brad Anderson’s clever comedy features Marisa Tomei as a lovelorn Manhattanite and recovering co-dependent who swoons for time-traveling heart-throb Vincent D’Onofrio. Sci-fi love!! A perfect companion piece to see would be Wong Kar-wai’s futuristic love story *2046*. It’s one of my favorite films of the last few years, and he’s one of my favorite directors. It takes place five minutes into the future. The visuals are extremely lush, the colors are oversaturated. It’s a very odd romance that’s close to *Happy Accidents*.

Another romancer is *Pipe Dream*, a giddy, slightly outlandish contemporary screwball comedy that gently satirizes indie filmmaking and status perceptions. The underappreciated Martin Donovan and Mary-Louise Parker are the sparring antagonists in this breezy battle of the sexes.

*2046* (China/France/Hong Kong) 2004, Sony Pictures  
List price: \$29.95  
*PIPE DREAM* (USA) 2002, Lions Gate  
List price: \$24.98

ERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 5/25; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; 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; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**The Proposition** — An Australian Western, or in other words not truly a Western, notwithstanding the Western iconography of six-shooters, horses, spear-chucking “savages,” a fraternal gang of outlaws (Guy Pearce, Danny Huston), a bounty hunter (John Hurt out-hamming John Carradine), a ruthless land-taming lawman and his genteel wife (Ray Winstone, Emily Watson). Even were it a bona fide Western, it would be of the harshly, brutally “realistic” type — or in another word, *decadent* type — which little resembles the classical Western, short on action, shorter on gallantry, long on stringy hair, blackened teeth, dirt, grime, mud, blood, flies, etc. The proper co-ordinates are probably Fred Schepisi’s *The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith* and *Barbarosa*. Steer accordingly. Written by Nick Cave; directed by John Hillcoat. 2006.  
★ (KEN, THROUGH 6/1)

#### DOUG YEAGLEY

Artistic director, Cinema Under the Stars,  
[www.topsrepresents.com](http://www.topsrepresents.com)

A favorite coming up on our Cinema Under the Stars program is Rob Reiner’s rousing comic blend of medieval magic and swashbuckling parody, *The Princess Bride*. Cary Elwes and Robin Wright are lovers, and Chris Sarandon is the evil prince who would keep them apart in this frothy fantasy. If you come to this you might also want to check out Reiner’s romantic comedy *When Harry Met Sally* starring Meg Ryan and Billy Crystal.

We’re also screening the spicy Cajun thrill ride *The Big Easy*, set in pre-Katrina New Orleans and starring one of my favorites: Ellen Barkin. Dennis Quaid is the breezy, cocky homicide lieutenant who generates sparks with Barkin’s crusading D.A. in Jim McBride’s steamy neo-noir mystery. Barkin also generates sparks in *Bad Company* with Laurence Fishburne. It’s an odd little film, and sexy in the same vein as *The Big Easy*.

*WHEN HARRY MET SALLY* (USA) 1989, MGM  
List price: \$14.94  
*BAD COMPANY* (USA) 1995, Walt Disney Video  
List price: \$9.99

#### BILL BUTLER

“Box Office Bill,” Cinema Under the Stars

Coming up later this summer we have the Coens’ *The Big Lebowski* with Jeff Bridges as “The Dude.” Wow, what a movie! Like all the Coen films, the script’s so strong and the dialogue’s angled off in a unique way. You should check out their earlier effort, the loony comedy *Raising Arizona*. It has one of Nicolas Cage’s best performances. He’s so perfect but then everyone is: Holly Hunter, John Goodman, Fred Ward. It’s just all-around wacky fun.

As for Bridges, check out his work in *The Contender* — he’s the best screen President ever. He seems so real. Like Michael Douglas, he’s an actor who always delivers. He’s also great in *Winter Kills*, a wild-ass, crazy conspiracy film. There’s a scene where he’s in a car and a girl on a bike drives by and then we see that the people in the car are dead.

*RAISING ARIZONA* (USA) 1987, Twentieth Century Fox  
List price: \$14.98  
*THE CONTENDER* (USA) 2000, Dreamworks  
List price: \$9.99  
*WINTER KILLS* (USA) 1979, Anchor Bay  
List price: \$14.98

Unger, and Alice Krige; directed by Christophe Gans. 2006.  
★ (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Sketches of Frank Gehry** — Sydney Pollack’s documentary portrait of the celebrated architect.  
(LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 5/26)

**Thank You for Smoking** — Satire with teeth, discolored though they may be. There is nothing exceptional cinematically about the directing debut of Jason Reitman, son of the mainstream comedy director Ivan Reitman (*Ghostbusters*, *Twins*, *Kindergarten Cop*, and the like), but from the opening credits — the witty cigarette-pack graphic motif, Tex Williams’s C&W oldie, “Smoke, Smoke, Smoke That Cigarette,” in the background — his savvy adaptation of the Christopher Buckley novel does everything it set out to do. It delivers, in the phraseology of a cigarette ad, full rich flavor. Decidedly smoky, dry, sharp, acid, with a bitter aftertaste. It centers on a tobacco-industry lobbyist, the self-described “Colonel Sanders of Nicotine,” a role that returns Aaron Eckhart to the friendly climate of his name-making film, *In the Company of Men*, where his hard-hearted charm, his machine-gun glibness, his immunity to self-doubt, can properly flourish. (The meaty face, the steely eyes, the sneer-

ing lips do not fit him for roles of sensitivity.) The surrounding cast is studded with true stalwarts, William H. Macy as the sanctimonious U.S. Senator from Vermont (“Where the Cheddar Is Better”) who is pushing for a skull-and-crossbones warning on all cigarette packs; Robert Duvall as the industry’s grand old man with his private jet, Tobacco One; J.K. Simmons as a conscienceless yes-man; and Sam Elliott as the cancer-ridden original Marlboro Man. (Maria Bello, Katie Holmes, Rob Lowe, and Adam Brody are in there, too.) The plot angle of pitching Hollywood on the idea of making cigarettes sexy again seems a little unimaginative, or rather, unobservant. Hollywood, like France, like Spain, has remained one of the last bastions of resistance against the anti-smoking movement, defiantly puffing away on screen, defending to the death the right of free choice. (There is pointedly no puffing on screen here: over-protection against charges of hypocrisy.) But this angle nonetheless leads profitably to the inner sanctum of Entertainment Global Offices (EGO), the orientalist lair of a Michael Ovitz-type superagent: “Jeff invented product placement.” Further plot mechanics, although no more ingenious, never get to be a grind. At a brisk hour and a half, the film can be safely recommended to all who like their comedy unfiltered. 2006.

★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12)

**Transamerica** — Conventional road movie and male-bonding movie despite the unconventional natures of the fellow travellers, 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 his — the companion’s — long-lost father. It boasts a flat tire of a script, or anyhow a low-on-air tire



Thank You for Smoking

(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 monotone, 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.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 5/31, 6:30 P.M.)

**United 93** — British filmmaker Paul Greengrass, in the vein of his docudrama *Bloody Sunday*, has done a thoroughgoing job of imagining how the events of 9/11 might have unfolded, a much more thor-

ough job of it than most mere newspaper readers and TV news watchers will have done for themselves; and he has maintained a respectable level of integrity in his placement of stress on the “docu” in preference to the “drama,” his reliance on the *vérité* conventions of scrappy camerawork, jittery cutting, and grainy film stock, his avoidance of cheap theatrics, his employment of a no-name cast in what are inevitably one-

note characterizations, including several actual participants in the events, re-enacting unhistorionically their own roles in them. (It is odd to recognize, for the rare exception, the U.S. President from *The Sentinel*, David Rasche, among the passengers of Flight 93.) The power, to be sure, is not so much created, not so much generated, by the filmmaker as it is inherent in the material: the initial obliviousness to impending doom, the later helplessness to avert it. Though there is doubtless a kind of exploitation in that, it is not for purposes of greed. The area in which the collective imagination of moviegoers is apt to be found most wanting, most needful of filling-in, is in the gradual awakening to the crisis in the as-sorted control towers and command centers (“Sir, we have a real-world situation here”). As long as Greengrass is cross-cutting between these and the titular airplane — the one scheduled to go from Newark to San Francisco, the one that ultimately went down in rural Pennsylvania en route to Pennsylvania Avenue — the film has its best opportunities to raise gooseflesh. Once the third hijacked plane has hit the Pentagon, after the two earlier have hit the Twin Towers, Greengrass gives up any further cross-cutting and settles in inside the fourth and final plane, where he can add little to our own imagination, except insofar as he forces upon us a full sense of the duration of events. The horror of these will be somewhat muted by the frenetic imprecision of the camera. Ben Sliney, Maj. James Fox, David Alan Basche, Trish Gates. 2006.

★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Victor/Victoria** — This Blake Edwards piece carries on in the unblushing manner of his preceding two, *S.O.B.* and *10*: movies that appear to have been made on orders from the director’s psychiatrist. Derived from a 1933 German movie and a 1935 British one, the premise here deals with, in the words of the mentioned woman, “a woman pretending to be a man pretending to be a woman” — or more exactly, an out-

# MOVIE SHOWTIMES

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## CENTRAL CLAIREMONT

**Town Square 14**  
4665 Clairemont Drive (858-274-1234)  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:35, 12:40, 1:15, 3:15) 4:25, 5:00, 7:05, 7:45, 8:15, 10:15, 11:00; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:05, 2:55) 5:20, 7:50, 10:10; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (1:20) 4:20, 7:15, 10:05, 10:40; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:20, 12:00, 12:35, 1:25, 2:25, 3:00) 4:15, 4:50, 5:35, 6:55, 7:25, 7:55, 9:15, 9:45; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:15, 2:35) 5:25, 8:10, 10:25; **RV** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (12:25, 2:40) 5:05, 8:05, 10:20; **See No Evil** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:20, 2:20) 5:30, 7:35, 9:50; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:15, 11:45, 12:30, 2:10, 2:45, 3:30) 4:40, 5:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:00, 10:30, 10:55

## DOWNTOWN

**Gaslamp 15**  
701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400)  
**Akeelah and the Bee** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (11:45, 2:25) 5:05, 7:50, 10:30 Sun. (11:45, 2:25) 5:05, 7:50, 10:25; **An American Haunting** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (1:20, 3:40) 6:05, 8:25, 10:50 Sun. (1:20, 3:40) 6:05, 8:20, 10:35; **The Celestine Prophecy** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:35, 2:10) 4:45, 7:20, 9:45; **The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:40, 12:20, 1:10, 2:00, 3:05, 3:50) 4:35, 5:20, 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 8:45, 9:55, 10:40 Sun. (11:40, 12:20, 1:10, 2:00, 3:05, 3:50) 4:35, 5:20, 6:30, 7:15, 8:10, 8:45, 9:55, 10:30; **Goal** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (1:25) 4:15, 7:05, 10:05; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:00, 2:35) 5:15, 7:55, 10:25 Sun. (12:00, 2:35) 5:15, 7:55, 10:35; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (11:30, 12:15, 1:15, 2:05, 2:50, 3:35) 4:25, 5:10, 5:55, 7:00, 7:30, 8:15, 9:15, 9:50, 10:35 Sun. (11:30, 12:15,

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**Horton Plaza 14**  
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**Art School Confidential** (R) Fri. (10:40, 1:05, 4:00) 6:50, 9:20 Sat.,-Sun. (10:40, 1:05) 4:00, 6:50, 9:20; **Inside Man** (R) Fri. (10:10, 1:20, 4:20) 7:20, 10:20 Sat.,-Sun. (10:10, 1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:20; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri. (9:40, 10:50, 12:35, 1:40, 3:35, 4:45) 6:45, 7:45, 9:40, 10:35 Sat.,-Sun. (9:40, 10:50, 12:35, 1:40, 3:35) 4:45, 6:45, 7:45, 9:40, 10:35; **RV** (PG) Fri. (9:35, 12:05, 2:35, 5:05) 7:40, 10:05 Sat.,-Sun. (9:35, 12:05, 2:35) 5:05, 7:40, 10:05; **Scary Movie 4** (PG-13) Fri. (10:45, 12:55, 3:10, 5:20) 7:25, 9:35 Sat.,-Sun. (10:45, 12:55, 3:10) 5:20, 7:25, 9:35; **See No Evil** (R) Fri. (9:45, 11:55, 2:10, 4:25) 6:40, 8:50, 10:55 Sat.,-Sun. (9:45, 11:55, 2:10) 4:25, 6:40, 8:50, 10:55; **The Sentinel** (PG-13) Fri. (10:35, 1:15, 4:10) 6:55, 9:50 Sat.,-Sun. (10:35, 1:15) 4:10, 6:55, 9:50; **United 93** (R) Fri. (10:55, 1:35, 4:15) 7:05, 9:55 Sat.,-Sun. (10:55, 1:35) 4:15, 7:05, 9:55; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri. (9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:05, 4:35, 5:00, 5:30) 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00 Sat.,-Sun. (9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2

## LA JOLLA

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**La Jolla Village**  
8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)  
**Keeping Up with the Steins** (PG-13) Fri. (2:00, 4:40) 7:20, 10:00 Sat.,-Sun. (11:20) 2:00,

4:40, 7:20, 10:00; **Mrs. Palfrey at the Claremont** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:50, 4:30) 7:10, 9:50 Sat.,-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50; **Sketches of Frank Gehry** (PG-13) Fri. (2:10, 4:50) 7:30, 9:55 Sat.,-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 9:55; **Wah-Wah** (R) Fri.,-Sun.; **Water** (PG-13) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40 Sat.,-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

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**An American Haunting** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:45; **The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri. 11:10, 11:50, 12:25, 1:10, 2:35, 3:10, 3:55, 4:30, 6:05, 6:35, 7:15, 7:55, 9:40, 10:10, 10:40, 11:20 Sat.,-Sun. 10:00, 11:10, 11:50, 12:25, 1:10, 2:35, 3:10, 3:55, 4:30, 6:05, 6:35, 7:15, 7:55, 9:40, 10:10, 10:40, 11:20; **Goal** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 12:30; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri. 1:55, 4:35, 7:25 Sat.,-Sun. 11:15, 1:55, 4:35, 7:25; **Keeping Up with the Steins** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 11:20, 2:05, 4:40, 7:30, 10:15; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 1:20, 3:40, 4:20, 6:50, 7:20, 10:00, 10:25; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri. 11:00, 11:40, 1:15, 2:00, 3:30, 4:15, 6:00, 6:45, 8:15, 9:00, 10:30; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri. 1:05, 3:40, 6:15, 8:55 Sat.,-Sun. 10:30, 1:05, 3:40, 6:15, 8:55; **RV** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 11:55, 2:40, 5:10, 7:45; **See No Evil** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:35; **United 93** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 12:35, 3:25, 6:10, 8:50; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri. 11:00, 11:45, 11:45, 12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 3:15, 3:15, 3:45, 4:45, 5:50, 6:20, 6:20, 7:00, 8:00, 8:35, 9:05, 9:05, 10:20, 10:50, 11:10, 11:40, 11:40 Sat.,-Sun. 10:15, 11:00, 11:45, 11:45, 12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 3:15, 3:15, 3:45, 4:45, 5:50, 6:20, 6:20

**Mission Valley 7**  
7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri. 10:30 (1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45 Sat.,-Sun. 10:30 (1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45;

**Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:00) 7:15, 10:15; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (11:00, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45) 5:00, 6:00, 7:15, 9:30; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 8:15, 10:45; **She-Ra: Princess of Power** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (11:15, 12:30, 1:45, 3:00, 4:30) 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30

**Mission Valley 20**  
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)  
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## STATE UNIVERSITY

**Cinerama 6**  
5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:00, 1:00, 3:15) 4:15, 6:45, 7:35, 10:00, 10:40; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 9:40; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:30, 3:05) 5:40, 8:10, 10:30; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 12:15, 1:30, 2:45, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15, 9:50, 10:45

**Ken**  
4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)  
**The Proposition** (Not Rated) Fri. (4:40) 7:15, 9:50 Sat.,-Sun. (2:05) 4:40, 7:15, 9:50

## UPTOWN

**Cinema Under the Stars**  
4040 Goldfinch Street (619-295-4221)  
**Victor/Victoria** (PG)

**Hillcrest Cinemas**  
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)  
**Down in the Valley** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40 Sat.,-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; **Friends with Money** (R) Fri. (2:20, 5:10) 7:40, 10:00 Sat.,-Sun. (11:40) 2:20, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00; **Kinky Boots** (PG-13) Fri. (1:50, 4:30) 7:10, 9:45 Sat.,-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; **The Lost City** (R) Fri. (2:00, 5:15) 8:30 Sat.,-Sun. (10:45) 2:00, 5:15, 8:30; **Thank You for Smoking** (R) Fri. (2:10, 5:00) 7:30, 9:55 Sat.,-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**  
1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)  
**Adventures in Wild California** (Not Rated)

Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **Antarctica**(1991) (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00; **Dolphins** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 3:00 Sat.,-Sun. 12:00, 3:00, 6:00; **Greece: Secrets of the Past** (Not Rated) Fri. 1:00, 4:00, 9:00 Sat.,-Sun. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; **Mystery of the Nile** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00; **Wired to Win: Surviving the Tour de France** (Not Rated) Fri. 2:00, 5:00, 8:00 Sat. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 8:00 Sun. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00

## EAST COUNTY

### EL CAJON

**Parkway Plaza 18**  
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)  
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## LA MESA

**Grossmont Center**  
Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)  
**Akeelah and the Bee** (PG) Fri. (11:55, 2:25) 4:55, 7:30, 10:00 Sat.,-Sun. (11:55, 2:25) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; **The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:15, 12:55, 3:35) 4:15, 7:00, 7:45, 10:20, 11:00; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:30, 2:15) 5:00, 7:10, 8:10, 9:55, 10:50; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 11:45, 1:10, 2:05, 3:20) 4:25, 5:30, 7:35, 9:45; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:50, 2:20) 4:45, 7:55, 10:15; **RV** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:40, 2:10) 4:40, 7:05, 9:25; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:10, 12:00, 1:50, 2:40) 4:30, 5:20, 7:20, 8:00, 10:05, 10:40

## RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Rancho San Diego 15**  
2951 Jamacha Road  
Call theater for program information

## SANTEE

**Santee Drive In**  
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13); **Over the Hedge** (PG); **Poseidon** (PG-13); **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13)



of-work chanteuse (Julie Andrews) who is given a haircut and promoted as a female impersonator by an out-of-work, homosexual chanteur (Robert Preston), and who, on the amazing/unamazing accuracy of her impersonation, becomes the toast of Paris nightlife *circa* 1934. Also based on the accuracy of her impersonation, she becomes the object of desire of a Chicago mobster (James Garner), who refuses to believe that his masculine instincts could have let him down and sets out to prove her a phoney — that is, an actual female and not merely an impersonator thereof. Despite a certain polished professionalism about the production, there is much in this Billy Wilder-ish

mix of schmaltz and vulgarity to kill your interest before you ever get to Edwards's bid for Humanitarian of the Year. This bid is made up solely of liberal postures and attitudes without any solid evidence to back them up. A couple of strategic alterations (too late now) might have given the attempted liberalism a big boost: the first, which could easily have been managed by slightly revising one scene, would be to have Garner make his first serious pass at Andrews without being at all sure what sex she in fact is (but this would have necessitated a few additional scenes to set up a relationship based on more than just dissimilar genitals); and the second, a bit less easily

managed, would be to cast a male actor, Christopher Walken possibly, and never mind looking for a more androgynous actress than Julie Andrews, in the principal female role — which is to say, if you can follow, a man pretending to be a woman pretending to be a man pretending to be a woman. 1982.

★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 5/25 THROUGH 28, 8:30 P.M.)

**Water** — Deepa Mehta's completion of her "Trilogy of the Elements" (*Fire* and *Earth* before it) continues to march back in time — now 1938 — to focus, with barely

stifled feminist fury, on the ostracism of widows, expected to remain faithful till death to their husbands even if they happen to have been a child bride. Some pretty photography, but soppy, soapy melodramatics — and the progressive male heart-throb (flute player, poetry quoter, Gandhi follower) is a howl. With Lisa Ray, John Abraham, Seema Biswas, and Sarala. 2006. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**X-Men: The Last Stand** — The third installment, with Hugh Jackman, Halle Berry, Famke Janssen, and Ian McKellen, directed by Brett Ratner.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CIN-

ERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA CINEMAS; MISSION MARKET-PLACE 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 CINEMAS; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 5/26)

## SOUTH BAY

### CHULA VISTA

#### Chula Vista 10

*Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)*  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:30 (1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 7:45, 10:15; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (10:30, 12:15, 12:45, 2:30, 3:00) 5:00, 5:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **See No Evil** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (12:00, 2:15, 4:15) 6:15, 8:30, 10:30; **She-Ra: Princess of Power** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (11:15, 12:00, 12:30, 1:45, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30) 5:00, 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:45, 10:15, 10:30

#### Palm Promenade 24

*770 Denney Road (858-558-2262)*  
**An American Haunting** (PG-13); **The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13); **Goal** (PG); **Ice Age: The Meltdown** (PG); **Just My Luck** (PG-13); **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13); **Over the Hedge** (PG); **Poseidon** (PG-13); **RV** (PG); **Scary Movie 4** (PG-13); **See No Evil** (R); **Silent Hill** (R); **Stick It** (PG-13); **United 93** (R); **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13)

#### Rancho Del Rey 16

*East H Street (619-216-4707)*  
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#### Vogue

*226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436)*  
**RV** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 12:30, 4:00, 7:45; **Scary Movie 4** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 2:30, 6:00, 9:30

### IMPERIAL BEACH

#### South Bay Drive In

*2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)*  
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## NORTH INLAND

### CARMEL MOUNTAIN

#### Carmel Mountain

*11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)*  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:35, 12:35, 1:35, 2:55, 3:55) 4:55, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:30, 10:30; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:40, 3:05) 5:30, 7:55, 10:25; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:25, 2:10) 4:55, 7:40, 10:25; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:05, 12:15, 1:25, 2:30) 4:15, 5:05, 6:45, 7:30, 9:25, 10:15; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:20; **RV** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:20; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:15, 12:05, 12:55, 1:50, 2:40, 3:30) 4:25, 5:15, 6:05, 7:00, 7:50, 8:40, 9:35, 10:05

### ESCONDIDO

#### Escondido 16

*350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)*  
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### FALLBROOK

#### Galaxy 6

*5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)*  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:30 (1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (10:30, 12:15, 12:45, 2:30, 3:00) 5:00, 5:30, 7:15, 7:45, 9:30, 10:00; **She-Ra: Princess of Power** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30) 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30

### POWAY

#### Poway 10

*13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)*  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:30 (1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 7:45, 10:15; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (10:30, 12:15, 12:45, 2:30,

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### RAMONA

#### Ramona Twin

*626 Main Street (760-789-3422)*  
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### SAN MARCOS

#### San Marcos 18

*1180 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old*

*California Walk (760-471-3711)*

**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:05, 10:35, 11:15, 11:45, 1:00, 1:25, 2:00, 2:35, 3:30, 4:15, 4:50) 5:25, 6:15, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:30, 9:45, 10:55; **Just My Luck** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:50, 2:45) 9:50; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:10, 12:55, 4:00) 7:40, 10:35; **Open Captioned Performance Selected Film - Tues. & Wed.**

### VISTA

#### Vista Village Metroplex 15

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#### Flower Hill 4

*2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)*  
**Akeelah and the Bee** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 2:00, 7:30; **The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 1:30, 3:45, 4:45) 7:00, 8:00, 10:15; **Goal** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 11:15 (4:30) 10:00; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45

### ENCINITAS

#### Encinitas 8

*220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)*  
**The Da Vinci Code** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 11:20, 12:15, 2:45, 3:40, 6:15, 7:15, 9:45, 10:30; **Mission: Impossible III** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:40; **Over the Hedge** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 11:00, 12:55, 3:15, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; **Poseidon** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:45, 10:05; **RV** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 1:10, 3:30, 5:50, 8:10, 10:35; **X-Men: The Last Stand** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 11:40, 1:20, 2:20, 4:00, 5:00, 6:45, 7:40, 9:25, 10:20

#### La Paloma

*471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)*  
**The Celestine Prophecy** (PG) Fri. 7:00, 9:15 Sat.,-Sun. 4:00, 7:00, 9:15; **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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### OCEANSIDE

#### Mission Marketplace 13

*College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)*

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#### Oceanside 16

*401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733)*  
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LO MEJOR DE LA SEMANA

## migración



## Pegan a 'migras'

América Barceló-Feldman

Diario San Diego

Son hombres y mujeres vestidos con uniforme verde cuyo trabajo es vigilar la frontera.

Entre los migrantes y los traficantes de indocumentados son conocidos como la "migra".

Los elementos de la Patrulla Fronteriza son muchas veces criticados por sus procedimientos para detener el flujo de ilegales a Estados Unidos, pero también habría que mencionar que

son objeto de constantes agresiones.

Después de sufrir de pedradas, golpes, palazos, insultos y hasta lesiones graves como quedarse paráliticos.

Según estadísticas recientes, los ataques han aumentado de no sólo en número sino en intensidad.

En el 2005 se registraron 250 casos de agresiones, y este año de enero a la fecha van más de 180 casos de patrulleros heridos.

## local



## Tiroteo en garita

Abraham Nudelstejer

Diario San Diego

Una persona resultó muerta tras ser baleada por autoridades migratorias en la garita de San Ysidro cuando se dirigía a Tijuana.

El hecho provocó un espectacular embotellamiento que se extendió por más de cinco millas a lo largo de la autopista interestatal cinco.

Debido al incidente, miles de personas tar-

daron hasta ocho horas para cruzar de San Diego a Tijuana.

El enfrentamiento inició cuando la camioneta Dodge Durango se dirigía a exceso de velocidad hacia Tijuana.

Informes policíacos indican que antes del altercado se recibió un reporte de que la camioneta estaba realizando maniobras para cruzar migrantes indocumentados en el área de Mesa de Otay.

## cultura



## La otra Tijuana

Eleazar López

Diario San Diego

Se inauguró una de las mayores exposiciones artísticas organizadas por el Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de San Diego y La Jolla: "Extraño nuevo mundo, arte y diseño desde Tijuana".

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César Michel trabaja desde hace 25 años como pintor de casas en San Diego, California.

A pesar de que toda su vida ha vivido en Tijuana, sólo ocasionalmente llenaba el tanque de gasolina de su automóvil en esta ciudad.

"Siempre me había rendido más la gasolina de Estados Unidos, pero desde que este año subió comencé a buscar opciones. Apenas este fin de semana bajó la gasolina aquí en Tijuana y pues voy a llenar el tanque porque allá ya no me rinde", dijo.

César Michel no es el único mexicano-estadounidense o norteamericano que ha empezado a utilizar gasolina que se vende en la frontera mexicana.

De acuerdo a Clarisa López Aguilera, de la gerencia de operaciones Gasmart, una empresa que cuenta con 20 estaciones de gasolina en puntos estratégicos de Tijuana, desde el pasado 13 de mayo han incrementado 10 por ciento las ventas de automovilistas que llegan en vehículos con placas de California.

En la actualidad, el galón de combustible cuesta 2.50 dólares en Tijuana, mientras que en San Diego el precio promedio es de 3.40 por galón.

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## Atajan título

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**PACHUCA.** El presidente de los Tuzos del Pachuca, Jesús Martínez, reconoció que el cuarto título conseguido el domingo por su equipo tiene un sabor especial, pues por primera vez en la historia los hidalguenses se coronaron frente a sus aficionados.

Con el título del Torneo de Clausura 2006, Pachuca se convirtió en el segundo equipo más exitoso desde que se implementaron los torneos cortos, pues sumó cuatro por cinco que tienen los Diablos Rojos del Toluca.

De forma curiosa, el conjunto de Pachuca se coronó las tres veces anteriores en patio ajeno, primero contra Cruz Azul en la ciudad

de México y después en dos ocasiones contra los Tigres de la UANL en Monterrey.

Martínez señaló que el estar en casa y sentir como explotó su afición de alegría, le da un sabor diferente a este campeonato y aunque vale igual que los otros tres, fue más bonito festejarlo desde el primer momento con los suyos.

"Este título tiene un sabor diferente, es verdad que es el cuarto que tenemos, pero con la diferencia que este fue en casa, con nuestra gente y la verdad es que cada día es más difícil conseguir un campeonato", dijo Martínez.

Pachuca fue el primer superluder en ganar un título en los últimos 6 años.



## Se pone a bailar

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La actriz y cantante de origen puertorriqueño, Jennifer López, llegó a un acuerdo con la cadena de televisión MTV para la transmisión de un nuevo reality show de baile que producirá la artista.

El programa, que comenzará a emitirse a finales de este año, constará de ocho episodios y llevará por título Moves.

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López declaró en un comunicado que espera dar a conocer lo di-

ficil que resulta brillar en el campo en el que ella inició su carrera.

"Yo comencé como bailarina y sé de lo que se trata este mundo. Estos bailarines han dedicado su vida a esta disciplina pero, honestamente, la gloria no siempre está presente. Es algo que se hace únicamente por amor. Es una vida dura y yo quiero mostrarle al público esa lucha", dijo López, que se espera tenga apariciones esporádicas en el programa.

Por su parte, Lois Curren, vicepresidente de programación de MTV, exaltó el esfuerzo de López en alcanzar sus metas profesionales.

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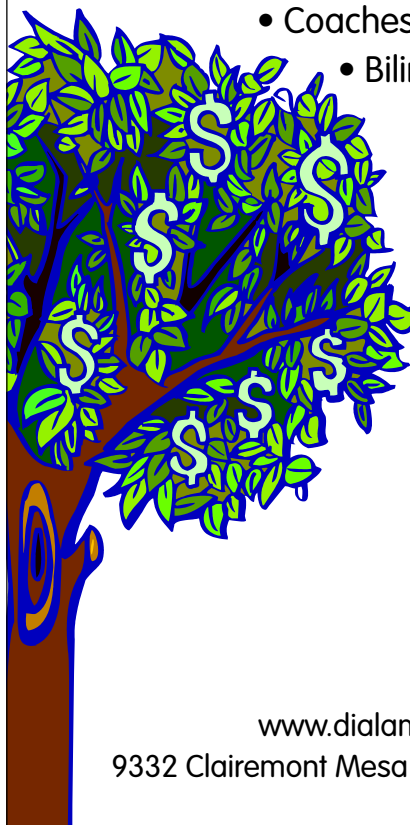
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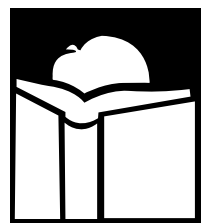
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Danielle O'Connor

Student

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Yeah. During the last World Cup, I was in Ireland and I was very into it because the Irish team was playing; they're not playing this year. I'm a big soccer fan; I do enjoy watching it. If I had gone to Ireland during any other time, I might not have been as interested and it would've been too bad because the United States got really far [in the tournament] last year. I don't know if I'll wake up that early to watch the games this year, but I'll watch highlights. We're probably the last country to jump on the bandwagon of soccer. None of my friends would want to stay up and watch the World Cup, that's why TiVo is such a great invention.




Scott Nichols

Hotel Employee

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Absolutely not. I didn't watch any past World Cups, but I did play some Pee wee soccer. I'm not a sports fanatic in general; I don't follow any sports. Believe it or not, I don't even watch the Super Bowl or World Series; I watch absolutely no sports. I just think everybody has different interests, and people who are into sports occupy their time with it; I just have other hobbies that I prefer. Sports are for leisure and fun. Unfortunately for my dad, he loves sports and his only son doesn't care for sports. Every now and then, I'll go to a game with him to spend time with him, but overall somebody could offer me the best sports tickets in the world and I'd give them away. I don't even read that much, I just watch a lot of TV. I work hard, when I'm home I just like to relax and watch TV.




Jerry Pickman

Student

La Mesa

The World Cup, like soccer? No, I'm a tennis fan. I don't even have friends who talk to me about soccer. I played around with a little soccer when I was a kid, nothing serious though. Some of my family is into sports, but it feels like more lately, it's gotten away from them. Some people like it; it's just an individual decision. For myself, I just found other sports I liked more than soccer. Part of the reason I like tennis more is that it's an individual sport. I'm not a big soccer fan.




Wendell Rivera

Engineer

Carmel Mountain

Yes, I watched it four years ago. The USA is my team [that I support]. When I was a kid, I played some soccer. My friends watch too. I only really watch [soccer] when World Cup is on. I don't have any favorite players, just USA. I probably wouldn't want Germany to win [because] they beat us last year. I'll stay up late to watch the U.S. games. My co-workers, they watch soccer too. I recommend people to watch more soccer; they have great beer commercials.




Sandra Ochoa

Buyer

Pacific Beach

Not really. My roommate's really into soccer, but I don't even think she knows when the games are on. If everybody were going out to watch it, I wouldn't mind going. I actually went to a World Cup game 12 years ago; it was Brazil versus the U.S. My family felt like the only Brazil fans there. It was a cool game; it was fun. Some of the looks people were giving us were kind of scary. I remember it just being really loud the whole time. I'm not a huge soccer fan, so I don't like watching it on TV much. My dad will stay up and watch the games, though. He doesn't have a specific team that he roots for, he just likes to watch the games, so he never gets grumpy about his team losing. If I got tickets to World Cup again, I'd go in a heartbeat.



Adam Lopez

Student

College Area

I haven't really gotten into soccer. I probably won't be watching any of the games. I got a lot of friends who play soccer; I might hang out with them if they're watching it, but I don't think I'd watch it by myself. I'd support the USA. I'd also want Mexico to win because I'm Mexican. If Mexico and USA play against each other [like in this past World Cup], I'd root for the U.S. If Mexico beats the U.S., I'd still support Mexico.

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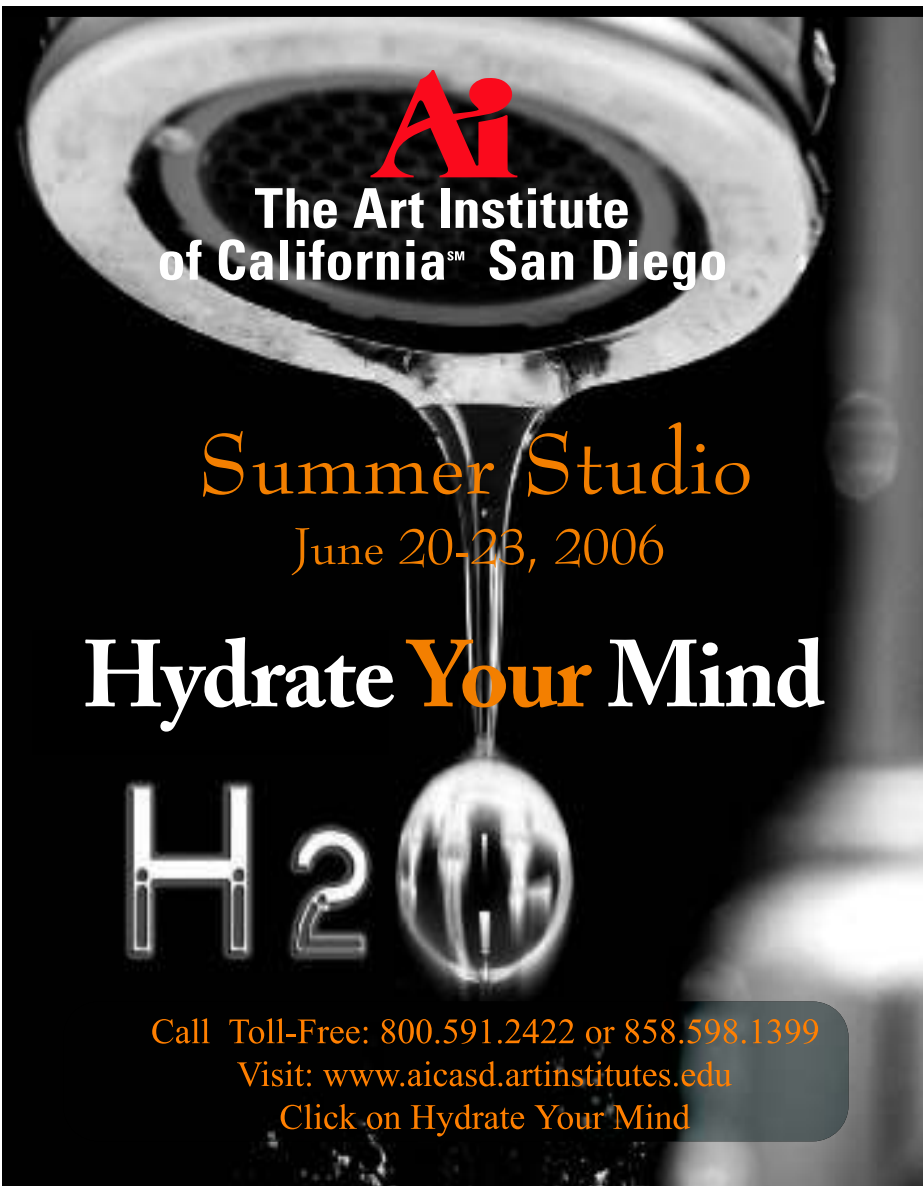
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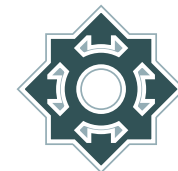
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**BABY CRIB**, Simmons, oak, nice \$60. Lawn mower McClain reel type \$60. Leave message. 858-571-0134.

**DUAL/DOUBLE STROLLER**, Eddie Bauer edition, good condition, paid almost \$300 2 years ago, asking \$60/best. 619-472-1096.

**FOSTER COACHES.** The latest thing in Foster Care! Seeking optimistic adults to provide a supportive home to youth for a 9-12 month period. Walden's MTFC program is a nationally recognized, evidence-based model developed by the Oregon Social Learning Center. A team approach to treatment. 24/7 support from expert staff. Compensation for a high level of commitment. License #370602780. www.waldenfamily.org. Call Walden Family Services today. 619-584-5777.

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**STROLLER**, Graco, nice condition, includes infant seat and 2 bases, great for family with 2 cars or that loving grandparent who likes to babysit, \$65. 760-891-0181.

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**AFFAIRS OF THE HEART?** Weddings from \$350. Free consultations. Also anniversaries, birthdays, bar mitzvahs and portraits. Free 8x10 with this ad. Mind's Eye Photographies, 619-602-8253.

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**AUDITIONS**, "Boys Next Door," touching funny story of 4 mentally challenged men. 7 men, one must be black. 619-647-4958.

**AUDITIONS**, for singer actors and musicians. For fun patriotic show to be held July 2. Call Jennifer 858-574-8678.

**AUDITIONS.** Writers, performers, novelty acts for weekly political satire. Starting in July. Some improv, dance and music. Golden Hill location. Send resume to jboquino@hotmail.com. 619-691-9661.

**AUDITIONS.** One-person fun science shows for children. \$30-\$50 per 30-60 minute show. Part time. Monday-Friday or weekends. Performance experience with children required. Must have own transportation. Mad Science, 858-505-4880.

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**INDEPENDENT**, film company, Fault Line Productions, is casting all types for several digital films. Copy, credit, international exposure. Call for appointment/information. 619-692-3382.

**MODELS.** Amateur models needed for photo, video, web work. Ages 18-60. All types. No experience necessary. Cash paid. Professional setting. Call Jenn, 619-379-4964.

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**BIPOLAR KIDS**, free educational seminar for parents, teachers, and health professionals. Hosted by Step up 4 kids and the San Diego Center for Children. Friday 5/26/06, 9am-2pm. 3002 Armstrong Street. RSVP: 781-545-9909; www.stepup4kids.com.

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**COUNSELING/DREAM STUDY.** Curious, unsettled by your dreams? Jungian dream study helps with life issues, transitions, relationships. \$40/session. Paul Hartsuyker, MFT-15896. www.sandiegotherapist.com/hartsuyker.html. 619-269-8939.

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**DIVORCE.** Someone you know is hurting. Tell them about DivorceCare, a special weekly seminar, support group for people who are separated, divorced. Bruce and Jan Farley 619-461-4480.

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reer problems? Family conflicts? Grief? Sexual issues? Take back your power. Free consultation: 619-723-9244. Trish Deignan, LCSW21861.

**FIND THE ULTIMATE RELATIONSHIP.** Are you tired of going from relationship to relationship and not finding happiness? Free consultations, individual coaching and seminars. www.sheilahenry.com. Sheila Henry, MFT-8408. 858-450-1965.

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**PRIVATE COUNSELING.** Your journey can be clearer, more peaceful; relationship issues, body image, self-esteem, anger. I can help. Work toward acceptance of yourself. Fee. 619-838-6817.

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**A NON-PROFIT**, research corporation, wants volunteers to procure donated resources for a program to test 4 second surgical process, to perform autologous spine transplants for the repair of paralysis. Include sasephonenumber. Dr PO BOX 7515 San Diego, California 92167.

**ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS.** Get group support at San Diego Area meetings. Adults who grew up in alcoholic, other types of dysfunctional households. Feel better about yourself. 619-276-6232. www.adulthoodchildren.org.

**ADULT SOFTBALL**, 2006 team-registration. Mira Mesa, Canyonside, hourglass parks. www.softballsd.com. Registrations, http://www.softballsd.com/tmreg.html. Players looking for teams/teams looking for players, http://mailto:web.k-online.com/softballsd/forum/

**AFRICAN** sisterhood celebration. June 11 at 3pm. 401 Mile of Cars Way, National City. Culture, food, prizes. RSVP 619-262-1817 or 619-264-0542.

**AGAINST THE CANADIAN**, Seal hunt? Slaughter 2006 has ended, 300,000+ been killed for sake of fashion industry. Seeking like-minded individuals to prepare for 2007, stop-the-slaughter@hotmail.com.

**AL-ANON**, Grupo paz mental. Sufre por el alcoholismo en su familia? Juntas sesionan Martes, 5:30pm-7pm, y Sabados, 1-2:30pm, 3450 Bonita Road, #207, Bonita, CA 91902.

**ALCOHOLICOS ANONIMOS.** Tiene problemas con la bebida? Llamenos 24 horas. Oficina Central Hispana, 3628 University Avenue, San Diego, 92105. 619-280-7224.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONIMOS**, Problemas con el alcohol? Nosotros le ayudamos a vivir mejor. Sesiones diarias Lunes a Sabado, 7-8:30pm. Grupo Bonita Hispano 3450 Bonita Road #207. 619-520-4505.

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL** works for human rights. Meetings: 7pm, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. First Unitarian Church, 4190 Front (opposite UCSD Medical Center). Information, 858-576-3811.

**ANXIOUS**, depressed? Recovery Inc. has been holding self help mental health meetings since 1937. Many suffer from nervous symptoms, and fears. Free will offering. 619-275-0364.

**BIPOLAR KIDS**, free educational seminar for parents, teachers, and health professionals. Hosted by Step up 4 kids and the San Diego Center for Children. Friday 5/26/06, 9am-2pm. 3002 Armstrong Street. RSVP: 781-545-9909; www.stepup4kids.com.

**BISEXUAL FORUM.** Friendly group meets monthly second Tuesday 7:30pm for discussion, support at The Center, 3909 Center Street, Hillcrest. Families/friends welcome. Confidential/understanding. 858-259-8019. www.Biforumsd.org.

**CANNABIS PATIENTS ACT.** (Association Cannabis Therapeutics.) Nonprofit. Seeking, patients in need of free assistance with personal cannabis garden. In accordance with Proposition 215. Local guidelines 619-528-0907. edzepp@yahoo.com.

**CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD** is coming to San Diego. The CwG Foundation is presenting a workshop (June 23-25). Call Phil at 714-381-0632 or go to www.cwg.org.

**DIVORCED WITH PROBLEMS.** Shared parenting initiative ballots are now available. Join the coalition of parent support to protect the rights of children. Call, 619-465-2677.

**EARN \$100 BEFORE YOU MOVE!** If you are moving soon. Call us to schedule a home interview and environmental sampling. For just 2 hours you will earn \$100. SDSU Healthy Homes Study, 619-594-0501.

**FIBROMYALGIA/CHRONIC FATIGUE** Syndrome Support Group meets fourth Saturday of month 1:30-3:30pm. Grossmont Healthcare Auditorium, 9001 Wakarusa Street, La Mesa. Free, www.sandiego.cd.org. 619-463-5299.

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**FREE PSYCHIC HEALING.** Lecture Clinic. Free readings for new visitors. Mondays, 7:30pm, 6/5, 7/3, 8/7 by Vessa's Clairvoyant Program students. 4305 Gesner #200. 858-559-7582.

**HELP FOR YOUR LIFE.** Lonely? Dial hope, 858-277-8060. Scripture, new thought, prayer, request prayer. Recorded message changed daily. Helpful messages, 858-277-2389. Sunday service, 10am, Linda Vista Presbyterian Church, 2130 Ulric Street, San Diego 92111. 858-277-0523.

**HERPES/HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS.** (HSV/HPV) Support group. Accurate medical information and support. Recorded message. 619-491-1194. www.SanDiegoCityHELP.org.

**LOST DOG**, medium size, dober, shar-pie mix, blue collar, licenses and microchipped, black, brown, white specks, short prickley hair. Lost in Oak Park. 619-521-1864.

**MEDITATION.** Free classes Tuesdays 7pm, Wednesdays 7:30pm, Saturdays 11:30am. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue, Suite 303, Ocean Beach. 858-616-6308. or www.dharmacenter.com.

**MENOPAUSAL STUDY** for women ages 50-75. UCSD research to determine effects of hormone replacement therapy on moon sleep and behavior in healthy menopausal women (nonsmoking and not currently using hormones). 6 overnight hospital stays required. 619-543-7393.

**MOVIE BUFFS**, Interested in watching movies then discussing it afterwards, like a book club? Ages 25 to mature welcome. Please call 619-850-6075 or 858-272-8727.

**NATIVE COUNCIL PROGRESS**, Incorporated, non-profit, supports the repatriation of Mexican Indian immigrants. 4000+ dead. Derechas para los migrantes sin papeles! Amnesty, yes! Wall? No! sanch689ya@yahoo.com.

**OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE** Anonymous 12-step meeting for people with OCD. Mondays, 6-7pm, Free. Department of Health Services Complex, 3851 Rosecrans Street, Mission Room, San Diego. 619-757-6603.

**OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS.** Overweight? Anorexic? Bulimic? Can't stop eating? There is a 12-step solution. Meetings daily. No dues or fees. www.oasandiego.org or 619-521-2538.

**PARENTS, FAMILIES.** and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG). Find help, support, and understanding. Meetings Hillcrest, East County, North County. www.pflag.com. Call for details, 619-579-7640.

**PARTICIPANTS NEEDED**, Over 20, have spent 2+ years in group home as teenager, may be eligible. 1-2 hour interview with psychology graduate. \$30/cash. Information 858-243-6116.

**PATHWORK DISCUSSION**, "The Crucible of Relationship," May 18, 7-9pm, 1228-1/2 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 92014. Open meeting, no fee, materials available. Call: 858-259-1880.

**PATHWORK DISCUSSION**, "Balance Between Activity and Passivity" May 22, 7-

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**PIANO CLUB**, 8 year old organization of 16 supportive members is looking for enthusiastic pianists with broad musical interest. 619-696-7738.

**PRAYER WORKS**, there is someone here to pray with you. Call Monday through Friday. 7am-9pm. 619-282-7609.

**PREGNANT/NEW MOMS.** UCSD study, women ages 20-45, not using medication or smoking, are needed for a sleep/light study. Required, 4 evaluation visits +4 overnight hospital stays, 619-543-7393.

**SEX** and/or relationship problems? Out of control? You are not alone. Call Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, a 12-step fellowship. PO Box 3791, San Diego 92163 or 619-685-7211 or www.slaa-san-diego.org.

**SHEPHERDS**, Way Christian Fellowship Pacific Rim Elementary School, 1100 Camino De Las Ondas, Carlsbad. Sunday 10am. Who's your daddy? Come and see.

**SO CAL ARTS & CRAFTS EXPO.** Sunday, August 20th, 10:30am-5:30pm. Scottish Rite Center. Interested in selling your arts and crafts? Visit our website: www.SoCalArtsandCrafts.com. 619-501-0271.

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**TWELVE STEPS** not working for you? Try a self-empowering, skill-building approach with S.M.A.R.T. Recovery, free support groups. 858-546-1100.

**VICTIMS ELECTRONIC** Harassment or Group Stalking. Free support group meeting: Sunday, April 23, 1pm, Mission Valley Branch Library. For more info call 619-822-9194 or 858-213-6383.

**VOLUNTEERS.** San Diego's abused and neglected children need you to serve as a Court Appointed Special Advocate! All training provided. Information sessions: Wednesday, 5/3 and 6/7. Voices for Children, 858-569-2019 or visit www.voices4children.com.

**WRITERS' WORKSHOP**, free. Every Monday, 10am-1pm. Joyce Beers community center. Vermont Street near University Avenue in Hillcrest. Award winning instructor, 858-457-8477.

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**DAVIEBABE** is in Boston and can not see the reader. It would be wonderful to know what the kids are doing, and how they are!

**HAVE YOU** touched the center of your own sorrow and learned to forgive. Give peace a chance. Thank You.

**HGS**, if the world was green instead of blue, how would that affect my love for you? It wouldn't. I'm colorblind. TYS IRLY 24/7/365. Michale.

**THANK YOU** holy spirit for prayers answered.

**THERE ARE REASONS** favoring or pointing to, fact that growth in ethical or spiritual quality, of humanity, would decrease the number/intensity of complex catastrophes. Alexey N. Dmitriev, Russian scientist.

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SEEKING MEN

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golden-hearted, sports, outdoors, dancing, travel, beach, indoors. Gentleman 41-55 athletic, handsome, fit, similar qualities/interests. (5/31) ☎69067

**CORN ROLL BLACK**, Beauty, quality lady. Seeks professional, secure, sweet man 41-48. (5/31) ☎69059

**SINGLE BLACK FEMALE**. Looking for companions, hard working, not glamorous type. If your mind is in the gutter don't call. (5/31) ☎69052

**BEAUTIFUL, STRIKING**, Blonde, intelligent, genuine, unique, sophisticated, sexy, elegant, glamorous, great figure, 47. Desires extremely accomplished, upscale, stable, sincere, single gentleman, who appreciates the best. (6/7) ☎69091

**EBONY AND IVORY**, Younger man, older woman, I'm 40, sexy. You under 40, fit, cute, ready for fun. (5/31) ☎69053

**SLIM, ATTRACTIVE**, Real Estate agent, 59, enjoys travel, outdoors, arts. Seeks a fit, attractive companion for conversation and a glass of wine. (6/7) ☎69078

**ASIAN, ATTRACTIVE**, Sweet, cultured. Enjoys traveling, cooking, reading, movies, nature. Wants to meet a nice,

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**ATTRACTIVE ARTIST**, Singer, tall slim, young fifty. Auburn, blue. Seeks similar interests. Educated, fun-loving, creative entrepreneurs encouraged for mutual support, long term relationship. San Diego. (6/7) ☎69089

**ATTRACTIVE FRIENDLY**, Loving, caring, educated, enjoys travel, outdoor. Seeking professional tall gentleman, financially secure, 50-609, nonsmoker, enjoy life with commitment. (5/31) ☎69058

**ASIAN FEMALE**, 37, 5'6", curvy, professional, you? 5'10-above, 33-45 single professional Asian/Caucasian with a good heart. Family oriented, date/friendship/leading to marriage/kids. (5/31) ☎69055

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**OUTGOING, SPUNKY WARM**, 61 years young. Photography lover, museums, indoors, outdoors, music, family, friends, pets, travel, snuggling and laughing. No smoking. (6/7) ☎69070

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**ATTRACTIVE BLONDE**, Loving, 5'5", nice figure. Seeks handsome, successful, fun-loving Christian man, 45-50+-, to share love and romance, spirituality, beach, outdoors, dancing, traveling, life's passions. (5/31) ☎69046

**OY VEY!** Do I need to schlep to NY to find a 60-ish mensch. Give a call to have that infamous cup of coffee. (5/31) ☎69054

**GREAT LOOKS**, European classy lady, honest, passionate, romantic, feisty, fun, successful homeowner. Loves life, arts, people and seeking accomplished gentleman 44-55 with similar interests. (6/7) ☎69086

**VOLUPTUOUS EAST COUNTY**, Nonsmoking redhead 56, sexy, sassy, sarcastic,

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**TALL, VOLUPTUOUS**, and mature. Seeks friends first for movies, dinners, football, sunshine, maybe working out. You tall, 45-55, easy going, stable, good talker, listener, happy. (6/7) ☎69090

**EUROPEAN, EDUCATED**, Gorgeous petite. Seeking successful, truthful, generous, educated, anti-war, stylish, monogamous, (com)passionate, no baggage man, friendship, sportive, no previous kids, spiritual/non-religious, 37-49, 5'9"+. (6/7) ☎69077

**DO COME OUT AND PLAY**, With me, active, upbeat, attractive, educated, warm, well-balanced, single white female. Seeking Mr. Wonderful. (5/31) ☎69065

**LOVELY TO LOOK AT**, Delightful to hold, happy, healthy, loves to laugh and kiss and with you find bliss. You 58 to 68. (5/31) ☎69060

**SEXY, INTELLIGENT**, Vibrant, educated, humorous, 57 lady. Seeks fun, friendship of gent, 52-62, who is humorous, educated, adventurous, interested in friend-

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**YOUR SEARCH IS** Over if you are seeking a pretty lady with nice figure, pleasing personality, late 50s, adventurous and very huggable and lovable. (5/31) ☎69048

**QUALITY WOMAN**, Accomplished retired professional, great body, lively, aware, cultured, communicator. Seeking nonsmoking quality man, financially/emotionally secure to explore life's possibilities. (6/7) ☎69079

**PRETTY MUSIC TEACHER**, 5'2", 115lbs, enjoys hiking, bicycling, working out, meditation, yoga. Seeking gentleman 5'10"+, interested in his spiritual growth, active, enjoys similar interests. (5/31) ☎69056

**PASSIONATE, PRETTY**, Sexy sixties, brunette, slim, 5'1". Seeks nice looking 5'9"+ honest, kind, warmhearted, to share life, love, fun romance, sunset, picnics, wine, laughter, travel. (5/31) ☎69051

**STUNNING IN BLACK VELVET**, Cute in jeans, very attractive, warm, intelligent, adventuresome, successful blonde entrepreneur. Seeks dynamic equal as best friend, companion, lover, 55+, (5/31) ☎69057

**ASIAN EXOTIC SULTRY**, Great legs, curvaceous figure, 5'3", 115lbs, healthcare professional, childless, owner. Desires nonsmoker fun, fit, upscale, generous, compatible 35+ stable Caucasian gentleman. (5/31) ☎69066

**SCUBA BUDDY WANTED**, Single female, 40, desires to meet experienced single male diver, 35-45, for fun, adventures, possible relationship. You available, to experience the deep? (6/7) ☎69071

**YOU GET THE** "Physical Relationship" you want if I get the committed relationship I want. E-mail, tell me why you should be the lucky one! (5/31) ☎69063

**ATTRACTIVE ASIAN**, 5'1" 130lbs, caring, loving, affectionate, 53 years old. Looking for attractive man, mature, loving, honest, romantic, caring, between 40-60, for long-term-relationship, marriage minded. (5/31) ☎69047

**ASIAN, CLASSY, PETITE**, 5'3", 55+, good kisses, loves dining out, movies, travel, finer things in life. Seeks gentleman, similar interests, Caucasian, 56-66, nonsmoker, no drugs. (6/7) ☎69073

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**VOLUPTUOUS HISPANIC,** 35 years, green eyes, plus size, awesome smile, fun loving, honest, loves children, loves to cuddle. Looking for male, 35-45, loves children, cuddling. (6/7) ☎69083

**LEFTIST, 52, 5'9",** son (18), natural, blues-opera, hiking-camping, dog beach. Seek progressive, 50ish, easy-going, renaissance man to complicate/complement my simple life. (5/31) ☎69064

**DON'T SPEND SUMMER ALONE!** Spend it with me! Blonde hair blue eyes 5'3" good shape. Looking for sincere relationship with honest man ages 45-55. (6/7) ☎69087

**AFRICAN QUEEN NURSE,** Slim, honest, secure homeowner, financially fit, educated, pretty smile. Seeks gentleman with no bad habits, no baggage, honest, available for friendship. (6/7) ☎69088

**FEISTY SHORT GAL** Looking to settle down with average to tall, fun loving white male between 44-52, nonsmoker, with sense of humor. (5/31) ☎69050

**ROMANTIC, LIVELY LADY,** Early 50s, wanting to share and enjoy life with warm, cuddly gentleman to please and spoil each other, take a chance. (6/7) ☎69082

## MATCHES MEN SEEKING WOMEN

**ALL THEE GOOD MEN,** Aren't taken, monogamous/romantic clean cut/fit black male 5'7". Enjoys life, laughter, outdoors, sunsets, movies. Seeks soul-mate, race unimportant. (5/31) ☎50498

**YES MA'AM.** Strikingly handsome, 51, 6'1", 185lbs. Seeking mature, assertive, sublime, curvaceous, beautiful woman, respect, devotion, pleasing you always the most important thing. Long term. (5/31) ☎50487

**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. (6/7) ☎50506

**TALL, ATTRACTIVE, LOVING,** White male, 54, sensitive, easygoing, educated, sincere, financially/emotionally secure. Enjoy dining, music, nature, fun times, quiet times. Seeks female for romance. (6/7) ☎50516

**CAUCASIAN, 5'8",** Author, teacher, medium built, 58, Psychology graduate student, transpersonal metaphysical interests. Enjoy film, music, outdoors, museums, hugging. Seeking female 40-48, similar interests. (5/31) ☎50479

**ATTRACTIVE MOCHA,** Skin female, beautiful brown eyes, dark hair, honest, caring heart, 35-45, sought by attractive white

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male, 43, 6'3" 250, shaved head, hazel eyes. (5/31) ☎50478

**53, TALL, SLIM,** Pleasant, responsible, sense of humor, divorced, father, degreed, Caucasian, nonsmoker. Seeks 43-53 North County lady, feminine, trim, attractive, nonsmoker, for conversation, outings. (5/31) ☎50477

**65+ ATTRACTIVE MALE,** Seeking attractive lady for dining, dancing, hugs, walks. No smoking, let's get together for fun. (5/31) ☎50483

**49, POLICE OFFICER.** Healthy Caucasian, secure, gentleman's standards/morals, live in Fashion Valley. Seeking 43-51, content, fit, motivated lady to enjoy life with, commitment. (6/7) ☎50508

**47 YEARS OLD,** Honest Italian. Looking for nice simple lady. Race/age open. Enjoy music, travel, romantic dinner. I am good, sense of humor. Ciao. (6/7) ☎50519

**PRO JAZZ MUSICIAN,** 6'1", 165lbs., 54, blue/red, shaved, swing dancer, road bike racer, Buddhist, child-free. Seeking someone with the right chemistry/connection! (5/31) ☎50495

**GREAT KISSER,** 47, 5'9", nice looking, fun personality, successful professional. Seeks fun, fit female for beach, concerts, travel, romance, love and incredible kisses! (5/31) ☎50494

**LAST AD IN THE** Search for serious relationship. Please be honest, caring, thin and marriage minded. I like kids, family, outdoors. Seeking 25+, East County. (6/7) ☎50507

**CEO, WHITE,** Blue eyes, good looking, college, no smoke, 145lbs. Seeks nice lady, age and size open, plump to thin, happy times. (6/7) ☎50510

**OCEANSIDE MALE,** Strong minded, handsome, athletic 52, 5'10". Seeks outdoorsy, playful playmate adventurous woman, cuddler, lover, friend, passionate, professional, sincere, spiritual, race open, honest nonsmoker. (5/31) ☎50496

**FUN LOVING, PLATONIC** Friend sought for dancing, travel, conversation, arts and examining the world. I am affable, open-minded, tall, sharp, presentable, nonencumbered. (6/7) ☎50515

**YOUNG 60-YEAR-OLD MAN** Looking for nice sweet woman nonsmoker North County, who likes herself and her life, who wants the same type person. (6/7) ☎50517

**EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE** Widower, tall, fit, healthy, virile, easygoing, educated, successful businessowner, homeowner, financially secure. Seeks, attractive, slim, shapely lady, 48-68. Fun, romance, dancing. (5/31) ☎50480

**SUMMER TIME ROMANCE,** Time our time Caucasian gentleman 67 attractive, divorced homeowner, professionally degreed, financially emotionally stables. Seeks nice Caucasian lady to enjoy life with. (5/31) ☎50493

**FINANCIALLY ABLE TO** Afford best things in life. Seek attractive, passionate, female to share the good life and smell the roses, no smokers. (5/31) ☎50489

**DON JUAN,** Single black male, age 40, with graduate degree. Seeking younger, fair complexion, single black female, for kickin' it, dine out, movies. (6/7) ☎50501

**ADVENTUROUS LATINO!** Seeks beautiful, active, humorous lady to enjoy some good Italian food and learn how to Salsa. I'm 39, 5'11", 165lbs fit, romantic, creative. (6/7) ☎50514

**LIVE WIRE,** Looking for positive charge to make magnetic connection. Good looking, great smile, body, and sense of humor. Honest, young 39, fun, romantic, affectionate. (5/31) ☎50484

**NATIVE CALIFORNIA MALE,** 80. Enjoys bridge, dancing, theatre, short trips, music. You are cheerful, thoughtful, up-to-date, tall, plus size, with similar interests. (6/7) ☎50518

**SINGLE WHITE MALE,** In late 40s, 6' athletic build, dashing, financially secure. Adventurous, enjoys biking, boating, outdoors, scuba. Seeking caring energetic, playful, vibrant female, 40-53. (6/7) ☎50511

**SINGLE BLACK MALE,** 6'2" 195, 47. Seeking woman with sense of humor, spontaneous, honest, for relationship. 35-45 white, latina or mixed black woman. (5/31) ☎50481

**SPIRITUAL, ROMANTIC,** sensual man 40s, 6', 175. Seeks romantic, affection,

sensual woman 5'5-6' with dark hair for relationship full of passion. Intimacy and growth. (5/31) ☎50492

**SIX FOOT, 195 LBS,** Hazel eyes. Seeking classy, sexy, career driven lady to befriend. Summer fling romance and maybe more. No gold diggers, classy ladies. (6/7) ☎50520

**CAPPUCCINO, CARROT JUICE,** Or Kugel? Tall, slim, 55, Caucasian male. Seeks slenderish female for juicing and baking. (6/7) ☎50513

**BLUEGRASS LOVER,** Seeking same. I'm fun, easy to get along with. Time to travel, comedy, hiking, dance, other music too, movies, communication, positive outlook. (5/31) ☎50491

**SENSE OF HUMOR, HONEST,** intelligent, open-minded, passionate, adventurous, 52, 5'8", 170lbs., blue/grey. Enjoy rock music, movies, nature, walks, coffee-houses. Seeking like minded. (6/7) ☎50504

**ASSERTIVE, ASTUTE,** Yet humble, young at heart 50. Seeks smart, articulate woman with positive, creative attitude. Open to age/appearances. Prefer active, outgoing personality/lifestyle. (5/31) ☎50490

**EAST COUNTY,** Retired gent, nice guy, like cruises, car trips, movies, stable finance, I am healthy, active, trim. Looking for a nice lady. (5/31) ☎50499

**HANDSOME BLACK MALE,** 39, caregiver. Looking for serious relationship, I'm now single, so take advantage. Age/race not important, honestly isn't. Stop searching, I'm here. (6/7) ☎50512

**DEFINITELY FOR SELECT** tastes. Attractive, supportive man, 50, with killer sense of humor. Seeks reasonably attractive, trim woman (any race) to cherish. Single moms encouraged. (5/31) ☎50485

**MATURE LADY SOUGHT,** By mature gentleman for sociable friendship, companionship, travel, dinners, shows, enjoying each other's company, doing whatever pleases us, without "excess" baggage. (5/31) ☎50482

**LOVE IS OVER RATED!** Seeking a sexy, fun-loving, sensual, outgoing, adventuresome, "woman" to have good times with

one-of-a-kind "man." Let's play! (6/7) ☎50503

**CARING, FUN, FIT,** Romantic, stable white male 6', 56, 175lbs. Seeks special gal for quality time together, walks, dining, travel, bye for now. (5/31) ☎50486

**BIG WHITE PAPPA,** Seeking little black mama. Mid 40s, wants woman 35 to 48 with good taste, for dinner, dancing and romancing. Talk, meet. (6/7) ☎50505

**DO YA DO YA,** Want my love, Poway handsome white 56, 5'9" active, nice body, never had children, fun, secure, intelligent, romantic, let's dance, long-term-relationship. (5/31) ☎50497

**SECURE, TALL,** Nice looking single white man, 50, who is active, romantic, kind, financially ok, is looking for a slender woman for a relationship. (6/7) ☎50500

**LATINO LOOKING** For my queen. If you are looking for a serious relationship and falling in love, there is nothing better than that, mi amor. (6/7) ☎50509

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**CARLSBAD,** \$600/month. Close to beach, washer/dryer. Shared bathroom, utilities included. Deposit required. No smoking. Female preferred. 760-720-9316.1

**CARLSBAD,** furnished room with own bath, in 3 bedroom townhome. Includes washer/dryer, garage parking, cable, internet. Non smoker, no pets. \$750, includes utilities. 760-370-4477.

**CARLSBAD.** \$375; Wheelchair-bound female student looking for female student as aide and roommate. Private room in 4 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Assist with dressing, driving. 8-10 hours per week. 760-580-9977; 760-804-5788.

**CARLSBAD/SAN MARCOS.** \$475. Female only. Share bath with 1 female. 10x14, with Mirrored closets. Yard, view, trampoline, fireplace, sauna. No pets, smoking, drugs. 877-593-6275.

**CARMEL MOUNTAIN,** 3 bedroom, 2.5 bathroom house, A/C, washer/dryer. I have 2 bedrooms, shared bath, have your own sink. \$600/\$675 +1/3 utilities. 909-800-8511.

**CARMEL VALLEY.** 2 rooms in beautiful 4000-square-foot home. 11x12, private bath, \$500. 11x11, share double vanity bath, \$500. Includes cable TV. 858-204-6468; 619-235-2415, x10194.

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Across

- 1. Bum \_\_\_\_
- 4. Vardon Trophy org.
- 7. Pearly Gates keeper
- 14. The Clinton years, e.g.
- 15. Fish for brunch
- 16. Utterly awful
- 17. Get Lincoln settled?
- 19. "Allow me to say it again ..."
- 20. Holy Roman Empire emperor, 973-83
- 21. Rome's Fontana di \_\_\_\_
- 22. Bridge precursor
- 23. Egomaniac's comment?
- 27. Harper's Weekly cartoonist
- 28. 1987 Michael Jackson hit
- 29. Crone
- 30. Makes right
- 33. Half of a '70s-'80s comedy duo
- 35. Willow trees native to the Midwest?
- 38. Popsicle, e.g.
- 39. Like llamas
- 40. "Let me think ..."
- 41. Chicago or Boston baseballers, for short
- 42. German river
- 46. 7'5" NBA star's URL?
- 51. 1846 Melville novel
- 52. Not achieved
- 53. Self-assured
- 54. Time in NYC when it's midnight in LA
- 57. Deep-sixer's cry (or a clue to solving this puzzle's themed answers)
- 58. "Take care of that!"
- 59. "Do go on ..."
- 60. Something some people return from vacation with
- 61. "Look Back in Anger" playwright John
- 62. More: Sp.
- 63. Winter Olympics powerhouse: Abbr.

Down

- 1. Fame
- 2. First name of soul
- 3. Yellowish liqueur
- 4. Part of RSVP
- 5. Mongolian desert
- 6. Bunyan's tool
- 7. Budges
- 8. Lost on purpose
- 9. Pet \_\_\_\_
- 10. "Silas Marner" girl
- 11. Draw
- 12. Airport flight info: Abbr.
- 13. Q-U connection
- 18. Burrito alternative

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- 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.
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- 7. One entry per person.

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by David Levinson Wilk

Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 5/18/06.

There were 138 entrants. The winners are:

- 1. Tina Roberts, *San Diego*
- 2. Norma McEwen, *San Diego*
- 3. Michael Martinez, *San Diego*
- 4. Joan Lillibridge, *Santee*
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**DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP.** \$1400. Loftly living-heart of Gaslamp District. Live/work. Gorgeous historical building. Walk to Horton Plaza, Petco Park, House of Blues, Seaport Village, Convention Center, bay. Air conditioning. Cable/Internet ready. Controlled access. Pets welcomed! On Broadway, 1023 Fourth Avenue. 619-231-1333. <http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2145>.

**DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP.** \$1900. Urban penthouse living! 1 month free with 13-month lease! 1000 square feet. Gorgeous historical building. Walk to Horton Plaza, Petco Park, House of Blues, Seaport Village, Convention Center, bay. Air conditioning. Cable/Internet ready. Controlled access. Pets welcomed! On Broadway, 1014 Fifth Avenue. 888-892-7205. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2109](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2109).

**DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP.** Move-in Specials. Live/Work Lofts in the heart of The Gaslamp from \$1,100! Roof decks with barbecue. Laundry on every floor. Parking available. Seven locations Downtown. Select pets OK. Visit loft leasing office: 315 Fourth Avenue. 619-231-1505 x12. [www.trilogymanagement.com](http://www.trilogymanagement.com). Also visit [www.sdreader.com/rent/2064](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2064).

**DOWNTOWN/GOLDEN HILL.** \$1150. 1 bedroom. 1913 Historic landmark. Old World Charm and modern convenience. Secure private entrance, high-speed Internet capability, restored woodwork/ hardwood floors. Designer kitchen/bathroom. Clawfoot tubs, decorator fireplaces, closet organizers. Laundry on each floor. Computer alcove. Off-street parking. Fabulous views of city, bay. Large, bright units. Beautiful porches, patios, fountains, gardens. Near Gaslamp, PetCo Park. 1 block from Balboa Park, restaurants, golf. No pets. 1 year lease. [www.goldenhillpm.com](http://www.goldenhillpm.com). Agent, 619-234-9553.

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** One bedroom. 500 square feet. No pets. \$1995. Security deposit \$1995. One year lease. Available in November, 2006. P.O. Box 10187, Honolulu, HI 96822.

**PALOMINO MORGAN,** Gelding horse, 7 years, 16 hands, trained, trails. Playful, personality plus experienced rider, pampered. \$6500/best. Easy County location. 619-445-4776.

**PITBULL PUPPIES,** ADBA registered and outcast bloodlines. 1 male puppy available. White with blue spots, one of a kind. Very loving and adorable. \$800. 619-929-7247.

**SCARLET MACAW,** beautiful, gorgeous scarlet macaw. DNA tested female, friendly and large vocabulary, 2 years old, full tail, huge macaw cage included. \$1700. 619-757-8834.

**SCOTTISH TERRIER,** Puppies AKC registered born February 27, shots and dewormed. All black and very cute! \$600, 619-647-3117.

**SPANISH TIMBRADO,** gorgeous male spanish timbrado. Mostly green in color. Fabulous singer. \$50/firm. 858-481-8486.

**SWEET CAT** Looking for good home. Falken male, neutered, 6 year, declawed (front). On special diet for UTI, have ton of food left. \$30. 619-985-1574.

**TERRIER MIX,** fixed, house trained, lots of energy, works well with cats, playful and loving. Needs big yard, lots of attention. Email foreverfurby1964@aol.com or 951-674-7171.

**TERRIER MIX,** neutered, scruffy cute look, 7 pounds, 3 years, no small kids

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** \$995-\$1550. large studio; and unfurnished 2 level lofts with parking available. \$2500, furnished luxury loft with bay views, parking. Call 619-255-0526. [www.sdurbanliving.com](http://www.sdurbanliving.com).

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** Corner Ash/Union, great views. 1 bedroom loft, \$1495. 17-foot ceilings, stainless appliances, parking. Pets OK. 858-558-2100. [sharna@thebillboardlofts.com](mailto:sharna@thebillboardlofts.com), [www.thebillboardlofts.com](http://www.thebillboardlofts.com).

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** \$600. Studio. Full kitchen. Quiet. Small patio available. Sorry, no pets or smoking. 512 West Juniper Street. Call 619-692-9014.

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** La Vita, \$1595/month. New 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Gorgeous bay view! All appliances, washer/dryer. Security building, subterranean parking. Pool, gym, barbecue. 619-379-0471.

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** \$750/month. Large lower 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Excellent condition. Large unit. 2427 Kettner. No pets. Laundry. Call manager at 619-696-9628.

**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** Unique, industrial lofts starting at \$1150. Located in Little Italy. 2034 Kettner Boulevard. TPPM, 858-336-3190.

**DOWNTOWN/MARNIA.** Pinnacle Museum Tower luxury condo, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. State-of-the-art appliances, marble flooring, fireplace, large balcony, security, gym, private theatre. \$1900. Call 619-302-0367.

**DOWNTOWN/RENAISSANCE.** Marina District. Top-floor, panoramic harbor/bay view, beautifully upgraded, 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Shades, washer/dryer, 2-car garage, concierge. Available now. \$3200/month. 619-813-0458.

**EASTLAKE.** Eastlake Greens, 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. \$1695. All appliances. Balcony. Family Room. Fireplace. Mountain view. Pool/jacuzzi. 1540 Autumn Sky Lane. 619-421-9090. [drwmanagement.com](mailto:drwmanagement.com).

**EL CAJON.** Near La Mesa. Move-in special. Totally refurbished! \$925. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Large deck plus balcony. Pool, central air. New ceramic tile, carpet. Very quiet area. 862 South Mollison #9, corner of Merritt/South Mollison. Manager in rear, #16. By appointment, Broker, 619-334-7848 or 619-548-4599.

**EL CAJON.** \$750. 1 bedroom. Ask about move-in special. Clean, quiet, off-street parking. Pool, barbecue, play area, laundry room. gated. Central air and heat. Section 8 welcome. 346 South Mollison. 619-312-0606.

**EL CAJON.** Award winning community! \$870. Extra large 1 bedrooms. 6-14 month leases. Ceiling fan. Linen closet. Garbage disposal. Sparkling pool. Clubhouse. Barbecues. Pet are residents too, with deposit! Large dogs welcome! Dog exercise area. Assigned parking. Evergreen Gardens, 291 Jamaica Road. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2113](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2113). Call 619-442-9935.

**EL CAJON.** \$985. Large 2 bedroom plus, 1 bath. Pool. Off-street parking. Near park. 963 Estes. Section 8 OK. No pets. 619-464-7957 or 619-749-3415.

**EL CAJON.** 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome, \$1070. Freshly painted. New appliances, carpet. Patio. Small gated community. Laundry facilities. Pool. No pets. 1397 East Washington. 619-993-6602.

please, a bit timid then warms up. \$100. 619-466-0426.

**UKC BLUE NOSE,** Pit bull pups! Sire is purple ribbon UKC registered blue, UKC Dam in on-site. Huge! Full papers, shots. Born 4/5/06. \$800. 858-354-8896.

**VISION SNAKE,** cage. 2 that area 54x36x18 with locks for balls and 2 more that are 72x36x18 with locks for boas. \$200. 951-934-5890.

**WESTERN HORSE** saddles. Really pretty, lots of engraving, silver, very good condition \$400. One 13 inch, one 16 inch, one 14 inch. \$125. 619-559-2235.

**YORKIE** (Yorkshire Terrier). 1 year and 4 months. Black, gold head color. Trained and clean. Loves to be with people. Moving. \$800, price negotiable, 619-395-1210.

**YORKIE PUPPIES,** AKC, very small puppies. One male/one female, shots, wormed, and vet certification. Cute and cuddly. Will not last long. \$1200. Call 858-560-1644.

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**AKC BOSTON TERRIER,** Male for stud service only, not for sale \$275. Young, handsome, very healthy, 16-month-old, "Rocky". Black, with even white markings. 760-562-6069, 951-252-4783.

**AMERICAN BULLDOG,** puppies. 9 weeks old, purebred, both parents on premises. They have had 2 sets of dewormer, and their first vaccinations. \$500. 619-987-9056/619-987-8497.

**AQUARIUM SALE** at Octopus's Garden. 20H aquarium \$20; 29 for \$29; 40R \$40. Even a 60E is just \$60. Other tank specials also. Lots of healthy saltwater fish and beautiful corals. Protein skimmers. Lighting systems, pumps, decorations and supplies at low prices at Octopus's Garden. Noon-9pm, 7 days. Call 858-576-7449.

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**AUSTRALIAN SHEPARD,** pomeranian, wonderful, playful 13 week old puppy. Dewormed, mostly house broken. Has toys, toy box, large pillow, leash, collar, name tag. \$250. 619-316-0768.

**BABY BUNNY,** dwarf rabbit. Purebred, netherlands dwarf baby bunnies available now for \$30/each. 760-929-0549.

**BASSET HOUND PUPPIES,** 1 male, 1 female born 3/10, UKCl registered. Tri-colored big ears and big brown eyes! Shots and dewormed. \$450. 619-647-3117.

**BENGAL LEOPARD KITTEN,** Exotic female Snow kitten. Just beautiful, loving and full of games! Fist shot TICA regis-

tered. Also canary, he can sing. Vista 760-724-9316.

**BOSTON TERRIER,** Family ready! 7 weeks-16 weeks, males/females AKC or/and UAB vet check, and 1 year health guarantee. \$450-\$550. More information 619-850-5928, [mattanna1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mattanna1@sbcglobal.net).

**BOSTON TERRIERS,** 3 males, 1 female purebred red brindle, black and white or regular brindle, DOB 12-15-05. All shots and health guarantee. \$400, 619-850-5925, [flattfaces@sbcglobal.net](mailto:flattfaces@sbcglobal.net).

**BOXERS,** AKC registered, 1 female, 5 males, dark brindle, fawn with dark masks, perfect fancy markings. Vet check, shots/dewormed, 8 weeks \$600, [flattfaces@sbcglobal.net](mailto:flattfaces@sbcglobal.net), 619-850-5925.

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**CHICHUAHUA,** puppies. Pedigree, \$600/each. 4 males, 6 weeks old, adorable. Please call Jerub 760-525-1104 or Andrea 760-692-2201.

**CHIHUAHUAS MINI TOYS,** Short hair, 2 white color male and female. 1 light brown female, dewormed, healthy build, very cute \$350. [javikfen](mailto:javikfen@hotmail.com)

**EL CAJON.** Fabulous 7 Motel. Furnished rooms starting \$199 per week. Parking. Pool. Cable. Maid service. Laundry. 24 hour security. 1527 East Main Street. 619-442-0457.

**EL CAJON.** \$975. \$400 off 1st month's rent! Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath remodeled apartment with dishwasher, washer/dryer, storage, private garage, large lawn area and more. No dogs. 960 East Chase Avenue. 619-244-9882. www.SanDiegoRealtyGuide.com

**EL CAJON.** Studio and 1 bedrooms, \$655 and \$755. Large apartments in quiet, gated complex. Air conditioning, pool and secure parking. Month-to-month lease. 1362 East Main Street. Jason 619-334-3151, 858-200-9408.

**EL CAJON.** \$1750. 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex with recent improvements. Air conditioning, 2-car garage, laundry hookups. 1867 Pepper Valley Lane. Available now. 858-583-0182 or 858-688-0287, www.cal-prop.com.

**EL CAJON.** \$1270, 3 bedrooms. Community complex. Gated pool. Parking. Air conditioning. No pets. Central location. 933 Peach Avenue. Call 619-447-9193.

**EL CAJON.** \$895. Nicer 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments, patio, dishwasher, central air/heat, on-site laundry. 241 East Bradley Avenue. Available 6/1. Chris, 619-504-4995.

**EL CAJON.** \$700 and up. Large 1 and 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Amenities, A/C, laundry on-site, pool, recreation room, parking. Lushly landscaped, near all. 294 Ballyne. 619-440-3044.

**EMERALD HILLS.** Huge 3 bedrooms from \$995. Mint condition. Completely remodeled. Garage/off-street parking. Washer/dryer some units. \$500 deposit. Section 8 ok. 619-512-0091.

**ENCANTO.** \$50 off first month! \$500 deposit special! \$825, 1 bedrooms. \$900, 2 bedroom, 1 baths. Remodeled with ceramic tile. Air conditioning. Security gate. Near Valencia Elementary School. Section 8 OK. Small pets OK. 5492 Imperial Avenue. 619-266-1701.

**ENCINITAS.** \$1,295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Granite kitchen, dishwasher, large closets, 2 small patios, pool. One assigned parking. No pets. Lease. Available now. 760-685-3022.

**ENCINITAS.** \$500 off first month, 12 month lease! \$300 off, 9 month lease! 1 bedrooms from \$1200. 2 bedrooms from \$1400. Low \$500-\$600 deposits! Balcony/patio. Dishwasher. Fitness center. Laundry. Courtyard. Pool, spa. Lush landscaping. Parking. Pets welcome. Quail Pointe Apartments, 924 Encinitas Blvd. Toll free: 888-626-6864. www.sdeader.com/rent/2149.

**ENCINITAS.** Half off first month, 12 month lease! \$300 off, 9 month lease! \$99 deposit special! 1 bedrooms from \$1200. 2 bedrooms from \$1400. Balcony/patio. Dishwasher. Ceiling fan. Fireplace. Courtyard. Laundry facility. Pool, spa. Assigned parking. Cat friendly. Seacrest Apartments, 117 Rosebay Drive. Toll free: 888-631-7121. www.sdeader.com/rent/2146.

**ENCINITAS.** Large 1 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace. Gated parking for 2 cars. 100 steps to Moonlight Beach. Available immediately. \$1350, includes utilities. No pets. 760-613-8999.

**ENCINITAS.** \$1400. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 900 square feet, 1-car, no pets, community pool/spa. 287 Mangano Circle. Available 5/5. Agent, 858-755-1139. www.scuba-rentals.com.

**ENCINITAS.** \$1200. 1 bedroom, well located west of Pacific Coast Highway, near beach. Quiet. Laundry. No pets. Open house Saturday 5/27 and Sunday 5/28, 10am-12pm. 810 Third Street. TPPM, 858-699-3851.

**ENCINITAS.** Ocean view 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Fireplace, skylights, decks, garage. All appliances, washer/dryer in unit. Village, Coaster, beach close. Nonsmoking. \$1595/month. 858-481-2604.

**ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA.** \$2500. Large, beach 2 bedroom, 2 bath plus office. Large windows throughout, open/airy. Beautifully landscaped Asian garden, washer/dryer, fireplace, carport. Available 6/1. 760-943-7179.

**ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA.** \$1500. Duplex, beautiful spacious 2 master bedrooms, 2 baths, custom kitchen, backyard. Near beach. Laundry facilities, 2 parking spaces, no pets, nonsmoking. Lease. 760-931-1012.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$800 to \$1425. Move-in Special! Tired of apartment living? 1, 2, 3 bedroom manufactured homes available

for rent. Very quiet, breathtaking hilltop views, full size washer and dryer in most homes. No pets. 1924 Sheridan Avenue. Call 760-745-1677.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$500 off first month, 12 month lease! 1 bedrooms from \$915. 2 bedrooms from \$1050. Low \$400 deposits. Patio/balcony. AC/heat. Dishwasher. Vaulted ceilings. Walk-in closets. Pool, spa. Barbecue area. Fitness center. Laundry. Parking. Pets welcome. Felicitia Creek, 301 W. Vermont Avenue. Toll free: 888-626-6857. www.sdeader.com/rent/2147.

**ESCONDIDO.** Spacious 1 bedrooms from \$815. Deposit \$400. 2 bedrooms from \$975. Deposit \$500. Great roommate floor plan. Pool, spa. Covered parking. Laundry. 640 West Lincoln Street. 760-489-8989.

**FASHION VALLEY WEST.** \$1200/month. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Near USD. 1266 Benicia Street. 619-985-8488, 858-485-8184.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1250 rent. \$600 deposit, OAC. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Tandem parking spots, laundry room, no pets, at 5550 Mildred Street #13 or #20. 619-291-1755.

**FASHION VALLEY/USD.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, downstairs unit, refurbished, 850 square feet, parking. 5946 Lauretta Street #4. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath units. Available across from USD! Upstairs and downstairs available. Laundry hookups in units, 3 month or 12 month lease available. No pets. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

**FLETCHER HILLS.** \$795. Beautiful large studio, all utilities paid. Walk in closet, built in dresser, view, pool, spa, barbecue, refrigerator, microwave, laundry. 2587 Carlow Street. 619-698-6911.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Upstairs unit, charming 4-plex. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, granite counters. Washer/dryer. \$1400. \$500 off first months rent. No pets. 619-247-0036.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$650-\$695. Studios and small commercial space. Gated, Spanish courtyard, historical building, laundry facility. 619-758-5221.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 2 years new. Garage, washer/dryer. Granite counters, fireplace. 2931 C Street. Pictures at: www.DelToroHoldings.com. 760-443-3260.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Charming 1 bedroom, 1 bath \$850/\$775. Hardwood floors. Great neighborhood, laundry on site. Available now. No dogs. 2412/2427 E Street. 619-857-3706.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1500. Latitude Complex. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, gated community, washer/dryer, pool, minutes to downtown. Must see. Parking. 3625 Ash Street. 619-793-4885.

**GOLDEN HILL/DOWNTOWN.** Fantastic city views! Studio, \$950! 1, 2 bedroom flats, two bedroom townhomes, \$1035-\$1610! Charming, controlled access building with gated parking and easy access. Washer/dryer, central air/heat, microwave, more! Freeway access. Pet friendly! Golden Pacific, call today: 1-800-433-6156. E-mail: www.goldenpacific@plpinc.net. View: www.pacificliving.com or www.sdeader.com/rent/2028.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$750. 1 bedroom duplex, newly renovated, new carpet, appliances and miniblinds, large deck with bay view. Near bus. 858-277-7166.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, newly remodeled Victorian apartment. Bay view, fireplace, optional garage, cat OK with deposit. \$1100 move-in deposit. Agent. 858-864-7713.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1400. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Downstairs, recently remodeled, washer/dryer hook-ups. Convenient location. No pets. 1215 28th Street. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Move-in special, 1/2 off first month! OAC. Luxury apartment, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1450-\$1500. Great for entertaining. All new. Hardwood floors, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances, washer/dryer, garage. Gated. 2018 C Street. 619-574-8038.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1095. Spanish architecture. Bright, clean 2 bedroom. Den. High-coved ceilings. Oak/carpeted floors. Security gates. Laundry. No pets. Nonsmoking. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**GOLDEN HILL.** East of Downtown. Ugly but goodie! Remodeled studios. Hardwood floors, decorator colors. Some great views. \$695 includes utilities. Cat with deposit. 619-231-8723.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$895 and \$950. Spacious 1 bedrooms, remodeled, large walk-in closet, hardwood floors, on-site laundry. Pet with deposit. 2473 Market Street. 619-231-8723.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Victorian. \$625/\$625. Large 1 bedroom studio. Two big rooms. Wood floor. Shower. Kitchen. Water/gas paid. No pets. Nonsmoking. Credit check. 619-696-8030.

**GOLDEN HILL/SOUTH PARK.** \$750. Large studio. Recently painted. Tiled kitchen/hallway, carpet in living room. Murphy bed. Pool, on site laundry. Parking. 619-962-1887.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 3rd floor condo. Gated. New Roman-style bath, tiled kitchen, balcony. No pets.

Parking, laundry. www.goldenhillpm.com. Agent, 619-234-9553.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$950. Large studio. Available 6/1. Washer/dryer, gated parking, pool, dishwasher, fireplace, balcony. Great location, Near park. Cat OK with extra deposit. 619-306-3287.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$750/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, 8-units, gated. 2840 B Street. New carpet, patio. Quiet, no pets. Near City College. 619-435-0387, cell: 619-206-3089.

**GOLDEN HILL.** 2 bedroom, 1 bath available now. \$925. Downstairs unit, new carpet, new floors, new blinds, laundry room. 2496-1/2 Island Avenue. 619-435-7780. www.mckeecompany.com.

**GOLDEN HILL.** 1 bedroom \$795. Nice upstairs unit with view to Point Loma. New paint, underground parking, gated complex, quiet cul-de-sac. No pets. 619-235-0563.

**GOLDEN HILL/DOWNTOWN.** East. \$1050. Large 1 bedroom. Hardwood floors, view, washer/dryer hookups. Available 6/15 or sooner. 619-299-9695.

**HILLCREST.** Large 1 Bedroom \$875; view 2 bedroom \$1225. Gas/water included. Gated complex. Laundry. Parking. Cat OK. Open Sunday 2:00-4:00. 4009 Georgia Street. 619-255-5614.

**HILLCREST.** Spacious 1 and 2 bedrooms! Berber carpet, fireplace, spa, gym, intercom, elevator. Sorry, no pets. 4134 4th Avenue. See photos at www.WexfordLiving.com. 619-299-0047.

**HILLCREST.** \$725. Small 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.

**HILLCREST.** 2 bedroom, 1 bath with garage! Upstairs unit, hardwood floors, ceiling fans, washer/dryer. Pets considered. \$1295/month. 858-273-3233.

**HILLCREST.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Formal dining room, hardwood floors. \$1495/month. Fenced patio, garage, washer/dryer, remodeled. 1 block from Balboa Park. Pets OK. 619-549-4959.

**HILLCREST.** \$950. 1920s' vintage studio. Available for an early June in this 1920s classic studio. This unit was painstaking restored to its 1920s' vintage spender. All hardwood floors were refinished. The kitchen area with built-in dining booth. Full-sized gas range with micro hood. Walk-in closet with built in dresser. Built-in Murphy bed/french doors. Full size bathroom with ceramic tile shower enclosure. Dual ceiling fans in the living area. Two entrances. Very private, shares no common walls with the other studio. Replicating the originality was our goal with this unit and I believed it was accomplished. Don't miss this opportunity to live in one of Hillcrest premier apartment complexes. Must give the current tenant 24-hour notice before I can show the apartment. 3750-56 Fourth Avenue at Robinson Avenue. Call Scott at 619-846-6615.

**HILLCREST.** \$1250. Cute back duplex. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Tiled floors, shared

laundry, large back patio/yard. Small pet negotiable. 3278.5 Ibis Street. Drive by first, call Agent, 619-463-2971.

**HILLCREST.** \$675. Unfurnished studios, large, Murphy bed, hardwood floors, private kitchen and bath. Laundry. Clean, quiet, secure. No pets. Near bus line. 858-550-0508.

**HILLCREST.** \$1250/month. Charming Spanish 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors. No pets. Gated complex, 3515 4th Avenue. Available 6/10. 619-295-8005, agent.

**HILLCREST.** \$975. Downstairs. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$300 off! Patio. Dishwasher, microwave. Ceiling fan. Intercom entry. Garage door opener. Laundry. No pets. 3914 Centre. 619-294-7044.

**HILLCREST.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Dishwasher. Air conditioning. Laundry on-site. 1 parking space. 1033 Robinson Avenue. Call resident managers at 619-295-1210. www.kandropproperties.com.

**HILLCREST.** \$1495. Spacious, 3rd floor, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. All appliances. Air conditioning. Pergo floors. Balconies with views. Parking. 3795 Georgia Street. Xilarent.com. 619-683-7638.

**HILLCREST.** \$1450. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo with parking. All appliances. Air conditioning. Large outdoor patio. 3795 Georgia Street #104. Xilarent.com. 619-322-8388.

**HILLCREST.** All utilities paid. Studio in quiet, gated property. Separate bedroom. Great location. Steps to Balboa Park and shopping. 619-296-2787. Free service. www.apartmentfindersinc.com.

**HILLCREST.** \$1075. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. On-site laundry and subterranean parking. Close to medical center, shops and restaurants! Arbor Place Apartments, 4202 4th Avenue. Call 858-571-1970.

**HILLCREST.** \$975. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Move-in special! Available now! On-site laundry, off-street parking, indoor elevator and controlled access. Near shops and restaurants. 4043 1st Avenue. Please contact Sunrise Management at 858-571-1970.

**HILLCREST.** Senior complex. 55+ living! \$795-\$810. 1 bedroom apartments. Gated community. Convenient location. Near hospitals, restaurants, shopping. No pets. 4042 Albatross Street. Call today, 619-574-0784.

**HILLCREST.** \$835. 1 bedroom. Spanish style duplexes, stove, refrigerator, nice shared lawn area, cat ok with additional \$300 deposit. Available 6/10. 3761 Fourth. Del Sol Property Management, Broker, www.delsolpm.com, 858-270-2071.

**HILLCREST.** Studios, 1 and 2 bedrooms, \$775, \$975 and \$1250. Pool, view, laundry. Heart of Hillcrest. Sleepy Hollow Apartments. 4201 6th Avenue. Harry, 619-298-1059.

**HILLCREST.** \$1100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Immaculate, first floor apartment. New carpet and tile. Barbecue patio. Coin laundry. Near Henry's Marketplace. No pets. TPPM, 619-299-1004.

**HILLCREST.** Studio available now. \$725. Nice, old building, hardwood floors, close to all. 6-12 month lease. 3783 Park Boulevard #3. 619-435-7780. www.mckeecompany.com.

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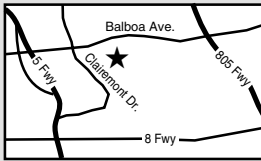
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# Down and Up and Down Again

## REQUIEM FOR A LIGHTWEIGHT | By Frances Kuffel

How did someone who weighed 115 pounds in second grade and 338 pounds in 1998, who maintained a weight of 150 pounds for 18 months, gain a third of it back in four years? How did someone who had only ever wanted to be thin get fat again?

This is not a pretty story. It makes me want to rant, collar strangers on the street, make untraceable phone calls, scrape vituperations on buildings, go to Harlem to find a conjure woman with a track record.

Failing that, lead me to the Entenmanns.

But I've eaten lunch and taken half a Klonopin. It's time to stop dodging the angry red-eyed Ezili and get on with the life I've been dealt.

Being thin got me a lot, including a new job as executive vice president in a literary agency. My office had a 29th floor view of Central Park. Lunch with an editor meant sitting next to Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen at Michael's.

Double the salary, double the insanity.

I should have known the first time my boss, Alix, got drunk at a party and prodded me with hissing and pointing as some nibs addressed the crowd. These displays were pre-

dictable, with the added twist of futzing with my hair, twisting my nose, stamping on my feet, and making me dance with her.

Within 72 hours, I was sitting in her office for an ugly hour of my failings. "Explain yourself, Frances. Your job is on the line; I want to hear a plan to remedy X, Y, or Z now."

We were invited to a lot of parties.

I'm an addict. I haven't got a clue what, beyond a physical ache, my feelings are; they are a foreign language in a spiky alphabet. In first grade, my reaction to big feelings was to wet my pants. Now I may gabble and jibber, cry, or take notes, looking stony. If I could match reactions to corresponding emotions, or have had the gumption to tell her to quit twisting my nose, I wouldn't need food to absorb the ache.

One Friday night I imploded. Sucking and wheezing for breath, I'd had enough. I ran out of the office and walked for blocks in a daze. The next week, I arranged a meeting about what was not working and for about five minutes she tried to change. Her imperious inconsistency rose again, and I sank into being a dry drunk, Barney deflated and shriveled out of personality in a Macy's New Jersey



Gum gave way to sugarless candy, bags of it, and then, occasionally, other stuff.

ployment checks to start arriving, long enough to be summoned to an unemployment seminar. I was branded. Unwanted. Of no purpose. Fired, fired, fireable.

Déjà vu for an adopted kid who conceptually feels unwanted and unwanted. Familiar territory after 40 years of being invisible unless I was someplace someone wanted to be or I broke something someone wanted to use, a chair, a bed. I had been a surgeon's worst nightmare and a bokor's rotten minion summoned occasionally from the grave for family photographs.

Was it any wonder that a box of Honey Bunches of Oats and a dozen doughnuts *felt* reasonable? Food and feelings are one and the same to me. A breakfast like that is all things: the hiding place of a womb, a grave, or a job; the embrace of solace for the unwanted and the lash of punishment for being unwanted.

Food is my perfect reaction to the threat of feelings, especially the seesaw of my failure and my desire to see Alix dying, suppurating from my Harlem Maman's curse, cancer of the vulva, in a yellowing diaper.

That was the beginning. Barney began to inflate with the stinking breath of disgrace.

warehouse.

I began chewing gum incessantly: was it the need to fill my mouth with something substantial when all I was saying was, yes, I'm sorry, I don't know, I'll look it up, I'll fix it, I'll get back to you, I'll do it over, you're right, I'm bad, stupid, lazy, indifferent? Gum gave way to sugarless candy, bags of it, and then, occasionally, other stuff. I reined myself in, quickly lost the weight I gained, and dragged one foot in front of the other through my work.

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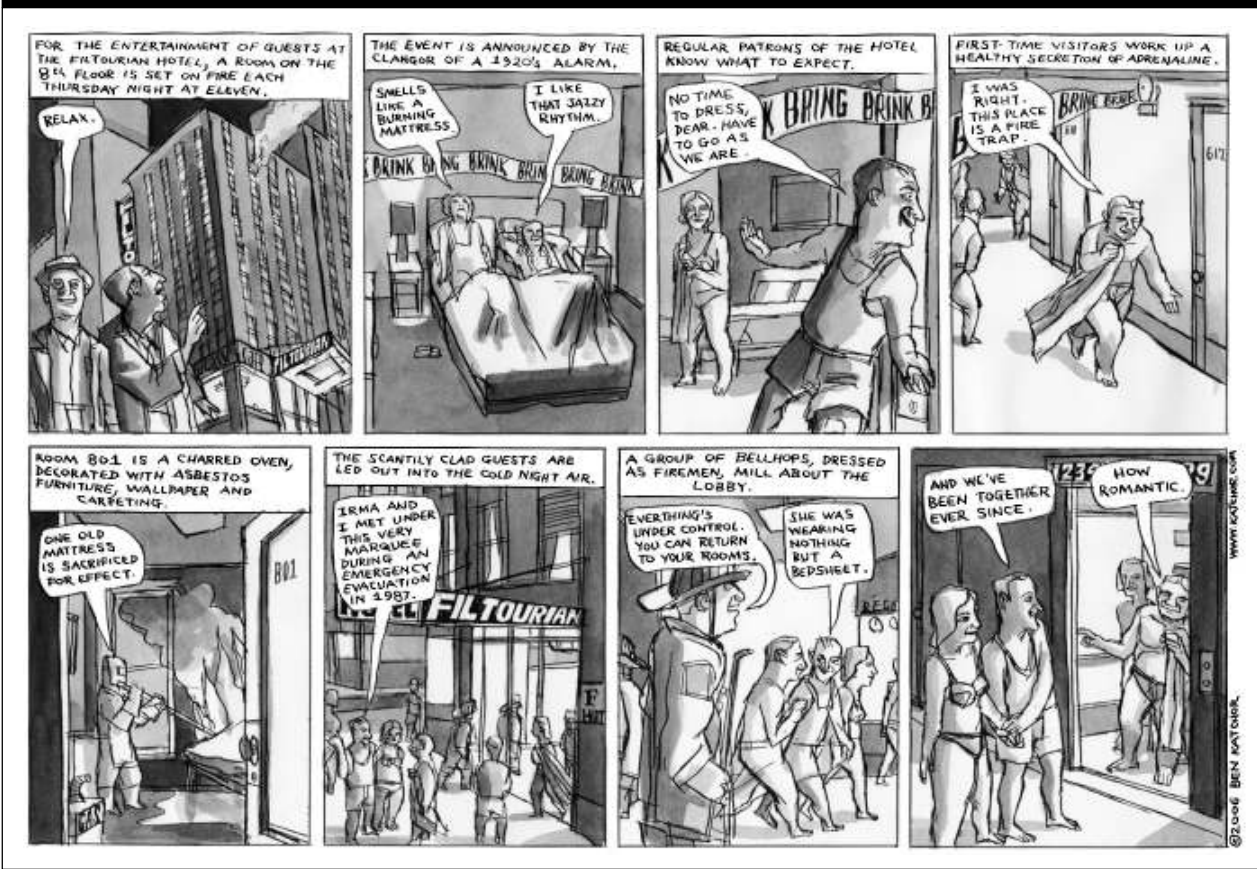
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## In the Reader

### Thirty Years Ago

"I don't believe in the cult of personality, having my portrait hung all over the place like Ronald Reagan or Mao Tse Tung" is a quote from the little red book of Governor Jerry Brown.

"We're moving both to the left and to the right." (At a Brown gathering last November in the U.S. Grant Hotel there were so many Republicans present that I couldn't believe it was in San Diego.)

"I'm going to starve the schools financially until we get some educational reform." What kind of reform? "I don't know yet."

—CITY LIGHTS: **"THE LITTLE RED BROWN BOOK,"**

Jacquelynne Garner, May 27, 1976

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

Five hundred and twenty-six Marines are packed into a dozen buses barreling toward the Salton Sea, where they will begin a five-day walk back to Camp Pendleton. The private sitting next to me in the lead bus is trying to describe the real Marine Corps. "All the Corps is, is an egotistical Army."

—**"THE LONG GREEN LINE,"** Neal Matthews,

May 28, 1981

### Twenty Years Ago

There's no denying it: mostly, I'm a pretty dull

fellow. "Dull as lead gray primer," according to one of my least kind detractors. I don't know when or why it happened. My parents remember me as a bright and perky child, curious and talkative, with many interests and a sparkling future. But as I grew, something changed, and whatever of me that had been outgoing went out and didn't come back. I found myself with no hobbies, with no creative pastimes. Television became too exciting for me to bear. I wasn't even interested in money.

—**"DRIP-GRIND LEGACY,"** Stephen Heffner,

May 29, 1986

### Fifteen Years Ago

Memorial Day is the anniversary of a gold fields shootout [in 1989] known in the Julian back country as "The Chariot Canyon Massacre." Five men opened fire with assault rifle, shotgun, machine pistol, hunting rifle, and target rifle in a dispute over a gold claim in the Chariot Canyon gold field.

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for more than 100 years.

—**"AMERICAN PRIMITIVE,"** Hugh Crumpler,

May 30, 1991

### Ten Years Ago

In the May 13 issue of *The New Republic*, writer Margaret Talbot explains how Martha Stewart has created a sinister cult of "good taste."

What pisses Talbot off isn't Stewart's fussy hors d'oeuvres recipes or Stewart's cooing adoration of English-style gardens. What shoves a big, black, itchy bug up Margaret Talbot's butt is what she perceives as Stewart's pretensions.

"You may even know the outlines of her story," Talbot writes of Stewart. "Middle-class girl from a Polish-American family in Nutley, New Jersey, works her way through Barnard in the early '60s, modeling on the side."

The key words in that sentence are "middle-class," "Polish American," "Nutley, New Jersey," and "works her way through Barnard."

—AS SEEN ON TV: **"TASTE TV,"** Abe Opincar,

May 23, 1996

### Five Years Ago

I'd been up until 12:30 a.m. folding laundry. I start the laundry on Thursday. I do a cou-



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ple of loads of darks and a load of brights in between driving Rebecca, Angela, and Lucy to school, running errands, or meeting a girlfriend and her kids at a park for lunch. When I remove each load from the dryer, I lay the clothes flat and smooth out the wrinkles. I carry the piles of unfolded laundry into the living room and lay them on the couch. Friday, I finish the brights and wash the mediums. Saturday morning, I wash the whites.

—KID STUFF: **"I'M NOT GOING TO FOLD LAUNDRY ON MOTHER'S DAY,"** Anne Albright, May 24, 2001

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your view on personal calls and visitors in the workplace? And how long should one be patient with their mate's lack of interest in getting a job?

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## Dear Fed Up,

Does this woman want a partner or a sugar daddy? She won't look for a part-time job, expects you to support her and her gambling habit, and bugs you while you're trying to do your job? Uncool. And the great thing about this woman is...what, exactly? I don't mean to be harsh, but it makes sense that you're questioning this one-sided relationship. If you like supporting this pretty young thing who believes her physical beauty is an entitlement to be bankrolled, keep going the way you're going. If you want a girlfriend who is going to pitch in, financially and otherwise, then talk to this babe about what you want and expect. If you can't come to an agreement, then start looking for someone who's enthused about contributing to the relationship — not just taking what she can get.

## Dear Saffron,

I need your expertise desperately. For some unknown reason I am unable to remember the date my third grandson was born. In the past year I have been blessed with three grandbaby boys. I can remember my first and second grandbabies'

birthdays with no problem, but I cannot remember my third grandbaby's birthday. I really feel horrible about it, and a little worried! I thought I might slip a question about the third grandson's birthday into a conversation I had with my daughter on the phone, and when I tried this I found out he was born in August. This does narrow it down, but I need the day he was born also. I have tried to think of a way to ask my son, but I have not been able to come up with anything. I live within a 20-mile radius of all my children, so I guess I could snoop around the house of the child in question, looking for clues, but what if I get caught? I am hoping you will hear my cry for help and come to my rescue.

MENTAL PAUSE IN VISTA

## Dear Mental Pause,

We all forget stuff. To forget is human, to remind, divine. Is it too uncomfortable for you just to say to one of the parents of your third grandchild, "I'm mortified, but I'm not sure I have the correct date in August for little So-and-So's birthday. When is it, exactly?" Then write it down several places — on your computer, in your date book, on a piece of paper you tack to the fridge with a magnet. Or you can buy one of those little pocket calendars, and tell each of your family members that you're having trouble keeping track of people's birthdays so you're asking every-

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*“Do you want company?”* He asked.

I was surprised and relieved.

Not letting me answer he added, *“I talked to Alex. He wants to go too. We’re going to call Dave and see if he wants in.”*

*“If he wants in? Wants in on what?”* I asked Josh, *“You don’t have to do this...Do you really want to help me?”*

*“Of course. It’ll be a road trip.”*

It was one last opportunity to spend good time with dear friends. They helped me pack my belongings. They drove me cross country, literally — I did not drive one mile. When we got to Providence in the middle of the night, they willingly slept on my dingy apartment floor. They helped me unpack and carried my furniture up four flights of stairs. They tolerated my short temper. Two nights before leaving, they insisted that we all have “one last drink” together. To this day, I emphasize that they should have disclosed what they really meant was “several last drinks.”

On top of all that, they paid for their own meals, hotel rooms, and flights back to Indianapolis. And I’d be negligent if I didn’t acknowledge Dave’s cell phone (the only one we

had) and the bill I’m afraid to ask about.

The day they left was tense. I think they could sense I was feeling uneasy about my transition to another life. Outside a hotel set on the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, they each shook my hand, hugged me, and wished me well.

They had done their part to make the transition as seamless as it could be. And even with all of their support, I find myself, to this day, struggling with one aspect of that trip.

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with? It’s this: How do you thank a friend who sets down his own life, picks up a piece of yours, and says, “Where do you want me to put this?”

“Thank you.” Is that good enough? I think that’s all they expected. I don’t have any brothers, but I’m pretty sure that if I did, this



is what it would feel like.

A few years later I’ve asked them to stand by me again. Without hesitation, they all concurred to being groomsmen on my wedding day. A recognizable sense of relief filled me when they agreed to be here. The same relief that I felt before my

life brought me to Providence accompanied by three steadfast friends. I’ve come to realize that the relief is not in what my friends have done and are going to do for me. The relief comes from the fact that I have friends of this character. It’s a blessing that I think many people take for granted.

In my struggle to find yet another appropriate “thank you,” I find my friends are lining up to be here for me again. In clean-cut rank and file, I have formed this mental picture in my head for my wedding day. As far as my friends

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**WASHING MACHINE**, Antique Maytag wringer type. Think it's from the 50s. Works, both agitator and wringer, \$225. 619-892-2783.

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**CARMEL VALLEY**, Del Mar Highlands, 5/27, 8am-12noon. Household, clothing, kids items, printer, lawn/garden equipment. Quality items. No early birds. 3763 Torrey Hills Lane, 92130.

**CHULA VISTA**, Saturday/Sunday May 27/28. Many items for sale including antiques, furniture, collectibles, artwork, clothing. 1972 Mercedes 300 SL. 1124 Taxco Court, 91910.

**CLAIREMONT**, 3884 1/2 Mt Alifan, Burley bike, trailer, books, toys, clothing, kitchen items, etc. Saturday/Sunday, 9am-12pm.

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**FASHION VALLEY**, Moving out of the country sale. Furniture, appliances, sporting equipment, women's clothing, and more. Saturday only, May 27, 8am-1pm. 6314 Caminito Lazo 92111.

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**TIERRASANTA**, 10793 Tierrasanta Boulevard. Big sale, for non-profit, furniture, clothes, toys. Saturday June 3, 7:30am-11:30am. Donations welcomed. 858-576-1344.

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**COOKTOP**, Stainless steel sink, faucet. Amana Electric cook top, good condition, 4 burners 36". \$100. Brand new stainless sink \$100. Faucet, brushed stainless \$20. 858-274-1463

**DISHWASHER**, Kenmore Ultrawash Quietguard System, black, must sell, \$25/best. 619-701-3203 or 619-697-7929.

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**KENMORE REFRIGERATOR**. Like new. Side-by-side, with ice maker in door. (15 months old) Almond color. Paid \$1,600. Selling \$900. 858-274-1463.

**KENMORE**, white freezer, excellent condition, 54" tall, 28" wide, 24" deep. 619-229-1406.

**MICROWAVE**, stainless steel, excellent condition, \$100/best. 619-546-0007.

**NORTH PARK**, Classic wedgewood gas stove and oven, works but in need of some restoration. 4 burners with griddle

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**REFRIGERATOR**, GE Artica, 25 cubic feet, white, ice and water in door. Paid \$1600, 5 years new, asking \$400. 619-322-1704.

**REFRIGERATOR/FREEZER**, washer/dryer side-by-side, stackable, dishwasher, under counter, portable. Microwave, stand, stove. Energy savers, late models, can separate. \$720/all. 619-670-8356.

**REFRIGERATOR**, Kenmore, brown, freezer top, 17.2 cubic feet, energy saver, deluxe model, excellent condition, \$125. 619-583-8263.

**REFRIGERATOR** (beer fridge), older no-name brand, freezer on top, white, available for pick up now, asking \$100 firm. 619-696-9268.

**REFRIGERATOR**, Maytag, side by side, 26.8 cubic feet, stainless steel, 2 years old, \$600/best. 619-398-2670.

**REFRIGERATOR**, 22 cubic feet, white RCA, works great. \$100. 619-920-0415.

**SCALE**, Sears Acu-Balance, doctor's type, stand on and adjust using a bubble balance on a bar at waist height, \$10. 619-223-0619.

**STOVE**, electric, Tappan, 30"W, good condition, stainless steel top, dark glass front, storage drawer, 4 burners (2 speed burners), clock and timer, free-standing. \$200. 858-273-3588.

**STOVE/OVEN**, GE Hotpoint, electric, flat top, 1 year old, excellent condition, hardly used, beautiful black and chrome, paid \$899, asking \$400. 619-865-7222.

**VACUUM CLEANER**, excellent condition, like new, has just been serviced and cleaned, \$80/best. 619-546-0007.

**VENTILATORS**, industrial power, model #SX205BC, photos available, best offer. 760-796-7700.

**WASHER**, Admiral, new, great condition, \$150. 619-469-6327.

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**WASHER/DRYER**, Whirlpool thin, twin. 200V dryer works, don't know what is wrong with washer. \$20. 858-278-1048.

**WASHER/DRYER**, good working order, not a matched set, both white, Maytag washer, Kenmore gas dryer, both work well, \$300 for both. 619-696-9268.

**WASHER/DRYER**, Kenmore electric, \$150. Serious inquiries only. 619-825-6000.

**WASHER/DRYER**, stacked, electric, large size, work great, \$350/best. 619-920-0415.

**WASHER/DRYER**, Maytag, heavy duty, 2 speed, super capacity, 9-speed washer, Amana gas heavy duty dryer, \$250 each or both for \$450. 858-405-4781.

**WASHERS**, 3 commercial, coin, digital, newer, with warranty, cost \$1200. Take \$225. Older \$175. 619-804-4419.

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**CELL PHONE** with accessories, Motorola model 120E, includes AC adapter, car charger, user's guide, all in original box, \$25. 760-941-0541.

**CELL PHONE**, LG model VX10 flip phone, with accessories, includes clip, AC adapter, car charger, all in original box, \$25. 760-941-0541.

**COLOR TV**, 13" color television with remote control. Very good condition, \$75/best. 619-546-0007.

**DIGITAL PIANO**, dark brown wood, has demo, mode set, sounds, grand, up-

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**ELECTRONICS SALE**, Sanyo VCR 4 heads, Panasonic Receiver AV control SA HE70. \$50/best Jan 858-736-5599.

**FLAT LCD DELL TV**, 30" inch brand new \$850. Dell TV LCD screen 30" inch in box \$850, 619-813-5673.

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**SONY ERICSON**, Cell phone w600i. Brand new, never use W600i phone for Circular \$130, 760-224-2907.

**SONY**, 301 DVD/CD player made in Japan \$210. Panasonic 26" HDTV LCD 1366x760x16x9. 4 months old \$950. Bob. 619-395-7417.

**SONY**, 36 inch mega TV model: KV-36FV16. Tube flat screen, not current LCD/plasma/dlp version. With remote and operating instructions. \$400. 858-755-6703.

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**TELEVISIONS**, RCA 61" DLP rear projection TV \$1900. Marantz 61" rear projection TV 14100. Dream Vision front projector \$1800, 858-689-1311.

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## RESIDENTIAL ROBBERY

**Location:** [5700] El Cajon Boulevard, El Cerrito  
**Time/Date:** 12:19 a.m. on 4/30/06

**Report:** Two male suspects wearing black masks and gloves scaled a wall and entered a second-story apartment through the sliding glass door of a balcony. They confronted the residents, a male and a female, both 50, at gunpoint and demanded cash. The female attempted to flee but was caught and beaten by one suspect. The male victim also resisted and was shot in the arm. The suspects ransacked the apartment but then fled on foot without taking any property.

## CARJACKING

**Location:** 150 North Home Street, Oceanside  
**Time/Date:** 5:17 p.m. on 4/26/06

**Incident:** The 38-year-old female victim was...sitting in her red 1997 Toyota Rav 4, waiting for her daughter in the parking lot of Oceanside High School, when she was approached by the suspect [described as a black male juvenile]. The suspect got into the front passenger seat of her car and pointed a handgun at her. He demanded she exit the vehicle. The suspect drove away in her car when she got out.

## CRIMINAL THREATS

**Location:** Unlisted address in San Marcos  
**Time/Date:** Unlisted time on 5/16/06

**Report:** Matthew W. was arrested after he threatened to kill a neighbor and threatened to burn down the apartment building where he lived. At one point, W. put on a ballistic vest and armed himself with a shotgun. When W. learned that someone had called the Sheriff's Department, he removed the vest and put the shotgun away.  
Deputy Darin Smith arrived on scene and conducted an extensive investigation. Deputy Smith developed information that W. had fired a shotgun blast in his

apartment, aiming at the ceiling, narrowly missing the upstairs tenant a few months ago. Deputy Smith took W. into custody without incident.  
San Marcos Detectives were summoned to assist with the investigation, and a search warrant was executed at W.'s apartment. W. was booked into the Vista Detention Facility on two counts of Criminal Threats, two counts of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, one count of Discharging a Firearm, and one count of Child Endangerment.

## FATAL ACCIDENT OF SUSPECT

**Location:** Foothill Drive and Vale Terrace, Vista  
**Time/Date:** 9:51 p.m. on 5/15/06



**Investigation:** Sheriff's Deputy Roy Macken was conducting extra patrol in the area...in response to citizens' complaints of late-night traffic and drug activity. Deputy Macken saw two vehicles...and as he approached, one, a white Mazda RX-7, sped away and ran a nearby light.  
Deputy Macken activated his emergency lights in order to signal the driver of the suspicious vehicle to stop, but the driver did not. Macken and other deputies from the Vista Station followed the vehicle...the driver...refused to stop and drove at speeds of 40 to 45 miles per hour on surface streets with little or no traffic. The deputies following were concerned the driver might be under the influ-

ence of alcohol or drugs since the suspect's vehicle was weaving on the road. The pursuit continued a short distance on northbound Interstate 15, where the suspect's top speed was estimated at 85 miles per hour through little or no traffic. The suspect turned off the freeway and onto surface streets within unincorporated Escondido, where he drove from 45 to 50 miles per hour before stopping at Champagne Boulevard and Champagne Village Drive.  
Deputies conducted a formal vehicle stop and ordered the suspect out. Beanbag rounds were launched at the rear window of the vehicle. One beanbag successfully shattered the window. A short time later the suspect inexplicably drove his vehicle from the stop site and rolled it several times down an embankment into a backyard of a house at [8900] Lawrence Welk Drive.  
Emergency medical personnel came to assist. They examined the white male suspect and determined he was deceased. A records check...revealed he was a narcotics registrant and third strike candidate.

## ARMED ROBBERY

**Location:** [2500] Granger Avenue, Lincoln Acres  
**Time/Date:** 8:19 p.m. on 5/16/06



**Investigation:** Deputy Robert Guerra was dispatched to an armed robbery that just occurred near Ridge-way and Granger. Deputy Guerra

requested the assistance of National City police officers. [He] and the National City units learned possible suspects fled into a house. Guerra directed the National City units to set up a perimeter around the residence.  
Using a patrol vehicle Public Address System, [officers] ordered the occupants to come out the front door. The subjects called the Sheriff's Communication Center to let the officers know they were coming out the front door.  
Two Hispanic males and one Hispanic female exited and were detained pending the investigation. The Chula Vista Officer and his K-9 cleared the residence and no other subjects were located inside. The two males, Arcadio N. (08-22-77) and Ramon C. (04-24-82), both admitted being gang members and being on parole. A curbside line-up was conducted and both were identified as suspects in the robbery. The female, Cathy P. (04-13-79), was also identified as having been involved in the robbery.

San Diego County Sheriff's Gang Detectives Mike Speyrer and Carlos Farias were requested to respond to the scene. Detectives Speyrer and Farias arrived and confirmed the parole status of both subjects. A parole search was conducted and a loaded Jennings .380 handgun matching the description of the gun used in the robbery was discovered hidden in a bedroom closet. Ammunition was found hidden inside the kitchen freezer. N. and C. were taken into custody and transported back to the Imperial Beach Station and later booked for two counts of robbery, possession of a firearm by a dangerous offender, being a felon in possession of a firearm, and a parole hold.  
—Michael Hemmingson

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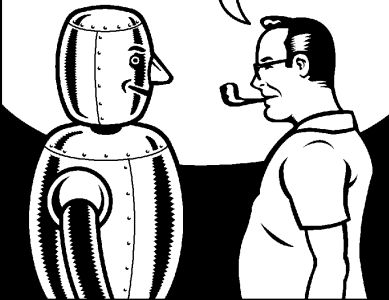
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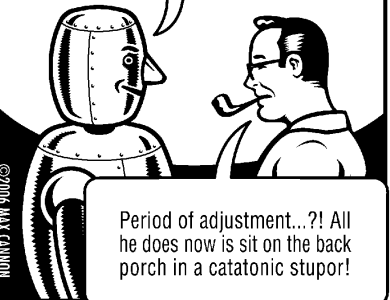
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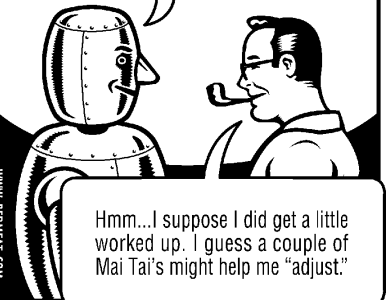
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I can understand your apprehension, Ted. My surgical modification of your son's brain may require a minor period of "adjustment."



Period of adjustment...?! All he does now is sit on the back porch in a catatonic stupor!

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The rule used to be that if you got a sore throat twice in one year, they pulled 'em. When I was five, my brother, the bastard, gave me my second case of strep since Christmas.

The doctor was nice enough. He came in before the surgery, and in a slow, too-loud voice, he told me, "Okay, Tony. What we're going to do is take you into another room. When we get in there, we'll put one of these on you, okay?" He produced a thick triangular cone of rubber with white elastic straps that he held to my face and let me breathe through. "That's not so bad, is it?"

No, it wasn't so bad. In the sunny yellow room with the other kids in the other beds and my dad leaning against the wall, it wasn't so bad. When the doctor left, my dad settled into an ugly green chair, and we watched cartoons.

The TV was mounted on one of those armatures and bolted up in the corner where the wall met the ceiling, and I thought that was the most glorious thing I'd ever seen. I was sure the invention would be picked up quickly by the public, and soon everyone would watch television from way up on high rather than down low on a little table. Why wouldn't they? TV up on the wall is way cooler.

When they wheeled me into the other room and secured the rubber cone on my face with the elastic straps it was different. The mask smelled different. The air coming from it was pale and smelled like sickness, and before I could protest, I fell into the dark burgundy of deep sleep.

The doctors told my dad I'd be asleep for hours. When they wheeled me out of the operating room, I sprang awake, yanked the I.V. out of my arm, and hurdled over the chrome bars of the gurney. Nurses shuffled their white canvas shoes over the robin's egg-colored tiles trying to catch me, but they couldn't. I found my dad's hand and knee there in the hallway, and I grabbed his blue jeans and said, "All right. I'm ready to go. I want to go home."

But, they wouldn't let me. I spent two more days under the TV way up high on the wall, and I sipped 7-Up from a bendy straw and cup the color of fancy mustard. When I tucked my head under the sheets, my dad would ask me if I was okay, and I slept, and we watched cartoons.

WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MAY 25

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LIFE 7:00 P.M.

Ugh. This Sisterhood of the Squeezing Estro-

gen and Magic Pants crap has to stop. We've gone too far. This show is going to force me to burn my jock-strap on the front lawn of the Life-time Network headquarters and carry a banner that reads, "SHUT THE HELL UP, PLEASE!"

FRIDAY, MAY 26

FRANKENFISH (2004)

SCIFI 7:00 P.M.

Finally. Something decent.

SATURDAY, MAY 27

FIFTEEN AND PREGNANT (1998)

WGN SAT 12:00 P.M.

If you're dumb enough to make "The Wookiee in the Rain," and you're a teenager and you get pregnant, have decency enough to hide yourself away. Shuffle them off to a nunnery in Alaska, I say. Don't get all bloated and weepy down here in polite society. Off you go.

THE POSEIDON ADVENTURE (1972)

USA 8:00 P.M.

Shelley Winters had put down so many martinis while taping *The Poseidon Adventure* that the wafting stench of booze was caught by the cameras and is so solid an entity that it can be beamed over the airwaves. If you watch this movie on the USA network on Saturday night, you'll be able to smell the gin and olives right there in your living room.

SUNDAY, MAY 28

ANACONDA (1997)

XHAS 9:00 P.M.

"...don't want none unless you got buns, hun." Is there any situation in which a line from that song is not appropriate? (Coincidentally, Jennifer Lopez's butt plays the female lead in this movie.) And, that's the circle of life, folks.



Karate Dog

MONDAY, MAY 29

KARATE DOG (2004)

FAM 7:00 P.M.

Chevy Chase and John Voight are in this movie? From *Midnight Cowboy* and *Caddyshack* to *Karate Dog*? O; how thou hast fallen. Shame. Shame.

TUESDAY, MAY 30

LOVE DON'T COST A THING (2003)

FAM 8:00 P.M.

Cancer is free also. Along with Hantavirus, E. coli, and herpes. You're also "free" to "stick it up your ass," but the Family Channel on basic cable you'll have to pay for. Have a nice day.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

THE ITALIAN JOB (2003)

NBC 9:00 P.M.

I'm unfamiliar with Italian style, but I'm a big fan of French and Greek. I'll try anything once, so what the hell, right?

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Maybe death is the ultimate Friday night.

By John Brizzolara

May Gray is getting to me, or it could be that I ran out of my anti-depressants some time ago, or maybe it was the fact that on Monday I learned an old friend had died. Of course there are several other things in my life that seem so difficult as to be near impossible. Another friend (she will be alive forever) pointed out to me that I am one of those people for whom life's ordinary problems are just too difficult. Naturally I resent the idea that I am some withering pantywaist who collapses like a cheap umbrella at every hangnail, but there is some truth to this. This same friend also pointed out, on a different occasion, that I can be good in a serious crisis but turn to a human pantsload when the little old lady ahead of me in line is paying for a lottery ticket with a check from an Icelandic bank, has no ID, and the cashier is kind, patient, and speaks only Tagalog. I often joke in that wacky way that I have that I don't have an anger problem, I have an irritation problem.

When someone close to your age dies, among a seeming cluster of recent, similar deaths — that is, age-wise and of natural causes and not like the murder (a collective noun usually applied to crows) of overdoses in the 1960s and '70s — irritation has nothing to do with it. The greater part of grief is always fear, but that factor becomes more pro-

nounced in late middle age. As an alcoholic, I find that the ubiquitous keeling-over of friends and acquaintances is like constantly running into or being reminded of an old girlfriend who was pure poison, though memory insists upon serving her up as beautiful and fascinating. A single encounter with the bitch will bring the horror back home soon enough. No, let me correct that — maybe not soon enough at all, but inevitably anyway.

Among the ghastly aspects of that one special romantic love gone to hell (subject to return, say, once a year, like Persephone in Greek myth — just metaphorically maybe: in the heart, in dreams, in the passing of a woman smelling of that certain perfume, Mayhem, or literally at Starbucks at UTC) is the realization that she wasn't even human. She was some heartless, alien vampire with thick ankles and what were once alluring, bee-stung, pouting lips but now appear as if they were just stuck in a pool drain in a freak accident.

The smell of bourbon, once redolent with imagery of Twain, Hemingway, Faulkner, or Lauren Bacall, now reeks of something used to strip paint off an aircraft carrier. Or the other way around, if you follow me.

It was on a Monday morning that I heard of my friend's death. It was not a huge surprise, but so much sooner than the traitor Hope had allowed for. I will mention the Monday thing in some lame attempt to point out the very antithesis of a Friday-of-the-mind kind of deal, where freedom, promise, possibility are the bywords for which we TG it's Friday. On the other hand, maybe death is the ultimate Friday night.

I was rewatching the movie *The Mission* recently. Jeremy Irons, playing a Jesuit in the 19th-century Brazilian jungle, tells soldier-turned-priest Robert De Niro something close to "God burdens each of us with freedom." I love the line for many reasons; one of them, it strikes me, is that death may be the penultimate freedom. Certainly it is a release from root canal work and having to take your in-laws to see *Riverdance* for the second time. Naturally the line has more to do with free will than anything else. But for just a moment I substituted the words "death" and "freedom," and I relished it for several moments, thought it through, and discovered I had scared myself. The idea that death might present even more options at once exhausted me and then had me thinking of Jack Daniel's followed quickly by a kind of ghost nausea.

I'm not sure why I included that paragraph other than the death thing, and then there's God, you know, when you get into that stuff. I loved Stephen King's



Jeremy Irons in *The Mission*

answer to Terry Gross (I think) when interviewed on NPR and was asked why he believed in God. King's answer was, "Because it makes my life better." The more I thought about it, the better answer I believed it to be.

I'm not going to eulogize my late friend here. Another time and place have been set aside, but I can't count on being able to say much. After all, in the 16 years I knew her, I think I was in her company fewer than a dozen times, but we spoke for many hours over the phone, especially in my most grievous drinking days when she would go beyond mentor and be mother. She said many things I actually do remember — a small miracle in itself — and the best of them was when she told me to "Give yourself permission to fail."

Possibly I took that too much to heart, but it was among the best things anyone had ever said to me. Whether I drank or not that day is for an anonymous meeting, and there, pretty much, is your answer, isn't it? I will only say to my absent friend, *I did not drink over you.*

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