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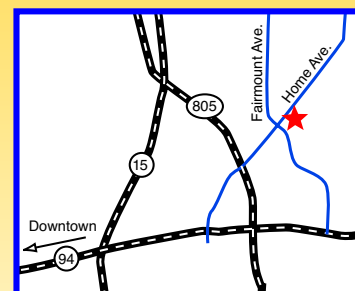
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**Taking dinner** Employees of the county's troubled retirement system have been wined and dined by some of the very same people who have contracts to manage the system's investments, according to personal financial disclosure forms on file with the county clerk. For instance, last year the retirement system's chief investment officer **David Deutsch** was treated to lunches and dinners worth a total of \$602 by a long line of investment advisors, including Rocatón Investment Advisors. An East Coast consultant, Rocatón first pitched the county's retirement system on investing in Amaranth Advisors, the hedge fund that has fallen apart, costing the system more than \$100 million at last count. According to his financial disclosure for 2005, Deutsch had lunch at the posh Rainwater's grill — known for its high-rolling clientele and costly tabs — with Rocatón's **Chris Cesare** on April 20 and again on June 16. Each time, he reported the value of the meal as just \$20. On December 15 he lunched again with Cesare, this time at the Karl Strauss brewpub; the price was again \$20. Other companies that paid for Deutsch's meals, most reported in the \$25 to \$35 range, included Denali Advisors, Westridge Management, Bank of New York, JPMorgan, Pension Consulting Alliance, PIMCO, Mondrian, Western Asset Management, Morgan Stanley, and Abel/Noser. The biggest tab, \$75, was run up at La Jolla's Marine Room on March 7 and paid for by Pareto Partners. D.E. Shaw gave him a \$100 iPod.

Deutsch's assistant, **Lisa Needle**, also got in on the gravy train. On March 7, Pareto paid for a \$75 dinner. Kenmar gave her two dinners worth a total of \$85 and "car service" worth \$100. On September 23, she collected "baby gifts" from a number of the advisors, including Baillie Gifford (\$50), Russell Securities (\$25), Cliffwater (\$150), Duncan-Hurst Capital Management (\$50), Kenmar (\$100), Mount Lucas Management (\$100), and UBS (\$150).

The retirement fund's chief executive officer, **Brian White**, wasn't left out: from Rocatón he got a \$25 dinner on March 17, a \$17 lunch on April 20, and an \$18 dinner on June 16. Putnam Investments of Boston treated him to a \$23 dinner on May 24, \$12 in cocktails on June 15, and a \$40 dinner on October 11. Kenmar Investment Management of Rye Brook, New York, paid \$50 each for dinners on August 17 and December 8. Unlike Deutsch, White did not reveal the whereabouts of the meals. On June 14 and June 15, Bridgewater Associates of Westport, Connecticut, shelled out \$340 for White's "hotel and meal costs at their annual client conference."

On June 5, investment officer **John Colafrancesco** reported getting baseball tickets worth \$90 from BlackRock, a San Francisco money manager. A month earlier, Pacific Coast Capital Partners of El Segundo gave him lunch and a gift bag worth \$50. In December they sent him a \$25 bottle of wine. The same month Colafrancesco got a \$155 gift basket from Cornerstone Realty Advisors of Hartford, Connecticut.

**Debt owing** Staffers at the county's pension system aren't the only ones consorting with those in the investment business. Back on May 28, 2004, records show, county treasurer **Dan McAllister**, then chairman of the retirement board, collected a total of \$7000 from a group of financial types from Los Angeles and New York. First among them was **Daniel Weinstein**, managing director of L.A.'s



Dan McAllister

Wetherly Capital. He and another managing director, **Vicky Schiff** of Bel-Air, each gave \$1000. Vice president **Peter L. Borges** and **Julio Ramirez Jr.** of La Cañada Flintridge, listed as the firm's "legislative rep," each kicked in \$500. **Stanley Gold** of Burbank's Shamrock Holdings, a large investment outfit that handles the finances of **Roy Disney**, Walt's wealthy nephew, gave \$1000, as did **Robert MacDonald**, president of L.A.-based Paladin Private Equity Partners, founded by the late secretary of the treasury **Bill Simon**. **Lauren Leichtman** of Beverly Hills, managing partner of Levine Leichtman Capital Partners, also contributed \$1000. On the same day, New York's **Robert N. Kaplan**, an attorney with Kaplan, Fox and Kilsheimer LLP, also gave \$1000.

Weinstein is a onetime regional political director for the United Food and Commercial Workers union who later became an investment advisor to billionaire **Ron Burkle** and then formed Wetherly to recruit pension fund money to finance Burkle's supermarket-takeover deals. He became the subject of controversy in June 2001 when then L.A. mayoral candidate **Anthony Villaraigosa** claimed that Weinstein had illegally coordinated a \$100,000 campaign expenditure from a Riverside County Indian tribe on behalf of Villaraigosa's opponent, **Jim Hahn**. Asked about the contributions, McAllister said Schiff was a "friend" whom he'd met earlier and who had volunteered to raise money to help pay down his campaign debt, some of which is secured by a mortgage on his residence. He added that, to his knowledge, none of the contributors have business involving the pension fund. Retirement fund chief Brian White didn't respond to phone calls.

**Cash in hand** Campaign season is in full swing, and the mail is heavy with fund-raising invites. Democratic state insurance commissioner **John Garamendi**, in a close race with GOP state senator **Tom McClintock**, dropped into town last Tuesday for a party in La Jolla hosted by **Jim Waring**, top real estate development aide to San Diego Republican mayor **Jerry Sanders**. Cohosts included labor council honcho **Jerry Butkiewicz**, investor **Murray Galinson**, controversial super-lawyer **Bill Lerach**, ex-congresswoman **Lynn Schenk**, and city councilwoman



Jim Waring

**Donna Frye**, among others. The same night Garamendi was set to put in an appearance at the La Jolla Farms manse of **Betsy** and **Bradd Milove**, a securities lawyer. The sponsor list was much the same but also included "Cedar Fire Survivor Advocate" **Karen Reimus**, a fierce critic of termed-out Democratic assemblyman **Juan Vargas** for his repeated votes in favor of the insurance lobby.

— Matt Potter

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## Hedge Fund Flames Out

By Don Bauder

Few things are more repugnant than wannabe alpha males. They're like high school boys snapping locker-room towels at

each other. In the financial world, hedge funds are the youthful towel snappers — barking and boasting and strutting, but wilting under pressure.

agliter with mathematics Ph.D.s, say their elaborate models can forecast the economy and the markets down to a gnat's eyelash. Alas, those lads



County administration building

Talk to a hedge fund tout and you'll soon hear the word "alpha." It's supposedly the loot that a money manager rakes in by being smarter than others. "Beta," on the other hand, is the money brought in because the overall market is going up. The hedge fund wannabe alphas,

haven't yet discovered that economics is not a science — not even a dismal one. Neither economics nor investing lends itself to mathematical analysis.

The county's pension system brags that its "alpha engine," goosed by hedge funds, has led to a stellar performance. The

portfolio has 20 percent of its assets in hedge funds that primarily specialize in so-called alternative investments — not the stodgy old stocks, bonds, cash, and real estate, but exotic "derivatives" and "synthetic" investments, ad nauseam.

A derivative is a financial instrument whose value is derived from some security, such as a bond or a stock. There are two types: options, or the right to buy or sell something in the future, and forwards ("futures" if traded on an organized exchange), which are obligations to buy and sell in the future. Derivatives are combinations of options and forwards, and the degree-span-gled Ph.D.s stir the pot frenetically, coming up with crazily complex derivatives. In the 1990s, Orange County went broke buying derivatives it didn't understand. Despite that disaster, the San Diego County pension fund began going into derivatives in the 1990s and by late in the decade was dabbling in them through hedge funds (which, incidentally, Orange County won't touch today).

On July 21 of last year, the board of the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association diversified its hedge fund activities further by adding two "multi-strategy" hotshots:

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## The Price of a Public Education

By Ernie Grimm

**F**ree education to all children stands among the most hallowed provisions in Mexico's federal constitution. But according to a state human rights official, it may be one of the most threatened.

Francisco Javier Sánchez Corona's title, *procuraduría de los derechos humanos*, translates to state attorney of human rights. "We're an autonomous entity," he explains. "This office was created to oversee public servants in the state government and the five municipalities of Baja California, to make sure that they respect human rights and the constitution. We're independent of all these governments so that we can act freely to issue statements against public officials who violate the law. In Mexico there are two types of authorities who handle justice: the judicial system and human rights offices. The

themselves. "They are making parents pay anywhere from \$20 to \$200 per child as a condition of enrollment. That money is being used to satisfy needs and situations that the government is obliged to cover, such as classroom repairs, building more classrooms, maintenance workers' payroll, and those kinds of expenses. It started as a custom, but it became more and more mandatory, and it has converted into an obligation."

But charging any kind of fee is a direct violation of the constitution, Sánchez says. "I was assigned to Tijuana about two and a half months ago to fight this problem. I was aware of the problem before I came.

majority of these people make enough money just to subsist, and their economic situations are not going to allow them to meet any extra expenses."

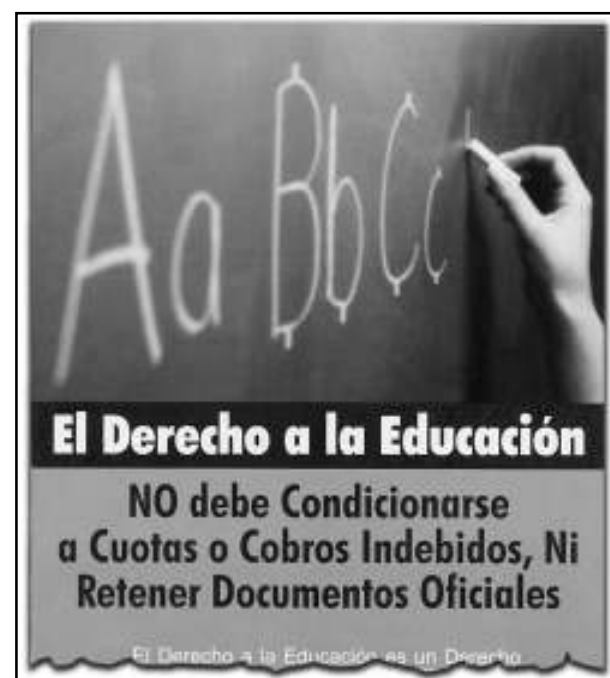
Yet pay they must. María, a grandmother who lives in the working-class *colonia* of Los Pinos, in eastern Tijuana, complains, "They won't let my grandchildren attend class unless we pay."

Pablo Contreras, the director of Leona Vicario Secondary School in the La Mesa area, about seven miles east of downtown Tijuana, admits that his school charges. "We do have an annual fee," he says, "of 1000 pesos [about \$100] per parent. But it's not a condition of admission. It's purely voluntary. They can take the money in anytime they want during the school year, and they can pay in installments. But at the same time, if they come and they present their situation and say that they cannot pay, it is not mandatory. The only thing that we ask them for is the materials. The list is normally four rolls of toilet paper, one ream of white

are not obliged to do it, and they don't. They say, 'The law says that even if the place is falling down, the government should do it. And if the government doesn't do it, then we are not going to do it.' Our attitude toward them is that it's not the children's fault they have uneducated parents. So we allow the children to stay."

Contreras insists that without the donations from parents, his school couldn't keep its doors open. And he insists that the use of the cash is well controlled. "We have a parents' association," he explains. "There is a president, secretary, and treasurer. We do everything with a deposit slip, everything is audited, and I don't touch the money. Everything is done through them. And even when they have to issue a check — because sometimes parents pay the school, but then they move to another part of the city, so we have to refund money — even all that is done with receipts."

If monetary or material donations are purely voluntary and not a condition of



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But that cooperation should depend upon the income of the family and their willingness. If they can't pay, or if they don't want to pay, they can't be forced to."

The gray area, Sánchez warns, lies in how the children of nonpaying parents are treated once they are admitted. "They

are afraid of not making the payment or not doing whatever the principal requests, because their children pay the consequences. When the children are in the classroom, they are singled out and castigated."

Though he is a state attorney, Sánchez has no power to prosecute education officials charging for admission to their schools. "As a human rights organization, we can only make recommendations to prosecutors."

Sánchez has aided in legal proceedings against school officials who were using parents' donations "for personal loans among themselves or to pay their personal cell-phone bills or similar things," but he's not interested in throwing people in jail. Instead, he's launched a public campaign to inform parents that they are under no legal obligation to pay and to educate schools that they are under a strict legal obligation *not* to charge mandatory fees. In addition to printing and distributing pamphlets informing parents of their rights, he and his assistants also have been responding to the more than 1000 written complaints they've received concerning enrollment fees. When they receive such a letter, he says, "We go to the school with the parents. We try to get together a group of parents who have a similar problem. And we talk with the principal of the school to request that he or she enroll the child without any condition. In some cases, we have gotten a lot of



PHOTOGRAPH BY JOE KLEIN

Tijuana primary school

judicial system handles questions of law. We go beyond the idea of legality to the themes of justice and human rights."

In Baja California, Sánchez says, the right of parents to send their children to school for free is under attack. The perpetrators are the schools

But a month and a half into it, I realized that the problem was much bigger than I thought."

Sánchez says a cruel irony is that the practice of charging for admission "occurs mostly in the neighborhoods where the poorest live. The

paper, a package of drinking-water cones, and a package of women's sanitary napkins."

Most parents, Contreras says, are "happy to pay." But other parents won't help with cash or material donations even if they're able. "Thirty-five to 40 percent argue that they

enrollment, as Contreras insists they are at Leona Vicario, they are within the law, Sánchez says. "We're in favor of people participating and cooperating with their schools, because it benefits the quality of education and it improves the condition of the buildings.

are hostages of many teachers and principals who abuse their authority," he says of such children. "These teachers and principals create an atmosphere of restlessness because they pressure them, they put them down because their parents haven't paid. The parents

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## Hedge fund

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Amaranth Advisors and D.E. Shaw and Co.

Amaranth is a flower that stays fresh for a long time after

it's picked. To poets, it's a symbol of immortality and incorruptibility. But Amaranth Advisors managed to lose \$6.5 billion of its \$9 billion last month and plans to shut down. A young trader made bad bets in natural gas futures contracts,

while the fund's risk-management staff let two-thirds of the capital veer down a one-way street. It's typical of hedge fund cockiness and typical of the ignorance of those who put their money in such highly secretive, unregulated pools.

The San Diego County fund had \$175 million in Amaranth's pot. It will lose most if not all of that.

The County rushed to explain that its Amaranth investment was a small piece of the pie, and the total fund made

a 15.6 percent return in the year ended June 30 — well above the 8.25 percent it expects to make each year. That sounded like the City in 2002 claiming all was well with its pension fund.

Staff members of the county

pension system say that the Amaranth debacle is an aberration, but all along, San Diego County treasurer Dan McAllister, a boardmember, has been skeptical of the outsize commitment to hedge funds. "I think it's important that we reassess our risk-tolerance levels — that we revisit these hedge fund investments," says McAllister.

"This position has not been expressed by the board," says Brian P. White, chief executive of the county pension system.

Just recently, the pension fund's actuary recommended that the annual target be reduced from 8.25 percent to 8 percent. McAllister favored this conservative move. He was voted down. Chief investment officer David Deutsch, with alpha-male swagger, boasted, "If any plan ever qualified to add expected excess return to an interest rate assumption, it would be San Diego. The investment program has earned excess returns over the past ten years of 1.0 to 2.0 percent. *There is a 90 percent chance that these returns are due to skill, not chance.*" (Italics mine.)

At San Diego cocktail parties, people are mentioning hedge funds in the same breath as J. David Dominelli, who promised 40 to 50 percent annual returns during the 1980s but was discovered to be running a Ponzi scheme, a swindle in which early investors are paid off with funds coming in from new investors. It collapses when new investors dry up.

Could some hedge funds paying fat initial returns be Ponzi schemes? Maybe. Who knows? Most are based on offshore secrecy havens.

As hedge funds proliferate, their annual returns are coming down, and two economists have calculated that over the long term, hedge funds underperform the Standard and Poor's 500, a broad blue-chip stock index.

So why do people plunk their money in? Two reasons: cupidity and stupidity. Throughout history, when investment categories get hot, too many fast-buck artists have rushed in and too much money has been thrown at them. Hedge funds were small factors in the early 1990s. Then promoters noticed that hedge fund managers charged 2 percent of total assets plus 20 percent or more of profits. A sure way to riches. Well-heeled investors liked the

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## Hedge fund

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then-high returns, the secrecy and offshore locations. Now, there are 7000 to 9000 hedge funds (no one is sure) with well over \$1 trillion under management, and shady consultants tell wannabe alphas how to do such things as rig their track records to make it appear that they are big winners.

At first, hedge fund alphas claimed they did so well because they were besting the indolent old-style managers. That was a dubious argument. Now hedge funds have multiplied so rapidly that they are fleecing each other. Consider Amaranth. It was betting that the difference between March and April natural gas futures prices would widen. March prices would rise and April prices would fall, believed Amaranth — normally, a good bet. Not this time. The spread contracted precipitously. Speculators on the other side of the contracts saw that Amaranth — like all hedge funds, heavily in debt — was in trouble. So those betting against Amaranth redoubled

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their bets, knowing that a swagging alpha was now staggering.

Playing with hedge funds and derivatives is a wicked game not suitable for pension funds. "If wealthy individuals want to roll the dice, it's up to them," says former San Diegoan Gary Aguirre, who was investigating a hedge fund for the Securities and Exchange Commission when he got fired for taking his job too seriously. "But university endowment funds and pension funds? Their role is not to play Las Vegas."

The county pension system has money in 11 hedge funds. D.E. Shaw, run by a former computer professor, specializes in quantitative strategies. It got in trouble in 1998 after the Russian default but seems to have righted the ship. Silver Point Capital specializes in high-risk lending. Berens Capital Management is a fund made up of other funds focusing on emerging markets. Rancho Santa Fe's Freeman Associates goes both long (betting stocks go up) and short (betting they go down). In its last annual report, the county pension fund made little mention

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of risk, noting obliquely that there might be a "possibility that future changes in market prices may make such financial instruments less valuable." White says the 2006 report "will be changed."

Pat Shea, who was a primary lawyer in the Orange County bankruptcy and ran unsuccessfully for San Diego mayor, says that in the public sector, "We have created an incentive for risky investments. The public is required to backfill all the money lost. If I bet on a risky investment and it comes in a winner, I pull out the money (above the target 8.25 percent) and spend it on other stuff. But if I bet and lose my shirt, I turn the bill over to taxpayers, who have to put the money back." ■

## Public education

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support, massive support, 200 to 300 parents at meetings with the principals, and the principals have agreed not to make paying a condition of enrollment. Those have been victories for the

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parents."

Sánchez says he believes school officials such as Contreras when they say they can't operate on the money they get from the state of Baja California. "Their schools have enormous needs, and the state does not give them the proper funds to solve these problems. With the taxes we pay, there should be enough to solve the situation. But the state mismanages the money. The government says that they allocate more than 50 percent of the budget for education. I am not very convinced of that. And even so, most of that goes for salaries for teachers and bureaucrats. The state education authorities know the problem. They are against fees being charged for education, but in reality they allow it because they do nothing to fix the situation or they act in a very limited way. And this attitude encourages the schools to charge illegally. And because they are the people who educate the future generations, they are creating a culture against legality."

And they may be creating a culture of unrest among parents who are feeling the bite. "I had to pay 600 pesos to register my daughter," says Pedro (who would not give his real name), the father of a first grader at Otho Murillo Salgado elementary school in the Mesa de Otay area of Tijuana. "Then I had to buy 1200 pesos' worth of materials for the school and pay 400 pesos for the monthly tests. And at the end of the year, I'll have to pay another 280 pesos to get my daughter's report card. Without it, she can't go on to the second grade."

Juanita (not her real name), who has a son in the fourth grade at the same school, confirmed the numbers Juan gave and added "80 pesos for insurance." In Mexico, schools carry insurance that covers their students against injuries from the time they leave home on the way to school until they return. "If I don't pay," Juanita adds, "my son might not be admitted to class, and he could lose his place in school."

Pedro rejects the idea that schools must charge parents in order to keep their doors open. "They get enough money from the government to run the school," he claims. "I think they're keeping the money for themselves." ■

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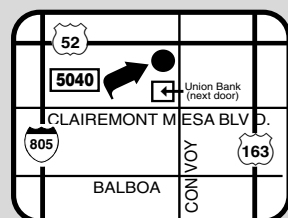
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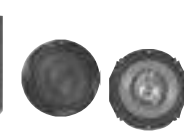
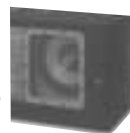
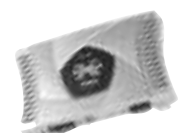
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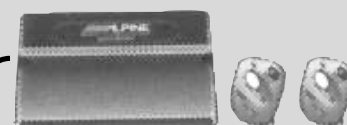


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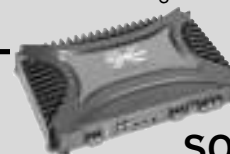
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### America's Finest People

Congratulations for John Brizzolara's cover story on the Water Man (Mr. Ross) in helping to shed light on the darkness of our oftentimes twisted priorities ("He Loves the People No One Wants," Cover Story, October 5). San Diego as "America's Finest City" should mean its people are the finest, not that it looks the prettiest. Mr. Ross stands as an exemplar of compassion and love. I'm saddened that it is our police that are attempting to crucify him. (Same old story whenever the darkness is revealed.)

Perhaps the police should review what is written on their squad-car doors: To protect and serve...? I know

the police have a hard job. I would only hope they ask themselves to stop and think about what they are doing, and for Whom, as Mr. Ross has.

William Borton  
via e-mail

### Duncan? Duncan?

Where is Duncan Shepherd? His reviews are the articles I read first. If he is out on vacation, you should let us know.

Daniel Del Peral Cordova  
Tecate, B.C. Mexico

*Duncan Shepherd's column resumes today. — Editor*

### Psst! Heard The Latest?

It seems like every week there is a new rumor about Scolari's Office ("Blurt"). It went from being sold, to not having a music license, to turning into a wine bar, to a lounge, to becoming everything and anything but the dive bar and local music venue that it is. But here's the reality: it's not changing hands, George Scolari still owns the bar, the carpet still smells, and the music is still loud!

Beth  
via e-mail

### The Fool On The Hill

This is in response to

Elliot T. Richey's letter (October 5) regarding a "Diary of a Diva" column ("Street Warfare," September 21), which this "cultured" individual took offense to. It always cracks me up when someone claims to know a city better than the rest of us peasants, quite possibly because they lived there for a while. Well, Mr. Elliot T. Richey, so you happen to be more familiar with the geography of the city, but I assure you that is all you have over the diva. You say, "The level of insight in the column was appalling." Frankly, your utter lack of insight would be galling if it wasn't so obvious that you're just a pretentious fool. A person's experience with a city, similar to a person's experience with different types of music, food, art, wine, etc., is a unique phenomenon with varying degrees of satisfaction, or lack of, which of course makes us all different. We didn't laugh with or even at you, Elliot, we just shook our heads in wonder.

Sam Berouty  
via e-mail

### She Got It Right

Since I lived in San Francisco for 30 years, I have to apologize to "Diary of a Diva" for the person in letters (Octo-

ber 5) who claimed San Francisco was embarrassed for her. I found her sketch to be highly accurate and her observations reflect the feelings of the many people I know in San Francisco.

Alan DesRoches  
via e-mail

### Problem Solver

Just a quick note agreeing with Barbarella ("Street Warfare," "Diary of a Diva," September 21). I, too, despise being begged for my "spare" change. If I can drag myself to be at work at 5:00 a.m., then so can they. Maybe these panhandlers can pick strawberries. That should help with the so-called illegal problem.

Name Withheld  
by Request  
via e-mail

### No Tax Dollars For Tacos

About "Tin Fork": I also disagree with Ed's location(s) in Mexico (Letters, October 5). Why shall Ed send us citizens there to support their economy? While Mexico doesn't care about their people. Versus how it's "legal" to be an illegal residing immigrant here. Just keep up about Escondido.

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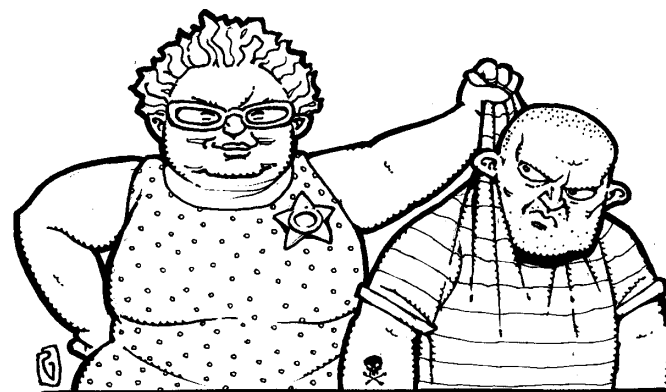


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*Heymatt:*

*I seem to recall as a child always hearing about citizen's arrests. If someone did something wrong, you could “arrest” them. As an adult now, and more than happy to buy a pair of cuffs and do this when I see an idiot do something wrong, yet fearing a lawsuit or getting shot by some thug, what are the laws regarding a citizen's arrest? I have to assume the law frowns on this sort of thing.*

— J. Friday in training, Cop Town

M.A. is many things to many people, but M.A. is not a lawyer. It's not legal for the unanointed to give legal advice. So, I think that means you can take me into custody after you read this. Of course, you'll have to get past Grandma Alice first, and she's gone to put on her 'do rag and her new grill, which she thinks make people take her more seriously. I keep telling her the apron spoils the overall effect, but of course she won't listen.

True, we “private persons,” as the law calls us, have arrest powers. The California Penal Code sections beginning at PC 837 spell them out. (These code sections also apply to law enforcement personnel.) But words on a page aren't much help when you're confronting a perp who takes exception and pops you in the nose. Maybe the heavy volume that contains the Penal Codes could be used as a weapon of defense, but otherwise having the law on your side is only a theoretical protection. People have been killed trying to make citizen's arrests.

The police urge that you call a cop to handle things, but if that's not practical or doesn't suit your style, you can take matters into your own hands. But we recommend that you have your lawyer with you when you do, so you don't end up on the wrong end of a lawsuit, like, *Perp v. Angry Guy*.

In California you can make a citizen's arrest for anything from an infraction to a felony (any “public offense”). But it must either be (1) a felony, misdemeanor, or infraction committed in your presence; (2) a felony, even if not committed in your presence; or (3) a felony not committed in your presence, but you have reasonable cause to believe the arrestee committed it. In the case of 2 and 3, you'd better be right (see previous lawyer recommendation). And taking a cue from your letter, I apparently have to add that, believe it or not, acting like an idiot isn't a felony. Not even an infraction. So, be careful.

So, how does the arrest go down. First, you have to tell the perp that you are making a citizen's arrest and tell him what law he's broken. You can use what the law calls “reasonable force” to detain the wrongdoer. Then hope that what you consider “reasonable” agrees with the judge's definition (see previous lawyer recommendation). You can't intentionally harm the scuzzball or detain him in unsafe conditions. And once you have him under your control, you must immediately call a cop, who will take over the situation.

Then, while you're strutting around feeling like Superman (or at least Underdog) the cop will be sizing up the situation, and if he/she decides not to file any paperwork or issue any citations, that's that. They're not required to. There's no guarantee that anything will come of your heroism. But if the issue does go to court, you must follow through on your tough actions and actually testify at the resulting hearing or trial.

The most common use of the citizen's arrest power is hauling in shoplifters and removing people who are violating restraining orders. But it's a big law-breaking world out there, so go to it!

P.S.: PC 847 says no one can be arrested for a misdemeanor or infraction between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., unless the crime was committed in a public place. This is probably to keep police from rousting evildoers from a sound sleep in response to some misdemeanor. But if they can't do it, neither can you.

*Heymatt:*

*Is it true that you crap your pants when you die? If so, why? And is there any way to avoid it?*

— Lisa, the net

How pathologically fastidious you are! You will still care enormously about personal hygiene when you're dead. Okay. We'll see what we can do for you. The answer to your question is sometimes yes, sometimes no. When your body finally has had it, lots of chemical and physical things happen. The one we care about is muscle tone. It goes away. As you may recall from your potty-training days, taking a dump is normally muscle controlled. Lose the control, the bowel contents are free to leave, which they will if your colon is full or you die head-up and bottom-down and are subject to gravity. Post-mortem pooping isn't the worst thing about being strung up, but there are endless accounts of how hangmen dealt with this unfortunate side effect of their profession.

How to avoid it? Ummm...don't eat? And, hey, Lisa, you'll pee too! Same reason. Perpetual diapers the answer?

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# Yo-Yos Rising

I remember going to the drugstore on Ingraham Street in Crown Point. They used to have yo-yos displayed in boxes. You'd go up to the shelf and pick up a yo-yo. They let you try it out. I remember selecting one with a stripe on it. That was the one I liked."

Bob Malowney, 57, is recalling a childhood yo-yo memory. He was born and raised in Pacific Beach, is a graduate, in Fine Arts, of United States International University, now a Scripps Ranch stakeholder known as Alliant International University.

I should say, before we go much further, that Malowney is director of the National Yo-Yo Museum and puts on, annually, a National Yo-Yo Contest. Hie thyself to [nationalyoyo.org/videos/](http://nationalyoyo.org/videos/) and you will be invited to click upon moving pictures of humans doing yo-yo tricks. Prepare yourself for wonderment.

All this is happening in faraway Chico. Malowney moved there in 1971 seeking a smaller community and a cheaper place to buy land. We talked by telephone on the eve of this year's tournament. First question, "So, you moved to Chico and then what happened?"

Malowney says, "We started a screen-printing company. Ran that for 25 years before I sold it to one of my employees. We opened Bird in Hand [toy, gift, and clothing store] ten years after we started the printing business. For 15 years we had a foot in two different boats going at different speeds in different directions," Malowney laughs. "My wife and I said, 'Which one do we want to have later on?'"

"Do you recall the first time you thought, 'I'm gonna sell yo-yos.?'"

"Yeah. At my desk," Malowney says. "I pulled out a yo-yo I had from childhood. It had a ratty string on it. I would walk the dog and walk the baby and occasionally pull it out and do a couple tricks. I thought, 'Wow, I have a toy store...why don't I sell yo-yos?' That was '86, '87. I tried to find yo-yos to sell. They were nonexistent. So, we started making yo-yos with a woodworker.

"When we showed people the yo-yos they said, 'I haven't thought of a yo-yo in a long time.' Everybody only knows three tricks. Add 'round the world' and you've got everybody's full repertoire. But, every day, for two weeks, somebody came into my store and showed me a trick I'd never seen. Then, Tommy Smothers shows up on TV in '88 [with yo-yo], the year we had our first contest, and all these middle-aged people saw him, said, 'Wow, this is great.' We

started having yo-yo contests and people came. And Chico is fun, reminds me of Pacific Beach in the '50s.

"Something else happened. When all the middle-aged people came back to yo-yos, they brought their technical expertise. So, engineering of the yo-yo went through the roof. It spins faster and spins longer now. The tricks that a group of kids started in '96, '97, and '98 have mushroomed. The body of information and styles of play and manufacturers all mushroomed in the late '90s."

This year Malowney's event expects to draw 1500 yo-yo believers to Chico. Anyone can compete in the Sports Division; just show up. At least 200 contestants will compete in the Championship Division, be required to perform 25 impossible String Trick Ladder tricks and 25 really impossible Looping Trick Ladder tricks. Some of the two-handed, two-yo-yo tricks are an affront to nature.

Malowney interrupts my thoughts, says, "I was talking to a few people who arrived yesterday. One's saying, 'This is my 14th straight year.' The other one says, 'This is only my 9th straight year.' It's kind of a pilgrimage."

I say, "I had a yo-yo when I was a kid. Don't remember what happened to it. Haven't thought about yo-yos until yesterday. Was there an interval when yo-yos were abandoned, like hula hoops?"

"The sleeping period," Malowney laughs. "A couple elements contributed to it: greed and television. In 1959, one of the yo-yo companies started advertising on television and made tremendous sales. Prior to television there was the traveling demonstrator going to the five-and-dime, standing out there on a Saturday, showing kids how to play, and then selling them a yo-yo. Now, television sold yo-yos. Everybody started infighting, and the companies sued each other into bankruptcy.

"You couldn't get an improved yo-yo because no one was making any. People were using yo-yos that were already made, or hand-me-downs from an older brother. Also, finding tricks was hard. You had to find somebody who was hot in the '50s and hope he would show the tricks.

"Yo-yo playing stopped when kids turned 16 or 17. Wags said kids were lost to the fumes. Car fumes and perfumes. Well, it's not that way now. Kids today don't see it as a childhood activity but as a sport."

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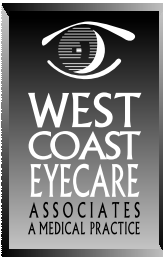
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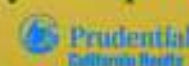


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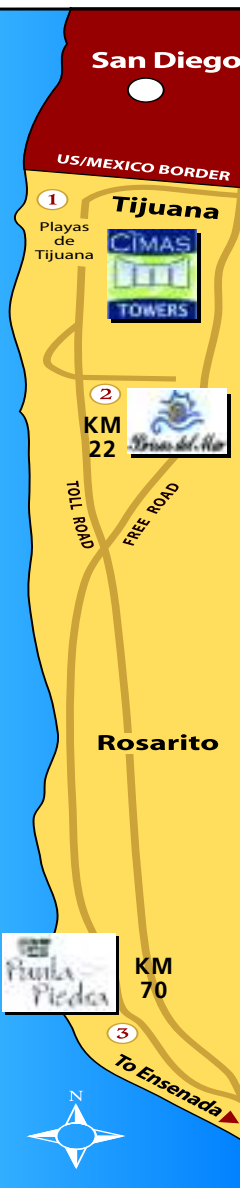
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—EVE KELLY

A mischievous elf has been marking up my leather. First, it was our chair in the family room, a red armchair now graffitied with blue ballpoint pen. Then, a few weeks later, he was back, a scribble of black marker on the rolled arm of our brown leather couch in the living room. I would like to catch this imp in action, but he's sly. Meanwhile, the family has been sitting on marked-up furniture, and with the holidays approaching with their hoards of sweater-clad visitors, I am eager to clean up our leather act.

I spoke with Tony Toth, manager at Tony's Best Way in La Jolla (858-459-3201). "I have been in the furniture-cleaning business for 35 years," he said, "so I have quite a bit of experience."

Toth's first bit of advice to me: don't try cleaning it myself. "I could have all the same knives that a surgeon has," he quipped, "but does that mean you would want me performing surgery on you?"

I didn't tell him how I had scrubbed the black markings with dish soap and scratched away at them with my fingernails. "It's better to let a good cleaning professional do the job, because most of the time, a customer trying to clean leather themselves will do much more damage than good. And if they damage the leather and then call us, we cannot always fix the damage perfectly."

What sort of damage can be done? "If the cleaning is not done properly," answered Toth, "with the right chemicals, you can take the finish right off of the leather, and if you use the wrong cleaner it will harden the leather." If the finish has been taken off the leather, "spot dying can be done, but it is very expensive, and the color match is not exactly the same."

He continued, "We usually use a light cleaning solution, which is on the neutral on the pH scale, though that also depends on the soil on the leather. It could need a different solution. So these are things that a professional would be able to do correctly."

Toth preconditions the furniture with a mild solution that softens the soil, "so that when we do the cleaning we can lift off the soil much easier. We use a wet cleaning, which is a much milder cleaning and better than dry cleaning. Dry cleaning takes oil off but also takes finish off. We also do a lot of toweling — a little elbow grease, as they say — with soft white towels. By hand, we towel off the furniture, which removes the solution that we put onto the leather, and we get into hard-to-reach areas of the piece. After the furniture is properly cleaned and dried, we put a conditioner on it. You need to be careful to put the right condi-

*"Unfinished leather is like a sponge — everything soaks in."*

tioner on the piece. The leather dries almost immediately, so once the conditioner is on, it's ready for use. The whole cleaning process takes between one and two hours depending on the condition and size of the furniture."

Are there certain stains that won't come out of leather?

"Most leather is finished leather, about 80 percent. But the other 20 percent is unfinished leather, and it is more difficult to keep it clean and to clean it. When oil from people, animals, or cooking gets into the unfinished leather, it goes deep into it and it is hard to remove. Unfinished leather is like a sponge — everything soaks in. But with finished leather, even ink can be removed; almost all stains a professional can remove. We can test a small area to see the results, and sometimes we need to use harsher chemicals."

As you may have guessed, Toth does not recommend buying unfinished leather. "A lot of interior decorators will suggest a natural leather because of the look; it doesn't look like plastic like the finished leather."

But it is not practical unless it's going to be in a room that is never used. Especially if the customer has children, or pets, they should buy finished leather."

Are there different quality leathers?

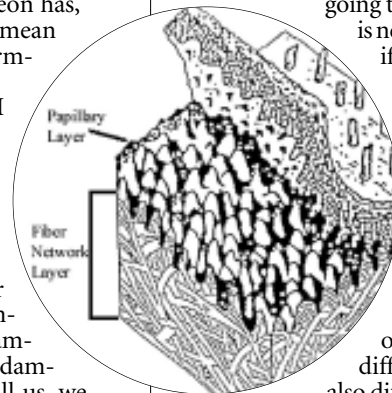
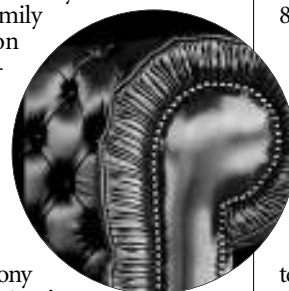
"Leather quality differs widely," he answered. "Not only the leather from different animals, but also different parts of animals, and also different layers of leather — different layers of animals are softer than other ones. Fine leather, like Italian leather, is very soft. Cheaper leathers are more solid and hard and easier to clean."

Does leather fade?  
"Leather can fade from the sun or even just light. A brown or blue leather will fade more readily than a light beige leather. Also, when there is dirt in the leather, it looks faded, but when the leather is cleaned, the color comes back."

What about dying the leather?  
"Dying is a specialty service that we used to do but that we no longer offer. But if a customer has old leather, or they just want to change the color of the leather, they can change it dramatically by re-dying the leather."

"What if someone really wanted to clean it themselves," I asked. He reiterated his recommendation, but added, "They need to test a small area that is heavily soiled, with a Q-tip, before they clean the whole area."

Prices for cleaning vary according to the size of furniture, condition, and whether or not it is unfinished or finished leather. "For a living room chair," Toth says, "the cost is around \$100. For loveseat-sized furniture, it is around \$90 to \$120. And for a standard-sized sofa, the cost is \$150. Unfinished leather costs 20 to 50 percent more, and the results are more unpredictable, though 90 percent of our customers are happy with the results."



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# Crasher

## SEAS THE DAY

by Josh Board

**f**or a party at the Coronado Yacht Club, I would be picked up by a dinghy and taken to a yacht. Tourists crowded Coronado that weekend, and I had trouble finding the place. When I found what I thought was the yacht club, I asked a woman walking by. "This is probably it, though, there are lots of yachts around Coronado, so who knows?"

I saw someone leaving the parking lot and took their spot, the only one available. I called the guys on the boat, and they told me which dock to walk to to meet the dinghy.

I made a joke about getting seasick as I climbed into the small boat. They didn't laugh. They opened a cooler and handed me a beer. Within minutes, we were at the yachts.

A woman named Rachel was lying on the deck of the boat. I said to a guy standing nearby, "That's a nice look for a boat. It's like Tawny Kitaen in that Whitesnake video." The guy said, "Huh?" I realized I was making reference to a video from 20 years ago. I explained



Top left: One of many who periodically jumped into the Coronado harbor; Top right: Former Eagle Scout with tattoos in underarms; Bottom right: Melissa, with the pierced tongue (second from left)



to the teenager, "That was from a time when MTV played videos, most of which had scantily clad

shaking their asses in front of rappers."

I noticed another teen had

**"Real boaters aren't worried about skin cancer or sunburns. We take off our shirts and embrace the sun."**

women lying around like that. One had a woman on the hood of Jaguar." He said, "They have videos like that now. They're on BET, and they're usually just

a tattoo on his underarm, and I asked him if it hurt. "Hell, yeah," he said, before jumping off the boat to swim. A woman said, "Can you believe he was

an Eagle Scout? And now he has tattoos."

Ed, who invited me on his boat for the event, and his friend also jumped over. I noticed Ed's friend would swim to talk to women in nearby boats.

People would stop by, climb onto the boat, and ask to borrow something, such as the woman who needed ice for someone who got burned by a barbecue grill. I was told, "The biggest injuries on boats are

hitting your toe on stuff and burns from grills."

Another injury, I assumed, would be sunburns. When I climbed onto another boat, I asked a couple if they ever worried about skin cancer. One woman told me that she'd had breast cancer and her husband had skin cancer. "Now we use three kinds of lotions when we're in the sun for long periods of time."

A guy walking by told me, "Real boaters aren't worried about skin cancer or sunburns. We take off our shirts and embrace the sun."

Turned out that Ed lived on his boat, and I asked him how much that costs. "It's \$400 to \$500 a month. They charge \$12 a foot. Some marinas charge \$25. This is a 36-foot boat."

I walked down to another boat — hitting my head as I slipped on a wet area of the dock — to watch The Fabulous Dan Band. Several small boats and swimmers had a better view of the band, hanging out in front as they played cover tunes. I was told they play this

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- Abandoned in Atlanta

Dear Abandoned:

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- Fed Up in Phoenix

Dear Fed Up:

**Bah! Do you really expect an answer to such an inane question? Of course you shouldn't switch to WaMu! Those people aren't real businessmen. They give their checks away for free, for Benjamin's sake. Stick with your old bank. They know what's best for you. How? They're rich men. What's good for you is good for them.**

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gig for food and tips. When a jar was passed around, people were stuffing lots of bills in it.

After their set, I talked to Dan. He told me there was another Dan Band, so they added the "fabulous." A guy walked in and offered him \$100 to play for a little longer. Dan was tired and declined. He told me that last month he had surgery to remove a tumor from his stomach. He got more tired than he thought he would. We talked about music and fantasy football. He invited me to join his league, which has been playing for more than a decade.

I met a blonde woman named Melissa, who had a pierced tongue. She said her boss doesn't allow her to have the stud in at work, so she has to take it out. When she was on another boat with her friends, I overheard them mention me and yelled, "Don't talk shit! I can hear you from over here." They laughed and yelled back, "No. We were just thinking about inviting you to our party next weekend." I love this job.

I met a boat owner named Woody. I said, "That's a great name for someone who owns a boat." He replied, "Most of my boat is made of fiberglass, though." I had heard he was "almost retired," and when I asked him about that, he said, "No. It's 'almost retarded.'"

When I checked in with singer Dan, he was a sweaty mess. I saw the band breaking down equipment and thought how much more difficult it must be loading gear into a dinghy. When I asked the keyboardist about this, he rattled off 13 "dinghy tips" to getting their stuff onto the boat.

I took a moment to read the boat names. I thought the cleverest was *Seas the Day*. As I was writing that name down, a guy came over and asked, "Are you giving a speech?" I told him I was writing about this party for the *Reader*. A woman who had had a few drinks said, "Oh, the crusher. I always check to

see if any of my drunk friends are in there. Now, maybe I'll be the drunk chick in your story!"

The guy was a teacher named Mr. Ball. We talked about all the teachers in the news that are sleeping with students. He said, "When I was in my 20s, and there were attractive 18-year-old girls, we called them 'wacs.' That stood for 'worth a credential.'" We talked a lot about playwrights, classic authors, and how kids these days play more video games than read books.

A guy came over and offered me a beer. Someone else said, "I'll take one. Wait. Is this beer kosher?"

As I leaned back to watch the sunset, I smelled marijuana coming from a nearby boat. Ed told me they were going to be watching movies on one of the boat's sails. "I'm not sure what it will be. Either *Pirates of the Caribbean* or *Captain Ron*. We usually do a lot of fun stuff like that. Last year, we had a water balloon fight. Someone had this launcher that could shoot them 75 feet. A few people complained about that."

One guy stepped into the dip and spilled beer everywhere. I said, "It's hard to walk on these boats when they're wet and you're carrying drinks." Someone else said, "That's part of

the fun."

That night, when Ed was taking me back to the dock, the dinghy ran out of gas. "What now?" I asked. "Do we shoot flares into the air?" I joked about swimming back and avoiding sharks. Ed said, "I'll just row the rest of the way." As he grabbed the oars, I looked over my shoulder and realized the dock was only a hundred feet away. ■

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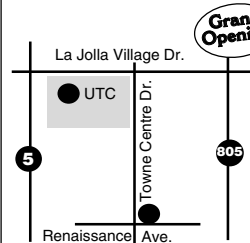


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by Barbarella

*If you don't understand how a woman could both love her sister dearly and want to wring her neck at the same time, then you were probably an only child.*

— Linda Sunshine

**W**e had left the house in haste, afraid that a moment's hesitation would make it too easy to back out; we had *plans*. I hadn't been to Bonita Fest — an annual community festival and crafts fair — since I was a junior at Bonita Vista High, but I had told my mother a month ago I would join her on this outing. It was only natural that Jane would want

Jane sang

"Afternoon

Delight" in Jenny's

ear, teasing her

because she was in

a hurry to meet up

with her

boyfriend.

to come along; our younger sister, Jenny, who had "nothing else to do," was a welcome last-minute addition.

As is the case with siblings, my sisters and I often forget how easy it is to regress into the familiar roles of childhood. Regardless of how old we may be or how mature we think we have become, we are still sisters with an antagonistic tendency to fuck with each other's

## Sisters of No Mercy

heads.

"Hey, Jenny," Jane said in a taunting tone of voice.

"Jenny, you watch *Jeopardy!*? Huh?"

"Knock it off, Jane," Jenny snapped.

"What? You don't like *Jeopardy!*? Do you watch it? Jenny?"

"Very funny. Can you just drop it?"

I quickly learned from a grinning Jane that one of the recent answers revealed on *Jeopardy!* was something like, "The term for a female jackass," for which the correct question was, "What is a 'jenny?'"

She was annoyed, but I detected a faint smile on Jenny's lips. I was relieved to see it. Everything is copacetic until somebody loses her cool — after that, there's no telling how much long-term damage

might be done. Jenny and I have been known to rehash arguments we had in elementary school.

"Speaking of television, did you see *20/20*?" Jenny asked, deftly changing the subject. Jane had, I hadn't, so the two of them gave me a brief synopsis, which came in the form of a barrage of fragmented sentences, interrupted and elaborated upon.

"A woman's brain shrinks eight percent when she's pregnant—" Jenny began.

"Yeah, and you're more aware of things around you; your eyes are always moving because you're extra protective of your kids, like I was with Bella, and like I am now."

"Jane, you're *always* like that," I said. "You're the most distracted person I know."

"Right. Anyway," Jenny continued, "I thought the brain would just keep diminishing with each pregnancy, you know, like with Mom, but I guess it grows back six months after the woman gives birth."

"I could kill someone and not think twice if they raised a finger at Bella," Jane added, with a crazy gleam in her eye. "I really could; you have this savage protective instinct—"

"Jane's not a good example," said Jenny. "Now, a *normal* woman— *Ow!* You don't have to hit me."

"Come on, let's go! The boys are dressed, out the door, quick!" my mother

shouted from the other room.

It was chilly and gray when we piled into the minivan, but by the time we found a parking spot, the sun had burned away the cool haze. Having donned sweaters and dismissed the notion of sunscreen back at the house, we were promptly baked. As we descended the long hill that led us into the center of the chaos, the warm, heavy air delivered to our noses the sweet aroma of sugar-drenched fried dough, cotton candy, and popcorn, mingled with the pungent salty scent of sausage and onions.

The children — Jane's daughter Bella (3) and our temporarily absent sister Heather's sons, Liam and Brian (4 and 2, respectively) — were calm, for now. More intent on watching people than browsing the many booths, Jenny and I split off from the stroller-pushers. We didn't get very far ahead of them, though — I was hindered by two layers of stitches, about 24 in all on my backside, the result of the great "mole-removal surgery" that has inspired David to call me "Franken-ass."

An hour and a half of festival seemed to be the limit. Two of the three children had passed out in their strollers and the third's incessant whining caused a chafing sensation in my ears. We were all hungry, tired, and overheated.

"Can we walk a little faster? Let's go," ordered Jenny.

"I need to stop at the drugstore on the

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way home," said Jane.

"Why? What for? We need to go, I'm supposed to meet up with Brad. Come on!"

"Why? Well, for Preparation H, Jenny. For you, because you're a hemorrhoid!" Jane taunted.

"What?"

"That's right. You're a sensitive, itchy, and inflammatory pain in the ass. You're a hemorrhoid, and we're going to get some Prep for you — H." Jane smiled, pleased with her clever, inarguable taunt.

"You're sick in the head," said Jenny.

"Whatever, H... Roid... Jenny."

In the car on the way home, things got loud. Mom drove, I rode shotgun, and Jane, Jenny, and Bella were in the back row, the two boys in front of them. Brian wailed the miserable tune of an overstimulated two-year-old. In an attempt to soothe him, my mother laid down a high-pitched layer of words over the child's cries: "Brian! Look, Brian! There's a lady on a bicycle. Oh, I hope the lady on the bicycle isn't going to fall! Brian, look! Let's watch and make sure she doesn't fall!" The mechanical voice of Buzz Lightyear cut in every three seconds as Liam obsessively pressed the toy's buttons: *Targeting*

*visor, check!... To infinity and beyond!... How dare you open a spaceman's helmet on an uncharted planet!* As a sort of flourish to this clamorous symphony, Jane sang "Afternoon Delight" in Jenny's ear, teasing her because she was in a hurry to meet up with her boyfriend. I was sure my head would pop. To avoid messing the car with my exploded brain, I held it together by pressing my index fingers hard against my ears.

When I arrived home, I was stunned by the sweet silence that greeted me, as though I had finally found the "mute" button of life's remote — even David was quiet, offering a reposeful smile when I walked in the door. Then the phone rang.

"Yo," said Jane.

"Guess what?" She sounded excited. "I just sang the *entire* song, every word, of 'Afternoon Delight,' on Jenny's voicemail!" We both laughed, imagining Jenny's face as she listened to the solo.

Jane has always been good at thinking up seemingly innocuous tortures for her younger sisters. One year she managed to persuade Jenny (the only blonde in our family) that she was adopted, while simultaneously convincing me that I originally had blonde hair but that, since

I was born "unconventionally" (from my mother's rectum during a bowel movement), my hair was forever stained brown. Now that we're old enough to know better, the three of us do our best to get back at our eldest sister.

"I'm gonna call Mom while I do the dishes," Jane informed me. Talking on the phone is how Jane copes with tedious tasks, like doing the dishes, folding laundry, or driving.

"But I was just going to call her," I teased. She took the bait.

"No, don't, I want to do the dishes *now*. Don't call for like 20 minutes."

"I'm gonna call in ten. Better yet, I'll call in five, that way you'll just be getting into your conversation," I said, smiling.

"I'll hurt you," Jane warned.

"Right, first you gotta catch me, prego."

"I'll kick you in your ass. Right in the *stitches*," she threatened.

"Bitch. I'm dialing her on my cell phone right now—"

I chuckled when she disconnected the call, picturing her frantically keying Mom's number into her phone. I stared at my cell phone for a moment and then dialed.

"Hey, Jenny," I said. "Have you checked your messages?" ■

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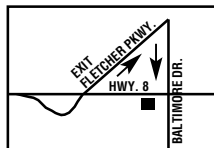
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## Cold Murder Case Heats Up

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A murder from 1987, whose crime scene was documented by Lieutenant Dick Carey and whose thick binder signaled much physical evidence and a detailed inquiry. There were fingerprints, 11 usable “latent lifts.” The majority belonged to the victim; 2 or 3 were from an unidentified person. “It took me less than two minutes,” Brian Burritt told me nearly three years after his discovery, “to see the evidence I wanted to test. There’s a blood trail leading from the body in the house to the stolen car — and the blood was *in* the car.” He read on.



Top: Getaway car; bottom: Thompson's house, site of murder



o itself, and especially not to a mostly white police force.



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Brian Burritt

The victim was William H. Thompson, an African American real estate developer, 61. Thompson had been stabbed 55 times in a bedroom of his Emerald Hills home. Not only was blood evidence retained; so, too, were the knives used in the stabbing, the victim's clothing, and liquid swabs taken from his orifices. The case had a high degree of "solvability," a bit of clunky jargon favored by detectives and district attorneys. A blood trail also meant there was a "bleeder," from which Burritt hoped he could identify DNA that might lead to the killer. Intrigued, he went to the Central Library and consulted the newspaper bank. He read that Thompson was the owner and publisher of the *San Diego Voice and Viewpoint*, the only black-oriented daily in the city, whose size and circulation Thompson had doubled within two



Bob Donaldson

years of buying the paper in 1984; he read that the victim ran W.H. Thompson and Associates, which built and managed low-income apartment units in Southeast San Diego; he read that Thompson's funeral at Calvary Baptist Church, a great wooden bowl of worship, attracted 500 people, among them San Diego's black political and business elites. The pallbearers included city coun-

cilmember William Jones and county supervisor Leon Williams. A woman sang the Negro spiritual, "Soon a Will Be Done the Troubles of This World." Even the day itself was special, the newly proclaimed federal holiday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a sign not lost on Dr. W.P. Cooke, pastor emeritus of the Shiloh Baptist Church in Sacramento, who gave the eulogy. Thompson was a "great

humanitarian," Cooke thundered from the Calvary pulpit, a man being honored "on the celebrated birthday of another great humanitarian, Dr. Martin Luther King, each a tragic waste, a loss to the world." "Wow," Burritt recalled thinking, "this guy was an important businessman. This would be a great case to crack." The Thompson murder book had also told Burritt that

after a thorough processing of the crime scene and flatfoot inquiries, the case had gone ghostly quiet. The binder lay closed — no witnesses, no suspects, no leads — for 16 years.

Burritt, 37, has a widow's peak, close-clipped red hair, and a soul patch, a neat triangle of hair, under his lower lip. The UCSD grad savors long and winding explanations; he mixes testimony and fact, revealing a passion for helping families and victims find closure. His specialty is DNA-profiling — the genetic identification of criminal perpetrators — which, he said, is now the "keystone evidence" in thawing out these crimes. In 11 years with the forensic biology lab, Burritt has seen changes in DNA technology since 2000 that have made his job "unrecognizable" from the system it was, even in the 1990s. Though the technology is

commonplace and often incontrovertible at trial, people should, he counseled, resist the claims of the CSI TV dramas (which he admits to watching) — the idea that DNA-profiling sprouts sudden case-ending results. *Bingo!* as the cocky or babe TV criminalist says. Nothing in police work, he noted, is quick or foolproof.

When the cold-case unit was first formed in 1995, DNA analysis was in its infancy. We all remember O.J. Simpson's murder trial that year as the first big DNA case. Although Simpson's blood was found at the crime scene (the probability was, only 1 person in 57 billion could match his DNA), the defense successfully argued that the Los Angeles Police Department had mishandled that blood or contaminated the scene. By 2000, however, DNA profiling was the rage, the best murder-cracking

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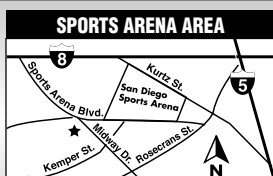
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tool since Sherlock Holmes's deductions. In San Diego, there are some 600 unsolved murders; a few are more than 40 years old. Initially, when Burritt and the cold-case unit took stock of this backlog, they prioritized the homicides by method and by liquid evidence: sex-related murders, then death by stabbing, strangulation, and bludgeoning. With strangled victims, Burritt said he seeks "fingernail scrapings; hopefully, the person dug in and took some flesh out." He scours the murder books for evidence of blood, semen, sweat, or saliva that might adhere to a cap, a pair of sunglasses, a condom, a beer can. The largest number of unsolved cases are firearm-related homicides. Drive-by shootings leave scant, if any, clues — that's why they're a popular way to terrorize and kill.

By 2003, there was a standardized method for

collecting and profiling DNA, which was bolstered by easily searchable and widening national databases. Managed by the FBI, CODIS, or Combined DNA Index System, is the storehouse of criminal DNA profiles. There are two indices. The first is the offender index, comprising DNA profiles from nearly 3.5 million felons. The second is the forensic index, which houses, to date, 148,000 DNA profiles from unsolved cases. In the forensic index are some 1500 profiles of San Diego crimes. Every day, new DNA profiles are added to the forensic index. Every Monday, the forensic index compares all its own profiles for duplication and compares its profiles to those in the offender index. The hope is that a new forensic profile can be matched to a prisoner or an ex-prisoner.

To work Thompson's murder, Burritt first

retrieved the brown paper bags of evidence — clothing, knives, and blood — collected at the 1987 crime scene, also stored in the department's basement. Burritt's work space is a corner office on the sixth floor of the downtown blue-and-white police headquarters. There, he donned plastic gloves and cleaned his counter. He scissors-opened the sealed bags and pulled out the evidence he would examine for DNA. He first had to establish Thompson's DNA profile. Using a moistened Q-Tip, Burritt ran the cotton swab along a swatch containing saliva taken from Thompson's mouth at the autopsy. He put that in a vial. Next, he ran a wet Q-Tip over a blood swatch from a bloodstain that was found on Thompson's hallway floor. He put that in another vial. These vials were cycled through the DNA-profiling process in

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the department's forensic lab. Within a month, Burritt got the results he wanted. The hallway bloodstain came back as "an unknown male," which "excluded the victim." Was this the perpetrator?

With this DNA profiling success, the job of re-opening the investigation fell to homicide detective Bob Donaldson, who supervises the cold-case unit. The 27-year police veteran told me that he was drawn in by the rare "overkill" of Thompson's death. Why all those stab wounds? "If it's hatred," he said, "a killer will go for the upper torso or the face. Shoot them in the face. Bludgeon them to death in the face type of thing, if it's hatred, versus 'I'm just going to burglarize you and shoot you in the chest.' It's the amount of stab wounds that's a red flag. Why would you stab someone 55 times versus stab somebody once or twice? Think to yourself, 'What is going to cause somebody to do that?'" Donaldson, whose brown eyes are lusterless and no-nonsense, also said that in his experience it's "not uncommon" for a stabber to cut himself. Pushing a knife to the hilt, his hand often slips onto the blade.

Donaldson refused to guess why Thompson was stabbed so many times. But he compared this case to another, in which a son killed his parents. The son killed the father by hitting him on the head just once. The son "hated" the mother "so badly that he beat her about the head until, basically, she had no face left." But in Thompson's demise, Donaldson saw that the investigating detectives found no such familial anger. Never married, Thompson had an elderly male cousin in Detroit and an elderly female cousin, Sadie Craft, who lived across the street from Thompson in a home he had just pur-

chased for her. Thompson had wielded his power as a publisher and a politically savvy developer in Southeast to rail against drug pushers, so someone from that underworld might have wanted him silenced. But

during their search, the police apparently found no one who wanted to silence him *that* bad.

It was an enigma — the viciousness of the murder and its freakish intimacy. But in the late 1980s, there simply wasn't

time for investigators to ponder that or any enigma. With San Diego's murder rate racing higher, detectives were called to the next drive-by shooting, drug hit, domestic murder. In 1987, Thompson's slaying

would be one of 106. The killings only got worse. In 1988, 144 murders; in 1990, the highest ever, 159. Up to 50 percent of these crimes in the first year of inquiry would go unsolved.

**The Murder**  
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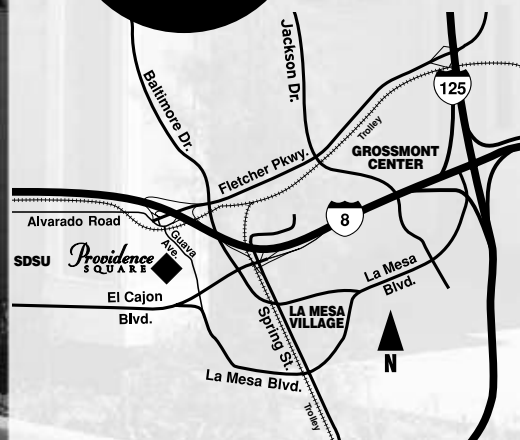
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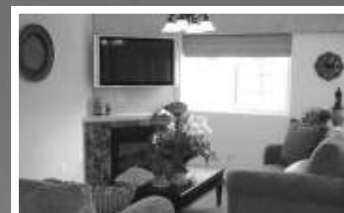
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There, he had been elected secretary, another post to add to those he already held in building organizations and at the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. According to Anna Brown, a business associate and friend, Thompson spent part of Monday, the 12th, collecting rents from tenants. She said that, as usual, he had a pouch full of cash and checks, which he took home with him that evening, preferring to make a deposit the next day. How did she know? She telephoned Thompson at least three times that evening at his home, and she said later, he told her that he had some \$6000. Her last call was around 9:00 p.m.

The units that Thompson owned were, according to Charles Davis, a man who worked for Thompson at the time, "low-grade apartments on Euclid and

Imperial, and 28th and Imperial." At 50, Davis is an ebulliently friendly and community-oriented developer who speaks with a treble excitement in his voice. He runs Urban-West Development and oversees projects for the Jacobs Family Foundation, a Southeast-based philanthropic group that serves underinvested neighborhoods. Davis attributes his success to a long apprenticeship with Thompson, whom he recalls as "a father figure and a role model." Fresh out of UCLA in 1979, Davis wanted to learn business development and Thompson took him on. Right off, Thompson's sloppiness showed itself "when we'd collect rent, have cash, and then go to his house. In any community business, things leak out. Your habits get known. Your money habits. Taking the rents home rather than leaving the money in the

office — I thought there was danger in that for Bill."

The money on his person was one thing. But something else bothered Charles Davis. Thompson rented his units to low-income people, a few of whom dealt drugs. They'd dispense the highly addictive crack cocaine out the front door "like a pharmacy," Davis said. It was a time when the cheap drug was taking over America's poor communities — crack pipes and free-basing and crazy-ass highs: Len Bias's overdose and Richard Pryor's self-immolation. Thompson "despised junkies," Anna Brown said. He began publishing the names of convicted drug dealers in the *Voice and Viewpoint*. During the summer of 1986, according to the *San Diego Union*, he "led a group of landowners in evicting known drug dealers from apartments and gave police the

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names, addresses and license numbers of drug dealers working the street." In Barrio Sherman, one resident said, "I would come out and go to work at 5 in the morning and there would be 10 or 15 people in the streets" selling dope. "From this corner to that corner, it was chaos." The resident and other neighbors praised Thompson as "instrumental" in keeping the drug merchants at bay.

Once names appeared, the staff of the newspaper received threatening calls. Gloria Vinson, the paper's office manager, said that the staff debated the wisdom of publishing these names and persuaded Thompson to stop the practice. "I just felt that was too dangerous," Vinson told the *San Diego Evening Tribune*. "We're a newspaper; we shouldn't be sitting ducks for a crime." In 1988, Anna Brown recalled to the

*Evening Tribune* that the car and the home of a staff member at Thompson and Associates had been shot at. She also said that the cops "supported the newspaper war against drugs, until 'it got too hot in the kitchen.'" According to the paper, "Thompson himself gave up the campaign after he realized he would not get the kind of police protection he had expected."

Things got so bad that Thompson put Charles Davis, along with three other employees — Charles Harrington, Dmitri Glover, and Stanley Phillips — on "drug watch." Thompson would tell them to undertake a "constructive eviction." With a golf club, Davis would announce himself, bang on the door (the addresses came from the neighbors' complaints), and wait ten seconds. Then he'd open the door with his set of keys. First thing he'd hear was the toilet flushing. Club aloft,

he'd order, *Get out!* Sure, he called the police. But the cops wouldn't show, he said. They wanted proof, or they told him to follow the law: serve them 30 days' notice. Thompson approved of the vigilantism. Problem solved, for the time being.

That Monday evening, January 12, 1987, after Thompson had finished his rounds, after dinner and a drink at the Chee-Chee Club or at another bar he frequented downtown, he went home. Sometime he had put a load of clothes in the washer but hadn't started the cycle. It's possible that he'd been driven around by one of his young male drivers, who, according to one friend, "he treated like servants." Thompson's home at 5298 Roswell Street in Emerald Hills was a hill topper, with a stellar view of the San Diego shipyards, the high-stepping Coronado bridge, and the Pacific.



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His home had just been added onto — a two-car garage, two new upstairs bedrooms, and a west-facing deck — by Charles Davis. Davis had left Thompson to pursue his own development interests but had returned to help his mentor after Thompson had undergone quadruple bypass

surgery in 1986.

During the remodel, Thompson requested that Davis install a state-of-the-art alarm system as well as several steel security doors on the outside and the inside of his home. To enter the residence, one needed to ring the bell beside an outdoor security gate. Thompson, Davis said, "wanted to open his front door and see who was out there." If he knew the visitor, he would buzz him into a small porchlike stoop, or entryway. The front door and the kitchen door were security doors. Davis also put in a steel door on Thompson's bedroom at the bottom

of the stairs inside the house. "I thought it was a little strange," Davis continued, "that he'd be overly conscious about security — but he was right." Charles Wilson lives three houses away from Thompson's former house on a street perpendicular to Thompson's. Wilson is an insomniac. From his porch, 'round midnight, he'd see Thompson hold what Wilson called "political meetings," all night. Men came and went from his house regularly, Wilson said. He didn't think it strange; this was how the wheeler-dealers worked. He did think it strange that Thompson told him

in late 1986 that if he, Wilson, ever saw anything suspicious-looking at the house to call the police immediately.

Charles Davis knew something else about Thompson that only his male friends knew and his female friends may have suspected. Bill Thompson was gay. Not quietly gay, not closeted, but active. By most accounts, relentlessly, daringly active. "I knew he liked boys," Davis said. Boys? I asked. "Young men," Davis clarified. "I'm not going to say boys. Seventeen to 22. I knew about it, but I was kind of distant from it. I would see him with



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young men at his home." It was a predilection for the boyish type. Trolled for them at pickup sites. Asked them to stay the night or a few days. Grew tired of them and moved on. Every man I spoke with who knew Thompson said his desire was hidden in plain sight: Thompson liked the danger — he employed guys to chauffeur him during the day and sleep with him at night; he frequented the peep shows on Fifth Avenue to proposition the young ones; he not only paid good money for sex but also carried a cash-packed wallet or kept a money pouch at home. As much as Thompson could be hustled, he was a hustler himself, liking his sex both ways — what was done to him, he did to others. According to his friends, Thompson never talked about his penchant. He maintained a straight persona, entering a nightclub or a char-



Carl Arensen

ity event with a woman on his arm. But in the right venues, he made it known he was available. Almost daily.

It was sometime in the early evening, cer-

tainly before eight, when Thompson arrived home. Either someone or a group came home with him or someone or a group called on him that night and he let them in.

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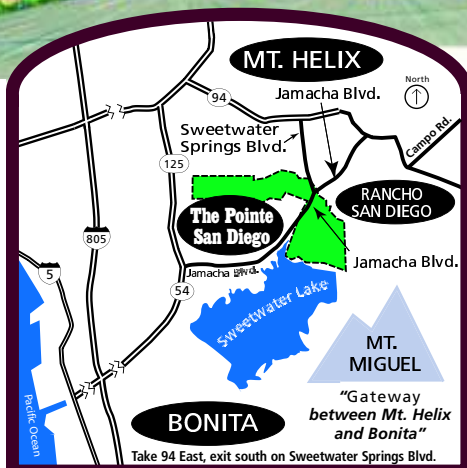
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Near 10:00 p.m., Thompson went into the downstairs bedroom. The bed was made, un-slept-in, as Thompson had another bed for sleeping. He flipped on the overhead light, then the nightstand lamp with its red bulb. He turned the overhead off. He dumped his car keys on a dresser, beside other rings packed with keys, extra sets for his rentals. He turned on the TV. A portly 202 pounds, he was dressed in a short-sleeve dark blue nylon shirt, dark brown pants with a black belt, brown socks, and light tan leisure shoes. He had on a pair of dark blue jockey shorts. In his rear pants pocket was a key ring with eight keys. In his front pocket, a handkerchief. In his shirt pocket, business cards and a pen. On his wrist was a Timex watch. Into the bathroom he carried a toothbrush case and a brown vinyl toilet kit, plus a light-colored towel. His dress, his accoutrements, his routine, and the unlocked security door to *this* room, added up — Thompson was getting himself ready for sex. Setting and situation also said he was unsuspecting. In the drawer beside the bed were packets of Dentyne and Juicy Fruit gum as well as three jars of Vaseline. Plus a package of Zig-Zag

rolling papers. For him? For his liaisons? (He wouldn’t be the first to indulge a vice he hated in others.) In the bathroom, he brushed his teeth, washed up, added a dash of cologne. He was still attractive, his bearing

regal, underscored by the fine hands and the large gold ring. Coming out, he was surprised. The toilet kit and toothbrush case and towel flew to the floor. Some group or *someone* came at him with a knife.

Thompson put his hands up to defend himself. A knife slashed at his hands, then at his face. *They-he — came at him.* He was stabbed or cut once in the eyebrow, four times in the right cheek, once in the jaw, twice in

the chin. In the right lower lip. In the ear. In the neck. In the clavicle. He plunged back into the nightstand. The lamp crashed to the floor and broke; the bulb survived intact. He was stabbed three times on the scalp,

three times on the right shoulder, one perforated all the way to the lung, eight inches deep. *They-he — kept coming.* He fell onto a blue upholstered swivel chair to the right of the bathroom’s entrance. The chair upended and

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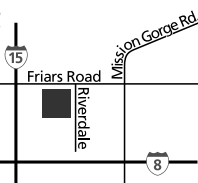
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slumped to the floor, his head landing on the cracked lamp base, his toupee unhinged and flopped to the side inelegantly. *Give in and it'll stop.* His right arm curled under him. The blood soaked into the carpet and stained his toupee.

The autopsy, from which most of the preceding is taken and which was completed the next day by Dr. Lee Bockhacker, a pathologist with the San Diego County medical examiner's office, detailed each of the 55 wounds. In sum, the knives were of different sizes, some  $\frac{1}{16}$  inch thick, some  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch thick. The length of the wounds varied from  $\frac{1}{16}$  inch to  $1\frac{7}{8}$  inch, the depth, superficial to 8 inches. At the

end, Bockhacker listed the two fatal wounds.

- Fatal stab wound No. 40 with perforation of right chest wall, diaphragm, liver, retroperitoneum, and head of pancreas.  $1\frac{7}{8}$  by less than  $\frac{1}{16}$  wound. Four inches deep.
- Fatal stab wound No. 42 with perforation of left chest diaphragm, retroperitoneum, abdominal aorta, and penetration of lumbar vertebrae,  $1\frac{7}{8}$  by less than  $\frac{1}{16}$  wound. Six inches deep.
- Massive hemoperitoneum and retroperitoneum hemorrhage.

In other words, these thrusts tore into Thompson's internal organs from which rivulets of blood flowed.

For the next 11 hours, as Thompson lay on his chest, his position may have slightly slowed the blood seeping inside and out of his chest. But once his aorta was lacerated and the hemorrhaging had begun, he would have gone unconscious within a minute. If there was a final agonal event, he would not have been aware of it.

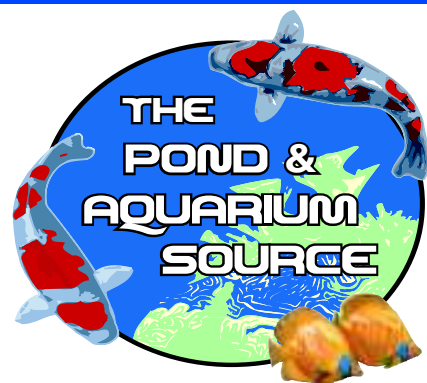
The attack was furious, bestial, angry beyond degree. Only the stillness of his dead body on the floor countered the unimaginable horror of such an attack, its brutality, its evidence of the killers' or a killer's savage perversity. This wasn't a mere robbery or burglary, although the \$6000 that Anna Brown says Thompson told her he had collected that day was never found. This killing had a motivation: *to murder slowly, with extreme pain and terror.* It was the rare insane death-by-stabbing in which 53 of the 55 cuts or stabs weren't fatal; only two deep piercings were. To be stabbed *until* he was dead or at least until he stopped trying to live.

But there was something else, a final degradation, bordering on the ritualistic. One knife, from a right trajectory, went into his neck. It remained sticking up. Another knife, from a left trajectory, went into his neck, beside the first knife. It remained sticking up. Then a barbecue fork went in, three inches from the two knives. It remained sticking up. All three implements stuck up like banderillas, applied by a matador in the neck of a bull. And left *in*.

About 11 hours later, Charles Wilson was backing his car out of Sadie Craft's driveway; he was taking Thompson's cousin to a 10:00 a.m. doctor's appointment. Both noticed that Thompson's porch light was still on. Wilson parked in Thompson's

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driveway and entered the partially open kitchen door at 9:35 a.m. He saw three things he would never forget. First was "blood droppings from the kitchen all the way to his bedroom." Second was Thompson's slumped body on the floor with the knives and fork sticking out. And third was a box set of cutlery, overturned and lying on the corner of the bed, the bedspread pulled back. Some of the knives were still in their paper sheaths; others were stained with blood. Wilson rushed upstairs, plugged in the phone, and called 911. Within the hour, after homicide detectives Dick Carey, Arthur Beaudry, and Lieutenant Phil Jarvis arrived, a question was born, in Wilson's mind and in the minds of the detectives: What in the killer or killers triggered such madness?

Which invited a second question. If Thomp-

son had turned off the alarm system, answered routine phone calls, switched on the TV, and readied himself for an encounter or an evening he thought benign, then what did he miss in the visage of this man or group of men whom he knew and allowed into his home?

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ing the 1980s, he was lionized in the black community as a latter-day Alonzo Horton. Thompson was Southeast San Diego's most prominent businessman. He ran Thompson and Associates, a diversified land and real estate development firm, located at 4671 Market Street; he owned a few Popeye's Famous Fried Chicken and Biscuits franchises, one in Mission Valley; his antidrug campaign and low-income building projects are still remembered as visionary; and he was the organizer of Gateway, a project that would have been Southeast's first large black-owned shopping center.

Willie Morrow was

one of Thompson's oldest friends, meeting him when Thompson arrived here in 1968. Morrow is a longtime San Diego hairdresser and businessman who once owned the popular radio station 92.5. Today, Morrow works out of a shop in Lemon Grove, Bobby's Diversified Products. There, he sells hair-care products under the name California Curl as well as publishes the *San Diego Monitor News*. At 66, Morrow retains his trademark long braids, though there are photos scattered around his office of a debonair man in a blue tux with curly short hair from a different era.

Morrow, who speaks with a refined Southern accent, said that Thomp-

son was "a genius of a man and a great community leader." In the late 1960s, "The first wave of black success here came through the Economic Opportunity Commission, when blacks got into the poverty movement. Bill was part of that block-grant money — free money that you could upgrade black communities with. Bill believed you should milk the system for all it's worth." Thompson "could do something I could never do — mortgage himself up to the ying-ying." To indicate, Morrow held a hand at eye level. "I would be scared to death to mortgage my soul. Not Bill. He was a master with juggling things. Bill enjoyed

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paperwork, the process, the chase. Pursuing it" gave him a thrill.

In San Diego, "Businessmen and political leaders gravitated to him because he was brilliant. He loved the politics, he loved the public relations. He was a great lobbyist." Morrow recalled the mid-1980s golden era of black enterprise, when Thompson was spearheading development. A city-owned parcel in Southeast was designated commercial property and called Gateway. At that time there was still no big-box food store in Southeast; the community was dominated by corner groceries and liquor stores, high-markup retailers. If anyone wanted better prices,

they had to drive — or take a bus — elsewhere. Thompson believed he could change that. Using his good credit with Great American First Savings Bank (formerly San Diego Federal), which had loaned Thompson \$26 million over a period of 15 years, Thompson applied for the right to spearhead Gateway. In 1984, at a packed meeting of cheering supporters, Thompson and Great American Development Company, a subsidiary of Great American bank, won exclusive negotiating rights to bring in a super-market chain. Now all the developer needed was a Safeway to sign up.

Thompson spent two years trying, but no chain came forward. Even the

editors of the *San Diego Union* were, they confessed in an editorial, "mystified" as to why no store signed on, particularly since Southeast's population had reached 100,000. Though prop-

"Bill was making friends, he was making progress, but he wasn't making money."

erty values were low, the crime rate remained high; Thompson's hopes sank. By the summer of 1986, he had given up.

Just before Thompson's death, the Southeast Economic Development Corpora-

tion, with funding from Sol Price, took over the development. Gateway Marketplace, a retail store, opened as the 50,000-square-foot anchor tenant. But the community did not sup-

port it, and the store closed in 1988. Within months, a members-only Price Club (today, Costco) replaced Gateway Marketplace. According to Morrow, Thompson had promised him 40,000 square feet for his various

businesses at Gateway. "He factored us in," Morrow said, "because it was going to be a black redevelopment." According to Morrow, "The SEDC changed their concept and said, 'We don't want a black tenant in there. Because whites won't come. So let us get our white anchor tenants in there, and then we'll bring the blacks in.' " In 1990, three years after Thompson's death, Morrow was told at last that he could build something modest on the site. But by then "the real estate market was in the sewer. How is a poor little black boy ever going to be successful when they deal me that hand? You've got to help the little guy: that's the foundation of Amer-

ica. To this day, there is not one black business, even in the industrial park" that surrounds Gateway.

During the 1980s, Morrow said, "Bill was making friends, he was making progress, but he wasn't making money. Bill had a way of going to the bank and getting the bank to refinance a property" on which he owed debt, "but he had this much wealth," a hand hovered over the desk, and "this much debt," that hand rose a couple of feet in the air.

Charles Davis recalled that Thompson's "air of success" always preceded him, whether it was playing the dozens at the barbershop or reporting to a city council. He

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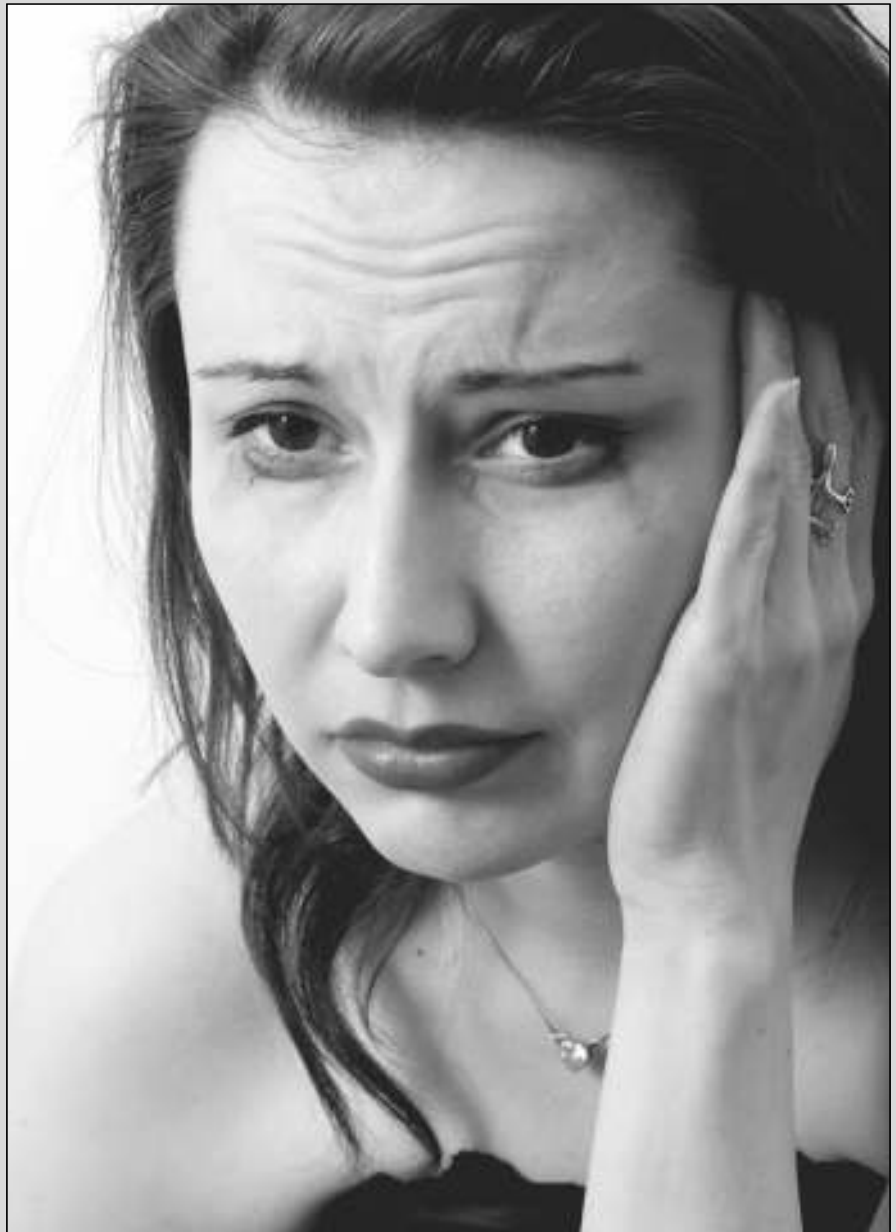
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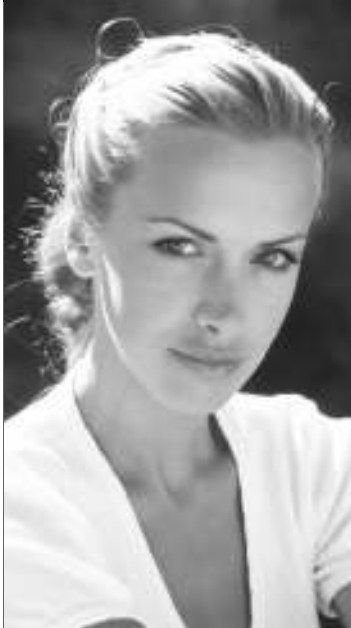
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attracted the small-guy and good-friend investor with oral agreements or handshakes. He “may have taken some money,” Davis said, “from so-called partners. That was his M.O. He may have promised certain things. He had a history of that kind of stuff. Some of his relationships were pretty explosive — that was kind of a weakness.”

Thompson’s “weakness” did indeed have a history, his criminal past. In 1968, Thompson came to San Diego when he was hired as the deputy director of the city’s Eco-

nomic Opportunity Commission. The following year, the *San Diego Independent* profiled him with banner headlines: “The Amazing Double Life of William H. Thompson.” Thompson was a federal parolee, having done time for “theft of government property.” The saga began in Sacramento, where Thompson had moved after being released from the Army in 1954. He’d become well-connected in Sacramento’s black community: an organizer and leader of the Voice of Inspiration Choir (a boys’

choir), a Baptist church official, a candidate for the Sacramento board of education, and a consultant to a state education committee. For the last job, he was hired (\$800 a month) to study the high school dropout problem. But Thompson had a rival undertaking that countered his public persona: with several accomplices, beginning in 1960, he was smuggling electronic equipment — electron tubes, walkie-talkies, field radios — out of the Sacramento Army Depot. For five years, Thompson fenced the goods through

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“an intricate network of outlets.” The stuff came out in garbage trucks: the driver and a man on the inside of the base were on the take. Thompson bought the material, then sold it out of a friend’s garage in Los Angeles. The demand was high because Thompson’s prices were cheap. Prosecutors said that he received \$200,000, which was one-fifth of the \$1 million that the government had paid for the items.

Thompson was convicted on two counts of theft and receipt of stolen government property; he was sentenced in April 1965 to ten years in prison; he was released from McNeil penitentiary two years later, in June 1967. He carried a restitution order for \$200,000, which he was, read the profile, “paying off by the month.” Apparently many thought he’d been rehabilitated: he was hired first by the Sacramento Economic Development Agency at \$600 a month. One year later, in 1968, he got the San Diego job. Chosen from seven applicants, he was given a \$13,500 salary. The *San Diego Independent* snooped some more and found that Charles Reid, chairman of the board of San Diego’s Economic Opportunity Commission, knew about Thompson’s past. “The EOC,” he said at the time, “makes an attempt to get back into the mainstream those who have been in trouble.” Even Governor Ronald Reagan’s office was “aware that Thompson had had some problems.”

A few years later, Thompson became the executive director of the San Diego Neighborhood Development Corporation, an affordable-housing agency. This new employer may have also dug into his past, because in 1973 Thompson went on trial, with two others, for embezzlement. Only Thompson was con-

victed. His sentencing was delayed when three men broke into his home and one of them shot him. The *Union* reported that “the bullet entered Thompson’s left chest, struck and broke a rib,

and exited through the back.” (It seems that shooting was never solved.) Later that year, Thompson served six months.

Upon his release, Thompson devoted him-

self to building back his empire, which, over the next ten years, would make him a paper millionaire. His image also needed a makeover. This showed itself in the elegant suits and silk hand-

kerchiefs he wore. His image was also stoked by what seemed a newfound magnanimity at church, especially with the boys.

To get back into the good graces of the community he had embezzled

from, Thompson became an active member of Calvary Baptist Church in Logan Heights. Barbara Andrews, now 75, was a churchgoing friend of Thompson’s. She said that he managed the

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youth choir at Calvary Baptist. The ages were 13 to 18, and “Bill would show up at all the rehearsals and concerts,” be a kind of “sponsor, keeping attendance, things like that.” One of the boys in that choir is today Reverend Michael Wilson, of the New Bethel Baptist Church. In the 1980s, at its peak, Calvary Baptist had 3000 members; the youth choir, 170 voices. Wilson remembered that Thompson “was always there,” active with the Sunday school and with the choir: he gave money and acted as an “escort” on singing engagements. To be homosexual “in those days was not cool,” he said. “It was kind of like ‘don’t ask, don’t tell.’

But I never seen the man in any type of inappropriate behavior.”

What kind of man was Bill Thompson during his heyday in San Diego? Willie Morrow never thought of his friend as being tortured by his double life: he enjoyed his persona and his real self where appropriate. “I was Bill’s hairstylist. Bill wore a toupee. I didn’t come cheap. I do a very prestigious hairpiece. I don’t glue it on; I sew it on. I put the hairpiece on his bald spot, then I sew it, all the way around, to his hair. Like surgical stitches. Naturally, I could determine Bill’s lifestyle.” Typically, Morrow would check a client’s toupee every 30 days; the natural hair

would have grown in and loosened the piece. “But with Bill there were times when I did his hairpiece and two days later it would be loose, real loose. I would say, ‘You’re really abusing this.’ ”

The Tuesday morning Thompson’s body was found, Morrow drove by the house before 9:00 a.m. He saw the kitchen door was wide open. He noticed that the porch light was on and that Thompson’s blue Oldsmobile Toronado was gone. Later that morning, Morrow heard from Sadie Craft that Thompson had been murdered. He believes that sometime that day or the next the police let him into the bedroom, where he saw the blood and the

crime scene, though by then Thompson’s body had been removed.

The first thing that Morrow felt was anger: What in the world had his friend got himself involved in? He said that Thompson’s death “wasn’t high crime; it wasn’t a Mafia hit. It was down here,” and he lowered his hand to a foot above the floor to show how low. “Come on, man. You’re an intelligent man. You don’t play at that level. And you certainly don’t get yourself locked into emotions that lead to this kind of thing.”

Next, a wave of guilt rose in Morrow, guilt at his own negligence. He and his pals in the barbershop had played along with Thompson’s

bravado with the ladies. “We were making him feel that he was snowing us — and he knew that he wasn’t snowing us neither. Bill was too polished. He would say, ‘Now, Brother Morrow, did you see that fine lady that gave that award last night on the stage?’ This was his favorite word: cattery [coterie]. ‘A whole cattery of fine ladies were there last night.’ Bill was always having you look this way to keep you from looking that way.” Some people, he said, “knew Bill’s lifestyle well and knew the type of individuals he was attracted to. But as long as he didn’t do it around *our* house, we really endorsed it. We were saying it was okay. So long as he wasn’t fish-

ing in our pond, it was okay. And that’s what’s shameful about it now. The male community was in denial, and most of the female community didn’t know. We all turned our heads and looked the other way.”

It’s complex, what Morrow has understood in the 20 years since his friend’s murder. For one, the irony of being his friend’s hairdresser is not lost on him: by making Thompson look good, he may have inadvertently drawn in the man who killed him. For another, he believes that “those small apartments Bill was renting on Imperial led to his demise.” How so? “The kind of neighborhood players, the kind of traffic that other folk

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wouldn't rent to — Bill rented to them. Those guys got followings. Guys who hang out, don't work, work half-time, gamble at night, come out in the dark. They weren't necessarily drug peddlers."

That morning, when Morrow peered in the bedroom, "I saw anger, madness, hurt. When I went to prepare his hair for the funeral, when I looked at his arms, I became very angry. Because he was cut. He was just cut up. Sliced. Gashed." Morrow's hand fast-cut the air with

slices — *swish, swish, swish* — the scythe of the reaper. "I saw a mad situation there. I began to put two and two together. Me and numerous other guys that I had discussed Bill with — men I care not to name...but we all knew. When he was killed, we all suspected. When I stood there, in the mortuary, and looked at his body" — Morrow's eyes riveted, then his head shook momentarily — "there was anger, not robbery."

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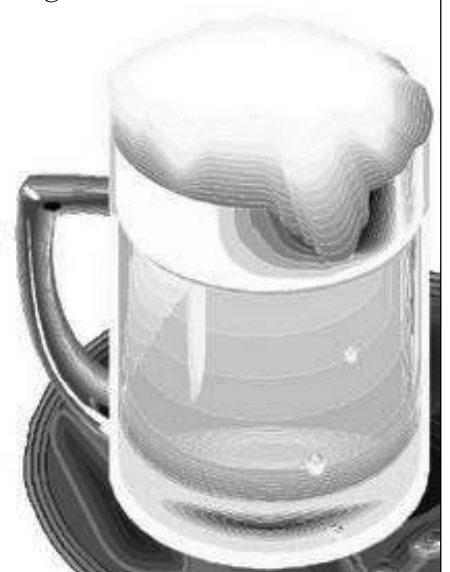
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vidual markers. For instance, if the match probabilities for the first 3 markers are 1 in 5, 1 in 20, and 1 in 10, the combined match probability for these three markers is 1 in 1000. Multiplying the match probabilities for all 15 markers can produce profile match probabilities of 1 in trillions or greater.

On August 12, 2004, Burritt received word that the CODIS database had a match: the DNA profile from the blood evidence taken from the Thompson crime scene matched that of a 38-year-old

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African American who had been swabbed at Centinela State Prison. He was serving 35 years to life for a third-strike burglary. His name was Stanley Ray Clayton. Burritt computed that "the approximate probability that a randomly selected person would have the same DNA profile as the bloodstain is 1 in 110 sextillion." A sextillion is a 1 followed by 21 zeros. Did that prove that Clayton did it? No, but it established that his blood was at the crime scene.

Burritt again perused the blood samples. The trail of blood was substantial. Blood was inside Thompson's right front pants pocket, on the hallway floor, on the door stoop at the kitchen door, on the driveway, on the steering wheel of Thompson's car, on papers and a plastic bag on the front floor of the driver's side of the car.

"From the body, through the home, to the vehicle," multiple bloodstains continued to match Clayton.

Investigating Clayton, detective Bob Donaldson found that he was neither in jail nor prison at the time Thompson was killed. So he wrote up a warrant, which a superior court judge signed, and drove to Centinela in February 2005 and arrested Clayton for William Thompson's murder.

#### The Killer

Born October 28, 1965, 40 years after Thompson's birth, Stanley Ray Clayton Jr. was raised in chaotic and tragic family circumstances in Southeast San Diego. His father was uninvolved while his mother raised Stanley and five other children, his two brothers and three sisters. The mother remarried, but then she

and Stanley's father died while Stanley was still young. The stepfather, who cared for the boy, said that Stanley was lost but was "still a good kid at heart." By the time Clayton was a teenager,

of gangs, drugs, and burglary. According to court records and Clayton's defense attorney, Carl Arensen, between 1977 and 1983 Clayton committed a string of crimes. He began at age 12 with a

time later, he and some buddies robbed two taxi drivers of their fares. In one incident, he used a knife to threaten the cabie. Clayton and his partner were sentenced to four-year terms at the California Youth Authority. It's unknown whether he took part in any education programs while in juvenile lockup. He was "dishonorably discharged" from the Youth Authority in fall 1986.

On April 2, 1987, almost three months after the Thompson murder — for which Clayton was not a suspect — he was arrested for possession for sale of rock cocaine. He pleaded guilty and served three years. In 1992, he knocked down a woman and stole her purse, then later pushed a man into a wall and fled with his wallet. (A charge from 1991 of receiving stolen property was

added on.) Clayton got an eight-year term. He was out in four years and on parole. A probation officer quoted Clayton as saying, "[I] just go up there [to prison] and lift weights, [I'm] getting big.... You know, for some reason I do better in fucking jail than on the streets." One court document contends that Clayton had a "pattern of criminality."

In July 1997, he was charged with burglary in a case for which he maintained his innocence. That year, Clayton and his stepfather had a neighbor, a Hispanic couple, who sold candy and kept their supply in their apartment. One day, Clayton got angry with these neighbors for parking their car in his stepfather's space. A fight ensued: he began cursing the woman as a "stupid Mexican." That evening, according to the woman,

"There was bad blood between Stanley and the woman. He's black, she's Latina. She blamed him for the burglary."

his older sister had died at 28 of a drug overdose while in Las Colinas, the women's jail. (Today, one brother is an alcoholic, the other is in prison. His other two sisters are doing well: one is a legal clerk.) The stepfather couldn't counter the lure

burglary; at 13, a battery at a juvenile camp where he punched another kid, telling the boy to "call me Daddy"; at 15, a charge for being drunk in public; at 16, another burglary; and at 17, a charge for car theft with others who went joyriding. A short

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When the cops found him at 3:00 a.m., Clayton was outside, "huffing and puffing." He said he was tired from climbing the stairs; he had been moving that day and night to another apartment. A girlfriend corroborated his story. Clayton was searched: no candy, no money. In his booking photo, we see a man seemingly surprised by the event: the lone pearl earring, the thick neck,

the long rapierlike line on the forehead suggest putative toughness.

The presiding judge was Richard M. Murphy, who, three years later, would be San Diego's mayor. During the trial, the woman's husband testified that he, too, saw Clayton run from the scene. Liss fought back. He put a woman on the stand who said the victim told her that she couldn't identify the man by face, only by clothing. And that she hated "fucking blacks" and thought "they should all die or at least be locked up." Still, the jury convicted Clayton. "I was crushed by his conviction and by his sentence," Liss said. "I had serious doubts as to his guilt. I spent many sleepless nights thinking that an innocent guy had been convicted. He took it in stride; he thanked me. We had a great relationship. The guy that I knew was

not a hothead. He was very level-headed. A cool customer." Was he violent? "I didn't see him in that light." Liss, who's had experience with murderers, said that Clayton "was a softer, kinder person." Violence "didn't fit the personality I knew." In one motion to the court, Liss wrote that "Mr. Clayton has a lengthy and serious record, but his crimes do not involve injuring other people." Liss did admit that "people do things impulsively on drugs."

Murphy sentenced Clayton, under California's three-strikes law, to 35 years to life.

Just before Thompson's murder, in fall 1986, Clayton turned 21 and was fresh out of the California Youth Authority. In San Diego, he stayed briefly with his stepfather but also began hanging out with a gang of older men, drug ped-

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dlers in the neighborhood. Clayton now had his own habit to support — crack cocaine.

One man who knew William Thompson in San Diego's underground (and may have known Stanley Clayton) at this time is David Ray Brown. Brown, now 64, first arrived in San Diego in 1956 as a teenager after growing up with a sexually abusive stepfather; when he complained to his mother, she stabbed him, her son, with a butcher knife. To survive, Brown, a homosexual, became a street hustler in San Diego, and he's been a part of the black gay underground ever since. By 1959, he was a drag queen and a male prostitute. Brown told me about his colorful history with San Diego cops: "picked up, manhandled, assaulted by the police, resisting arrest, prostitution, man wearing a

woman's clothes, disorderly conduct — until they finally set me up for selling marijuana." For years he was in and out of jail, in and out of prison, once for attempted murder, a charge that was later overturned. In 1981, when he got out of prison, he said, "To hell with this bullshit." He quit hustling and settled down.

Brown, a fragile man whose curly hair is now a yellowy white, recalled Thompson well from gay bars and peep shows. In the 1970s and 1980s, the men would run into each other at pickup spots: Ferris and Ferris, a 24-hour drugstore; Prie's Coffee Shop; Fifth Avenue's Pleasureland, with its magazines and 25-cent arcade that catered to straight men but where gay men or the occasional young hustler nodded to one another. According to Brown,

Thompson "was looking for the same thing I was. Young boys." How young? "Anywhere from 18 to 26," Brown said. "Not no teenagers. Maybe there was teenagers involved, but we didn't know because they were out hustling. They wouldn't tell you their true age. There was probably some who were 16 or 17."

I wondered whether Brown thought Thompson, because of his high profile, was wary about being at the peep show. "He was nervous to a degree," Brown said. "He was secretive. Late at night, he'd come out." Brown saw Thompson as "really strange. I wasn't used to being around people who weren't for 'real.' Everybody knew everybody. We didn't try and hide anything. We accepted him but didn't accept him."

In 1978, Brown had a boyfriend named Robert

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said that he got involved with Davis again in the mid-1980s. One day Davis, who was also a drug addict, tried to strangle Brown, though Brown never reported the incident. It was because of this murder attempt that Brown told the police in 1987 that he thought Robert Ray Davis was Thompson's killer.

Did Brown know Stanley Clayton in 1987? Brown said, "I'm quite sure I remember him because when I talked to the police about him" — in 2005 — "and they showed me a picture," taken in 1997, "I remember seeing him at the time down there by the peep

show, near Fifth and Market Street or up on Market Street and 47th, in that area," the site of Thompson's office. "He was just hanging out. He wasn't gay — not that I know." Brown is certain of his memory because he recalled sensing Clayton's untrustworthiness. "If this is the same person, and I had run into him, I remember a young man who was very shift. You know, you get those vibes. You don't trust him."

Brown has a profile of Clayton, or one *like* him, which befits the hustler. "You take him home and the next thing you know," a day or two later, "everything in your house

is gone." Most of the young guys would "pretend to be gay; they'd say they'd do this, they'd do that, to get you to take them home. They'd scope your place out. Steal it then or come back later with a partner." What if Clayton wasn't gay? How did he get out of sex? Hustlers "would hike the price up. They might quote one price at the park, but once you get home, they might say, 'If I have to do that, I want more money.' Or they would say, 'I can't do anything without drugs. I have to have crystal.'"

Was it possible that Clayton was Thompson's driver and had stayed with him? "Mr. Thomp-

son was the kind of person," Brown said, "who, when he found someone nice-looking like Robert Ray Davis or Stanley Clayton, he would let him come up in his home and stay with him for two or three days."

Brown insisted to the police in 1987 that they needed to look into the black homosexual underground for the killer. Did they? If Thompson's murder went cold within a year, did a lack of inquiry into that milieu — of which Thompson, David Brown, Robert Ray Davis, and, perhaps, Stanley Clayton were members — have anything to do with why it

went cold? Shouldn't a hustler like Clayton have been on the police's radar?

What the police have said about the investigation in 1987 and immediately after is this. There were 11 fingerprints taken from the crime scene. These were "usable," though most belonged to Thompson. A few — 2 or 3 — belonged to someone else who has never been identified, at least publicly. Detectives checked out 29 people between 1987 and 1993, possible suspects who were linked to Thompson; all were fingerprinted. Clayton was fingerprinted when he was arrested on April 2,

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Why does this matter? Clayton was a young black man, handsome, a loner, lost. Arrested in the wake of Thompson's murder, he fit Thompson's predilection to a T—a relevant fact only if the police were focused on Thompson's sexual proclivities. Did they create a profile of a person who might have been allowed, even encouraged, into Thompson's home? Clayton's "San Diego County Central Intake" form from April 2, 1987, reveals a kid who is so doped up that he may have been hustling for drug money. He's just been released from the California Youth Author-

ity; he can't recall his Social Security number; he has no address; he's jobless; he lives with a guy he thinks is named Ben; he gives police a made-up phone number. Did the police contact his parole officer to discover whether Clayton had a sexual or violent history that might make him a suspect?

What about Robert Ray Davis? Was he a suspect after what his former boyfriend David Brown had said: *He's the man who killed Thompson?* Davis had a history of resisting arrest, of violent assaults and robberies with a gun and, allegedly, with a knife. Were his prints run?

Bob Donaldson's arrest warrant for Clayton, filed in February 2005, stated flatly that in 1987 initial leads were investigated by detectives who "continued with numerous other witnesses and interviews. No additional leads and/or possible suspects were identified. All leads had

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The Thompson case went cold fast. In 1988, 15 months after the killing, the *Evening Tribune* ran a follow-up: "William Thompson murder still open, and troubling." Lieutenant Arthur Beaudry said the case, now in a three-inch-thick binder, was ongoing. The police had no names, but they had hunches about the killer (no one used the word *killers*). The killer, Beaudry said, was "frightened away" or "didn't intend to take anything...as there didn't appear to be anything missing." It was true that the next day Thompson's car was found less than three miles away, with bloodstains inside. It was also true that the home's alarm system was off and that Beaudry believed Thompson must have known the killer. Beaudry admitted to following up on connections between Thompson and his anti-drug crusade. But he wouldn't comment on

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In the mind of Thompson protégé Charles Davis, the case went cold for political reasons. "I thought that there was a conspiracy because they didn't want Bill's background to come out. He was a prominent citizen. At the time, Thompson and Associates had deals with Great American, Gordon Luce, Jim Schmidt — big local leaders, close friends, allies, and partners of ours. We did deals with Home Capital; we had contact with the movers and shakers. Thompson was very close friends with Leon Williams and William Jones," the for-

mer, a county supervisor; the latter, a city councilman. "In terms of the city structure and the community — here was this prominent developer, restaurateur, newspaper publisher: maybe they didn't want that part" — his sexual life — "to come out in order to catch the killer. It might have been in the best interest of the city — I don't know; San Diego's a little bit conservative. That's my take on it, not confirmed by anybody."

According to Charles Davis, one of his friends, Charles Harrington, had heard that there was a "guy down on Imperial" who said he knew "who had killed Bill. I gave Harrington's name to" one of the detectives. "After I pass that name on and nobody wants to talk about it, I understand. What can I do? I'm not going to jump up and make a noise." Davis also recalled the "tension"

between the black community and the police during the trial of Sagon Penn, a 23-year-old black man who was acquitted of killing policeman Tom Riggs (and shooting two others) in a 1985 traffic stop. Penn's attorneys argued that the officers, both white, had used excessive force. Penn believed his life was in danger, so the shooting was justified. The jury at the second trial agreed. The case widened the already gaping divide between the police department and the black community. "Maybe the powers that be just didn't want to deal with Thompson's murder," said Davis. "I heard those kinds of rumors come up from the street."

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### The Killer’s Tale

In February 2005, after Stanley Ray Clayton was charged with murdering William Thompson, he was assigned a defense attorney, Carl Arensen. Arensen, whose nickname, Rusty, barely fits his darkening red hair and graying beard, has been with the public defender’s office for 18 years and represented thousands of defendants, most of whom never go to trial. He helps work out a plea deal with the district attorney’s office. But this case, he figured, was headed for trial. District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis appointed deputy district attorney Jeff Dusek to prosecute the case. Arensen, not knowing whether they would seek the death penalty or not, had to believe it was an option. For his part, Dusek believed he could convince a jury that Clayton had done the murder with the “special circumstance” of burglary, which carried the lethal end.

What’s more, the prosecution had a star witness, Vickie Curry, Thompson’s housekeeper in 1986 and 1987. Curry, who is the sister of Thompson’s friend Charles Davis, was going to testify at trial that she had seen Clayton at Thompson’s home several times before the murder. During the media storm that swirled when Clayton’s arrest was made public, Curry saw Clayton’s 1997 photo (taken ten years after the murder) on television. She remembered him

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and contacted the police. According to a police report, she saw Clayton (untidy and probably homeless) in Thompson's home at least three times in December 1986. One time, he and Thompson exchanged words. Curry told Thompson that she thought Clayton was "angry" and "evil." The investigator wrote, "She believes that Clayton was one of the men that Thompson paid to have sex with." She also said that "during the time she cleaned house for Thompson, she saw four men she believed were involved sexually with Thompson. But she doesn't remember anyone other than Clayton." For his part, Clayton denied what Curry alleged about his being at Thompson's home prior to the murder. The real oddity, however, about Vickie Curry is that she was not questioned by the police in 1987.

A pending capital trial was a lot for Arensen to contend with, so he got busy. To marshal a defense, he asked Clayton to tell him what he remembered. Why was his blood at the scene? As Clayton confessed, he became uncomfortable, recalling something he had, in Arensen's words, "put out of his mind." Arensen heard Clayton's tale in several sittings, he spent time studying the police files and the autopsy reports, and he interviewed Clayton's family. He was working on many levels as a more and more fantastic story unfolded from his client. Arensen told me that Clayton's story was sometimes clear, sometimes blurry, both to Arensen as he heard it and to Clayton as he told it. The blur, Arensen speculated, was due to Clayton's longtime drug use, jail time, and the revisioning process of memory itself. As the 39-

year-old Clayton, who'd spent the majority of his adolescent and adult life in lockup, described that January night in 1987, Arensen wondered whether Clayton was fabricating the whole thing or he was telling a secret that had been buried in him for 18 years.

In December 1986, Stanley, two months out of the California Youth Authority, had just turned 21. He was at loose ends. He had no job, and he started hanging out with a group of men he called "older gang members." Stanley may have been in a gang as early as 12, but, Arensen said, he didn't seem like a dedicated member. He was more of a gofer, a tagalong. One night in January, a couple of guys picked up Stanley and told him they were going to Bill Thompson's house. Stanley asked who that was. They told him: a man whose door is always open and who's got loads of cash. Stanley figured "door open" and "money" meant they were going to rob him. But he didn't say anything; he just went along. When the three arrived, Stanley noticed a blue Oldsmobile in the driveway and that the porch light was on. The men rang the bell, and Thompson invited them in.

Stanley said he remembered that he was sitting in the living room watching television. He

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wasn't sure if it was then or later that he and the others — including Thompson, he noted — shared marijuana. The phone rang several times, and Thompson answered it. The two men who brought Stanley also used the phone. The pot put Stanley half out of it. He wasn't sure how long he sat there watching TV. He smoked a cigarette. The other men went with Thompson to another room in the house. He waited.

Suddenly, Stanley awoke to commotion; they were arguing. He headed toward the sounds and heard a scream. Inside the bedroom, he could see: Thompson was on the floor, being stabbed. One of the men was using a knife, which seemed to have come from a box of knives, scattered on the corner of the bed. The other was using his own knife. Stanley said both men had switchblades and both wore gloves. He thought that at that moment he got involved in the melee — Thompson was fighting for his life, being sliced in the arms, flailing in a chair, lurching for a curtain against the window, going down and getting up and being cut down again. Was that when Stanley put a hand to his face and one of the guys cut him? (Arensen reported a scar on Clayton's hand.) It wasn't clear if that's when he was cut; maybe it was later. Stanley staggered to the living room and lit a cigarette. He smoked a bit and put it out. Something pushed him to leave. He thought: Thompson's car in the driveway. Stanley said he ran back to find Thompson on the floor moaning. The two men had left the room, apparently done. On his knees, Stanley frisked Thompson's trouser pocket. No keys. Pulling his hand out, the pocket everted, leaving his blood on the fabric. The men came in and confronted

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him. They told him to stick a knife — or was it the barbecue fork? — into Thompson's neck. Why? "To prove you're with us." Stick it, they told him. If you don't, you're a dead man too. He couldn't remember. He told Arensen that he thought he stuck the fork in and the men stuck knives in. He said that maybe that was the moment he resisted and got cut on his hand. Much later, he wondered whether that was why he'd been brought. The stooge. Leave his prints on a knife handle in the man's neck.

Stanley was terrified. His hand was badly cut. He panicked. He ran through the house, cupping his hand, looking for

the keys. He pulled out drawers. He ran into the living room, to the front door, but it was locked. This fact — recalled during the moment of his confession to Arensen — piqued his memory, helped him crystallize the scene. Why was it locked from the inside? More came back to him. He hustled into the kitchen. Hustled outside. To the car. No keys. Back inside, he searched, finally found keys on the dresser in Thompson's bedroom. He ran out the kitchen door and froze. He heard the two men. They were inside the security gate, on the enclosed stoop, talking with each other. Stanley raced across the yard and jumped into the Olds. The key worked. He

drove down the hill, then two miles west along Imperial to the 3000 block (near one of Thompson's rentals). He left the car beside a convenience store, the keys in it, and ran.

The next day, Stanley

habit, he began a jagged rumination about why they had involved him. The men were going to Thompson's because he was "generous with his money," one of them had said. Thompson liked giving to underdogs,

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said, he left town. He thought the killers would target him next; he was a witness, he might squeal, especially since he wasn't a killer. Or was he? Since he was there, he was an accomplice, a killer in the eyes of the law. On the run, feeding his crack

especially ex-prisoners. After all, Thompson himself was an ex-con, one said. Had they brought Stanley along as a lookout or to drive the getaway car? He wasn't sure. Another possibility. Were they blackmailing Thompson and Thomp-

son wouldn't pay? Is that why they killed him?

Two months later, in March, Stanley told Arensen, he phoned his sister. She said that some older guys were asking about him. They had a message. (The sister didn't know of her brother's involvement in the crime.) The message was: that little mishap Stanley had with them, well, they weren't angry about it anymore. He was forgiven. There was no problem. It was all right for him to come back. So Stanley came back to San Diego. Soon the two killers found him. One of them, a man in his late 20s, said that it wasn't smart for Stanley to have left the scene on his own before they all got their stories straight. Stanley said nothing. The man laughed. "Come on, Stanley," he said, "you shouldn't be afraid of us.

We're your friends." The man said that he was loyal to Stanley, that he would never tell a soul what happened — and Stanley felt the same, didn't he?

The man said that he also understood why Stanley was frightened, because Stanley didn't know the truth. What truth was that? The reason — the reasons — Thompson needed to be killed. They were angry with Thompson for snitching to the police about drug peddlers, printing names in his newspaper. He was threatening their livelihood. And that had to be dealt with. But far worse — *morally* worse — was Thompson's preference for boys, for young men. This, Stanley told Arensen, was the first he'd heard about Thompson's homosexuality. Not long

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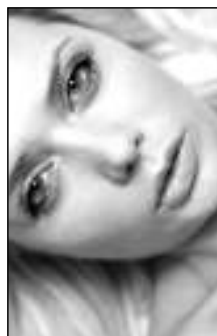
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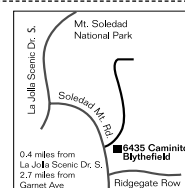
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ago, the man continued, Thompson had gotten too friendly with the son of one of the gang members. Thompson had taken advantage of the boy, and that, Stanley recalled the man saying, "was the last straw." That's why he had to be cornered like prey, hacked to the floor, left dying, *knowing* what he'd done, feeling the wound that sexually molested boy and others like him lived with every day of their lives.

That was it. That was the truth, Stanley told Arensen. It had all come back to him now in a rush, triggered by Arensen's asking questions so he could build a defense. Arensen told me that Stanley had spent years in prison thinking about that night, January 12, 1987, but until that moment had never told anyone. Arensen said Stanley wondered why he was enlisted. Was he being used as bait? Maybe

the two older gang members were negotiating with Thompson so that he could have sex with Stanley? And why didn't he run when Thompson screamed?

The day Arensen got the whole story from Clayton he concluded that Stanley was not guilty of the actual killing. Why? I asked. "Because I believed him." Arensen continued his

study of the murder book, the autopsy report, the crime-scene photos. "There was more than one person involved. Probably three." For one, Arensen thought that the knives found in the home "did not necessarily kill him. When I looked at the wounds, it was obvious that there were different knives used. The wounds were all over the body. So unless one per-

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son was stabbing Mr. Thompson, then rolled him over and stabbed him some more, rolled him over and stabbed him some more — it had to be more than one person. At least two, maybe three.” Only a couple of stab wounds were fatal, while the rest of the stabbing was ritualistic, especially the knives and fork stuck in the neck. “I believe that to have been a message that there were three people involved. It was also a message to Clayton — you better be involved and stick one in there too.” Multiple killers and a reason to conspire better explained the murder than a single killer and an unaccountable rage. This squared with Clayton’s lack of anger, Arensen recalled, a personality trait noted in his prison psych records.

With the story in hand, and the threat of the death penalty,

Arensen searched for evidence of Thompson’s sexual history with minors. He found a Sacramento journalist who once investigated allegations of Thompson’s sexual misconduct with a youth choir in Sacramento. He read the San Diego police reports from 1987. The reports said that the police followed up with some young men who had been sexually involved with Thompson. They looked for suspects at the peep show where he used to hang out. But they didn’t dig into Thompson’s lifestyle. Arensen read in another police report that there was a female friend of Thompson’s who said, in 1987, that she believed the killer was the parent of one of the choirboy members at Calvary Baptist. She told Arensen that she told the police it should be obvious why

Thompson was killed. He was a molester. All the “information tended to show,” Arensen told me, “that someone other than Stanley had a reason to kill Mr. Thompson.” In Arensen’s review of the case, Clayton’s name never came up. Why would it? His client wasn’t a homosexual. The housekeeper, Vickie Curry, who was not interviewed in 1987, had been mistaken. Arensen would build a strong defense were they to go to trial, Dumanis’s probable course. He would explode the whole predatory angle, which, he thought, the prosecution feared more than anything.

As for telling a reporter Clayton’s story — Clayton told Arensen that it was all right with him that Arensen speak once the case had been adjudicated. Those who killed Thompson, Clayton said,

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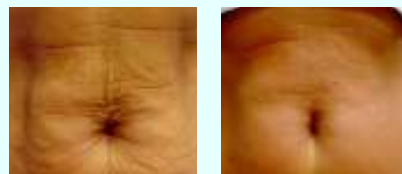
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are serving their own life sentences for other crimes. So long as Clayton doesn't name the others — he never will, he said — he won't have to fear for his life in prison. Clayton told Arensen that he would "die a lot sooner if I point the finger at anybody. I won't point a finger at anyone. I'd take the death penalty because I'd live longer."

The most nagging question is what reason would Clayton have had to kill Thompson? A cocaine high? A come-on by Thompson that Clayton indulged and felt ashamed of? Even if he had hustled Thompson and felt dirty afterwards, why stab him 55 times? Arensen said that such viciousness was not in Clayton. Nor was there any sexual intimacy with Thompson or any man that Arensen was aware of. And yet, in terms of Clayton's fate, all this

didn't amount to anything. Stanley Ray Clayton bled at the scene; his blood trail was in at least six spots inside and outside Thompson's home and inside Thompson's car. So he would have to plead to that charge. No matter who else was there or may have been there, the prosecution had him nailed.

### The Plea

In late March 2005, Arensen set up a meeting with Bonnie Dumanis, assistant district attorney Jessie Rodriguez, and Jeff Dusek to explore a plea deal for Clayton. Before arriving, Arensen had told Clayton that because of the DNA match the best he could do was to talk prosecutors "out of going death." It was best for Clayton to plead guilty and accept life in prison without parole. The prosecution would go for it, Arensen

thought. Without a jury trial, they could avoid having to prove that Clayton acted alone, avoid spending the money, and avoid having Thompson's lifestyle put on display.

At the meeting, Arensen said that "when I told them that there was more than one killer, Bonnie seemed very surprised. 'More than one person?' she said." Dusek said that he didn't buy it. In fact, said Arensen, none of the three seemed interested in pursuing other killers. Since there was no evidence except what they had on Clayton, who would they be looking for? If there were other killers, Dusek said, let's have their names. Arensen said his client refused: sooner or later, he'd be killed in prison. So he's lying. He's not lying. That discussion went nowhere. In the end, Dumanis "decided

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not to go death and Stanley decided to plead guilty," said Arensen. That was the deal.

I asked Dumanis what she remembered, especially about Arensen's claim that there was more than one killer. By phone she said that she never dissects her "thought process" while or after she reviews any case. When defense attorneys and prosecutors present their findings, it's important that "I listen and don't comment." Other elements are crucial before she proceeds with a plea deal: that she consult the family about the penalty; that she weigh the heinous nature of the crime; that she consider the degree of the victim's innocence, if he or she is a child or a senior. In making a determination, "I don't care whether the victim is a prostitute or a priest, I never go forward with a

death-penalty case unless I'm sure we have the killer." In Clayton's case, "There was no evidence to indicate that anyone other than this defendant was responsible for the crime." He "acted alone," she said. "I'm sure of that."

Still, Dumanis decided that by not putting Clayton on trial and by taking Arensen's deal to put him away for life, the plea was sufficient. That's as much as she would say.

Jeff Dusek, on the other hand, had plenty to say. In his immaculately clean and tidy office there is a photograph of Dusek and Steven Feldman, attorney for David Westerfield. San Diegans remember the nightly TV updates in the 2003 trial of Westerfield, who was found guilty of killing Danielle van Dam. In the lone wall-mounted photo (beside his diplo-

mas and awards) Dusek and Feldman are captured in profile, their faces a foot apart, breathing the one air of juristic disputation.

What did Dusek think of Clayton's possible defense, the other-killers theory? Dusek argued against Clayton's tale, beginning with the two knives and the barbecue fork left in his neck as a ritual sign. "I wasn't going to speculate as to what it meant," he said. Dusek has a trial-loud voice and a hooklike barb in every sentence. "He's the only one who knows what it means. To guess or wonder what was going through *his* mind when this murder went down is *folly*. Unless we can prove motive or he tells us what the motive is, it's something *we* don't know."

For Dusek, Clayton's story to explain the crime was a lie. "He refused to

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talk. We're not privy to what he told his lawyer and whether or not that's the truth. In our interpretation, he did not want to give the cops that information so we could challenge it, if it's challengeable, and he certainly didn't trust giving it to a jury for them to hear it and for me to ask him questions about it.

"I'm convinced he was a killer and he's guilty of what he pled to. Whether there are other killers out there, only he

knows that for sure; we can't prove it one way or the other, and only he can help us. With his history, there's some concern about whether or not he's telling the truth or he's just easing his conscience. Only he knows that."

Dusek finger-listed Clayton's lengthy rap sheet. Then he said, "I'm not sure what is there that doesn't say this guy is capable of a robbery, burglary, murder. I'm not sure what you'd look for."

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lessens the guilt and explains the unexplainable — his own rage. But what Dusek really believes is that "there's no credibility to his story. Why tell half the story that somebody else is involved? Those people, if they exist, can come to him and say, 'Hey, why'd you front me off?' 'Oh, I didn't give your name.' 'How do I know that?' But if they don't exist and he doesn't like living with what he did — 'I didn't do it. Manny, Moe, and Jack did it.' " Criminals lie all the time, Dusek said. That's their nature.

In capital cases, they invent what they need to invent in order to escape the death penalty. In the end, on July 27, 2005, Clayton pleaded guilty. He signed the plea that he had "aided and abetted the commission of a murder while I was an accomplice in the commission of a burglary of a residence, involving the entry into the residence with the specific intent to commit a felony in the residence." Cold case closed. He was driven back to Centinela.

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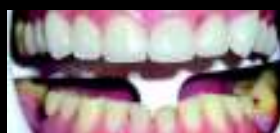
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chologist Dr. L.C. Miccio-Fonseca, who works with a variety of pedophilic disorders, her assessment was necessarily limited. She could say only so much without knowing about Clayton's early life. In

general, she said, adolescents confined in the California Youth Authority are "virginal meat," especially those, like Clayton, who go in at 17 and stay a few years. If he was sexually traumatized there, he may have emerged

with terrible shame; paradoxically, hustling may become a way to deal with that shame. In a victim's acting out, there's often a pattern. First, he would have a history of violent behavior: a knife wielder who

knows how to use a knife, possessing what she called "a certain skill to his killing." Second, if he killed out of sexual self-loathing, he would mutilate the victim's genitals. In Thompson's case, the killer or killers seemed to have murdered without knife skills, without direction, without sexual mania, without mutilation. But with what? Generic madness? It is possible that Clayton had not been sexually abused in prison. Dr. Miccio-Fonseca said that he may have killed Thompson because he was a crack addict: he could not get high, he started withdrawing, and he went berserk. Or drug intoxication could have pushed him to commit the murder. We will never know why, at least from Clay-

ton, as long as he maintains he's not the killer. At one point, I asked Charles Wilson, who testified at Clayton's preliminary hearing in early 2005, what he noticed about Clayton. "When I saw him, it was as if he wasn't there. He had that faraway look." Before I left Arensen's office, he showed me a recent photo of Clayton. In his life, Clayton, who will soon turn 41, has oscillated from fat to skinny to buff. Trim today, the photo shows him in a blue plastic parachute-cloth jumpsuit, taken at his arraignment. His hands are out of the cuffs-and-chain that encircle his waist. This is not a photo of "a monster," Arensen told me, someone who 20 years earlier had, in the thrusts

of a knife, such fury in his heart. Clayton is a good six foot two, close to 200 pounds, hair black, eyes brown. In the picture he stares with indifference or challenge or spite, seeming to say to the viewer, *You cannot see into my soul, you cannot see my guilt or innocence. I know what happened and that's enough for me.*

I am reminded, finally, of what the young Stanley Clayton once told his parole officer: "For some reason I do better in fucking jail than on the streets." Life in prison makes perfect sense for Clayton, something that his accomplice tale may have brought about. In fucking jail may have been where he wanted to be all along. ■

— Thomas Larson

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# MAD DASH



Disneyland

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SPRINT  
TOWARD THE  
RIVERS OF  
AMERICA. I  
TRIED TO JUMP  
IN THE BOAT,  
BUT MY  
MOM'S  
BOYFRIEND  
CAUGHT ME.

**W**hen I was four, my parents decided to take me to “the happiest place on earth,” Disneyland. At the time, I had been pretending I was a princess, like Sleeping Beauty or Snow White. For the upcoming Halloween, I had insisted on dressing as Belle, from *Beauty and the Beast*. I felt ecstatic that I would finally get to meet the *real* Belle.

Upon arriving at Disneyland, we began the mad dash from one ride to the next. I loved the Teacups and went on them until my dad almost lost his lunch and insisted we stop riding them. Later in the day we went on Space Mountain, and I bawled my eyes out from the moment the ride started until after it came to a stop!

After lunch I could not wait any longer, and so we went to see Belle. My jaw dropped to the floor when I set eyes on her gorgeous dress. It was golden, puffy, and covered in sparkles; every little girl’s dream dress! It made my day — no, my year, when I had my picture taken with her. After we’d returned home, I looked at the Belle dress my mom had sewn for me to wear that Halloween. I looked at it and then said to my mom, “Where are the sparkles?” A little bratty, I know, but I must have looked pretty darn cute because my mom sewed rhinestones on my dress that night.

— Emma Seemann,  
Carlsbad H.S. graduate

I’ve been to Disneyland more times than I can remember, but if I had to guess, I’d say about 30 to 40. I was there with my family on July 17, 2005, the date of the park’s 50th anniversary.

I was about three years old when I walked into Sea-

World, the first theme park I ever visited. I don’t remember much, but a picture of my family includes me with a banana sticking out of my mouth. I was about four years old when I took my first steps into Disneyland. My mom told me about how I ran full sprint toward the Rivers of America, the long, circular river where the *Mark Twain* steamboat chugs along. I tried to jump in the boat, but my mom’s boyfriend caught me.

Several years later I went back with my family. My brother was dying to go on Space Mountain more than once, but we rode it only once. After I came home that night, I had a horrifying nightmare based on the “Fantasmic” nighttime show: Monstro (the whale from *Pinocchio*) was outside my bedroom window, peering in to look for me. Then I looked down, over the edge of my bunk bed, and saw a ghost pirate staring at me.

My most unforgettable visit to Disneyland was the time my brother invited a friend. I was in fifth grade at the time. On

the road trip to Anaheim, we had a broken window, so it was really cold. When we got there, my brother and his friend got to be in the front row of every ride we went on, which I wasn’t too happy about. The best part of the trip was the Rocket Rods ride (now discontinued); we traveled along the skyway all over Tomorrowland in a futuristic-looking car at speeds between 60 and 80 miles per hour (or so it seemed).

Besides Disneyland, I’ve visited Universal Studios and Walt Disney World. Now I work at SeaWorld, which is fun and exciting. The best part about working there (besides making money) is that you get to explore the back lots and secrets of the park. The best thing about the Disney theme parks is that sense of escape from the real world. After you walk through those gates, it’s “hakuna-matata,” and I hope that feeling stays with me even after I become a 30-year-old adult, married and with kids.

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The first theme park I can remember going to was Disneyland when I was about five. My grandparents took care of my one-year-old brother, and my parents and I drove up to Anaheim the night before. We stayed at the Candy Cane Inn that night and went to the park the next morning. The only things I can remember from that trip are riding Dumbo the Flying Elephant with my dad and coming home happy and very tired.

Since then, I've gone to Disneyland only three times. Two of those times were surprises. The morning started the same as usual, except that Dad didn't go to work and we didn't take the

usual turns on the way to school. According to a Disneyland employee, the first Wednesday of December is the least crowded day of the whole year (shhh! don't tell anyone!), so that was when we went. The other time I went was with a friend last year, soon after Space Mountain reopened.

For a couple of years my family had memberships at Legoland. It was nice because of its close proximity; we could go for a couple hours after school or on a busy weekend and not "lose" money. I've long since outgrown Legoland, but I definitely enjoyed it for a while.

The only other theme park I've been to is Knott's

Berry Farm. I went two years ago at the beginning of summer break with my aunt, uncle, and cousins. That was probably my favorite theme-park experience because it was the only one with really big roller coasters (sorry, Matterhorn, but you don't measure up). I went on one ride (the Silver Bullet) eight or nine times, and two others (Montezooma's Revenge and the Accelerator) four or five.

— Kyle Landau,  
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Flags, Disney's California Adventure, and Knott's Berry Farm, and each one was as sickening as the next. Whether I was going sideways on the Teacups or upside down on the Superman ride, the results were the same: I'd vomit and then run to the restroom in shame.

The first time I visited Disneyland I was six years old. I should have known trouble was in store when I got carsick on the way there. Disneyland sucked; the screaming kids and the sticky floors...the annoying mascots and the screeching rides. "The happiest place on earth" turned out to be anything but.

Luckily, I was with my brother, who not only rode the Indiana Jones ride 27 times but also believed he was Indiana Jones. So, as I toured Adventure Land with my ten-year-old brother who's got an obsession for speed and amazing persuasion skills, I began to realize that I was probably on my own Last Crusade. I got through that land, and then the next, and before long I was sure I was home free. Unfortunately, there was Tomorrowland. Despite my pleas that we try it "tomorrow," I was coaxed on to Space Mountain.

"It'll be fun," my brother told me, "it's not even scary. You'll love it." He grabbed me and threw me into the car. That's when I barfed for the first time on a ride. I was embarrassed because I spewed on the person next to me, but I had earned my "I survived" T-shirt and action-shot photo. At least no one could



Legoland

call me a coward.

— Andres Perez,  
Valhalla H.S.

Even though I can't remember the first time that I went to a theme park, throughout my childhood, until the year I turned 11, my family would go every two years or so to Disneyland. These visits were infrequent enough so that each time we went I could hardly bear to leave.

Then came the chance to go to Disneyland with my choir, when I was in sixth grade. I confess that I switched my elective (originally band) around October when I learned that, in the spring, the choir would go to Disneyland. For the majority of the year, then, I anticipated the trip. I got into Disney in general, watching all of the movies and buying all kinds of

memorabilia.

After the trip had come and gone, I realized that it wasn't worth all of the preparation that culminated in this single, one-day event. It wasn't long before I started begging my mom for our family to go to Disneyland. For the past several years my mom, my three younger sisters, and I have gotten annual passes. It is mostly thanks to me that we were able to get all of these passes; I paid for most of them with money that I earned.

However, I've come to be sick of Disneyland. I've been there too many times; most of the charm seems to have gone right out of the place. Now that our most recent annual passes have run out, I don't intend to visit the park for a long time.

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On Thursday, October 19, Guenon will discuss and sign his book, *Secret and Dangerous: Night of the Son Tay POW Raid*, at the San Diego Air & Space Museum. "It was the height of the Vietnam War in

### LOCAL EVENTS

1970. [The government] was starting to get information back that POWs were starting to die in prison," recounts Guenon. "Nixon decided he had to do something."

The Son Tay POW camp was located 23 miles west of Hanoi, the highly defended capital of North Vietnam. "A group of whiz kids in the Pentagon devised a plan. It was a very hush-hush, super-secret type of operation. Fifty-six Green Berets went, and there were roughly 116 aircraft involved."

"Cherry One" was the call sign for the giant C-130 piloted by Guenon. "The first helicopter [dubbed 'Banana One'] did an assault, landing inside the prison. Everyone else would call it a 'crash landing.'" The other five helicopters were named Apple One through Five, and fighter bombers were Peach One through Five. "We would call [the operation] a 'fruit salad with a punch.'"

Guenon explains the reasoning behind the call signs: "The Air Force always had good, strong signs like Racer, Dasher, Dagger — it's vivid. And here we get these fruit call

signs...we said, 'The Army had to do that.' But there's a very good reason — you put somebody out in a battle situation, with bullets going over your head, up for two days, you're hungry, tired, and sore, these names stick. If you had to come up with a fancy call sign, you probably wouldn't remember it in the heat of battle."

POWs assigned names to the ten prisons outside Hanoi to make it easy for them to keep track of their fellow prisoners. Son Tay was known as "Camp Hope." "When you ask 'em where they were, they'll say 'Hanoi Hilton,' or they'll say 'Hope,' and then give a cell number, like 'Hope Seven.' They knew who everyone was in every cell."

Of the nearly 600 POWs, Guenon believes around 100 were lost in the ten years of the war. "They didn't make it, let's put it that way. The ones that survived really and truly were amazing, resilient people. Most of these guys say, 'The months and years went fast, but the hours and days passed slowly.'" One method employed by many POWs to pass the time was to visualize the houses they would build upon returning home to America. "Down to the nail count," says Guenon. "The guy I dedicated the book to said that when they were finally released, everyone wanted a piece of paper and a pen to data dump, to get it all down."

Prior to the day of the mission, only four people knew of the operation's details. A full-scale replica of Son Tay, code named "Barbara," was built at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. *Psywarrior.com* reports that a select group of Special Forces soldiers trained there at night and that "the mock compound was dismantled during the day to elude detection by Soviet satellites."



Son Tay Raid, Blue Boy Element, by Mikhail Nikiporenko

Words credited to Colonel Arthur D. "Bull" Simmons, as he informed the 56 Green Berets of the operation five hours before takeoff, include: "You are to let nothing, nothing interfere with the operation. Our mission is to rescue prisoners, not take prisoners. And if we walk into a trap, if it turns out that they know we're coming, don't dream about walking out of North Vietnam unless you've got wings on your feet...if there's been a leak, we'll know it as soon as the second or third chopper sets down; that's when they'll cream us. If it happens, I want to keep this force together. We will back up the Song Con River and, by Christ, let them come across that goddamn open ground. We'll make them pay for every foot across the sonofabitch."

The entire raid took 27 minutes, and not one "friendly" life was lost, though *psywarrior.com* states that nearly 50 North Vietnamese Army soldiers were killed. Despite this perfectly executed operation, there was one glaring fact: "negative items." The prisoners has been moved to Dong Hoi (nicknamed "Camp Faith") months earlier — not because the enemy had been tipped off, but because of

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The National Museum of the U.S. Air Force states, "Despite rescuing no prisoners, the raid proved a success in other ways. It caused North Vietnam to gather POWs in fewer locations to prevent similar raids, making POW communication and organization easier. POW morale soared...the daring raid so close to Hanoi demonstrated that the United States had the will and means to carry out exceptional operations to ensure POW well-being."

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Events that are underlined occur after October 19.

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BAJA

**“Hallazgos en Movimiento”** Minerva Tapia Company presents contemporary dance on Thursday, October 12, 8 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). \$25 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**Lobster Lunch** and shopping tour hosted by Baja California Tours, Thursday, October 12. The \$69 fee includes transportation, lobster feast at El Patio de la Langosta in Puerto Nuevo, shopping at artisan’s market in Rosarito Beach. Reservations: 858-454-7166 or 800-336-5454. (PUERTO NUEVO, ROSARITO BEACH)

**More Than 350 Tequilas** represented during Tequila Expo continuing through Sunday, October 15, at Caliente Race Track (on Boulevard Agua Caliente). 011-52-664-633-7300. (TIJUANA)

**Gustavo Lastra in Concert,** Thursday, October 12, 9:30 p.m., at El Lugar del Nopal (Callejón 5 de Mayo #1328). 011-52-664-685-1264. (TIJUANA)

**26th Annual “No Fear” Mexican Surf Fiesta,** Friday–Sunday, October 13–15, at Playas de San Miguel (Tijuana-Ensenada Highway km99, just south of Ensenada tollgate). Watch 125 short-board pros and a few amateurs from around world compete. Competition begins daily at 7:30 a.m. Spectators free. 858-442-8157. (ENSENADA)

**“Frontera Norte Forum”** continues through Friday, October 13, with lecture on “Public Policies for Better Economic Development” by Carlos Slim, Thursday, October 12, 2 p.m., at Centro Estatal de la Artes. 011-52-686-580-0401. (MEXICALI)

**“Sirenas Para Daniela,”** group painting exhibition opens with reception on Friday, October 13, 8 p.m., at Sótana de Rita (968 Avenida Revolución). Closes Monday, November 13. 011-52-664-685-8400. (TIJUANA)

**Zarzuela Night** is Friday, October 13, 8 p.m., at Foro Chapultepec, Fraccionamiento Chapultepec. \$50 fee includes dinner. 011-52-664-685-8400. (TIJUANA)

**Rockcampeonato,** rock festival with nine bands, Saturday, October 14, 6 p.m., at El Foro, Jai Alai Palace (on Avenida Revolución). 619-734-2333. (TIJUANA)

OUT & ABOUT

SHALL WE DANCE?

“Aesthetics and Identity in Competitive Ballroom Dance,” Monday, October 16, San Diego Museum of Man.

(SEE LECTURES)



**“Espejismo en Canto,”** opera by Guadalupe and Manuel Paz and Esther González performed Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m., at Teatro UABC, Mesa de Otay. Tickets: \$17 U.S. 011-52-664-681-7084. (TIJUANA)

**Arturo Barrios Races,** Sunday, October 15, 8:30 a.m., with racing along Boulevard Costero starting and finishing at Sullivan Sports Field on Avenida Diamante. 011-52-646-177-2376. (ENSENADA)

**Día de la Hispanidad** (Hispanic Day) — this celebration of Ensenada’s Spanish heritage promises live entertainment, flamenco and folkloric dancers, paella and traditional foods, Sunday, October 15, at Quintas Papagayo Resort (1.5 miles north of Ensenada at Tijuana-Ensenada Highway km108). \$15 tickets include paella, glass of wine; children free accompanied by adult. 011-52-646-178-7555. (ENSENADA)

**Bullfighting** by toreadors Fernando Ochoa, Oscar López Rivera, and Xavier Ocampo starts at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, at

Monumental Bullring by the Sea. Bulls hail from Juan José Llaguno. 011-52-664-686-1510. (PLAYAS DE TIJUANA)

**The Play** *Las Mujeres no Tenemos Llenadero* is performed Tuesday and Wednesday, October 17 and 18, 8 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

**As the Beach Season Winds Down,** San Diego County’s coastline is padded by what is likely the deepest and widest accumulations of sand we’ll see this year. Many stretches of the coastline are vulnerable to powerful waves associated with winter storms. This wave action can pull sand off the beaches and deposit it offshore, leaving behind (especially in North County) nothing but cobble beds. During the spring and summer, gentle wave action usually returns much

of the sand, usually in time for the arrival of the summer tourists.

**Dense Ground Fogs** are a trademark of the onset of autumn along San Diego’s coastal strip. Fog materializes during the night and early morning hours when moist marine air that has settled in valleys and low areas is chilled below the dew point. These ground fogs are distinct from the low overcast that usually blankets the coastal strip on late-spring and summer mornings.

**Spider Webs,** decorated with myriads of tiny dew droplets, are a beautiful sight on foggy autumn mornings. Look for them in San Diego’s wild canyons and park areas or in your own back yard.

**The Tawny Hues** of the black oak tree are just beginning to highlight the slopes of San Diego County’s higher mountains. Named for the dark coloring of its bark, especially when wet, the black oak is the only deciduous oak native to the county. Associating with pines, firs, cedars, various evergreen oaks, and occasionally

chaparral, the black oak lends a true autumn coloring to popular areas such as the Cuyamaca, Laguna, and Palomar mountains.

**“A Taste of Tracking:** Introductory Track and Sign Survey Volunteer Workshop” offered by Anza-Borrego Institute on Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m.–4 p.m., at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park Visitors’ Center. Class is first step for those “inspired to become trackers capable of collecting data on noninvasive wildlife track and sign surveys.” \$35. Reservations: 760-767-0446. (BORREGO SPRINGS)

**Let It Rot,** master composters lead composting workshop Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m., at Escondido Community Garden. Instruction and demonstrations in building and maintenance of backyard compost piles, worm bins. Free. Garden is just north of Highway 78 on Centre City Parkway; park behind garden in cul-de-sac at Morning View Drive and Lincoln Avenue. Free. 760-839-4818.

Composting and vermicomposting workshop led by master composters, Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m., at San Diego Zoo. Learn to improve soil, compost use. Free. Required reservations: 760-436-7986 x216. (ESCONDIDO, BALBOA PARK)

**Look for “Eastern Vagrants”** and migrating birds when visiting Point Loma with Audubon Society birders, Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m. Birders visit Cabrillo National Monument, possibly Point Loma Nazarene University, nearby neighborhood. Meet at far west end of Dupont Street at steel barricade. 619-692-3246. Considerable hiking of a moderately strenuous nature. (POINT LOMA)

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ber 14, 8 a.m., at Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Adobe Ranch House (take Canyonside Park Drive off Black Mountain Road, follow signs to ranch house). Learn to track animals, discover their environments. Wear shoes that are good in mud. Free. 858-484-3219. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

**Trail Repair Work in Paso Picacho** at Cuyamaca Rancho State Park continues on Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m. Bring work shoes, gloves, hat, water, snack. Group gathers behind Stone House (park headquarters). Free. Registration: 619-851-2285. (CUYAMACA RANCHO STATE PARK)

**More Walk, Less Talk**, naturalists Simone Green and Barbara VanHorne lead moderate/strenuous 4.5-mile walk in Daley Ranch on Saturday, October 14. Meet at 8:30 a.m. in Cougar Pass parking lot. Free. Directions, reservations: 760-839-4680. (ESCONDIDO)

**See Autumn Foliage** and lakeshore birds during guided hike, Saturday, October 14, 8:30 a.m., in Mission Trails Regional Park (Two Father Junipero Serra Trail). Free. Required reservations: 619-668-3281. (SAN CARLOS)

**An Expert Birder** from San Diego Field Ornithologists leads bird walk on easy trail winding along Tecolote Creek on Saturday,

October 14, starting at 9 a.m. at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. (CLAIREMONT)

**Help Maintain a Nesting Site** for California least terns during volunteer work party, Saturday, October 14, 8:30 a.m., at Mariner's Point. Wear work clothes, bring work gloves, weeding tools if you have them. Free. Reservations and directions: 619-224-4591 or 858-581-7602. (MISSION BAY)

**Second Saturday Nature Walks at the Reserve**, San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy hosts walk exploring migratory birds and native plants, Saturday, October 14, 9 a.m. Free. Directions: 760-436-3944. (CARDIFF)

**Enjoy the Flora and Fauna** during guided walks on Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, October 14, 15, and 18, 9:30–11 a.m., in Mission Trails Regional Park (One Father Junipero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3281. (SAN CARLOS)

**Gaslamp Folklore and Legends Walking Tours** offered Saturdays, 10 a.m.–noon, by tour guide Gino Lizardi, who reveals romantic past and characters of the area. \$10. Reservations: 619-239-7515. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**Palm Walk**, Offshoot Tours offers its monthly hour-long guided stroll exploring structure, growth habits, landscape value of palm trees, Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m., at visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

## OUT & ABOUT

**BEYOND FAMILY TRADITIONS**  
Anoushka Shankar,  
Saturday, October 14,  
UCSD's Mandeville  
Auditorium.

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**Strawberry Stand Wetland Learning Center** is open on Saturdays, 10 a.m.–noon, for viewing and learning about San Dieguito Lagoon, wetland wildlife, future restoration projects. Free. Find center on San Andres Drive (off Via de la Valle). Free. 858-674-2275 x14. (DEL MAR)

**Asian Pacific Historic District Tours** offered on second Saturday of each month, including October 14. Tours start at 11 a.m. at Chinese Historical Museum (404 Third Avenue). \$2. Required reservations: 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

**Rediscover Old Escondido East** during walking tour led by Escondido Citizens Ecology Committee, Saturday, October 14, 11 a.m., starting at southeast corner of Broadway

and Grand Avenue. Free. 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

**Explore Olivenhain** with Walk-about perambulators, Sunday, October 15. Moderately paced walk, just over seven miles, starts at 8:15 a.m. at Harvest Ranch shopping center (at Rancho Santa Fe Road and Manchester Avenue). Free. 619-231-7463. (ENCINITAS)

**Buena Vista Native Plant Club** gathers to maintain plants at Buena Vista Nature Center (2202 South Coast Highway), Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m. 760-439-2473. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

**Help Rescue Wildlife in Trouble** — the emergency response organization Wildlife Assist needs volunteers to rescue animals in trouble. Orientation on

Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m., at Encinitas Community Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive). Free. 619-921-6044. (ENCINITAS)

**A Delicately Thin Waning Crescent Moon** graces the eastern sky at dawn on Thursday morning, October 19. An even thinner, hard-to-spot crescent moon, nearing its new phase, will be seen just over the eastern horizon during the early stages of dawn on Friday morning, October 20.

## DANCE

**Cross-Step Waltz** featured on Friday, October 13, in room 207 of Casa del Prado. Lesson at 7:30 p.m. followed by open dancing. All ages.

Partners not required. Donation: \$2. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

**Marcus Ardoin and Da Zydeco Legends Band** perform for Bon Temps Social Club dance party, Saturday, October 14, in War Memorial Building (3325 Zoo Drive at Park Boulevard). Dance instruction at 6:20 p.m., live music from 7–10:30 p.m. \$14. 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

**Spanish Folk Sevillanas** taught by Cassandra, Saturday, October 14, 7:30 p.m., at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street). \$6. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Hustle San Diego Club** meets on second Saturday of every month, including October 14, for beginners' instruction (8:30 p.m.) and dance afterwards at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). \$7. 760-803-9982. (ENCINITAS)

**English Country Dancing** takes place every Sunday, 6–9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). Karin Norlin and Ellen Riley are callers on October 15. \$6. 858-676-9731. (POWAY)

**Moreton Bay Fig Morris** welcomes those who want to learn traditional English morris dancing, Tuesday, October 17, 7:30 p.m., at War Memorial Building (3325 Zoo Drive). Free. 858-689-8947. (BALBOA PARK)

**Riverdance**, celebrating Irish music, song, and dance, hits stage November 14–19 at San Diego Civic Theatre (at Third Avenue and B Street). Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thurs-

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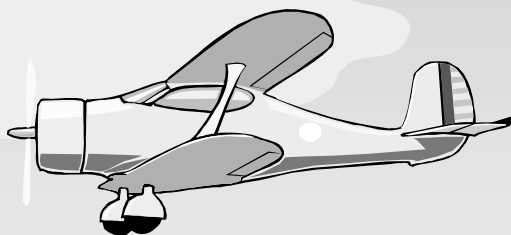
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FILM

**San Diego Asian Film Festival** celebrates seventh year with more than 130 short and feature films from over 15 countries screening Thursday–Thursday, October 12–19, at UltraStar Mission Valley (7510 Hazard Center Drive). Program boasts *Journey from the Fall*, *Always Sunset on Third Street*, *Shinobi*, *Three Times*, *Citizen Dog*, seven short-film programs including all-animation and documentary showcase of local high school students; panel discussions. Prices range from \$5–9.50. Details: 858-565-1264. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Explore Italian Filmmaking** during series offering “five of the best films from both the old and the new” opening with *Dear Diary* (1994) on Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m., at House of Italy (opposite the Spreckels Organ Pavilion). Nanni Moretti wrote, directed, and starred in this “gentle satire of a culture full of traditions.” Free. 858-831-1717. (BALBOA PARK)

**It’s a Strange World, Isn’t It?** David Lynch’s 1986 “nightmare comedy” *Blue Velvet* returns with a new 35mm print for fall film series, Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). \$7. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Kubrick’s Cold War Comedy** *Dr. Strangelove*, the 1964 flick starring Peter Sellers (in three roles), screens for San Diego State University history department film festival, Thursday, October 12, 7:30 p.m., in campus Little Theatre. Free. 619-594-7120. (SDSU)

**“Swingers,”** starring Jon Favreau and Vince Vaughn, screens for Cinema Under the Stars series, Thursday–Saturday, October 12–14, 8:30 p.m., at Tops (4040 Goldfinch Street). \$12. 619-295-4221. (MISSION HILLS)

**The French Film** *Intimate Strangers* (2003) screens for International Film Series at MiraCosta College on Friday, October 13. See film at 1 p.m. in room 204 at MiraCosta’s San Elijo campus (3333 Manchester Avenue). Film also screens at 7 p.m. in room 3601 on campus at One Barnard Drive. 760-795-6612. Free. In French with English subtitles. (CARDIFF, OCEANSIDE)

**Not-So-Scary Family Films** featured every Friday during October at Prescott Promenade (on East Main Street). Who you gonna call? *Ghostbusters* on October 13, 5 p.m. Bring a blanket, chair. Free. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

**“La Spettatrice,”** Paolo Franchi’s 2004 film may be seen on Friday, October 13, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). \$2. 619-237-0601. (LITTLE ITALY)

**The Telluride Mountainfilm Festival**, celebrating its 28th anniversary, screens at 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15, at Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101). Program includes *Laird*, *Surfer’s Healing*, *French Fries to Go*, *Running Dry*, *Le Cheval*, many, many more. \$12. 760-436-7469.

Festival and all its films moves to San Diego Natural History Museum for screenings at 7 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, October 16 and 17. \$12. 619-255-0203. (ENCINITAS, BALBOA PARK)

**“Mother of the River”** explores slavery from young female slave’s perspective in 1850. Filmmaker Zeinabu Davis will be on hand to discuss the film after it screens for Sunday Matinee on October 15, 2 p.m., at San Diego Public Library

(820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

**“Iraq for Sale —** The War Profiteers” screens Sunday, October 15, 6 and 8 p.m., at Joyce Beers Center (1220 Cleveland Avenue). Film documents connections between private corporations and the decision makers. Free. 619-757-6691. (HILLCREST)

**In the Mood for a “Didactic Fairy Tale”?** Charles Burnett’s 1996 film *Nightjohn* starts Carl

Lumbly as an antebellum plantation slave who teaches another slave to read. Film Forum at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street), Monday, October 16, 6:30 p.m. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**Buster Keaton Celebration**, Robert Keaton, the comic master’s grandson, presents preshow introductions and postshow talks for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series this month. Enjoy *The Cam-*

*eraman* on Wednesday, October 18, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

**“She,”** produced by Ray Harryhausen in 1935, screens Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Harryhausen will be on hand to sign books at screening. \$14 general. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**, currently screening in the IMAX the-

ater: *Roving Mars*, *Deep Sea* and *Greece: Secrets of the Past*. “Fridays at the Fleet” features *Coral Reef Adventure* (6 p.m.) and *Bears* (7 p.m.) on October 13. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**The 1925 Silent Horror Classic** *Phantom of the Opera* starring Lon Chaney screens with live music by Teeny Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films with mezzo-soprano Kristin Berhmann, Tuesday, October 31, 7 p.m., in Seuss Room of UCSD’s

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### LECTURES

#### A Reasonable Proposition?

League of Women Voters presents nonpartisan examination of pros and cons of all state and local ballot measures, Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m., in community room at Oceanside Public Library (330 North Coast Highway). Free. 760-643-0177.

Busy on Thursday? Forum is repeated Monday, October 16, 6:30 p.m., at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito (1036 Solana Drive). Free. 858-571-7006. (OCEANSIDE, SOLANA BEACH)

#### Military Writers Symposium

planned Thursday, October 12, 5-11 p.m., at Veterans Museum and Memorial Center. Details: 858-571-5782. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Transmission:** The Art of Matta and Gordon Matta-Clark" — curator Betti-Sue Hertz leads tour of exhibit for Insight Gallery talks on Thursday, October 12, 6 p.m., and Sunday, October 15, 3 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Moses, Myth, Archaeology, and History"** explored by University of Hawaii professor Robert Littman for Archaeological Institute of America on Friday, October 13, 7:15 p.m., in room G-101 at San Diego Mesa College (7250

Mesa College Drive). Free. 619-594-6992. (KEARNY MESA)

**"House to Garden: Reducing Risk from Wildfires"** presented by landscape architect Kay Stewart, Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m., at Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Learn about low-water plants, where to place them, how to care for them.

Requested donation: \$3. Reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

**"The Ordination of Women in Western Christianity"** examined by USD theology and religious studies professor Gary Macy, Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m., at Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Free. 858-453-2236. (MIDDLETOWN)

## ROAM-ORAMA

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

The shorter fall and winter days of low-angle sunshine, clear blue skies, and pleasantly mild temperatures are perfect for exploring any of Anza-Borrego Desert's lowest, hottest, and driest regions. The Truckhaven Rocks, out past Borrego Springs on County Highway S-22 and just shy of the Imperial County line, fit this specification perfectly.

The rocks themselves are somewhat reminiscent of the outcrops of sandstone at Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The tilted slabs of beige- and orange-tinted sandstone, which can be plainly seen from the highway, are a favorite haunt of photographers.



Truckhaven Rocks

Climbing out of this wash to reach the outcrops, you'll cross a boulder-strewn plain dotted with spindly ocotillo. Here and there, in areas free of large rocks, are patches of "desert pavement," a surface condition in which small pebbles of roughly uniform size form a flat mosaic. This is a result of fine particles being blown away, leaving the larger particles and pebbles to settle and pack together.

Only three-quarters of a mile of easy walking suffices to take you to the Truckhaven Rocks — but for adventurous souls, this is just the beginning. Behind (north of) the rocks lies a dissected landscape of narrow ravines that slash deep into layers of coarse sedimentary rock. The sediments were uplifted thousands of feet, and also crumpled and tilted, on the back, so to speak, of the southern Santa Rosa Mountains. This mountain range, and others along the mountain-desert border from Riverside County into Baja California, were squeezed upward by tectonic movements associated with the nearby San Andreas Fault and faults parallel to

it. Flash floods, tearing at the uplifted sediments, have shredded the landscape over a period of hundreds of thousands of years, thus creat-

owned recreation or wilderness area. Trails and pathways are not necessarily marked. Conditions can change rapidly. Hikers should be properly

#### TRUCKHAVEN ROCKS

Explore the Truckhaven Rocks — tilted sandstone slabs on the flank of Anza-Borrego's Santa Rosa Mountains.

**Distance from downtown San Diego:** 108 miles

**Hiking Length:** 1.5 miles round trip

**Difficulty:** Moderate

ing the fascinating, mazelike topography you have the pleasure of exploring here.

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equipped and have safety and navigational skills. The *Reader* and Jerry Schad assume no responsibility for any adverse experience.



**Learn to Use Your Digital Camera** during class by Lee Ostubo on Saturday, October 14, 11 a.m., at Oceanside Mission Branch Library (3861 Mission Avenue). Program is best suited for Windows PC users who own and regularly use digital cameras. Free. 760-435-5640. (OCEANSIDE)

**Comprehensive Bike-Maintenance Class** planned on Satur-

day, October 14, noon-5 p.m., at REI San Diego (5556 Copley Drive). Bring your bike for practice; tools and bike stands provided. \$85 for nonmembers. Registration: 858-279-4400.

Class repeats Saturday, October 21, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., at REI Encinitas (1590 Leucadia Boulevard). \$85. Registration: 760-944-9020. (KEARNY MESA, ENCINITAS)

**"Tales from a 'Next Food Network Star' "** told when Carissa Seward shares experiences and demonstrates classical French-based techniques, Saturday, October 14, noon, at Macy's School of Cooking (in Mission Valley shopping center, 1555 Camino de la Reina). \$30. Reservations: 866-388-2665. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Mars Rover Update**, find out what's next for the Mars Rovers *Spirit* and *Opportunity* when Negin Cox of JPL speaks Saturday, October 14, 1 p.m., at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Included in regular admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Getting There: What It Takes** to Be a Professional Author and Illustrator" illuminated by Suse MacDonald when Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators gathers on Saturday, October 14, 2 p.m., in room 106A of Hahn School of Nursing building at University of San Diego (at Linda Vista Road and Marion Way). MacDonald is author of more than 15 books. \$9. 858-485-8151. (LINDA VISTA)

**"The Finitude of the Planet"** is explored by Albert Jacquard — in French — when Alliance Française gathers on Saturday, October 14, 4 p.m., at San Diego French American School (6550 Soledad Mountain Road). Jacquard is French geneticist interested in social battles such as fair-housing policies, social justice, fight against racism. Donation: \$10 general. 858-824-6694. (LA JOLLA)

**"Local Examples of the Global Amphibian Decline"** is uplifting topic when San Diego Natural History Museum herpetology curator Bradford D. Hollingsworth speaks for Friends of Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve annual meeting, Saturday, October 14, at Adobe Ranch

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**Aspects of Watch and Clock Collecting** examined when National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors gathers, Saturday, October 14, at Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). Meetings include show and tell. Mart at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. Free. 619-224-4820. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Your Astrological Chart Is Perfect!** So says Jim Hennem, offering “A Constellation Workshop: Working With Harmony in Your Astrology Chart” for California Institute for Open Studies, Sunday, October 15, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., in Sleepy Hollow Canyonview Clubhouse (4201 Sixth Avenue). \$45. Registration: 619-299-2897. (HILLCREST)

**Poetry-Writing Workshop** hosted by Magee Park Poets, Sunday, October 15, 10 a.m., at Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 760-602-2012. (CARLSBAD)

**Shall We Dance?** “Aesthetics and Identity in Competitive Ballroom Dance” explored by cultural anthropologist, photographer, amateur ballroom competitor Jonathan S. Marion for 12 O’Clock Scholar program, Monday, October 16, at San Diego Museum of Man. \$6. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

**Self-Publishing Tips** offered by Sunbelt Publications editor Jennifer Redmond for San Diego Writers/Editors Guild, Monday, October 16, 6:30 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230

Vermont Street). \$5. 619-471-5323. (HILLCREST)

**“Fourth Uncle in the Mountain,”** true story set during French and American wars in South Vietnam tells of orphan adopted by 64-year-old monk. Author Marjorie Pivar presents slide-illustrated lecture, book signing, Tuesday, October 17, 7 p.m., at Book Works (Flower Hill Promenade, 2670 Via de la Valle). Free. 858-755-3735. (DEL MAR)

**“Uncle Hanna’s Electric Heart and Other Stories of Resistance”** told through Doris Bittar’s photo installations on view through Thursday, November 2, in Southwestern College Art Gallery (900 Otay Lakes Road). Photographs from several series by Bittar that “catalogue and articulate” her Arabic heritage are on view as well. Artist gallery talk: Tuesday, October 17, 11 a.m. Free. 619-216-6605. (CHULA VISTA)

**“The Truth About Immigration:** Why Everything You Think You Know Is Wrong” divulged by Linda Chavez, chairman of Center for Equal Opportunity, Tuesday, October 17, 5:30 p.m., at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free. Required reservations: 619-260-4868. (LINDA VISTA)

**“Winning Power to Adaptability,”** Walter Holschi speaks on emotional flexibility on Tuesday, October 17, 6 p.m., at Sacred Pathway Bookstore (300 Carlsbad Village Drive, suite 107). Free. 760-729-2434. (CARLSBAD)

**“Scat and Track,”** learn to identify tracks and scat in classroom at San Diego Natural History Museum on Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m. Then meet in a local habitat to observe tracks, scat, and other animal signs, Saturday, Oc-

tober 21, 7–9 a.m. \$33. Reservations: 619-255-0203 (BALBOA PARK)

**Celebrate California Wines** during events planned on Tuesdays at JRDN Restaurant at Tower 23 Hotel (723 Felspar). Class is led by Wilson Creek representative on October 17, 7 p.m., with wine tastings, cheese (\$25). Optional three-course dinner following event (\$25). Reservations: 858-270-5736. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**“Chaparral: California’s Botanical Treasure,”** Rick Halsey reveals truths to chaparral myths and mysteries for California Native Plant Society, Tuesday, October 17, 7 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 104. Also on tap: short discussion on protecting homes from wildfire. 619-685-7321. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Art Collectors Tell All,”** Wednesday, October 18, 6 p.m., at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439 El Prado). Panelists Jens Herrmann, Sandra Pollack, Ruth Hoffman, Andrea Chamberlin discuss what’s happening in Southern California art scene. \$5. RSVP: 619-236-0011. (BALBOA PARK)

**Desert Camping** is subject at REI stores at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18. Find REI San Diego at 5556 Copley Drive (858-279-4400) and REI Encinitas at 1590 Leucadia Boulevard (760-944-9020). Free. (ENCINITAS, KEARNY MESA)

**World-Class Climber** Sonnie Trotter presents multimedia slide show of free soloing in Europe, his collection of America’s hardest “crack climbs,” Alpine climbing, Wednesday, October 18, 7 p.m., at Adventure 16 (4620 Alvarado Canyon Road). Free. 619-283-2374. (MISSION VALLEY)

**“A Personal Look at Pieter Bruegel”** offered by actor and dramaturge Barry Kraft for Meet the Masters programs at San Diego Museum of Art on Thursday, October 19. Kraft will present images of Bruegel’s mastery, read from literature surrounding the artist. Lectures begin at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. \$12. Reservations: 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**Does Your Pet Suffer from Allergies?** Animal dermatology expert Jennifer Aniya, DVM, presents pet allergy “Happy Hour,” Thursday, October 19, 6 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society (5500 Gaines Street). Types of allergies, signs and symptoms, available treatments. \$10. No pets. Required reservations: 619-243-3424. (LINDA VISTA)

**Haunted Pen Creative Writing Workshop** with prompts and creative triggers offered by author, humorist Jill Badonsky, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Book Works (Flower Hill Mall, 2670 Via de la Valle). All levels, writing from poetry and prose to journaling. \$13. 760-434-3436. (DEL MAR)

**“Secret and Dangerous:** The Son Tay P.O.W. Raid” discussed by pilot William Guenon, Thursday, October 19, 7:30 p.m., at San Diego Air and Space Museum. Guenon shares account of raid “from training to takeoff and back through touchdown” in this covert 1970 Hanoi night raid. \$15. Registration: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

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tober 12–15. Festival kick-off concert by high school choral groups is Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m., in Truax Theater at El Camino High School (400 Rancho del Oro Drive).

“Operalia” is presented by San Diego Opera Company’s Touring Opera Ensemble, Friday, October 13, 7 p.m., at Truax Theatre. “Saturday Afternoon at the Movies” presented by Pacific Coast Concert Band, Saturday, October 14, 2 p.m., at Grace Chapel of the Coast (the old Crest Theatre, 102 North Freeman Street, at Seagaze Drive). Band will play live music to old film clips.

“A Celebration of Liturgical Music” promises Schola Pacifica performing Gregorian chant, Hebrew cantor Jeff Wayne, and New Venture gospel singers and band, Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m., at St. Mary’s Star of the Sea Church (609 Pier View Way). Offering.

Tickets (except where noted) are \$15 general, \$10 for seniors, students, military. 760-433-3632. (OCEANSIDE)

**Rethinking the Jazz Piano Trio**, the Roberta Piket Trio plays for Concert Hour series, Thursday, October 12, 12:30 p.m. in Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10 at 1140 West Mission Road). Free. 760-744-1150 x2316. (SAN MARCOS)

**Author** Raymond Moody signs *Life After Life*, Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). Free. 619-295-2201. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Comedian and Actor** Eddie Griffin with guest Shang, Friday, October 13, 8 p.m., in Spreckels Theatre (121 Broadway). Tickets: \$35–\$55, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**“The Stalwart Survivor, or the Man Who Sank the Cuyamaca Float,”** time for the Julian Triangle Club’s annual old-time melodrama and olio, presented week-ends through October 29 at Julian Town Hall (2129 Main Street). Play was first performed 49 years ago for Julian’s second melodrama. Story is loosely based on history of Julian and of course includes a villain to boo, hero to cheer. Live entertainment between acts, community sing-alongs preceding play.

Performances begin at 7:15 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, 1:30 p.m. on Saturdays and

## OUT & ABOUT

### EDDIE GRIFFIN

Comedian and actor at Spreckels Theatre, Friday, October 13.

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**Headliner Kurtis Matthews** performs Friday, October 13, 8 p.m., at Comedy Co-Op Warehouse Theatre (11211 Sorrento Valley Road, suite M). Shashi Bhatia is headliner on Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m. Tickets: \$10 general, \$5 students. Open-mike nights with 10–20 local comics on Thursdays, 7 p.m.; free.

All shows for those over 18. 888-567-4464. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

**Author** Barbara Fairchild signs, discusses *The Bon Appétit Cookbook*, Saturday, October 14, 1 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1905 Calle Barcelona). Free. 760-479-0242. (LA COSTA)

**North County Funnies!** Laughs provided by David Feldman and Dana Eagle on Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m., at Carlsbad Village

Theatre (2822 State Street). \$18 at door. 760-960-0105. (CARLSBAD)

**Beyond Family Traditions**, sitarist Anoushka Shankar has been playing and studying with her legendary sire, Ravi Shankar, since she was nine years old. Shankar plays her music “beyond musical traditions of India” for ArtPower series, Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m., in UCSD’s Mandeville Auditorium. Tickets: \$32, \$36, available at 858-534-TIXS. (LA JOLLA)

**Sketch on the Rocks**, improv sketch comedy show by Comedy Under Construction, Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m., in community room at Clairemont Town Square (4731 Clairemont Drive). \$10. For those 16 and older. 858-550-8088. (CLAIREMONT)

**Smooth Jazz** benefit concert by Mindi Abair for Jobs for Autism, Sunday, October 15, 4 p.m., at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Tickets: 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

**Arizona Crime Author** Jon Talton signs, discusses *Arizona Dreams*, Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, 858-268-4747). Free. (CLAIREMONT)

**“All That Jazz,”** chamber music ensemble Camarada plans “a visit to the borderland between classical and jazz” music on Sunday, October 15, 6 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Program includes selections by Mike Mower, Hindemith, Ravel, Villa-Lobos, Satie, Bolling. \$25. 619-231-3702. (LA JOLLA)

**Los Tucanes de Tijuana** plan concert at 8 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$42–\$57. 760-839-4100. (ESCONDIDO)

**Latin Jazz on Tap** when Coral MacFarland Thuet and guests perform for mini-concert at noon on Monday, October 16, in Lyceum Theatre at Horton Plaza. Bring lunch! Free. 858-454-5872. (DOWNTOWN)

**The Second Avenue Klezmer Ensemble** performs its melodies of Eastern Europe, American Yiddish theater, and songs from Jewish Spain, Monday, October 16, 6:30 p.m., at College-Rolando Library (6600 Montezuma Road). Free. 619-533-3902. (ROLANDO)

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**Funes Fund Benefit Concert** presented by music faculty and friends at CSU San Marcos, Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m., in Arts 111. Donation: \$10. Find campus at 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road, 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

**"From Baghdad, With Love:** A Marine, the War, and a Dog Named Lava" read and signed by author Lieutenant Colonel Jay Kopelman, Tuesday, October 17, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800.

Kopelman will also appear on Wednesday, October 18, 7:30 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10775 Westview Parkway). 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

**"The Five People You Meet in Hell:** Surviving Katrina" signed and discussed by Robert Smallwood, Tuesday, October 17, 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (11160 Rancho Carmel Drive). Free. 858-618-1814. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

**"Cirque Dreams: Jungle Fantasy,"** October 17-22 at San Diego Civic Theatre (at Third Avenue and B Street). Aerialists, contortionists, strongmen, balancing acts, more. Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, 7 p.m. on Wednesday, 8 p.m. on Friday, 2 and 8 p.m. on Saturday, 1 and 6 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$19-\$60, available at 619-570-1100 or Ticketmaster (619-235-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**Meet "Lost Boys of Sudan"** Benson Deng, Alphonsion Deng,

and Benjamin Ajak and local author Judy Bernstein when they discuss and sign *They Poured Fire Down on Us from the Sky: The True Story of Three Lost Boys from Sudan* on Wednesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m., at Solana Beach Library (157 Stevens Avenue). Video of *Lost Boys of Sudan* will be screened. Free. Requested reservations: 760-809-9744. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Afro-Cuban and Latin Jazz** musicians Gunnar Biggs (bass), Lynn Willard (keyboards), and Mike Holguin (percussion) perform and discuss salsa, Latin jazz, Afro-Cuban rhythms, and Latin fusion, Wednesday, October 18, 5:30 p.m., in Arts 111 at CSU San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road). Free. 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

**Political Commentator, Blogger,** author Arianna Huffington discusses and signs *On Becoming Fearless*, Wednesday, October 18, 7 p.m., at 101 Artists' Colony (90 North Coast Highway 101). 760-325-0103. Free. (ENCINITAS)

**"Real Men of Comedy"** — including Joe Rogan, Charlie Murphy, and John Heffron — in concert, Thursday, October 19, 7:30 p.m., in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$47, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**Costumes, Movement, Music** celebrating "colorful performance traditions of Ghana" showcased when Ho-Asogli is presented for Concert Hour series, Thursday, October 19, 12:30 p.m. in Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10 at 1140 West Mission Road). Free. 760-744-1150 x2316. (SAN MARCOS)

**Author Discussion and Signing,** Carol Hamburger shares her story in *The Star Pupil: A Dot's Quest to Find His Place in the World*, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10775 Westview Parkway). 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

**California Senator** Barbara Boxer signs and discusses *A Time to Run: A Novel*, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). Free. 760-325-0103. (NORTH PARK)

**He Won 2.5 Million Dollars on "Jeopardy,"** and Ken Jennings will sign, discuss *Brainiac: Adventures in the Curious, Competitive, Compulsive World of Trivia Buffs*, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Escondido Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4839. (ESCONDIDO)

**"Holy Land, Whose Land:** Modern Dilemma, Ancient Roots" discussed and signed by Dorothy Drummond on Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). 619-295-2201. Free. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Legal Thriller Author** James Grippando presents *Leapholes*, a book for young adults, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

**The Pendragons** present their illusions October 19-22 at Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way). Performances begin at 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, 2 p.m. on Friday, 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. \$35. 619-659-3380. (EL CAJON)

**Way Beyond "Full House,"** comedian Bob Saget, Friday, Octo-

ber 20, 8 p.m., at Spreckels Theatre (121 Broadway). Tickets: \$32.75-\$37.75, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**"The I Chong: Meditations from the Joint"** signed and discussed by comic Tommy Chong, Saturday, October 21, 3 p.m., at Escondido Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4839.

Busy on Saturday? Chong also plans appearance on Sunday, October 22, 3 p.m., at Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). Free. 760-325-0103. (ESCONDIDO, NORTH PARK)

**Best-Selling Author (and Rock 'n' Roller)** Amy Tan discusses her work and signs *Saving Fish from Drowning* for KPBS on Friday, October 27, 8 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Tan is also author of *Joy Luck Club*. \$50 general. 619-594-3830. (LA JOLLA)

**Downtown with David Sedaris,** the master of satire returns for UCSD's ArtPower series on Friday, October 27. Among his bestsellers are *Barrel Fever*, *Holidays on Ice*, *Naked*, *Me Talk Pretty One Day*. Performance starts at 8 p.m. at Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$28, \$34, \$40, available at 858-534-TIXS. (DOWNTOWN)

**New York, New York!** Liza Minnelli in concert, Wednesday and Thursday, November 1 and 2, 8 p.m., at Harrah's Rincon Casino and Resort (777 Harrah's Rincon Way). Tickets start at \$40. 800-427-7247. (VALLEY CENTER)



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## LOCAL EVENTS

### SPORTS

**Southern California Cross-Country Invitational** is Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m.–2 p.m., at Guajome County Park (3000 Guajome Lake Road). 760-757-8550. (OCEANSIDE)

**Sticky Wickets?** Community Options hosts “mega-croquet tournament” on Saturday, October 14, starting at 8 a.m. at Sixth Avenue and Laurel Street. Professional croquet players “from around the world” will be paired up with local celebrities for the tournament. Tournament is open to public. 858-565-9870. (BALBOA PARK)

**Graded on a Curve!** Join Knickerbikers bicyclists for 30-mile ride departing north parking lot at Mission Bay visitors’ center (on East Mission Bay Drive) at 9 a.m. on Saturday, October 14. Riders head up through Linda Vista, along Aero Drive, “casual dining” in Old Town (bring money), return to start via Pacific Coast Highway. 858-272-4710. (MISSION BAY)

**Cuyamaca State Park Mountain Bike Poker Ride** is Sunday, October 15. Cards handed out at five locations along 15-mile course on fire roads and single-track; optional sixth card available for extra 4-mile ride. Starts: 8–9:30 a.m. at Camp Cuyamaca (12561 Highway 79). Riders need to turn in their hands by 1 p.m. Fee: \$35

## OUT & ABOUT

**DAREDEVIL ACROBATICS!** Marine Corps Air Station Miramar Air Show, Friday–Sunday, October 13–15.

(SEE SPECIAL)



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adults, \$20 juniors. 619-885-9826. (CUYAMACA RANCHO STATE PARK)

**San Diego Chargers** meet up with 49ers in San Francisco on Sunday, October 15, 1:15 p.m. Game broadcast on CBS; listen on radio station KIOZ, Rock 105.3. Tickets for future games start at \$54, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS).

**Champagne Express,** Sierra Club bicyclists plan 40-plus-mile loop over to Rainbow, Sunday, October 15. Ride boasting four long uphill climbs, brisk pace starts at 9 a.m. in front of administration building at the Lawrence Welk Resort (8860 Lawrence Welk Drive). Bring money for mid-ride snack. 858-483-5877. (ESCONDIDO)

**Racing Without Brakes!** Tuesday night bicycle-racing season continues through October 24, 6:30–9 p.m., at San Diego Velodrome. Free for spectators. Find

velodrome at 2221 Morley Field Drive. 619-260-3701. (BALBOA PARK)

**Del Mar International Horse Show** boasting “best of the West Coast show jumpers, Olympic and U.S. Equestrian Team veterans,” leading horses and riders in World Cup standings runs Wednesday–Sunday, October 18–22, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Hours are 7 a.m.–10 p.m. Wednesday–Saturday, 7 a.m.–5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free except for Antares World Cup Grand Prix of Del Mar event on Saturday, October 21, with \$15 grandstand tickets. 949-496-4064. (DEL MAR)

### SPECIAL

**9/11 Conspiracy Discussion Group** meets on Thursday, October 12, 7:30 p.m., at 2091 East Valley Parkway, suite D. Open moderated discussion, presentations, “prospect of shattering the 21st Century’s greatest sham.” Group will convene on second Thursday

each month. Donation: \$5. 760-644-5461. (ESCONDIDO)

**San Diego City College International Book Fair,** October 13 and 14, at San Diego City College (1313 Park Boulevard). Authors on hand: Mike Davis (*Prisoners of the American Dream*), Jimmy Santiago Baca (*The Importance of a Piece of Paper*), Steve Kowit (*Gods of Rapture: Poems in the Erotic Mood*), others. Over 50 book-sellers, presses, other vendors; bilingual reading, jazz concert by Gilbert Castellanos Quartet, music, food. Hours: 7–9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.–7 p.m. on Saturday. Free. Schedule details: 619-702-6335. (DOWNTOWN)

**Daredevil Acrobatics! Earth-Shaking Explosions!** Marine Corps Air Station Miramar Air Show is October 13–15. Flying performances by many military and civilian performers (including Blue Angels, celebrating their 60th anniversary), static displays, food, more.

Show hours: 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Friday–Sunday; twilight show

5:30–9 p.m. on Saturday. General admission is free; preferred and grandstand seats available through 877-772-5425. (MIRAMAR)

**San Diego International Orchid Fair** is October 13–15 at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). Hundreds of species and hybrids, exhibits, sales, lectures, official American Orchid Society judging. Vendors will sell pottery, paintings, books, orchid-related products. Hours: 1–8 p.m. on Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. on Saturday, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. on Sunday. General admission: \$10. 760-436-3036 x203. (ENCINITAS)

**Model Train and Trade Show,** October 13–15, at Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Model railroad vendors, clubs, operating model railroad layouts. Admission: \$5 adults, free for those 12 and younger. Hours: 4–9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. on Sunday. 858-538-9863. (KEARNY MESA)

**Yoga Immersion** workshops blending Zen meditation with hatha yoga asana offered by Mary-Elaine Cobo, M.D. (a.k.a. Ranjani), October 13–15 at Yogafuzion Studio (5632 La Jolla Boulevard). Hours: 6–9 p.m. Friday (\$65), 1–6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday (\$120 per day or \$280 for entire workshop). Required reservations: 858-459-9642. (BIRD ROCK)

**Make a Difference** in Old Town State Historic Park by becoming a volunteer. Annual volunteer training starts on Saturday, October 14. Registration: 619-220-5373. (OLD TOWN STATE PARK)

**Twilight Tours of Marston House** offered Saturday, October 14, starting on half-hour between 5 and 7 p.m. Not-so-spooky, but uncommon opportunity to tour house during evening. \$5.

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**In Time for Halloween** — Old Globe costume and prop sale, Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m.–2 p.m., on Lowell Davis Festival Theatre Stage at Old Globe Theatre. Designs on offer by Tony Award-winners Jess Goldstein, Gregg Barnes, Robert Blackman, many others; costumes worn by Mary Louise Parker, Marsha Cross, Cynthia Nixon, Dana Delaney, John Goodman, others; furniture from recent productions of *Moonlight and Magnolias*, *The Constant Wife*, *Nixon’s Nixon*; more than 50 prop pieces from variety of shows. Free admission. 619-23-GLOBE. (BALBOA PARK)

**McRae/Albright Ranch Open House** is Saturday, October 14, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Victorian ranch house was built between 1872 and 1880, remodeled in 1910 by Harrison Albright, architect who designed Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Coronado Library, U.S. Grant Hotel. Grounds boast Moreton bay fig tree planted in 1874. Donation: \$5. Find house at 3754 Barbic Court. 619-460-3754. (SPRING VALLEY)

**Nuts for the Arts,** Bates Nut Farm hosts fine art festival, Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Artwork on display and for sale by 40 artists, food, entertainment. Free admission. Find the farm at 15954 Woods Valley Road; 760-749-3333. (VALLEY CENTER)

**San Diego Sculpture Show** and Artwalk on the Bay, Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15, 9 a.m.–6 p.m., along Embarcadero Marina Park North. Outdoor show and sale with more than 700 large- and small-scale sculptures, live music, kids’ activities. 619-233-5008. (DOWNTOWN)

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 1:00-2:30 LUIS RODRIGUEZ  
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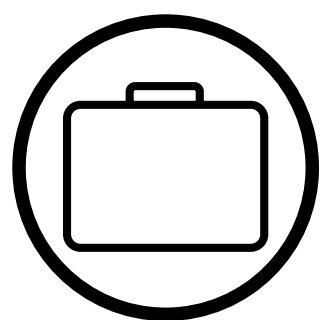
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huahua Club, Saturday, October 14, 9:30 a.m., at Capehart Park (at Feldspar and Soledad Mountain Road). Free. 619-546-4948. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Healing/Arts/Global Music Fest** planned Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., at 1001 Tavern Road. Art and healing workshops and lectures, labyrinth walks, art installations, straw bale building demonstrations, “live global music,” more. Admission is free; prices for workshops vary. 619-445-5249. (ALPINE)

**Prepared for a Disaster?** Head to Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for emergency preparedness fair, Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Demonstrations (dry pack canning, dehydrating, solar oven and Dutch oven cooking, water purification, more), displays of preparedness kits, gardening tips, earthquake and wildfire information. Free. 760-744-2034. (CARDIFF)

**Senior Citizens' Day Expo 2006**, Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., at Oceanside Civic Center Plaza (330 North Coast Highway) — live entertainment, information and craft booths, food, hot rod car show. All ages welcome. Free. 760-435-5250. (OCEANSIDE)

**Poway Marching Band** tournament, Saturday, October 14, 2–9 p.m., at Poway High School (15500 Espola Road). Full-fledged competitive tournament with 18 marching bands and color guard teams competing in six classes for rating and ranking. \$10 general, free for those under 5. 858-748-0245. (POWAY)

**Pacific Beachfest 2006** is Saturday, October 14, 11 a.m.–7:30 p.m., on beach and boardwalk between Crystal Pier and Thomas Street. Taste of Pacific Beach food court, beach volleyball tournament, live music, kids' fest, community stage, giant sandcastle, arts and crafts, fireworks (7:30 p.m.). Free. 858-273-3303. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Dog Day!** San Diego County French bulldog meet-up, Saturday,

October 14, noon–2 p.m., at Harry Griffen leash-free dog park (9550 Mildren Street). Get-together for learning, socializing, animal interaction. Separate large and small dog play areas. \$2 per year for new members. 619-463-6611. (LA MESA)

**Eleventh Annual Polish Festival** with folk dancing, food, Polish music, is slated for October 14 and 15 at Polish Roman Catholic Mission and Cultural Center (1735 Grand Avenue). Festival starts at noon both days, closes at 9 p.m. on Saturday, 7 p.m. on Sunday. 858-272-7655, 858-775-5165. Free admission. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Herb Day Information Fair** is Saturday, October 14, with demonstrations on propagation, harvesting, herb use in crafts, food, and medicines. Herbalist talks, plant identification walk, more. Free. Find fair from noon–5 p.m. at northwest mesa on Balboa Drive (at old shuffleboard courts, between Upas and Quince Streets). 619-277-0031. (BALBOA PARK)

**29th Annual Rose Show** hosted by East County Rose Society, Saturday, October 14, 1–4 p.m., at Foothills Adult Education Center (1550 Melody Lane). Hundreds of roses and rose arrangements on display, rose advice from accredited “consulting rosarians,” talk on “Fall and Winter Plantings” by Sharon and Bruce Asakawa and John Bagnasco. Free. 619-582-3794. (EL CAJON)

**Edible San Diego**, San Diego Food Not Lawns hosts bike tour and potluck, Saturday, October 14, 1–7:30 p.m. Participants will “explore worm bins, visit a school garden, stop by City Heights backyard community garden,” forage with an edible weed expert, get quick tips for city composting, enjoy community potluck at end of ride. Event starts at 1 p.m. at WorldBeat Center (2100 Park Boulevard). Free. Requested reservations: 619-641-7510 x234. (BALBOA PARK)

**“MiraCosta College Art Faculty Exhibit** and Student Art Invitational Exhibit” slated for Saturday, October 14, 1–3 p.m., at Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club (17025 Avenida de Acacias). Free. 760-795-6775. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

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**A Chocolate Affair**, second “Focus on Film” fundraiser hosted by Oceanside Museum of Art, Saturday, October 14, 5 p.m., at Star Theatre (402 North Coast Highway). Performance by Modern Opera Theatre Company, all kinds of chocolate, lecture by Phil Goscinski on “The Health Benefits of Chocolate,” screening of film about joys of chocolate. \$75. Required advance reservations: 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

**“Thank You Lieutenant Watada,”** fundraiser for Lieutenant Ehren Watada, described as “first commissioned officer to refuse deployment to the unlawful Iraq war,” Saturday, October 14. Japanese dinner with koto music, speakers Bob Watada (Ehren's father), Marjorie Cohn, president of San Diego National Lawyers Guild, starting at 6 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito (1036 Solana Drive). \$15 adults, \$12 for those 12 and younger. Required reservations: 858-483-6018. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Escondido Street Faire**, Sunday, October 15, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., along Grand Avenue (between Centre City Parkway and Ivy Street). International food, live entertainment, over 700 arts and crafts booths, children's rides. Admission: free. 760-745-2125. (ESCONDIDO)

**Here Comes the...Bridal Bazaar**, caterers, florists, musicians, locations, other businesses offer wedding-related wares, Sunday, October 15, 10 a.m.–4 p.m., at Del Mar Fairgrounds. \$10 general, free for those 15 and younger. 760-334-5500. (DEL MAR)

**Japanese Beads Art Sale**, demonstration, and class planned Sunday, October 15, 11 a.m.–3 p.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. Demonstrations and classes begin at 11:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. (\$10 fee includes materials). Included in garden admission. 619-232-2780. (BALBOA PARK)

**Yoga** classes offered by Sylvia Castelluzzo at Rock Paper Scissors International Galleria (4976 Newport Avenue). Classes start at 12:30 p.m. on Sundays, 10:30 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. \$12 per class. 619-222-7625. (OCEAN BEACH)

**The House of Turkey** hosts lawn program at International Cottages, Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m. Food for sale. 619-234-0739. Free admission. (BALBOA PARK)

**The Future of Planet Earth Is Positive**, according to Unarius Academy of Science, hosting its 23rd annual Interplanetary Conclave of Light procession and dove release, Sunday, October 15, 3 p.m. Find academy at 145 South Magnolia Avenue. Free. 619-444-7062. (EL CAJON)

**“Pet Culture”** — why do we spend more money on pets than charities? Present your view, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Other Side Coffee House, 4096 30th Street. Free. 619-421-1879. (NORTH PARK)

**Time to Scream?** Del Mar “Scaregrounds” host annual Scream Zone through Tuesday, October 31. This year: haunted hayride, house of horror, chamber of chills. Ticket prices, hours:

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The Haunted Hotel at 424 Market Street) serves up screams 7 p.m.–11 p.m. Thursday, Wednesday, Sunday; 6 p.m.–1 a.m. Friday and Saturday, closed Mondays and Tuesdays except October 30 and 31. \$13.99. 619-696-7227.

The Haunted Trail, an “all-outdoor haunted attraction” is open 7–11 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays; 7 p.m.–midnight Fridays and Saturdays through October. Find trail at Marston Point (just east of Sixth Avenue and Juniper Street). \$13.99. Not for those under 10. 619-696-7227. (DEL MAR, GASLAMP QUARTER, BALBOA PARK)

## FOR KIDS

**“Mickey and Minnie's Magical Journey”** — Disney on Ice hits iPayOne Center for performances through Sunday, October 15. Audiences are transported “through music, magic, and laughter” into worlds of *Lilo and Stitch*, *The Little Mermaid*, *101 Dalmations*, *Peter Pan*, other productions.

Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday; at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Friday; at 11 a.m., 3:30, and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, 1:30 (bilingual Spanish/English) and 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$13.50–\$51.50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

**You're Invited to an “Un-Scary” Halloween Party** presented by Weaver's Tales through October 15 in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Enjoy *The Magic Purple Potion* dispensed by Puppet Express, October 18–22. Showtimes: 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday–Friday; 11 a.m., 1 and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Find theater near

Aerospace Museum. Admission: \$3 for children, \$4 seniors, \$5 general. 619-544-9203. (BALBOA PARK)

**The Final Lemony Snicket Book**, *A Series of Unfortunate Events*, *Book the Thirteenth*, is fêted during party with games, crafts, activities, Friday, October 13, 5:30 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10775 Westview Parkway). Costume contest at 6 p.m. 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

**Musical Storytime** led by educator Anne Fennell, Saturday, October 14, 9:30 a.m., at Museum of Making Music (5790 Armada Drive). Interactive storytelling sessions inspire reading, expose participants to elements of music, musical instruments, music making. Suggested donation: \$5. 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

**Fossil Forensics**, tour “Fossil Mysteries” exhibit to uncover world of ancient fossil forensics, Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. For those in grades 1–3. \$15. Reservations: 619-255-0203 (BALBOA PARK)

**Il Guercino's Painting** *The Return of the Prodigal Son* is inspiration for storyteller Harlynn Geisler's Saturday Storytelling program, October 14, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., at Timken Museum of Art. For those five and older. Free. 619-239-5548 x15. (BALBOA PARK)

**All Aboard!** The Chula Vista Live Steam Club provides train rides, 12:30–2:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15, at Rohr Park (4548 Sweetwater Road). Donation: 50 cents. Children under 48” must be accompanied by an adult. 619-421-5227. (BONITA)

**Make Foam and Balsa Gliders** during family science day at San Diego Air and Space Museum on Saturday, October 14, at 12:30, 1:30, and 2:30 p.m. (sessions last 45 minutes). Included in paid admission. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

**Miss PattyCake Concert**, Saturday, October 14, 4 p.m., at Carmel Valley Middle School (3800 Mykonos Lane). Be prepared for “songs, smiles, and laughter.” \$5. 858-663-6484. (CARMEL VALLEY)

**Halloween Animal Tales** on tap, along with crafts and live animals, Sunday, October 15, 1 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society and SPCA (5500 Gaines Street). For kids four–eight years old. \$2. Reservations: 619-243-3432. (LINDA VISTA)

**Children's Author** Graeme Base signs *Uno's Garden*, Sunday, October 15, 1 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue, 858-454-



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IMAGE: Roberto Matta, *Assige (detail)*, oil on canvas, 1943. Collection of Thomas R. Monahan, Chicago.

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# Reading

## Wizard 6: A Combat Psychiatrist in Vietnam



Douglas Bey

by Douglas Bey  
Texas A&M University Press, 2006,  
\$19.95, 280 pages

### FROM THE JACKET:

In 1969, six psychiatrists were assigned to combat divisions in Vietnam. Captain Douglas Bey, "Wizard 6," was one, serving with the 1st Infantry Division during 1969-'70.

### WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

"[A] psychiatrist 'helping men adjust to a crazy place...,' illuminating." — "Z bits," *ASO Magazine*

"Dr. Bey and his medical team treated people with a wide range of coping mechanisms, including counterphobic reactions, self-medication with drugs and/or alcohol...bed-wetters, sleepwalkers, C-4 toxicity, cerebral malaria, a case

of pseudologia fantastica, and other cases that were unique to the military as well as Vietnam." — *The VVA Veteran*

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Dr. Douglas Bey is a graduate of the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago. He has been practicing for 35 years.

### A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:

I call Dr. Bey in Normal, Illinois. "You were a young psychiatrist in 1968 when you were appointed a captain in the Army medical corps. You trained at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, along with other doctors, learning the barest rudiments of military deportment and skills, like how to about-face and fire a weapon. When ducks flew over the firing range, you docs

started shooting. At your graduation ceremonies, you all sang the Mickey Mouse Club song. (The military band joined in.) The next year you were ordered to Vietnam, and the base camp of the 1st Infantry Division, where it was even wilder."

"The base was a real crazy environment," says Dr. Bey.

"Speaking of which," I say, "you actually witnessed what I thought was an apocryphal Vietnam story about an army dentist."

"Dr. Maurice, yes. He was African American, a Guardsman, had finished school heavily in debt, rented his offices, bought all the equipment and then was activated and sent to Vietnam. Upsetting. He'd disassociated himself from the military. He wore only loud sports shirts, flip-flops, and shorts — usually boxers. And

he danced all the time — bopped. In the monsoon rain, during inspections by generals — it didn't matter. One day a nervous infantryman arrived in the dental area with a problem. In comes a black guy in a bright red short-sleeved tropical shirt and boxer shorts, who looks in his mouth and asks the corpsman assisting what he thinks is wrong. The corpsman says, 'You're the doctor, Doctor.' Dr. Maurice looks in the man's mouth again and says, 'I never should have left the motor pool. Looks like we'll have to blast.' He tears off a long piece of dental floss, anchors it in the guy's teeth and lights the other end. Then retreats to a corner, crouches down, and plugs his ears with his fingers. The poor patient leaps out of the chair and runs, trailing smoke."

"Did the generals really fly

in their mistresses?"

"One did, yeah. Apparently he had done this in Korea, too."

"Most of your peers dodged service. What were you doing in the Army? In Vietnam?"

"I was from the Midwest. My dad and uncle had served, my cousin did two tours as a Marine pilot, and I just kinda thought, 'well, everyone's going.'"

"You mention in the book that you were shocked to learn Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara already in 1965 thought the war was unwinnable. Most of the 58,000 fallen are still alive at that point. Yet it's rolling forward."

Douglas Bey sighs. "Yeah, I was ticked off. I was angry about that. I didn't realize I had that much feeling about it, actually,

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"We'd administer the drug, and that would do it. The GIs would awaken and recover and be fine, as long as you didn't try to send them back."

0347). Base is best known for his picture book *Animalia*. Free. (LA JOLLA)

**Caldecott Medal-Winner** Paul O. Zelinsky signs *Toys Go Out* and *The Shivers in the Fridge*, Monday, October 16, 4 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

**Kids' Day Train**, one-hour vintage train experience for children offered at Campo Railroad Museum at 10 a.m. on third Tuesday of each month, including October 17. Find the depot on Highway 94 at Forrest Gate Road. Tickets: \$15 general, \$5 for those 6-12, free for kids 5 and younger. Required reservations: 619-465-7776. (CAMPO)

**The Musical** *Oliver!* is presented by J\*Company, October 19-29, at David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre, Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, 8 p.m. on Saturdays, 1 and 4:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets: \$12.50 children, \$16.50 adults. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

**"My Fair Lady"** presented by singers, dancers, and actors of Christian Youth Theater October 19-29, at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Curtain rises at 7 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, with 2 p.m. matinees on Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets: 619-588-0206. (LA MESA)

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**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)

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

and memorabilia of early settlers in the area, run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found

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until I heard that. Because the war resulted in a lot of unnecessary loss of life, tremendous expense...and look at all the damage we did to the Vietnamese."

"You touch on that, expressing regret at a couple points at what we had done to them. What did we do?"

"We skewed their economy and corrupted a lot of the rural people. I thought we bullied the Vietnamese and threw our money around. We went into Saigon and indulged ourselves at expensive French restaurants with white tablecloths and crystal and us wearing grubby fatigues. We must've looked like the Nazis did to the French. The Vietnamese women became bar girls, and the males were involved in illegal activities. We ruined their farmland with bombs and ordnance and defoliants. One of our Army trucks, I remember, ran over a child on the road. What looked like a pink

football in the middle of the street were this kid's brains that had squirted out of his head. People were injured, a lot were orphaned."

"It's surprising how little knowledge the American side had of the enemy's tunnel systems. They must have been tunneling for decades. You mention one of the VC tunnels was eight stories deep."

"Yeah," says Dr. Bey. "They had a big hospital installation in it. Two thousand beds, refrigeration for plasma, and all of this literally under the feet of a division [which had set up its huge base camp on top of this complex]. I don't have a desire to go back, but I'd be curious to see what the tunnel complexes looked like in our area and what was actually going on there. Whenever there were B-52 strikes, the civilian workers would cry because their relatives were out there in the tunnels. One GI was brought to us who was hearing voices. It turned out he had a tunnel underneath his tent."

"You write that schizophrenic patients loved

marching, loved drilling. How did you make that discovery?"

"In the psychiatric unit at Ft. Knox, Sgt. DeLeon would line 'em up and march 'em. The 'behavior disorders,' trying to get out of the Army, bitched and moaned. The schizophrenic patients thought it was terrific. They felt part of the Army, loved the order of it."

"So there you are, a psychiatrist in Vietnam, handling 400 patients a month, among them soldiers with hysterical symptoms who have gone mute or blind or been paralyzed in combat from no apparent injury. You conduct sodium amytal interviews that sound amazing."

"They were a big deal in World War II. We did some. We'd tell the patient that after a little rest they were going to feel better. That they'd be able to walk, talk, hear, or see — whatever function their psyches had shut down to escape the conflict between their being in combat and the fear of being killed. We'd administer the drug, and that would do it. The

GIs would awaken and recover and be fine, as long as you didn't try to send them back. We had zero results with that: we couldn't get anybody to go back."

"One of the doctors you were most impressed with was Capt. John Hamilton."

"Yeah. A tremendous guy. He was captain of his Florida A&M football team and is being inducted into their Hall of Fame this month. We're going down there for the ceremony. Our company commander and his wife too."

"He was one of the few black officers."

"Right. He tried to be a good model for the younger blacks. Over 13 percent of the soldiers were black, but only 3 percent of the Army officer corps and 1 percent of the Marine Corps officers were African Americans. Initially, there were a disproportionate number of blacks in combat, and they were pretty unhappy, holding meetings and scaring the hell out of young white officers. The officers had very little

"Opium cost a dollar; morphine, five bucks. Statistics said heroin users in Vietnam in 1970 exceeded the known users at home: 81,300 versus 68,000."

experience, much less with ghetto blacks who didn't want to be there and were armed to the teeth."

"John Hamilton was surprised by the xenophobia of the Vietnamese."

"I think he was shocked," says Dr. Bey. "He expected to be welcomed as a fellow person of color. And they were more prejudiced than we were."

I said, "They thought you were all mongrels with red hair and yellow hair and black hair and

different skin tones."

"And long noses."

"And body hair," I add.

"They were appalled by that."

"I think odor too. Though they didn't smell so good to us. Their sewage systems left something to be desired. And when we went on R&R, our clothes must have smelled terrible, because people were offended by our odor."

"You encountered men who purported to like killing. What did you make of them?"

at 9050 Memory Lane; 619-469-1480. (SPRING VALLEY)

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

**Coronado Museum of History and Art**, ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

**Flying Leatherneck Museum**, dedicated to the Marine Corps who provided air support, from the propeller-driven fighters and bombers of the 1940s to the modern jets and helicopters currently in use. Static displays of a variety of aircraft are included, along with equipment, insignia, paintings and photographs, scale models, and a research library. The museum is located in building T-2002, at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar. 858-693-1723.

**Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego**, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**Heritage of the Americas Museum**, more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 B.C.) through the Ming periods (A.D. 1368-1644) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China." From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments in death or as ornaments in life. See a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 B.C.-A.D. 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits

were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). Ongoing.

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. The museum also features wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art. Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

**John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library**, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. Indian artifacts from the Kingery family on exhibit. The museum is located at 2116 Tavern Road; 619-659-8740. (ALPINE)

**La Mesa Depot Museum**, located in a restored 1894 wooden train station, exhibits include original telegraph and telephone equipment, pot-bellied coal stove, period furniture. The adjacent freight train display features 1923 steam locomotive, 1957 refrigerator car, 1941 caboose. Find the museum at La Mesa Boulevard and Spring Street. 619-465-7776. (LA MESA)

**Magee House Museum**, built in 1887 and surrounded by rose gardens, the site includes "one of the last barns still standing in Carlsbad." Docent and self-guided tours of historic house and gardens. Find Magee House at 258 Beech Street; 760-434-9189. (CARLSBAD)

**Museum of Making Music**, "Brother Musician, Listen to a Miracle," exhibit celebrating 75th birthday of electric guitar is collaboration between museum, organology expert Matthew Hill, and Rickenbacker International

Corporation. Exhibit charts development of electric guitar by exploring innovations, includes prototypes and custom instruments. Through December.

"Howe-Orme: Forgotten Voices Remembered" is exhibit of rare and historic mandolins, mandolas, and guitars manufactured by Elias Howe Company of Boston over 100 years ago. Howe-Orme were awarded a series of patents for "the uniqueness of their functional design features and style." Through April.

The past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Find the museum at 5790 Armada Drive; 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

**Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum** is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design

still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

Find it all at 645 Main Street. 760-789-7644. (RAMONA)

**San Diego Aerospace Museum**, the technological advancements made in aircraft propulsion over the last century are showcased in "100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the *Spitfire* and P-51 *Mustang* fighters; and a rare German Junkers *Jumo 004*, one of the world's first operational jet engines.

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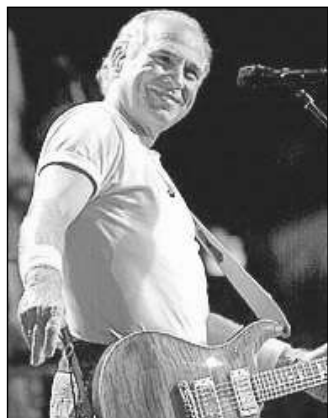
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"A couple were crazy. Some had medals and were responsible citizens. I think they got a high off it. There's probably a genetic predisposition to being a risk-taker. If you have a loving family, you may go into a high-risk occupation, like the military, or be a racing-car driver or bull-fighter. If you're from a dysfunctional family, you may end up a homicidal killer."

"Either way," I said, "you like your work."

"There were really not too many restraints over there. You could do just about whatever you wanted to. Some people killed and really got off on that."

"And others cracked up."

"Yeah. I had a corpsman who'd been a combat medic. Usually you don't carry weapons if you're a medic, but he did. His unit went into a village and shot it up. He participated and killed people. It bothered him. He was raised in a Christian family and he has tremendous guilt about this. He calls me up every now and then, when he's drunk or high on drugs, and talks about it."

"Have you seen a lot of vets in your practice?"

"Some. I took care of a couple Special Forces guys, and they told their buddies."

"There was a good deal of heroin use in Vietnam," I say.

"Yes, there was plenty of it. It was incredibly pure, almost 100 percent, as opposed to the diluted heroin you got in the States. And sensationally cheap. Two or three dollars per dose.

Opium cost a dollar; morphine, five bucks. Statistics said heroin users in Vietnam in 1970 exceeded the known users at home: 81,300 versus 68,000. A survey of two divisions indicated 11 to 14 percent of the men had used heroin since arriving in country. A survey four years later said 34 percent commonly used it. Meanwhile, the officers were living on cheap booze mostly."

"Only officers," I point out, "and sergeants were allowed to buy hard liquor, theoretically. Though GIs bought mixed drinks at bars for a quarter, and beer in quantity. Drinking was subsidized and practically encouraged, while drug use was preached against. In fact, you were asked to participate in that, Doctor."

"The division surgeon, me, the psychiatrist, our chaplain, and a CID [Army investigator] were to address the enlisted men about the dangers. It was frigging ridiculous. I kept thinking, what if we appeared at the officers' club and started showing a little board with martini glasses and

shot glasses and lecturing how some of them drank out of this type of glass and some of them put cherries in it...? It was a farce, demonstrating drug paraphernalia. I made my views known and was not invited again."

"A fifth of booze was a dollar and a half."

"Oh, yeah, it was dirt cheap. A beer was a dime. Everybody I knew was drunk most of the time."

"The old sergeants especially seemed vulnerable to alcoholism," I said.

"Yes, outfits would kind of pass them around. They'd cover up the man's drinking and recommend him to another unit. It would take the new unit a few months to figure out that the guy was an alcoholic and then that command would pass him on the same way."

"There seemed to be a number of suicides among that group."

"I was aware of one," said Dr. Bey. "It was pathetic. A division surgeon told the sergeant he would be kicked out of the Army

"I can't even imagine what that must have been like, being held prisoner."

and lose all his benefits if he took another drink. He did, of course; got drunk, thought he was ruined, and killed himself."

"You say that many vets have little respect for government officials, especially those who avoided service, like Bill Clinton, like George Bush, like Dick Cheney. How do you explain the George Bush versus Kerry phenomenon, and also George Bush versus McCain? John McCain's experience in South Carolina? How do you get vets to break ranks as far as that resentment?"

"Well, I think they associated Kerry with Jane Fonda and with the anti-war movement."

"And McCain?" I ask.

"McCain? I don't know. I mean, he was a POW. You gotta respect that guy."

"Exactly. But his own political allies pretty much trashed him in that primary in South Carolina."

"I don't know how to explain that. I mean, I respect the guy. I can't even imagine what that must have been like, being held prisoner."

"In the book you sound as if you're slightly surprised by how much of Vietnam you carried with you to civilian life."

"I was. The people at home have been able to forget. The vets haven't."

— Juris Jurjevics

tory of Commercial Aviation in America." A new section of the exhibit celebrates the 40-year history of PSA, with original graphics, a re-creation of the airline's first ticket booth at Lindbergh Field, and uniforms and memorabilia donated by former employees. Ongoing.

"P-51 *Mustang*" celebrates the legendary Air Force fighter used during both World War II and Korea. The museum's *Mustang* is painted in the red-tail livery of the Tuskegee Airmen, who distinguished themselves flying bomber escort and ground attack missions during World War II.

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including an RQ-1K Predator UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) on indefinite loan from the National Museum of the United States Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, which "saw action over the Balkans in the late 1990s"; a replica of Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, flight deck of the USS *Yorktown*, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from Montgolfier hot-air-balloon era to Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego County Sheriff's Museum**, the 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

**San Diego Electric Railway Association**, located in historic National City Santa Fe Depot (922 West 23rd Street), offers exhibits, video displays, trolley equipment,

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**San Diego Model Railroad Museum**, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading. The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Dieguito Heritage Museum**, the museum offers informative displays on the North County coastal history including Native Americans, early homesteaders, and recent times, as well as photographic collections and archives. Find the museum 561 South Vulcan Avenue; 760-632-9711. (ENCINITAS)

**Serra Museum**, "Commemorating 75 Years: The Serra Museum" is said to "remember the events leading up to the dedication of Presidio Park and the Serra Museum" on July 16, 1929. The exhibit includes a "visit back in time to 1929."

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish Colonial furnishings, art, and artifacts. It's located at the site of the West Coast's first European settlement, 2727 Presidio Drive. 619-297-3258.

**Birch Aquarium at Scripps**, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing marine life of the Pacific Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. "Sea of Genes" offers visit "to the genomic frontier"; "Earthquake! Life on a Restless Planet" explores earthquakes and their impacts on life. "Wonders of Water" waterplay area includes three interactive stations. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). 619-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

**The San Diego Aircraft Carrier Museum** onboard the decommissioned USS *Midway* is open for tours, now berthed at 910 North Harbor Drive. Exhibits include Navy jet simulators, carrier and flight deck touring, captain's sea cabin, pilot house, navigation bridge. Admission fee includes audio guide. 619-544-9600. (DOWNTOWN)

**Wells Fargo History Museum**, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. Short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the 1800s; an exhibit of Concord Coach #251, a restored stagecoach built in 1867; and the Davies watch. The museum is located in the reconstructed Colorado House, at 2733 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

**Heritage Walk Museum**, the museum includes the restored Victorian House, the city's original Santa Fe Train Depot, a railroad car with model train, working blacksmith shop, and a barn. Find Heritage Walk in Grape Day Park, at 321 North Broadway; 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

**Chula Vista Nature Center**, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides

affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. Pet sharks and rays in the David A. Wergeland Shark and Ray Experience, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

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**Medieval and Renaissance Music** performed by Courtly Noyse, Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m., at St. Philip the Apostle Church (2260 Hardy Drive). Costumed ensemble employs early instruments and discusses the music. \$10 general. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

**The Oceanside Music Festival** returns, benefiting local high school vocal music programs, October 12–15. Festival kick-off concert by high school choral groups is Thursday, October 12, 7 p.m.,

in Truax Theater at El Camino High School (400 Rancho del Oro Drive).

“Operalia” is presented by San Diego Opera Company’s Touring Opera Ensemble, Friday, October 13, 7 p.m., at Truax Theatre. “Saturday Afternoon at the Movies” presented by Pacific Coast Concert Band, Saturday, October 14, 2 p.m., at Grace Chapel of the Coast (the old Crest Theatre, 102 North Freeman Street, at Seagaze Drive). Band will play live music to old film clips.

“A Celebration of Liturgical Music” promises Schola Pacifica performing Gregorian chant, Hebrew cantor Jeff Wayne, and New Venture gospel singers and band, Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m., at St. Mary’s Star of the Sea Church (609 Pier View Way). Offering.

Tickets (except where noted) are \$15 general, \$10 for seniors, students, military. 760-433-3632. (OCEANSIDE)

**Franz Lehar’s Operetta** *The Merry Widow* opens season for Lyric Opera San Diego, continuing through October 21 in Stephen and Mary Birch North Park Theatre (2895 University Avenue). Cast members include American soprano Stacey Stofferahn Utte making her company debut as the Widow, baritone Chris Thompson as Danilo, many others.

Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays; 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$30–\$50. Kids are free with an adult ticketholder on Thursday, October 19. 619-239-8836. (NORTH PARK)

**Musical Mosaics**, series commences with evening song-fest, Friday, October 13, 7 p.m., at

Christ Lutheran Church (4761 Cass Street). Marty Haugen, Dan Erlander, and Mary Preuss will lead participants in “an evening of exciting music to be sung and enjoyed by all.” Freewill offering. 858-483-2300. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Pianist Garrick Ohlsson** joins San Diego Symphony for “Jacobs’ Masterworks” concerts, October 13–15. On Friday and Saturday, conductor Jahja Ling and orchestra play pieces by Robert Schumann, William Schuman, and Brahms; tickets: \$20–\$85.

Saturday’s gala season opener boasts selections by Copland, Villa-Lobos, Chopin, Tchaikovsky. Tickets for this concert: \$20, \$25, \$35.

Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

**The Claremont Trio** plays for Revelle Series concert hosted by La Jolla Music Society, Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Trio plays pieces by Beethoven, Schoenfield, Arensky. Tickets: \$25, \$55, \$75. Reservations: 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

**Acclaimed Hungarian Pianist** Endre Hegedüs performs pieces by Schubert, Donizetti-Liszt, Musorgsky, Gershwin on Saturday, October 14, 7 p.m., at Scripps Miramar Ranch Library (10301 Scripps Lake Drive). \$10 general, free for those under 12. 858-538-8158. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

**The Romantic and Dramatic** “Liebeslieder Walzer (Lovesong Waltzes)” by Brahms may be heard when duo-pianists Barbara Scheidker and Ken Herman perform for Fall 2006 First Unitarian Universalist Concert Series on Saturday, October 14. Singers include

soprano Kathleen Halm, mezzo-soprano Ava Baker Liss, tenor Aleksandr Agamirzov, bass William Nolan. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 14, at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). \$12. 619-298-4580. (HILLCREST)

**Palomar Symphony** conducted by Robert Gilson plans concerts Saturday, October 14, 8 p.m., and Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m., in Howard Brubeck Theatre at Palomar College (1140 West Mission Road). \$12 general. 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

**Vocalist** Daniel Myers joins civic organist Carol Williams for concert in Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, October 15, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**Tribute to Wolfgang Mozart** planned by MiraCosta College’s Chamber Chorale, Camerata Singers, North Coast Concert Chorale, Sunday, October 15, 2:30 p.m., at Carlsbad Community Church (3175 Harding Street). Program promises variety of traditional and contemporary choral music, along with Mozart’s “Missa Brevis in F Major.” Tickets to “Happy Birthday Mozart” are \$10 general. 760-795-6815. (CARLSBAD)

**“Music at the Madeleine”** series commences with piano concert by Marilyn Lozano, Sunday, October 15, 3 p.m., at St. Mary Magdalene Church (1945 Illion Street). Listen for selections by Chopin, Mozart, Debussy, Granados, Villa, and Ravel. Free. 619-276-1041 (BAY PARK)

**“All That Jazz,”** chamber music ensemble Camarada plans “a visit to the borderland between classical and jazz” music on Sunday, October 15, 6 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Program includes selections by Mike Mower, Hindemith,

Ravel, Villa-Lobos, Satie, Bolling. \$25. 619-231-3702. (LA JOLLA)

**Harp Concert** with classical and religious music by Abraham, Hope, Charity, and Mercy Tang — aged 13–19 — Sunday, October 15, 7 p.m., at St. Mark’s United Methodist Church (3502 Clairemont Drive). Freewill offering. 858-273-1480. (CLAIREMONT)

**The California Quartet** performs “an eclectic concert” of chamber music, including a Beethoven string quartet and premiere of work by jazz guitarist Lenny Carlson, Sunday, October 15, 7 p.m., at First United Methodist Church of San Diego (2111 Camino del Rio South). Offering. 619-297-4366. (MISSION VALLEY)

**“The Spirit of Bach:** Weimar and Leipzig” presented by Bach Collegium San Diego, Sunday, October 15, 7 p.m., at St. James by-the-Sea (743 Prospect Street). Program includes Bach’s “Orchestral Suite No. 1 in C Major,” “Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen,” more. \$20 general. 760-715-7956. (LA JOLLA)

**Honors Piano Recital** by Brian Chan, Sunday, October 15, 8 p.m., in Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD. Composers represented: Bach, Schumann, Bartók, Haydn, Liszt. Free. 858-534-3229 (LA JOLLA)

**“Music on the Point,”** concert organist/musicologist Robert Bates plays early music on Fritts-Richards baroque pipe organ, Monday, October 16, 7:30 p.m., at All Souls’ Episcopal Church (1475 Catalina Boulevard, at Chatsworth). Donation: \$5. 619-223-6394 x13. (POINT LOMA)

**“Sonorous Bodies,”** Australian musician Kathleen Gallagher plans graduate performance with works by Cage, Berio, Globokar, Griffin, and Schwitter, accompanied by pianist Edith Wu on Monday, Oc-

tober 16, 8 p.m., in UCSD’s Mandeville Recital Hall. Free. 858-534-3229. (LA JOLLA)

**Hermitage**, a Russian male vocal ensemble, performs music of Eastern Orthodox Church and Russian folk songs, Wednesday, October 18, 7 p.m., at St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church (16275 Pomerado Road). Donation: \$10 adults, \$5 for those 12 and younger. 858-679-9245. (POWAY)

**Sacred Music** from their concert tour is on tap when Point Loma Nazarene University Concert Band performs, Wednesday, October 18, 7:30 p.m., in Crill Performance Hall at Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive). Free. 619-849-2325. (POINT LOMA)

**Violinist Glenn Dicterow**, San Diego Master Chorale, and San Diego Symphony present “Jacobs’ Masterworks” concerts, October 19–22. Program includes pieces by Mozart, Bruch, Schubert, and Bernstein.

Take in Thursday’s concert at 8 p.m. at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard); \$29–\$49. Group returns to Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street) for performances at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday; \$20–\$85. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (ESCONDIDO, DOWNTOWN)

**Classical Guitarist** Miguel de Hoyos performs traditional Spanish songs and classical works in concert, Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Carlsbad Community Cultural Arts Center (3557 Monroe Street). \$10. 760-729-1173. (CARLSBAD)

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GALLERIES

**“Uncle Hanna’s Electric Heart** and Other Stories of Resistance” told through Doris Bittar’s photo installations on view through Thursday, November 2, in Southwestern College Art Gallery (900 Otay Lakes Road). Opening reception for artist is Thursday, October 12, 11 a.m. Photographs from several series by Bittar that “catalogue and articulate” her Arabic heritage are on view as well. Artist gallery talk: Tuesday, October 17, 11 a.m. Free. 619-216-6605. (CHULA VISTA)

**“Reinvented Memories”** — exhibit of recent works by painters Francine Matarazzo and Barbara Rainforth opens with reception on Thursday, October 12, 6 p.m., at Art Expressions Gallery (2645 Financial Court, suite C). Through Sunday, November 12. 858-270-7577. (ROSE CANYON)

**“The Infantry Series”** by Edward Sturr and “War Models” by William Laven open with reception on Friday, October 13, 6 p.m., at Joseph Bellows Gallery (7661 Girard Avenue, 858-456-5620). Photographic exhibition continues through Saturday, November 11. (LA JOLLA)

**Actress and Artist** Jane Seymour will be on hand for receptions on Friday and Saturday, October 13 and 14, 6–9 p.m., and 11 a.m.–3 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, at Simic Galleries (1205 Prospect Street). Exhibit includes original paintings and limited editions. Reservations: 858-456-5255. (LA JOLLA)

**Paintings Inspired by Italy** by Richard Stergulz go on view with reception, Saturday, October 14, 4 p.m., at Pinnell Gallery (124 North Main Street). 760-728-8870. Closes Monday, November 13. (FALLBROOK)

**Eight Emerging Artists** have work on display at 504 Gallery (3041 University Avenue). Reception in conjunction with Ray at Night, Saturday, October 14, 6 p.m. 619-491-0598. (NORTH PARK)

**17th Annual “Wildlife in Art”** exhibit, an all-media show juried by wildlife artist Gamini Ratnivira, continues through Thursday, November 2. Reception for artists

is Saturday, October 14, 4:30 p.m., at Foothills Art Association Gallery (8051 University Avenue). 619-464-7167. (LA MESA)

**“The Southern California Regional Award Exhibition,”** juried by Susan Smith, opens with reception for artists, Saturday, October 14, 5 p.m., at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439 El Prado). Admission to reception: \$10, \$20. Closes Sunday, November 19. 619-236-0011. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Channel Nine”** group show opens with reception, Saturday, October 14, 5 p.m., at Distinction Artist Studios and Gallery (317 East Grand Avenue). 760-781-5779. (ESCONDIDO)

**The Annual Glass Event** at Shiva Artistic Collections (115 West Grand Avenue) includes reception for featured artist Alex Sample, Saturday, October 14, 5 p.m. 760-745-7835. Through Tuesday, January 2. (ESCONDIDO)

**“The Figure”** provides theme for group exhibition on display through Thursday, November 9, at Sharp Gallery (3807 Ray Street). Meet featured artists during Ray at Night opening reception, Saturday, October 14, 6 p.m. 619-546-9546. (NORTH PARK)

**“Seeds and Trees,”** exhibit of photographs by Paul Body and sculpture by Steve Florman opens with reception, Saturday, October 14, 6 p.m., at 4 Walls (3813 Ray Street, 619-501-0879). Closes Wednesday, November 8. (NORTH PARK)

**Ray at Night,** over 20 art venues showcase local art on second Saturday of each month, including October 14, 6–10 p.m., centered at Ray Street and University Avenue. Live music, food. 619-546-9546. Free. (NORTH PARK)

**“Roadside Attractions”** by Pat Kikut and “Sideshow” group exhibition open with reception, Saturday, October 14, 6 p.m., at Crossing Tracks Gallery (3275 Adams Avenue). Through Sunday, November 5. 619-521-0676. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**“Project: India — The Changing Face** of AIDS,” exhibition of photographs by Jeffrey Lamont Brown of people in India living with HIV/AIDS, continues through Saturday, October 28, at Art Produce Gallery (3139 Uni-

versity Avenue). Reception for artist is Saturday, October 14, 6 p.m. 619-584-4448. (NORTH PARK)

**“Two Sculptors:** Joseph Bennett and Juliana Frietas” have exhibition on view through Sunday, November 19, at Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (Pacific Beach Library, 4275 Cass Street). Meet duo during reception on Sunday, October 15, 1 p.m. 858-581-9934. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**“Untamed Coast”** by Tom O Scott and “Colors of the Past” by Blake Shaw are featured at Or-dover Project (444 South Cedros Avenue, studio 172) through Sunday, November 12. Opening reception for artists is Thursday, October 19, 6 p.m. 858-720-1121. (SOLANA BEACH)

**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 craftsper-son, educator, founder, and direc-tor of Mingei International Museum. San Diego State University hired Longenecker to develop its ceramics program in 1955.

“Symbols of Identity — Jew-elry from Five Continents” may be seen through Sunday, October 15. Exhibit is composed of adorn-ments from North and South America, Africa, Asia, and Europe, with traditional work and con-temporary designs included.

The Mingei is located on square with San Diego Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

**Mingei International Museum — North County,** “Folk Art of Mex-ico — Selections from the Collection of Mingei International” presents contemporary objects of daily use from throughout Mexico fashioned from tin, clay, wood, paper, and fiber. Exhibit “demonstrates the impor-tance of family, community, religion, and fun.”

“Pre-Columbian Art of Mex-ico — Selections from the Collec-tion of Mingei International”

highlights clay and stone objects. These objects “abound with materi-al from myth and legend.” Both exhibits close on Monday, Jan-uary 15. Find the museum at 155 West Grand Avenue. 760-735-3355. (ESCONDIDO)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla,** “TRANSactions: Contemporary Latin American and Latino Art” — closing on Sunday, May 13 — fea-tures approximately 50 works by 48 artists from museum’s perma-nent collection. Showcased pieces demonstrate “diversity and hy-bridity of contemporary Latin American art,” with artists work-ing across media and between disciplines.

Concurrently, see site-specific installation by Milwaukee-based Argentinean artist Santiago Cuc-ullu. His art juxtaposes images of progressive, historical figures and events with his personal experi-ences. This piece engages the ar-chitecture and oceanfront site of museum.

“From the Vaults: Recent Ac-quisitions” focuses primarily on works on paper, demonstrating a range of contemporary drawing and photography practices in re-cent additions to permanent col-lection. Closes Sunday, Decem-ber 10.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Museum of Photographic Arts,** “The Roads Most Traveled: Photographs of Migration by Don Bartletti” examines lives of migra-tory workers in search of economic survival. Exhibit including 90 pho-tographs by Pulitzer Prize-winner

Bartletti continues through Sun-day, January 14.

“Close-Ups: San Diego Neigh-borhoods” showcases creativity and artistic expression of San Diego’s youth. Students from San Diego City and County public schools, grades K–12, explored their neighborhoods using pho-tography and film over course of 2005–2006 school year. Closes Sunday, November 5.

“James Fee: Recent Pho-tographs” captures Fee’s most re-cent road trip to Big Sur and San Francisco, capturing landscape “distinctly West Coast and Amer-ican.” Through Sunday, Octo-ber 29.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

**Oceanside Museum of Art,** works from the 1950s, 1970s, and recent work that has never been shown are showcased in “W. Haase Wojtyla: A Coincidence of Paintings,” continuing through Sunday, October 15. Retrospective features work from three of his most important series: “Nudes in the Shower,” “Crime Scenes,” “Stalker.” Wojtyla’s style has much in common with work by British artist Francis Bacon. Find the mu-seum at 704 Pier View Way. 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

**San Diego Museum of Art,** “Transmission: The Art of Matta and Gordon Matta-Clark” is de-scribed as the “first comprehensive examination of the relationship between the work” of this father and son artist pair. Exhibit in-cludes approximately 80 works in-cluding paintings, sculpture, draw-ings, and photographs. Both artists

were trained as architects who “strongly relied upon concepts of architectural space in their mature artwork.” Through Sunday, November 12.

“Paper Traces: Latin American Prints and Drawings from the Col-lection at SDMA” continues through December, highlighting approximately 60 Latin American and U.S.-Latino works on paper. The prints, drawings, posters, portfolios in exhibit “confirm the vitality of paper as a medium with a particular historic outline of its own.”

“Backs,” on exhibit through Sunday, February 18, focuses on backs of five paintings where im-portant information such as age and ownership is revealed. Works are drawn from museum’s Euro-pean collection. Labels, inscrip-tions, and markings divulge details of painting’s history of attribution, exhibition, ownership, sale.

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

**Timken Museum of Art,** “Guercino: Stylistic Evolution in Focus” explores dramatic shift in artistic style of Il Guercino, con-sidered one of the most prolific and successful artists of 17th Cen-tury. At heart of exhibit is Timken’s *Return of the Prodigal Son*, a theme Guercino painted a number of times over his life, shown with versions on loan from Borghese Gallery in Rome, and Kunsthistorisches Museum in Vi-enna. This is the first time these three works have been shown to-gether. Closes Sunday, January 7.

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# The Usefulness Of Myths

*“Which side of history do you fall on: the rear end, or who writes the history?”*

He's either the state bear on the California flag, or he's Kyle, a gay grizzly psychotherapist who makes house calls. It all depends, says Culture Clash's manic, fearless agitprop satire, *Zorro in Hell*, on how you choose to see him.

Same with La Doña, owner of the El Camino Real Inn. She's either a lively senior citizen with a fertile imagination, or she's the same age as the 200-year-old establishment that has lodged everyone from John Hancock to Jack Kerouac — and Oscar Wilde, and Eugene O'Neill, Doug Fairbanks and Mary Pickford — and she slept with most of them (including Pickford on her honeymoon). La Doña's probably nuts. But she talks with such clarity about Jack London and the bandito Joaquin Murietta, you just don't know.

Or, the bear, the woman, and the gonzo events at the inn are merely a fractured fantasy in the addled mind of Clasher, a broke L.A. freelance writer. Against his wishes, he researched the roots of the legendary Zorro and (because he refused to eat the worm at the bottom of his mescal glass?) became the masked avenger of wrongs who left more Zs in prominent Californio locales than Nike has swooshes.

But here again, perspective counts. To protest

the governor's abuses of “Cully-for-nya,” Clasher slashed a Z at the state capitol. So he — a.k.a. Zorro — is in hell. This isn't the ninth circle of Dante's theme park. It's a tribunal-interrogation. After accusing him of being an “NPR listener,”

G-men shoot Clasher up with sodium pentothal. Under the drug, he recalls a looking-glass odyssey back to Alta California. He had a Carlos Castaneda-like initiation, found his inner Zorro and, he swears, became the masked man. Fantasy? Nope. That was the truth serum talking.

Which was real? Zorro wasn't. He emerged from the pen of Johnston McCully, an Irish American who wrote *The Curse of Capistrano* in 1919. By day, the “languid” Don Diego “dislikes action” and is “damnably polite to all women” but “pays court to none.” By night he's the masked avenger of wrongs, especially of land-grant-grabbing *gob-ernadores* and mean and evil soldiers. Zorro became the prototype for dual-identity comic book superheroes: Batman, Superman, and the Lone Ranger. McCully borrowed the notion from Baroness Enniska Orczy's *Scarlet Pimpernel* (1905), the aristo who saves the poor from the guillotine (“Is he here, is he there / Those Frenchies seek him everywhere / Is he in heaven, — is he in hell? That damned, elusive Pimpernel”).

Clasher, whose idea of battle is “fighting T-Mobile for roaming charges,” undergoes a culture clash. Much of California history got written by the Anglo manifest destiny crowd. But, he asks, “Which side of history do you fall on: the rear end, or who writes the history?” Clasher learns about banditos Tiburcio Vasquez (who, before he was hanged, had legions of female admirers at his jail window in San Jose) and Joaquin Murietta (Clasher also could have checked out Juan Flores, San Juan Capistrano's Zorro-like figure). Depending on one's choice of myths, Tiburcio and Murietta were either the worst dry-gulching hombres in state history or “social bandits” fighting gringo encroachment (Pablo Neruda calls Murietta “the murderer of murderers [who] died for our honor”).

Clasher, heretofore a debunker of myths, begins to see their utility — if not their danger — and has a metamorphosis. “I must be Zorro,” he says. “I have my own guitar flourishes.”

San Diego has been a second home for Culture Clash. Now in their 27th year, Richard Montoya, Ric Salinas, and Herbert Siguenza refuse, even for an opening night in La Jolla, to defang their barbs. George Bush takes one center mass, as does



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One could wish that *Zorro in Hell* name-dropped less — especially the literary stuff; by mentioning just about every big one around, it's as if the authors feel a need to flash their own credentials. Same with the abundant local references, which become mini-punchlines for the scenes that start to flag (and actually slow them down). Better to shore up the scene.

Christopher Acebo's set picks up the theme of multiple perspectives. It's got a down-front space, like an old western, footlit dance hall (where most of the action happening "now" takes place), and a proscenium stage — the inn's old adobe façades — behind a large movie screen. The more the stage resembles traditional, "realistic" theater, the more it moves into the fantasy world.

Along with being sharp and topical, *Culture Clash* is really funny. Part is verbal, of course, but a lot comes from their ram-bunctious physical style: Siguenza inflating himself, as Don Ringo, and claiming to be "the first Chee-KAH-no"; Salinas's bear doing breakdance whirls on the floor. Whether his Clasher's the nay-saying slacker-writer, or the masked man in black, Richard Montoya's a kick throughout.

The trio intuit each other's moves so well you'd think it'd be tough to share a stage with them. Not so. Joseph Kamal fits right in as the fictional Zorro, and as the randy, two-century-old La Doña, Sharon Lockwood, the legendary S.F. Mime Troupe artist, is outstanding. ■

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tion. Nothing stood in his way. Would this were true of David W. Rintels’s wordy, overlong, badly paced script. The play moves chronologically through Darrow’s life and feels compelled to cover all of it. The result is a two-hour, episodic ramble that begs for a major edit (Rintels often takes longer to set up a scene than present it). After a while, the script works against Nesnow’s finely etched performance. The playwright’s words upstage him.  
6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH NOVEMBER 4 (THE SHOW WILL BE DARK DURING OCTOBER); SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

**Bach at Leipzig**  
South Coast Repertory Theatre offers Itamar Moses’ farce about claimants for the title of organmaster at Leipzig’s leading church (amid the schemes, “Johann Sebastian Bach lays low”). Art Manke directed.  
JULIANNE ARGYROS STAGE, SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH OCTOBER 15; THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 714-708-5555.

**Bug**  
Cygnets presents Tracy Letts’s thriller about government intrusion and global conspiracies (“they want you to know they’re there; we’ll never be safe again”). Sean Murray directed.  
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**Daddy’s Dyin', Who’s Got the Will?**  
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**Ella**  
Anyone asked to perform as Ella Fitzgerald will trigger comparisons. And no one — not now, not ever — will measure up to the “First Lady of Song” (who might have objected to an exposé of her private life because she refused to parade her suffering in public: “I’m the only woman in this business who doesn’t have a past,” she has said). In this concert-with-words biography of the musical genius, Tina Fabrique is very good and has excellent rapport with her audience. It’s just that, and it’s probably unfair to say this, she isn’t

empyrean. Fabrique looks a bit like Fitzgerald, especially when wearing glasses, and what she does well is evoke Ella with a kind of conjuration, and few can do even that. Fabrique shows her versatility in “You’ll Have to Swing It (Mr. Paganini),” a Whitman’s sampler of styles, from ballad to scat, that comes early in the evening and puts the show on a fast track from which it rarely falters. A tight, four-piece band plays on a platform of art deco discs backed by tall bead-curtains and baked by John Lasiter’s bold lemon and hot pink lighting. In Act Two Brian Sledge, a pinpoint precise trumpeter, joins Fabrique and mimics Louis Armstrong. Their duet, in Gershwin’s “Let’s Call the Whole Thing Off,” is one of many highlights.

**Worth a try.**  
SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 15; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

**Forbidden Broadway: Special Victims Unit**  
Due to popular demand, the Theatre in Old Town reprises Gerard Alessandrini’s musical Bronx cheer to Broadway: some of the sharpest, 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. Alessandrini’s latest attempt to “turn the Great White

Way gray” ’s a winner, thanks to his ever-present wit and some amazing performances (especially by Valerie Fagan, co-author of *Six Women with Brain Death*, especially when she slanders Sarah Brightman). Along with lambasting *Spamalot* and *Wicked*, the show reprises old favorites: no *Forbidden Broadway* would be complete without some *Les Miz* and *Lion King* trashing (as when an animal sings, under the weight of Julie Taymor’s gigantic headgear, “Can You Feel the Pain Tonight?”) and Alessandrini’s spoof of *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 backstage in split seconds. Amid near-constant laughs, the revue makes serious points about contemporary Broadway’s disturbing penchant for “puppet” and “jukebox” theater (à la *Jersey Boys*) and its general dumbing down of late. All true, yet never put so memorably. (Note: the production has made cast changes.)

**Critic’s pick.**  
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**George Gershwin Alone**  
Hershey Felder’s concert-biography of the great Gershwin is sketchy on details (he includes a talk-back session after the 90-minute performance to fill in gaps). Felder prefers to give biographies of individual songs and their inner-workings. And one of the real values of *Gershwin Alone*, along with hearing the wonderful composer’s works, is its emphasis on music appreciation. Gershwin’s image is of a glib, Noel Coward-like facility to dash off en-

during art (that Gershwin composed “Swanee” in 15 minutes plays into this notion). *Gershwin Alone* shows that, to the contrary, the composer poured over a song, laboring Beethoven-like all night and half the day. Felder, whose high forehead makes him a cross between Gershwin and George S. Kaufman, gives us a “loud and brash” portrayal. An expert pianist, when he plays *Rhapsody in Blue*, Felder hammers the Steinway keys like an anvil and generates a raw beauty from the often prettified score. His singing voice can get strident, especially in the upper registers. He performs on Yael Pardess’s jazzy set: slanting curtains, a mirror, sheet music, a rug corner spearing up the back-wall, angle-lit by Michael T. Gilliam’s mood-enhancing patterns.

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Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a challenge match against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledge failure, abundantly, then forget it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

**Worth a try.**

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#### Pig Farm

Tom's in deep doo-doo figuratively and, in Greg Kotis's absurdist satire, literally. A storm's on the horizon, the government's about to take its annual pig census (one too many and Tom could lose all), and his wife Tina decides she wants to make their baby on the kitchen table NOW. *Pig Farm* unfolds like a heroic "save the farm" movie gone haywire. Kotis deconstructs movie clichés the way his Tony Award-winning *Urinetown* does musicals'. The only letdown in an otherwise funny, often hilarious show: the musical ends with a powerful summation (America's "way of life is unsustainable"). *Pig Farm* concludes with slapstick and silliness and no major punchline. It stays what it has been all along. Director Matt August and fight director Steve Rankin turn the Cassius Carter into a manic steeplechase of pratfalls and physical comedy, all performed by a terrific ensemble: Ted Koch's Tom (a bulb dimmed by repeated rolling pin clubbings); Colleen Quinlan's Tina (a comic gem, more than holding her own in a testosterone-ram-pant environment); Ian White's antsy Tim (on work-release from juvenile hall with enough energy to ignite Balboa Park); Ken Land, as EPA snoop Teddy (repressing, irrepressible reactionary thug). "Comic intensity" should be an oxymoron, since the rule with comedies is usually the lighter the better. But the ensemble performs with such comic intensity they make minutely choreographed steps appear spontaneous.

**Worth a try.**

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**Readings of August Wilson's Plays: Seven Guitars**  
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fronted blacks in each decade"). The readings will also be staged at the Performance Annex in City Heights and other locations. The series will culminate in a week-long staged reading festival of all the plays at Cygnet in June 2007. Next offering: Rhys Greene directs *Seven Guitars*. **Worth a try.**  
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**San Diego Theatresports: The FunHouse**  
A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is

tough enough. Add competitive scene making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but the "game show" — on Fridays — is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, wrote one of the very best books I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art." **Worth a try.**

THE FUNHOUSE, 6822 EL CAJON BOULEVARD (BETWEEN 68TH AND 69TH), COLLEGE AREA, FRIDAY AT 7:45 P.M. SATURDAY AT 7:45 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. 619-465-7469.

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**Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy**  
Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso

Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

**Worth a try.**  
HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

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**Zorro in Hell**  
Reviewed this issue. SHEILA AND HUGHES POTIKER THEATRE, LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, THROUGH OCTOBER 29; 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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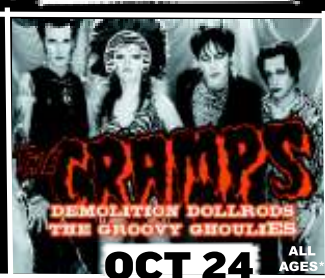
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**Onward, Christian Rockers** Destroy the Runner, a Carlsbad metal-core band, just returned from a six-week tour that followed

says that rock audiences nowadays are more open to Christian bands.

"Underoath is huge right now," says Reed. "I think they sold 100,000 [copies of their latest CD]." About Christian rock bands in the past, Reed says, "A lot of it was real crap. Most of the bands who were claiming

no problem. But there was one occasion where this girl came up to me and said we lost their devotion as fans because of the way I acted onstage.... I'm an atheist, and we also have a Mormon in the band, but we don't want to say as a band we are this or that religion....

"If you are on Solid State, the day your record comes out you can expect to sell X amount of records just because you are on that label. The bad thing is, the second those fans find out you did something that doesn't go along with their interpretation of the Bible, they will turn on you."

Reed says Destroy the Runner's spirituality is subtle. "I've been to P.O.D. shows where they would preach from the stage, saying they are representing Jesus Christ. We're not that kind of band. We all share beliefs that are portrayed in our lyrics, but we're not out to be a ministry band. We don't want to make anybody uncomfortable."

Scary Kids Scaring Kids appear November 4 at Soma. Destroy the Runner departs for another six-week tour tomorrow.

— Ken Leighton

### Karaoke Conquistadors

"We want to conquer every San Diego karaoke bar with our costumes and choreography," says Danie

Caw of the Leo-TARDS. In spandex, corsets, sequins, and fur, the karaoke quartet incorporates into their act dancing, air guitar, and drums, cross-dressing (one of the two male members is named Tranny-TARD), and the occasional lap dance.

"I pick someone from the audience during [Prince's]

us downtown. Sometimes we go down there just to annoy."

The Leo-TARDS perform on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Lamplighter in Mission Hills.

"They have a great sound system and the most eclectic karaoke menu in the area. Those gigs always bring our most outrageous groupies. Some have even produced their own Leo-TARD shirts, and they follow us from venue to venue, holding up their lighters."

Caw says female fans often throw panties at Dio-TARD.

"Once, he wore a pair thrown onstage as a bandanna. The next day, he discovered a curious rash on his forehead."

— Jay Allen Sanford

### Lunchmeat Sells

It's spelled "grimmie" but pronounced "grimy," and when it comes out of TV-show host E-Low, it sounds like, "That shit is GRIIIII-ME!" E-Low is the driving force behind *The Grimmie Wreck Show*, 30-minute episodes of interviews, videos, quick commercials, shout-outs, and music vignettes that relate to the rap scene.

"We try to keep it grimmie all the way through," E-Low says. "We're not coming at it like we're comedians or we're super hard core. Nah, we're just grimmie. We out here on a grimmie level. Grimmie doesn't mean anything bad. If you see a hot chick — 'Ooh, baby, you grimmie.' It's all how you say it. If you get jacked by the police — 'Man, that was grimmie.' Grimmie can

mean whatever you express it to be, and that's what *The Grimmie Wreck Show* is."

E-Low emphasizes that the most important aspect of the show is giving exposure to San Diego rappers because the local hip-hop scene is ignored by all other local media outlets.

"There's two parts of the town. You've got the white part, and you've got the minority part. The white part pays no attention to the minority part. The music scene is crackin' right now. There are rappers selling 5,000, 10,000, or 30,000 units out of this town alone. That's more than most rock groups sell."

So, who's selling in San



THE LEO-TARDS: SOME PEOPLE DON'T GET 'EM

'Darling Nikki,' says Caw, a former dance teacher. "That one usually results in a lot of unwanted phone numbers."

Regarding favorite venues...

"On the weekends, Kearny Mesa Bowl is the way to go," continues Caw. "The crowd is older and consists of adulterous couples letting it loose and keeping an eye open for their significant other. The crowd is very interactive and very, very drunk. The key to this bar is to sign up with each of our names individually but right after each other, so we can perform four songs in a row, twice a night."

Least-favorite karaoke bars are downtown.

"They tend to be on the pretentious side, consisting of yuppie morons that just don't get what we're all about. Drinks have been thrown at



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DESTROY THE RUNNER DESIRES YOUR COMFORT

the release of *Saints*, their first CD on Solid State. The Seattle indie label distributed by EMI is known for its roster of Christian rock artists. Two other Solid State bands (Haste the Day and August Burns Red) joined Destroy the Runner on the 42-city tour.

Another band on the bill (Scary Kids Scaring Kids) was the only one not on Solid State. Scary Kids partied on the road; the other three bands did not.

"We definitely couldn't have done this tour eight years ago," says Scary Kids keyboardist Pouyan Afkary. Destroy the Runner's Duane Reed (guitar/vocals) agrees that not long ago Christian rock and secular rock rarely intersected; he

Christian stuff were awful. Now a lot of [Christian] bands are coming out with really good music."

While on tour, there were no conflicts between Scary Kids and the Solid State bands; however, Scary Kid Afkary says...

"It's tough to be on a totally Christian bill and be well received.... I like to come up to people in the crowd and dance sexually with them. I wrap my shirt around them and caress their face. Some of the crowds had



E-LOW KEEPS IT REAL GRIMY

Diego? According to E-Low, CDs by Lil B-Stone, Sick Beav, Black Mikey, Lunchmeat, 12 Gauge Shotty, and Timz are blowing out of Fam Mart on Euclid Avenue.

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out. That guy has hustle and trying to put it down for the Chaldean race.”

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— Larry Harmon

**Wrong Turn on the Freeway**

In 1984, Tony Suraci was a 17-year-old Fallbrook High senior who sang in local bands and acted in school plays. He remembers the day he became part of a “sobriety cult.”

“I had the lead in [the play] *Blythe Spirit*. I didn’t make it to a Sadie Hawkins dance the night before a dress rehearsal, and I shared with the cast why me and my date didn’t make it. We went out to party.” Suraci mentioned to cast members that he had drank and smoked pot the night before. The cast told the drama teacher, and the drama teacher told Suraci’s mother.

“They kicked me out of the play and hired a professional actor,” says Suraci. “A week later I got a call from my mom. In a friendly tone she said, ‘Let’s go to lunch.’ We ended up going down the 15 freeway. She said, ‘I am taking you to some people who know more about you than I do.’”

Those “people” were



SURACI CONTENT WITH EXCOMMUNICATION

facility in Escondido called SLIC (Sober Live-In Center) Ranch.

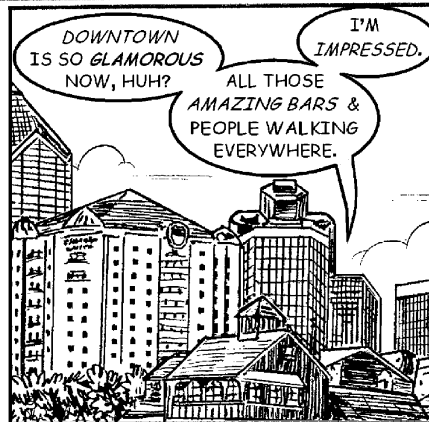
“At the meetings everyone hugs each other and says, ‘I love you,’” says Suraci. “And

associated with Freeway, a drug-abuse program founded in the early ’80s by Bob Meehan, self-proclaimed “father of drug intervention.” In 1979, a *60 Minutes* exposé noted that “the [treatment] program’s tools are peer pressure and peer support” and that “members are told to steer clear of nonmembers and to attend as many meetings as they can.” In his interview, Meehan affirmed his “power to persuade.” Last year in the *Tucson Weekly*, a former counselor described Meehan’s control over clients and counselors as “blind and absolute.” (Though Meehan has been linked to treatment centers in Arizona, he is reportedly no longer involved with any in California.)

Suraci says when he graduated from high school in 1985 he was hired by Meehan to work at a live-in

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everyone smokes.... When I worked for SLIC Ranch, I had to stay up all night and make sure they didn’t practice any of the three F’s: fighting, fixing [drug use], and you know what the other ‘F’ is. I also cleaned the ranch. I mopped the floors, washed dishes.”

In 1986 Suraci moved to Dallas to work for a recovery group he says was affiliated with Meehan.

“I was paid, like, \$250 a week” to drive, perform maintenance duties, and to be a weekend supervisor/counselor. “They called me a counselor, but I was unaccredited.”

Suraci left Dallas in 1988 to tour with a band called Recovery.

“We toured Texas, playing for sober audiences. All our songs were about sobriety and recovery, but I was always loyal to the cult.”

Suraci says he and Meehan parted company in 1997.

“If you don’t act a certain way, they excommunicate you. I was told I was no longer needed.”

Suraci says he is now dedicated to music. His second solo CD (available at [www.tonysuraci.com](http://www.tonysuraci.com)) is titled

*My Only Faith*. He plays covers with his band at casinos, nightspots, and private parties.

Meehan’s 1984 book, *Beyond the Yellow Brick Road: Our Children and Drugs*, is still sold by Meek Publishers in Roswell, Georgia. A request to speak with Meehan was left with Meek, but Meehan did not respond.

Suraci and band appear at the Promenade Bar in the Pala Casino from October 18 through 21.

— Ken Leighton

**Rap Knockers** “We hung out with different crowds at Crawford High and hardly ever spoke, so I don’t know why all of a sudden he’s badmouthing me,” says rapper Professor K of the “diss track” by DJ Black Truth and Ethik. Sample lyric from “Destroyed Experiment”: “You’re just a hip-hop hypocrite, you aren’t that intricate, realness in your verses, I never see you implement.”

“I think it bugs [Truth] that I skate and I hang out with punk rockers and stuff, and he envies me because I got three band projects with two of them about to put out new CDs.”

Professor K’s response to the song is called “Black Truth Is a Fag.” Ethik claims a lyric references a porn tape K brags about making. “He’s

not hip-hop... Professor K’s beat was great, but those lyrics are horrible.”

Professor K says he doesn’t know what started



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PROFESSOR K...IMPLEMENTIN’!

overly arrogant. Yes, hip-hop has a lot of braggers, but there’s gotta be a boundary line. I respect that he’s trying to make it as a local music artist, but if you’re gonna present this spiritual image, back it up. Maybe make a track about how that was your past and you’ve become a better man or something.”

DJ Black Truth says, “If you looked at [Professor K’s] page, you’d think, ‘Hey, he’s cool,’ but he came to my page to take my picture and put it up as his track display. That’s

the rivalry, but “As far as I’m concerned, it’s over. I’m not gonna do any more answer tracks; ‘Black Truth Is a Fag’ says it all.”

Professor K appears with Robot Crew October 14 at downtown’s Static Lounge.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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EsPRIella has used music therapy as an aide in treating disabled children, teens in crisis, addicts going through recovery, terminally ill patients, and people with mental illnesses. “I was a schizophrenic homeless man, probably in his 40s. He wouldn’t even shake hands — verbal communication didn’t seem possible, he just mumbled incoherent words, out of context and directed to no one...I put a drum in front of him, I took another drum, and he grabbed his and began rapping on it. I replied in a similar way, and he would answer back with his drum.” Eventually J began making mouth sounds, like singing, which EsPRIella mimicked, and the call-and-response communication continued.

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“‘Fire Water Burn’ by the Bloodhound Gang — ‘The roof, the roof, the roof is on fire.’ Especially when sung by the American soldier in Michael Moore’s movie *Fahrenheit 9/11*. It’s not a problem of the song itself but of that moment.”

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Alfonso de la Espriella

Christmas tree for a picture, and I didn’t want to do any of that.”

### LENNON OR MCCARTNEY?

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## Calendar CONCERTS

### THIS WEEK'S CONCERTS

#### THURSDAY

**The Larry Carlton Blues Project:**  
Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,  
Thursday, October 12, 2241 Shelter  
Island Drive, Shelter Island.

**Marcia Ball:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Thursday, October 12, 143 South Cedros  
Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**Hello goodbye:** House of Blues,  
Thursday, October 12, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

#### FRIDAY

**Cheyenne Kimball:** House of Blues,  
Friday, October 13, 1055 Fifth Avenue,  
Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**+44:** Soma, Friday, October 13, 3350  
Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego.  
619-226-7662.

#### SATURDAY

**Brooks & Dunn:** Coors  
Amphitheatre, Saturday, October 14,  
2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista.  
619-671-3600.

**Thrice:** Soma, Saturday, October 14,  
3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego.  
619-226-7662.

#### SUNDAY

**Edie Brickell & the New  
Bohemians:** Belly Up Tavern, Sunday,  
October 15, 143 South Cedros Avenue,  
Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**Rancid:** House of Blues, Sunday,  
October 15, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp.  
619-299-2583.

**Los Tucanes de Tijuana:** California  
Center for the Arts, Sunday, October 15,  
340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido.  
800-988-4253.

**Antigone Rising:** House of Blues,  
Sunday, October 15, 1055 Fifth Avenue,  
Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

#### MONDAY

**Rancid:** House of Blues, Monday,  
October 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp.  
619-299-2583.

#### TUESDAY

**Covenant:** 'Canes, Tuesday, October  
17, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission  
Beach. 858-488-1780.

**Xzibit:** House of Blues, Tuesday,  
October 17, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp.  
619-299-2583.

#### WEDNESDAY

**Joan Baez:** Humphrey's Concerts by  
the Bay, Wednesday, October 18, 2241  
Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

**Method Man:** 4th & B, Wednesday,  
October 18, 345 B Street, San Diego.  
619-231-4343.

**Placebo:** House of Blues, Wednesday,  
October 18, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp.  
619-299-2583.

**Ladytron:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Wednesday, October 18, 143 South  
Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-  
8140.

### UPCOMING CONCERTS

#### OCTOBER

**Galactic:** House of Blues, Thursday,  
October 19, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp.  
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**Veruca Salt:** 'Canes, Thursday,  
October 19, 3105 Ocean Front Walk,  
Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

**Nashville Pussy:** Brick by Brick,  
Thursday, October 19, 1130 Buenos  
Avenue, San Diego. 619-275-5483.

**Marta Topferova:**  
AcousticMusicSanDiego, Friday, October  
20, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal  
Heights. 619-303-8176.

**The Mark Hummel Band:**  
Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Friday,  
October 20, 2241 Shelter Island Drive,  
San Diego. 619-224-3577.

**Dashboard Confessional:** Cox  
Arena, Saturday, October 21, SDSU  
campus, College Area. 619-594-0429.

**Joan Sebastian:** ipayOne Center,  
Saturday, October 21, 3500 Sports Arena  
Boulevard, 619-224-4171.

**India.Arie:** Spreckels Theatre,  
Saturday, October 21, 121 Broadway,  
downtown. 619-235-9500.

**Secret Machines:** Soma, Saturday,  
October 21, 3350 Sports Arena  
Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

**Kinky:** 'Canes, Sunday, October 22,  
3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach.  
858-488-1780.

**Bob Dylan:** Cox Arena, Sunday,  
October 22, SDSU campus, College Area.  
619-594-0429.

**Umphrey's McGee:** House of Blues,  
Monday, October 23, 1055 Fifth Avenue,  
Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**The Cramps:** House of Blues, Tuesday,  
October 24, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp.  
619-299-2583.

**New Found Glory:** House of Blues,  
Wednesday, October 25, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**Susan Werner:**  
AcousticMusicSanDiego, Thursday,  
October 26, 4650 Mansfield Street,  
Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Roberta Flack:** Sycuan Casino  
Showcase Theatre, Thursday, October  
26, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-  
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**Jimmy Buffett:** Coors Amphitheatre,  
Thursday, October 26, 2050  
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**Bob Schneider:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Thursday, October 26, 143 South Cedros  
Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**John Lee Hooker Jr.:** Humphrey's  
Backstage Lounge, Friday, October 27,  
2241 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego.  
619-224-3577.

**The Average White Band:** Viejas  
Casino DreamCatcher Show Room,  
Saturday, October 28, 5000 Willows  
Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

**Wynton Marsalis:** California Center  
for the Arts, Saturday, October 28, 340  
N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido.  
800-988-4253.

**The Gin Blossoms:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Sunday, October 29, 143 South Cedros  
Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**Rise Against:** Soma, Tuesday, October  
31, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San  
Diego. 619-226-7662.

#### NOVEMBER

**James Hunter:** 'Canes, Wednesday,  
November 1, 3105 Ocean Front Walk,  
Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

**Shelby Lynne:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Wednesday, November 1, 143 South  
Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-  
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11/3 John Brown's Body w/Go Jimmy Go  
11/4 The Tommy Castro Band  
11/5 Jackie Greene  
11/6 Little Steven's Underground Garage  
A Go Go featuring New York Dolls, Supersuckers, The Chesterfield King, and The Charms  
11/7 Adrian Belew  
11/8 Lisa Marie Presley

11/10 Common Sense  
11/11 Brand New Heavies w/N'Dea Davenport  
11/12 Ben Taylor & Sonya Kitchell  
11/15 The Idan Raichel Project  
11/16 Groundation  
11/17 The Skatalites & The Aggrolites  
11/18 Boogie Nights — Ultimate '80s Glam Rock Metal Experience  
11/19 The Lemonheads  
11/25 Joe Bonamassa  
11/27 Wall of Voodoo w/Stam Ridgway  
12/5 Fourgoodmen

12/7 Aimee Mann's First Annual Christmas Show  
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**The Blue Man Group:** Cox Arena, Saturday, November 4, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0429.

**The Starlight Mints:** The Casbah, Saturday, November 4, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego. 619-232-4355.

**Dramarama and Bow Wow Wow:** House of Blues, Saturday, November 4, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**The Bouncing Souls:** House of Blues, Sunday, November 5, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**Joan Jett:** House of Blues, Monday, November 6, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**Adrian Belew:** Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, November 7, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**Lisa Marie Presley:** Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, November 8, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**Lyfe Jennings:** House of Blues, Wednesday, November 8, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

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**Keith Sweat:** Sycuan Casino Showcase  
Theatre, Friday, November 10, 5469  
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**Jimmy Thackery:** Humphrey's  
Backstage Lounge, Friday, November 10,  
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619-224-3577.

**Ray Lamontagne:** Spreckels Theatre,  
Friday, November 10, 121 Broadway,  
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**The Fray:** Open Air Theatre, Saturday,  
November 11, SDSU campus, College  
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**Janis Ian:** AcousticMusicSanDiego,  
Saturday, November 11, 4650 Mansfield  
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**The Beautiful South:** House of  
Blues, Saturday, November 11, 1055  
Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**Vince Gill:** California Center for the  
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**Rod Piazza:** Humphrey's Backstage  
Lounge, Saturday, November 11, 2241  
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**Pink Martini:** 4th & B, Sunday,  
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**The Deftones:** Soma, Sunday,  
November 12, 3350 Sports Arena  
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**Ciara:** House of Blues, Sunday,  
November 12, 1055 Fifth Avenue,  
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**James Blunt:** ipayOne Center,  
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**GWAR:** House of Blues, Wednesday,  
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**The Slits:** The Casbah, Thursday,  
November 16, 2501 Kettner Boulevard,  
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**The Damned:** House of Blues, Friday,  
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**Kris Kristofferson:** California Center  
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**Frank Black:** House of Blues,  
Saturday, November 18, 1055 Fifth  
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**The Lemonheads:** Belly Up Tavern,  
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Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

**Lady Sovereign:** House of Blues,  
Sunday, November 19, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**John Legend:** House of Blues,  
Monday, November 20, 1055 Fifth  
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**She Wants Revenge** and **Pretty  
Girls Make Graves:** House of Blues,  
Tuesday, November 21, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**30 Seconds to Mars:** Soma, Friday,  
November 24, 3350 Sports Arena  
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**The Black Label Society:** House of  
Blues, Tuesday, November 28, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**The Trans-Siberian Orchestra:**  
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**The Melvins:** The Casbah, Friday,  
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**Geoff Muldaur:** AcousticMusicSanDiego, Saturday,  
December 2, 4650 Mansfield Street,  
Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**The Barenaked Ladies:** RIMAC  
Arena, Sunday, December 3, UCSD  
campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497.

**Gregg Allman:** House of Blues,  
Wednesday, December 6, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**Andre Rieu:** ipayOne Center,  
Thursday, December 7, 3500 Sports  
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**Ziggy Marley:** 4th & B, Thursday,  
December 7, 345 B Street, San Diego.  
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**Slightly Stoopid** and **Pepper:** 4th &  
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**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy:** Sycuan  
Casino Showcase Theatre, Friday,  
December 8, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa.  
619-659-3380.

**Primus:** RIMAC Arena, Friday,  
December 8, UCSD campus, La Jolla.  
858-534-8497.

**Slightly Stoopid** and **Pepper:** 4th &  
B, Saturday, December 9, 345 B Street,  
San Diego. 619-231-4343.

**Panic! at the Disco:** ipayOne  
Center, Saturday, December 9, 3500  
Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171.

**Tom Russell:** AcousticMusicSanDiego, Sunday,  
December 10, 4650 Mansfield Street,  
Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Senses Fail** and **Saosin:** Soma,  
Saturday, December 16, 3350 Sports  
Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-  
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**Ozomatli:** House of Blues, Wednesday,  
December 20, 1055 Fifth Avenue,  
Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

**Tha Alkaholiks:** 'Canes, Wednesday,  
December 20, 3105 Ocean Front Walk,  
Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

**Glen Yarbrough:** AcousticMusicSanDiego, Saturday,  
December 23, 4650 Mansfield Street,  
Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**El Vez:** The Casbah, Saturday,  
December 23, 2501 Kettner Boulevard,  
San Diego. 619-232-4355.

## JANUARY

**Beres Hammond** and **Marcia  
Griffiths:** 4th & B, Sunday, January 7,  
345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

**Al Kooper:** AcousticMusicSanDiego,  
Friday, January 12, 4650 Mansfield  
Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Manhattan Transfer:** California  
Center for the Arts, Friday, January 12,

340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido.  
800-988-4253.

**Guns N' Roses:** ipayOne Center,  
Tuesday, January 16, 3500 Sports Arena  
Boulevard, 619-224-4171.

**Eliza Gilkyson:** AcousticMusicSanDiego, Thursday,  
January 18, 4650 Mansfield Street,  
Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**The Chieftains:** California Center for  
the Arts, Friday, January 26, 340 N.  
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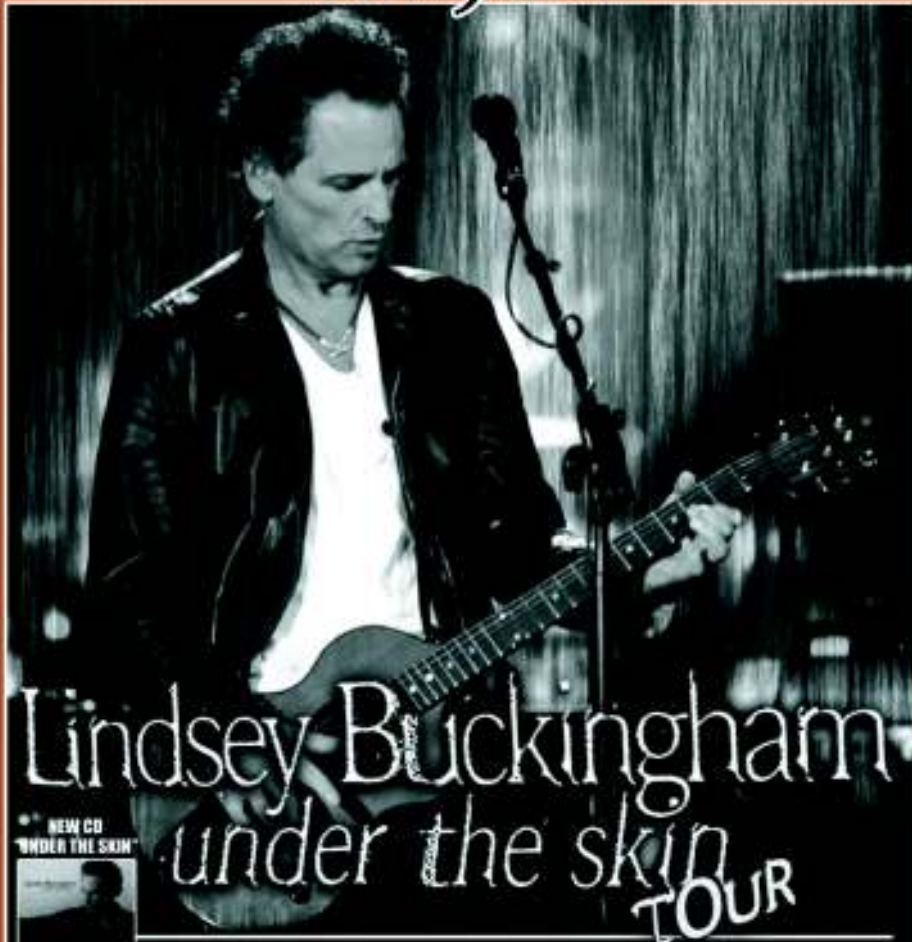
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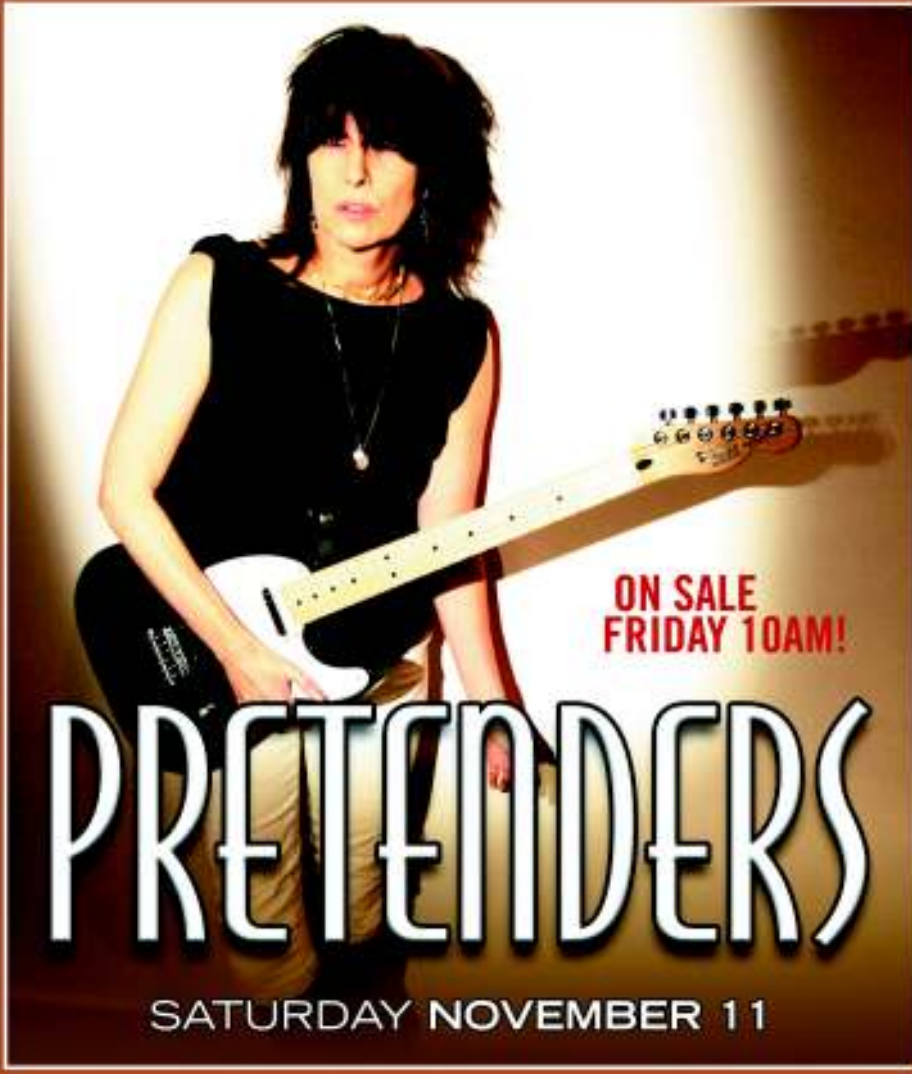
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**Brick by Brick:** Fridays, *Therapy*, industrial, gothic, and fetish with DJs Bryan Pollard and guest. 8:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.; 21 and up. 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-5483.

**'Canes:** Thursdays, Top 40, hip-hop, and old skool with DJs Power Girth, and Rick Nasty. 9 p.m. 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

**The C Lounge:** Sundays, *Liquid*, liquid funk and drum 'n' bass. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. No cover. 756 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-2838.

**Dino's:** Fridays, *Gimmie Gimmie Gimmie*, punk, goth, and rock with DJs Bryan Pollard, Morgan Young, and guest. 3929 30th Street, North Park. 619-291-3466.

**The Flame:** Second and fifth Saturday of the month, *Sabbat*, gothic, industrial, and dark '80s with DJs Robin Roth, Adam Atom, and Diskdroid. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. 3780 Park Boulevard, Hillcrest. 619-295-4163.

**Honey Bee Hive:** Wednesdays, *Mixtape Sessions*, underground hip-hop, downtempo, and breakbeat with

DJ Ricky Wrecks and Mada; 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays, *Deep*, drum 'n' bass with DJs Walkrawler, Probable Cause, and Skyler Mic; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. 1409 C Street (corner of 14th Street, across from City College), downtown. 619-702-6010.

#### Inferno Young Adult

**Nightclub:** Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, house, and reggaeton. 9 p.m. to 1:15 a.m., high school sophomore and up. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-1271.

**Jack's Lounge:** Fridays, sexy dance music with DJ Misha and weekly guests. Saturdays, vocal house with DJ Sean Wilson. 7863 Girard Avenue, La Jolla. 858-456-8111.

**Kadan:** Wednesdays, *Darkwave Garden*, punk, gothic, and ethereal with DJs Bryan Pollard, Stern, and Grimderella. First Saturday of the month, *BrokenBeat Night*, live electronic, machine funk, and breaks. Second and third Saturday of the month, *Underground Playground*, breaks, house, and progressive with Jack Tripper and guest DJs. Tuesdays, *Distortion*, mashups, bastard pop, and cybertrash. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. No cover. 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**The Kava Lounge:** Second Friday of the month, *Ascension*, Robin Roth and Tom King spin the best in dark underground dance music. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. 2812 Kettner Boulevard, Middletown. 619-543-0933.

#### Michael's Lounge (Hyatt Regency)

**Regency:** Thursdays, DJ Neko spins hip-hop, dance, and '70s/'80s. 9 p.m. 3777 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla. 858-552-1234.

#### Moondoggies Pacific Beach:

Saturdays, hip-hop and R&B with DJs Enigma and Cisco. 9 p.m.; 21 and up. No cover. 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550.

#### Moose's Gaslamp:

Sundays, *Nocturnal*, house and trance with DJ Neko. 9 p.m. 535 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-702-5595.

#### Riley's Sports Bar:

First Friday of the month, *Sin Factory*, fetish, gothic, and industrial with DJs Darkman and guests. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. 2901 Nimitz Boulevard, Point Loma. 619-255-8635.

#### San Diego Sports Club:

Wednesdays, *Club Pussy Galore*, Robin Roth and other female DJs spin indie rock, electro pop, and '80s Second and fourth Saturday of the month, *Club Fashion Whore*, electroclash, Brit pop, and indie dance punk with DJs Nate Soixante, Saul Q, Barry Weaver, and more. Third Saturday of the month, *Club de Sade*, gothic, industrial, and fetish with DJs Darkman and Creep. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. 1271 University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-299-7372.

#### 710 Beach Club:


Sundays, Husky Boy Allstars, hip-hop, funk, and old skool. 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844.

#### Shooterz:

Thursdays, *Club '80s*, new wave, new romantic, and punk synthpop with DJs Bryan Pollard, Sickboy, and Stern. Saturdays, *Underworld*, industrial, gothic, and dark electro with DJs Bryan Pollard, Cybian, and Harlot. 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

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**Whiskey Girl:** Mondays, DJ Marc Thrasher mixes '80s and '90s music videos. 9 p.m.; 21 and up. No cover. 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-236-1616.

**The Whistle Stop:** Second Thursday of the month, *Programme:Zero*, indie, Brit pop, and soul. First and third Saturday of the month, *Transport*, Brit rock, indie, and electroclash with DJ Gabe Vega and guests. Second and fifth Saturday of the month, *One Nation*, new wave, hip-hop, and bootleg remixes with DJs Blackstone and Atari. Tuesdays, *Friends Chill*, downtempo, electronic, and ambient with DJs Wank Chops, Lstr, and guests. 9 p.m.; 21 and up. 2236 Fern Street (corner of 30th and Juniper), South Park. 619-284-6784.

## CLUBS BY AREA

If you wish to submit a listing, call 619-235-3000, ext. 405, night or day by 5 p.m. Friday, the week prior to publication. To send weekly or monthly schedules, fax to 760-788-1309 or mail to Reader Music Scene, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego CA 92186-5803. You may also submit information online at SanDiegoReader.com by clicking on the music section. Upcoming concerts, DJ events, or performances that are not at a club should be directed to 619-235-3000, ext. 261; e-mailed to sellis@nethere.com; or faxed to 619-881-2401.

## Beaches

**Bahia Resort Hotel**, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach. 858-488-0551. Tangier Lounge: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *John Cain*, jazz/Latin/international and pop standards.

**Bar Leucadian**, 1542 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia. 760-753-2094. Friday, 9 p.m., *Custard Pie*, classic rock.

**Beaumont's**, 5662 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-459-0474. Saturday, 8 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., *Allison Scull* and *Victor Martin*, jazz/folk.

**The Calypso Cafe**, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, live music. Friday, *Jeff Moore* and *Billy Thompson*, blues. Friday, *Palos*. Saturday, *Semisi* & *Fulabula*, reggae. Sunday, *the Rick*

*Ross Trio*, jazz. Monday, *Mick Overman* & *the Maniacs*, rock. Tuesday, *Jack Tempchin*, folk. Wednesday, *C.O.I.*

**'Canes**, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8 p.m., *Kavana*, *Slewfoot* and *ColPorter*. Friday, 9 p.m., *Brigadier Jerry*, *Sister Nancy*, *Lady Anne*, and *Scientist* & *Stranger*. Saturday, *Cash'd Out*, *Nicky D.* & *the Whiskey Dicks*, and *Shoestring Strap*, country rock/bluegrass. Sunday, *Ill Nino*, *Godhead*, *the Dreaming*, and *R.A.* Tuesday, 8 p.m., *Covenant*, *Imperative Reaction*, and *Dismantled*. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *New Mile Dive*, *Variable*, *Calabria*, and *Drop Joy*.

**Ché Café**, UCSD Campus, 9500 Gilman Drive, Student Center B-0323C, La Jolla. 858-534-2311. Music is punk/rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the Plot to Blow Up the Eiffel Tower*, *the Atoms*, and *Grand Ole Party*. Friday, *American Black Lung*, *Thriller*, and *Author* & *Punisher*. Sunday, *Skipperrr*, *Bruno* and *Michel Are Smiling*, *the Powdered Wigs*, *Sonic Death Rabbit*, and *the Chariots of Fire*. Monday, *Ghost Mice* and *Matty Pop Chart*. Wednesday, *Now It's Overhead*, *Summerbirds in the Cellar*, and *the Nurses*.

**Clay's**, atop the Hotel La Jolla, 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Friday, 8 p.m. to midnight, Latin jazz. Saturday and Wednesday, live jazz/funk.

**Cody's La Jolla**, 8030 Girard Avenue, La Jolla. 858-459-0040. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Roy Resnikoff*, piano. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Dick Koenig*, jazz guitar, Wednesday.

**Dreamstreet**, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Music is rock/metal/alternative. Thursday, *North by Northeast*, *Refuge*, and *Carpe Diem*. Friday, *J. Downs*, *Mpire*, *Tubby*, and *Loose Cannon*. Saturday, *the Ruse*, *the Strikers*, *the Tijuana Marauders*, and *Impression Ending*.

**E Street Cafe**, 128 E Street, Encinitas. 760-230-2038. Music is acoustic/folk. Friday, 9:30 p.m., *the Donnis Trio*. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Peter Hall*. Sunday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Bluegrass Social*. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Liz Clark*.

**Excelsior**, 1025 Prospect Street #201 (second floor), La Jolla. 858-454-8092. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, hip-hop/house.

**Hennessey's Tavern (PB)**, 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *Jah Blood* & *the Fiyah Angels*, reggae.

**Jack's La Jolla**, 7863 Girard Avenue, La Jolla. 858-456-8111. Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., *Soul Seduction*, jazz.

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

The photograph of **Wanda Jackson** on the cover of *Heart Trouble* is one of those brutal and honest shots: a little too much light and not enough shadow. It shows every mile of her 69 years. For many of them, she has been known as either Hurricane Wanda or the Queen of Rockabilly, the kinds of silly titles imposed by fans and promoters alike. What is singular about Wanda Jackson is the life she made for herself during the June Cleaver 1950s. What Jackson did was rare for any woman of that generation, and none of it might have transpired had she not dated Elvis Presley.

Jackson recorded a tribute to him last year. *I Remember Elvis* celebrated their romance with Presley covers sung in a voice still strong but now mellowed by age and

minus the trademarked vocal hiccups and the growling. In her prime, in her form-fitting tight dresses and heels, Jackson was country music's first sex symbol. But it was Elvis in 1955 who convinced her to try the new thing he was doing, mixing R&B with hillbilly. They called it rockabilly, and it brought out the wild woman in Jackson. In just a few short years she would become what rock critic Nick Tosches called "the greatest menstruating rock singer the world has ever known."

Rockabilly was eventually plowed under in the early '60s by the British Invasion. Jackson continued to record country, and later, after she was born again, gospel. She's been twice nominated for a Grammy Award, is the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship, and has had a career all the while in Europe, where she is still a rockabilly icon. The real crime is that she has failed to win induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of



WANDA JACKSON

Fame, even with a letter of support from Elvis (Costello, this time). Maybe this year she'll get lucky.

(To hear a sample of **Wanda Jackson**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4781.)

**WANDA JACKSON, Museum of Making Music, Sunday, October 15, 7 p.m. 760-438-5996, x212. \$30.**

**La Valencia Hotel**, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Barry Levich*, jazz. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday, *Rick Ross*, jazz.

**The Lodge at Torrey Pines**, 11480 N. Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. 619-453-4420. The Grill: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Dan Papaila*, solo jazz guitar. Also, Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Mike Nelson*, solo jazz guitar.

**Pacific Beach Bar and Grill**, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Sunday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., live reggae.

**Pasquale on Prospect**, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-0722. Thursday and Saturday, Latin jazz. Friday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Jazz 101 Band* featuring *Nick Fiore*, *John Guilino*, *Dave Scott*, and *the Cynthia Hammond*.

**Portugalia**, 4839 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach. 619-222-7678. Sunday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Ian Tordella* and *the Jazz Combo Zero*, modern jazz.

**St. Tropez Bistro & Bakery**, 947 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-633-0084. Friday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Keith Jacobsen*, smooth jazz saxophone.

**710 Beach Club**, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Friday, *Dazed and Confused*, rock.

Saturday, *Burnt*, *Dubshack*, and *the Debonaires*, reggae. Monday, *the Mitch Budd Band*, rock. Wednesday, *the Expos*, *Public Property*, and *Social Green*, rock.

**Tapenade Restaurant**, 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla. 858-551-7500. Thursday, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *the Forecast Jazz Duo*.

**Taylor's Bar and Brewery**, 721 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach. 619-270-3596. Tuesday, 9:30 p.m., *the Mojoley Jazz Quartet*.

**Thrusters**, 4633 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-483-6334. Saturday, 7:30 p.m., *Modern Day Moonshine*, soul/reggae/rock. Sunday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Willovealot*, smooth jazz.

**Tiki House**, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Friday, *Fairfield Fats*, blues. Saturday, *the Fremonts*, blues. Sunday, open mike. Tuesday, *Christopher Dale* and friends. Wednesday, *Ruby Stellers* & *Hollywood Begs*, rock.

**Tower Two Beach Cafe**, 5083 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach. 619-223-4059. Saturday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., *Amy Obenski*, jazzy folk-rock. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., live acoustic/folk music.

**Winstons**, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Superunloader*, *Juke*, and *Cody Marks*. Friday, *Alfred Howard* &

*the K23 Orchestra*, jazz, and *the Flux*. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Idle Train*, classic rock, 9 p.m., *Banyan* and *Plump*, alternative rock. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, rock. Tuesday, *Shoestring Strap*, bluegrass, and *Paradise*. Wednesday, *Seismic* and *Grand Canyon Sundown*, rock.

## 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., *Aaron Bowen*, acoustic. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Hargo*.

**Busalacchi's Ristorante**, 3683 Fifth Avenue, San Diego. 619-298-0119. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the New Standard Jazz Trio*, straight-ahead jazz.

**The Casbah**, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Lady Dottie* & *the Diamonds*, blues, with *Holiday* & *the Adventure Pop Collective*, *Lindsey Troy*, and *Dennis Borlek*. Friday, *Reeve Oliver*, *Oakley Hall*, and *Yovee*. Saturday, *Jedi Mind Tricks*, *R.A. the Rugged Man*, *Outerspace*, and *Reef the Lost Cauze*. Sunday, *Lucero*, *Rocky Votolato*, and *William Elliot Whitmore*. Monday, *the*

*Black Angels* and *the Quarter After*. Tuesday, *the Peppermints*, *the Glossines*, *the Donkeys*, and *Bumbklaat*. Wednesday, *Damien Jurado*.

**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*.

**Dakota Grill and Spirits**, 901 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5554. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., also, Friday and Saturday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Jimmy Lavello*, pop piano.

**Dick's Last Resort**, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Music is rock and roll. Thursday and Friday, *Private Domain*. Saturday, *West of 5*, classic rock. Sunday, *the Disco Pimps*. Tuesday, *the 86'd*. Wednesday, *the Ghost of Sada*.

**Dizzy's**, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Thursday, 8 p.m., *the Bobs*, a cappella, all genres. Friday, 8 p.m., *Keltik Kharma*, Celtic folk. Saturday, *Tripp Sprague*, *Rob Whitlock*, *Bob Magnusson*, and *Duncan Moore*. Sunday, *Ken Song*, *Llew Matthews*, *Luther Hughes*, and *Paul Kreibich*, jazz.

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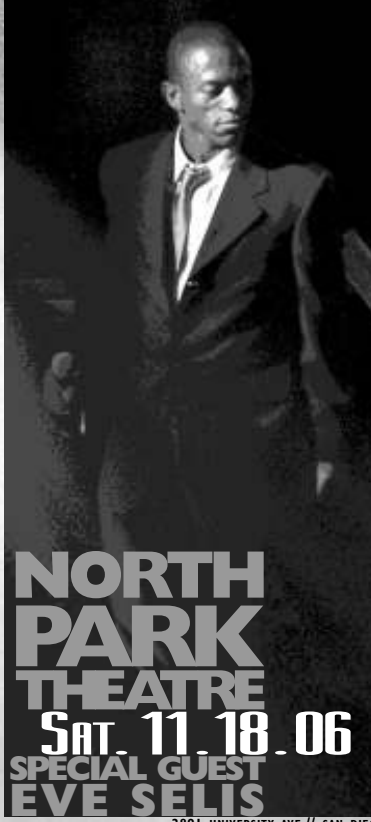
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**Henry's Pub**, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Thursday, *the Brat Pack*. Friday, *Good Times*. Saturday, call club for information. Tuesday, *the Stiletto*s, rockabilly. Wednesday, *Lady Dottie & the Diamonds*, blues.

**House of Blues**, 1055 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-299-2583. Thursday, *Hello Goodbye*, *Ozma*, *Cute Is What We Aim For*, and *Peachcake*, rock. Friday, *Cheyenne Kimball*, *Ryan Star*, and *Michael Schenker*. Sunday, *Rancid*, *the Germs*, and *Misled Citizen*. Monday, *Rancid*, *the Adolescents*, and *the Wrecking Crew*. Tuesday, *Xzibit*. Wednesday, *Placebo*.

**Jimmy Love's**, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday and Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Masterpiece*, jazz/R&B. Friday, 9:45 p.m., *Diva Soul*, disco/Top 40. Saturday, 9:45 p.m., *Pop Rocks*, '80s dance. Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Insight*, jazz. Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Mystique*, jazz/R&B. Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Soul Revue*, jazz/dance/Top 40.

**Martini Ranch**, 528 F Street, downtown. 619-235-6100. Shaker Room: Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Tortured Soul*.

**Patrick's II**, 428 F Street, downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues/soul unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, *Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak*. Friday, *Soul Diego*. Saturday, *the Blues Brokers*. Sunday, *Chet Cannon*. Monday and Tuesday, *Scott Holt Blues*. Wednesday, *the Bill Magee Blues Band*.

**Princess Pub & Grille**, 1665 India Street, Little Italy/downtown. 619-702-3021. Saturday, *J.D. Bouchard*, piano.

**Rock Bottom**, 401 G Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-7000. Friday and Saturday, live pop/rock/disco/dance.

**Samba Grill**, 514 Horton Plaza, Gaslamp. 619-236-1000. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Edo Brazil*, Brazilian jazz.

**Sevilla**, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-5979. Club Salsa: Thursday, *Primo*, Latin jazz/salsa. Tuesday, *Orquesta 8.8*, salsa.

**The Shout House**, 655 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-231-6700. Rock and roll sing-along dueling pianos.

**The Westgate Hotel**, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown. 619-238-1818. The Plaza Bar: All music is piano. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Fran Loskota* and *Karen Giorgio*, jazz/blues/pop. Sunday and Monday, 7 p.m. to midnight, *Julio de la Huerta*. Tuesday and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to midnight, *Faith Page*.

**Whiskey Girl**, 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-236-1616. Sunday, *the Mitch Budd Band*, rock. Tuesday, *Nitro Express*, Southern rock/country/blues. Wednesday, *the Stepping Feet*, Dave Matthews tribute band.

### San Diego

**The Aero Club**, 3365 India Street, San Diego. 619-297-7211. Tuesday, 7 p.m., *the San Diego Blues Trio*.

**Albie's Beef Inn**, 1201 Hotel Circle South, San Diego. 619-291-1103. Piano bar, call club for information.

**The Alibi**, 1403 University Avenue, San Diego. 619-295-0881. Live music.

**Blarney Stone Pub**, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Harold & Chris*, Irish folk. Monday, *Pat & Joe* and *Allison Gill*, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, call club for information.

**Borders Books and Music (Mission Valley)**, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 p.m., *Hargo*, acoustic.

**Brick by Brick**, 1130 Buena Vista Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is rock/metal/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Redefine*, *Strike Twelve*, and *Rip-Off Johnny*. Friday, *the Hold Steady* and *Sean Na Na*. Saturday, *Fusebox* and *the Ovals of Cassini*. Wednesday, *the Material* and *Overcast*.

**Claire de Lune**, 2905 University Avenue, North Park. 619-688-9845. Friday and Saturday, live acoustic/folk/jazz.

**Epicentre**, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Music is rock/metal/punk. Saturday, *Strike Anywhere*, *Bane*, *a Global Threat*, and *This Is Hell*.

**Etta's Place**, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Live rock/swing.

**The Gordon Biersch Brewery**, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Jennifer Corday*.

**The Handlery Hotel and Resort**, 950 Hotel Circle North, San Diego. 619-298-0511. Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., *the Mellow Tones*, jazz.

**Harry's Bar and American Grill**, 4370 La Jolla Village Drive, San Diego. 858-373-1252. Friday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Jazz Duo*.

**Hot Monkey Love Cafe**, 6875 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-469-4113. Saturday, *Supernova*, *Digital Unicorn*, *the Atoms*, and *the Sess*, punk.

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**Lestat's Coffee House**, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Music is acoustic/folk. Thursday, *Silent Partner*, *Ithaca*, and *Tiff Jimber*. Friday, *Two Sheds*, *Joanie Mendenhall*, and *the Chaplain Sisters*. Saturday, *Gregory Page*. Sunday, *Carlos Olmeda* and *Supermice*. Monday, open mike. Wednesday, *Love-O-Rama*, *Fire Dog*, and *Ciela*.

**Martini's Bar and Grill**, 3940 Fourth Avenue, San Diego. 619-293-0232. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Vintage Vegas*, jazz.

**Oasis Bar and Grill**, 10044 Pacific Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-410-0656. Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *the Ian Tordella Duo*, straight-ahead jazz.

**O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub**, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, 9 p.m., *People*, *the Roman Spring*, and *the Distance*, rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Mother Grundy*, *Blizzard*, and *Velvet Tongue*, rock. Sunday, 9 p.m., *Happy Ron & the Boy Toys*, rock. Monday, 7:30 p.m., *Mystery Train*, blues. Tuesday, 9 p.m., *Shea's Rebellion*, *Tenring*, and *Tomorrow the Gallows*, punk. Wednesday, 9 p.m., *Rob Johnston* and *Jesse Johnson*, rock.

**The Ould Sod**, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Gene Warren*, Irish folk. Tuesday, traditional Irish jam session.

**Pal Joey's**, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m., *Moondance*, oldies/swing.

**Red Fox Steakhouse**, 2228 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-297-1313. Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Eddie Rossi* and *Joe Soprano*, piano. Monday and Tuesday, *the David Shaw Duo*.

**Rosie & Joe's**, 7986 Armour Street, San Diego. 858-277-5777. Friday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Hugh Gaskins*, rockabilly/blues.

**Rosie O'Grady's**, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-7666. Friday and Saturday, live rock.

**Scolari's Office**, 3936 30th Street, San Diego. 619-296-3546. Live rock.

**Second Wind**, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Friday and Saturday, *the Rockaholics*.

**Sogno Di Vino**, 1607 India Street, San Diego. 619-531-8887. Tuesday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Mike Nelson*, solo jazz guitar.

**Soma**, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Performances start at 7 p.m. Music is rock/metal/alternative. Friday, (+44) and *the Matches*. Saturday, *Thrice*, *These Arms Are Snakes*, and *Planes Mistaken for Stars*.

**South Park Bar and Grill**, 1946 Fern Street, San Diego. 619-696-0096. Thursday, 7 p.m., *John Kopecky*, solo Latin jazz guitar. Friday, 7 p.m., *Amelia Browning*, jazz/Latin standards. Saturday, 8 p.m., jazz jam session.

**Terra**, on Vermont, one block north of University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-293-7088. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Robin Henkel*, solo blues/jazz.

**Tio Leo's**, 10787 Camino Ruiz, Mira Mesa. 858-695-1461. Thursday, *Zindu*, rock/jazz/funk. Saturday, *Big Rig Deluxe*, rockabilly/swing. Wednesday, *the Exit Theory*, rock.

**Tio Leo's Lounge**, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Friday, *Los Fabulocos*, Latin. Saturday, *Blue Largo*, jazz/blues. Monday, tango. Tuesday, zydeco blues. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *the High Society Jazz Band*.

**The Tower Bar**, 4757 University Avenue, San Diego. 619-284-0158. Friday, *Secret Samuria* and *Monsters from Mars*, rock. Sunday, *Mick Oberman*, acoustic. Monday, *Lady Dottie & the Diamonds*, blues.

**Tutto Mare**, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Jaime Valle*, and guests.

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Wednesday, open mike hosted by *Tim Mudd*.

**Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant**, 3025 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-282-7040. Thursday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the B-3 Four* featuring vocalist *David Mosby*, jazz.

**Whistle Stop Bar**, 2236 Fern Street, San Diego. 619-284-6784. Friday, *John Meeks* and *Merle Jagger*, country/rock/bluegrass. Saturday, One Nation Under a Groove.

**The Zombie Lounge**, 3519 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-284-DEAD. Music is rock/punk/metal/alternative. Friday, *the Hillstreet Strangers*, *SuperHeavyGoatAss*, and *the Cobra Skulls*. Saturday, *the Buzzbombs*, *the Sugar Daddies*, and *Brian Jay & the Barn Burners*. Sunday, *Jena Berlin* and *Temperature Delete*.

### North County

**The Alley**, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *the Love Rangers*, Top 40/pop.

**Belly Up Tavern**, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 8 p.m., *Marcia Ball* and *Billy Watson*, blues. Friday, *Los Straightjackets & the Potani Sisters* with *Kaiser George* and *Deke Dickerson*, twist/swing. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations* and *the Devastators*, reggae. Sunday, 8 p.m., *Edie Brickell & the New Bohemians* with *Joe Purdy*, acoustic. Monday, *Anthony B. and Wisdom*. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Ladytron* with C.S.S.

**The Blvd.**, 925 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-510-0004. Friday, *Royal Krown*. Saturday, 8 p.m., '80s dance/hip-hop. Tuesday, country.

**Boar Cross'n**, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Thursday, hip-hop. Friday, and Saturday, live classic rock.

**The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe**, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Blue Largo*, jazz/blues.

**Borders Books and Music (Carlsbad)**, 1905 Calle Barcelona, Carlsbad. 760-479-0242. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Skiberreen*, folk.

**Borders Books and Music (Carmel Mountain)**, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Friday, *Lee*

*Tyler Post*, acoustic rock. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Andrea Reschke*, acoustic folk.

**Carvers**, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *the Ideas*, classic rock. Saturday, *Laguna*, classic rock.

**Cheers**, 2475 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-0270. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock/country. Tuesday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock/folk.

**Coyote Bar and Grill**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Boneyard*, rock. Friday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *the Restless Natives*. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., *C.C. & David*, folk-rock, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *the Sons of Bordertown*, rock/blues/folk. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., *Johnny "B" Blues*, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Peter Sprague*, jazz.

**Cuvee Restaurant**, 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Del Mar. 858-259-5878. Monday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Sambajazz*, Brazilian and American jazz.

**Del Dios Bar and Grill**, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-489-4800. Friday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Unknown Legend*, acoustic roots rock. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Luna Llena*, Cuban salsa.

**Game Time Tavern**, 12735 Poway Road, Poway. 858-748-0015. Friday and Saturday, *5 Miles High*, classic rock.

**Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)**, 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Thursday, '80s night. Friday, *Da Groove*. Saturday, *Syngy*, rock.

**The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe**, 5951 Linea del Cielo, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-1131. Thursday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

**The Jumping Turtle**, 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7778. Music is rock/metal/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Kayo Dot*, *Variable*, *When in My Painting*, and *Unbeknown*. Friday, *Six Foot Death Trap*, *Instinct of Aggression*, *Audkik*, *Difficult Henry*, and *One Theory*. Saturday, *Mickey Avalon*, *Inberst*, *Shwayze*, and *Poets & Pornstars*. Sunday, *Light of Doom*, *Metalsome*, and *Unruly Youth*. Wednesday, *the Pillars of Autumnn*.

**Mas Fina Cantina**, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock/folk.

**McCabe's Beach Club**, 1145 South Tremont Street, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the California Rangers*, country.

**The Metaphor Coffeehouse**, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Friday and Saturday, live music. Monday, Dixieland jazz.

# NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Liverpool's **Ladytron** is one of those club-kid bands that snarky American rock critics love to hate. I mean, try to find a review that doesn't mention the trendiness of Ladytron's haircuts. There, I just did it myself. Sorry.

Ladytron entered the scene in 1999 playing the kind of electronic pop that Kraftwerk and Gary Numan pioneered 20 years earlier. All the new-wave ingredients were there: the simple synths (I swear some of the bass lines on their *604* album come as presets on my Casio), the odd mixture of jet-set sophistication and cheapness (the band's first single was reportedly recorded for 50 pounds), the disaffected vocals in exotic

accents (co-vocalist **Mira Aroyo** is from Bulgaria), and the lyrics expressing a defiantly casual attitude toward sex.

If you were looking for an update to the early '80s sound — and a lot of people were — Ladytron was perfect. Ladytron embodied a certain kind of style that other bands were aiming toward. Some called it electroclash. Once it had a name, it was easier to dismiss.

But Ladytron didn't just have style, they had songs. Real songs with hooks and memorable melodies, even if they were sung in a Human League-like near-monotone. Now that the buzz about electroclash has died down, all those snarky critics have been kinder toward Ladytron. It helped that the band's new album *Witching Hour* is their most rock-like work so far, with hints of My Bloody Valen-



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tine and even Lee Hazelwood (both of whom appeared on a compilation album that came out under the Ladytron name a couple of years ago). More importantly, *Witching Hour* may be Ladytron's best.

**LADYTRON, Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, October 18, 8 p.m. 858-481-8140. \$22.**

**Molly Malone's**, 1270 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-9050. Friday, 9 p.m., *Hoodoo Blues*, blues/rock. Saturday, 8-10 *Productions*, metal showcase.

**North Bar Sports & Spirits**, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock/folk.

**Ocean House**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Friday and Saturday, live rock/blues. Sunday, salsa. Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Cradit Union*, swing. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., blues jam.

**Pounders**, 125 West Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-739-1288. Friday, live rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Stevi Lynn & Triple Threat*, classic rock.

**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.

**Squid Joe's**, 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-4996. Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, dancing and live music.

**Surf N'Saddle**, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *the Big Sound*, rock. Saturday, *Forrest & Friends*. Wednesday, open mike.

**Woody's Sports Bar**, 2329 South Centre City Parkway, Escondido.

760-735-8599. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock.

### South Bay/Coronado

**The Butcher Shop**, 556 Broadway, Chula Vista. 619-420-9440. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Ray Correa*, standards/pop/Latin.

**Cafe LaMaze**, 1441 Highland Avenue, National City. 619-474-3222. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Sandy Chappel* and *Sammy Canonizado*, jazz/blues. Sunday, 8:30 p.m., *Burnett Anderson*, *Robert Sebastian*, and *Scott Wallingford*, jazz.

**Coronado Island Marriott**, 2000 Second Street, Coronado. 619-435-3000. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *the Jaime Valle Bossa-Jazz Quartet*.

**Galley at the Marina**, 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista. 619-422-5714. Friday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Justin Brothers*, rock and roll. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., live rock. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *David Hauser*, acoustic. Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Gary Seiler*, acoustic.

**Hotel del Coronado**, 1550 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-6611. Babcock and Story: Thursday through 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Tony Lasley*, Latin jazz. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Barbara Jamerson* and *Joe Tarantino*, jazz. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., *Stellita & Dave Lindgren*. Tuesday and Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Jim Gibson*.

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## BANDS

- ### ALTERNATIVE

**The Adolescents:** House of Blues

**American Black Lung:** Ché Café

**The Atoms:** Ché Café, Hot Monkey Love Café

**Audkik:** The Jumping Turtle

**Author & Punisher:** Ché Café

**Bane:** Epicentre

**Banyan:** Winstons

**Jena Berlin:** The Zombie Lounge

**Brigadier Jerry:** 'Canes

**Bruno & Michel Are Smiling:** Ché Café

**Bumbklaat:** The Casbah

**The Buzzbombs:** The Zombie Lounge

**Carpe Diem:** Dreamstreet

**The Chariots of Fire:** Ché Café

**The Cobra Skulls:** The Zombie Lounge

**Difficult Henry:** The Jumping Turtle

**Digital Unicorn:** Hot Monkey Love Café

**The Distance:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**The Donkeys:** The Casbah

**Drop Joy:** 'Canes

**Fusebox:** Brick By Brick

**Ghost Mice:** Ché Café

**A Global Threat:** Epicentre

**The Glossines:** The Casbah

**Grand Ole Party:** Ché Café

**Hell on Heels:** The Kensington Club

**The Hillstreet Stranglers:** The Zombie Lounge

**The Hold Steady:** Brick By Brick

**Holiday & the Adventure Pop Collective:** The Casbah

**Impression Ending:** Dreamstreet

**In the Red:** The Kensington Club

**Inberst:** The Jumping Turtle

**Instinct of Aggression:** The Jumping Turtle

**Ithaca:** Lestat's Coffee House

**Brian Jay & the Barn Burners:** The Zombie Lounge

**Jedi Mind Tricks:** The Casbah

**Tiff Jimber:** Lestat's Coffee House

**Kayo Dot:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Kissfits:** The Kensington Club

**Lady Anne:** 'Canes

**Ladytron:** Belly Up Tavern

**Light of Doom:** The Jumping Turtle

**Lunette:** The Kensington Club

**The Material:** Brick By Brick

**Matty Pop Chart:** Ché Café

**North by Northeast:** Dreamstreet

**Now It's Overhead:** Ché Café

**The Nurses:** Ché Café

**One Theory:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Ovals of Cassini:** Brick By Brick

**Overcast:** Brick By Brick

**Gregory Page:** Lestat's Coffee House

**People:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**The Peppermints:** The Casbah

**The Pillars of Autumn:** The Jumping Turtle

**Placebo:** House of Blues

**Planes Mistaken for Stars:** Soma

**The Plot to Blow Up the Eiffel Tower:** Ché Café

**Plump:** Winstons

**Poets & Pornstars:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Powdered Wigs:** Ché Café

**Redefine:** Brick By Brick

**Reeve Oliver:** The Casbah

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## BANDS

### ALTERNATIVE

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**The Roman Spring:** O’Connell’s Pub and Nightclub

**The Ruse:** Dreamstreet

**Scientist and Stranger:** ’Canes

**Sean Na Na:** Brick By Brick

**The Sess:** Hot Monkey Love Cafe

**Shwayze:** The Jumping Turtle

**Silent Partner:** Lestat’s Coffee House

**Sister Nancy:** ’Canes

**Six Foot Deathtrap:** The Jumping Turtle

**Skipperrr:** Ché Café

**Sonic Death Rabbit:** Ché Café

**Strike Anywhere:** Epicentre

**Strike Twelve:** Brick By Brick

**The Strikers:** Dreamstreet

**The Sugar Daddies:** The Zombie Lounge

**Summerbirds in the Cellar:** Ché Café

**SuperHeavyGoatAss:** The Zombie Lounge

**Supermice:** Lestat’s Coffee House

**Supernova:** Hot Monkey Love Cafe

**Temperature Delete:** The Zombie Lounge

**These Arms Are Snakes:** Soma

**This Is Hell:** Epicentre

**Thriller:** Ché Café

**The Tijuana Marauders:** Dreamstreet

**Tiltwheel:** The Kensington Club

**Tortured Soul:** Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

**The Two Sheds:** Lestat’s Coffee House

**The Unknown:** The Jumping Turtle

**Variable:** The Jumping Turtle, ’Canes

**Vena Cava:** The Kensington Club

**When in My Painting:** The Jumping Turtle

### ROCK

**Mickey Avalon:** The Jumping Turtle

**Big Rig Deluxe:** Tio Leo’s (Mira Mesa)

**The Big Sound:** Surf N’Saddle

**The Black Angels:** The Casbah

**Blizzard:** O’Connell’s Pub and Nightclub

**The Brat Pack:** Henry’s Pub

**The Mitch Budd Band:** Whiskey Girl, 710 Beach Club

**Calabria:** ’Canes

**C.C. & David:** Coyote Bar and Grill

**C.O.I.:** The Calypso Cafe

**ColPorter:** ’Canes

**Covenant:** ’Canes

**Custard Pie:** Bar Leucadian

**Cute Is What We Aim For:** House of Blues

**Nicky D. & the Whiskey Dicks:** ’Canes

**Dazed and Confused:** 710 Beach Club

**The Detroit Underground:** Humphrey’s

**Deke Dickerson:** Belly Up Tavern

**Dismantled:** ’Canes

**The Dreaming:** ’Canes

**The 86’d:** Dick’s Last Resort

**The Electric Waste Band:** Winstons

**The Exit Theory:** Tio Leo’s (Mira Mesa)

**The Expos:** 710 Beach Club

**The Farmers:** Humphrey’s

**5 Miles High:** Game Time Tavern

**The Flux:** Winstons



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BY OLLIE

**Album:** *Miss Your Face* (2006)

**Artist:** The Transit War

**Label:** Orange Peel Records

**Where available/price:** Best Buy, FYE, Sam Goody, Tower Records for \$9–\$14. Online at *Smartpunk.com*, *Interpunk.com*, *Amazon.com* for \$9–\$14.

**Songs:** 1) Radar 2) Nitetime Enemy 3) Loud 4) Chutes and Lasers 5) The Only Evidence 6) Lupus 7) Sheep in Your Head 8) Desiree, Safe! 9) Hey! Is for Horses 10) Operator 11) Safety in the Air

**Band:** Jim Hughes (vocals, guitar), Mike Frey (vocals, bass), Brad Bohensky (drums), Jaime Solis (guitar, vocals)

**Website:** *www.thetransitwar.com*

**Extra info:** The Transit War is featured on the MTVU show *The Freshmen*.

The Transit War isn’t doing anything new and it works. While other bands in the area try to route a harp-sichord through a vacuum

cleaner to get “their sound,” the Transit War is playing good ol’ 4/4 rock and roll through amplified guitars and a drum set.

One distinguishing feature is the band’s three vocalists. While one takes main vocals, the other two harmonize and make each song distinctive but without losing the overall feel of the album; that continuity is another thing they’ve got going for them.

Some new rock bands sound alike. They sound like Taproot or Staind or whatever the latest crappy one-hit wonder sounds like. A Transit War song is unmistakable. So, what do they sound like? They’re a lot of things: emo enough to be compelling and inspirational without being whiny; they’re heavy enough to be guitar-driven without the laughable theatrics of (some) metal bands; they’re upbeat and punk but more talented across the board than any other SoCal pop punk band, including Unwrit-



*The Transit War*

ten Law, the former blink-182, and Agent 51.

Half the songs on this album are slow love songs or sleepy ballads. They are good, but my favorite is “Chutes and Lasers” because it gets up and kicks some ass.

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**Geezer:** Fannie’s Nightclub

**The Germs:** House of Blues

**The Ghost of Sada:** Dick’s Last Resort

**Godhead:** ’Canes

**Grand Canyon Sundown:** Winstons

**Happy Ron & the Boy Toys:** O’Connell’s Pub and Nightclub

**Hello goodbye:** House of Blues

**Hung Over Tomorrow:** Fannie’s Nightclub

**The Ideas:** Carvers

**Idle Train:** Winstons

**Ill Nino:** ’Canes

**Imperative Reaction:** ’Canes

**Merle Jagger:** Whistle Stop Bar

**Joey & the Sting Rays:** Downtown Cafe

**Jesse Johnson:** O’Connell’s Pub and Nightclub

**Rob Johnston:** O’Connell’s Pub and Nightclub

**Kaiser George:** Belly Up Tavern

**Kavena:** ’Canes

**Laguna:** Carvers

**Lil’ Chile & the Wa Wa’s:** Island Sports & Spirits

**Loose Cannon:** Dreamstreet

**Los Straightjackets & the Potani Sisters:** Belly Up Tavern

**Lucero:** The Casbah

**The Matches:** Soma

**John Meeks:** Whistle Stop Bar

**Metalsome:** The Jumping Turtle

**Middle Finger:** Fannie’s Nightclub

**Misled Citizen:** House of Blues

**Monsters Are from Mars:** Tower Bar

**Moondance:** Pal Joey’s

**Mother Grundy:** O’Connell’s Pub and Nightclub

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### ROCK

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**Mick Oberman:** Tower Bar

**Outerspace:** The Casbah

**Mick Overman & the Maniacs:**  
The Calypso Cafe

**Ozma:** House of Blues

**Paradise:** Winstons

**Peachcake:** House of Blues

**+44:** Soma

**Private Domain:** Dick's Last Resort

**Public Property:** 710 Beach Club

**The Quarter After:** The Casbah

**Rancid:** House of Blues

**R.A. the Rugged Man:** The Casbah

**Reef the Lost Cauze:** The Casbah

**Refuge:** Dreamstreet

**The Rockoholics:** Second Wind (San Carlos)

**Ron's Garage:** Hotel del Coronado

**Secret Samuria:** Tower Bar

**Seismic:** Winstons

**The Eve Selis Band:** Humphrey's

**Shea's Rebellion:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**6one9:** Second Wind (Santee)

**Slewoffoot:** Canes

**Social Green:** 710 Beach Club

**The Sons of Bordertown:** Coyote Bar and Grill

**Ruby Stellar & Hollywood Begg:**  
Tiki House

**Stevi Lynn & Triple Threat:**  
Pounder's

**The Stilettos:** Henry's Pub, McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Superunloader:** Winstons

**Synogy:** Hennessy's Tavern (Carlsbad)

**Tenring:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**Thrice:** Soma

**Tomorrow the Gallows:**  
O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**Tubby:** Dreamstreet

**Unruly Youth:** The Jumping Turtle

**Velvet Tongue:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**West of 5:** Dick's Last Resort

**The Wrecking Crew:** House of Blues

**The X Factor:** Island Sports & Spirits

### POP / TOP 40

**The Disco Pimps:** Dick's Last Resort

**Diva Soul:** Jimmy Love's

**The Good Times:** Henry's Pub

**Jimmy Lavello:** Dakota Grill and Spirits

**The Love Rangers:** The Alley

**Pop Rocks:** Jimmy Love's

**Stayin' Alive:** Viejas Casino

**The Stepping Feet:** Whiskey Girl

**The Ultratones:** Humphrey's

### JAZZ / BIG BAND

**Burnett Anderson:** Cafe LaMaze

**The B-3 Four:** Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant

**Tom Bishop:** Rancho Bernardo Inn

**Blue Largo:** The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Tio Leo's Lounge

**Ray Briz:** Hotel del Coronado

**Amelia Browning:** South Park Bar and Grill

**Sammy Canonizado:** Cafe LaMaze

**Sandy Chappel:** Cafe LaMaze

**The Credit Union:** Ocean House

**Julio de la Huerta:** The Westgate Hotel

**The Donnis Trio:** E Street Cafe

**Edo Brazil:** Samba Grill

**Nick Fiore:** Pasquale on Prospect

**The Forecast Jazz Duo:** Tapenade Restaurant

**Karen Giorgio:** The Westgate Hotel

**John Guilino:** Pasquale on Prospect

**Cynthia Hammond:** Pasquale on Prospect

**The High Society Jazz Band:** Tio Leo's Lounge

**Alfred Howard & the K23 Orchestra:** Winstons

**Insight:** Jimmy Love's

**Keith Jacobsen:** St. Tropez Bistro & Bakery

**Barbara Jamerson:** Hotel del Coronado

**The Jazz 101 Band:** Pasquale on Prospect

**The Jazz Combo Zero:** Portugalia

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**Dick Koenig:** Cody's La Jolla

**John Kopecky:** South Park Bar and Grill

**Lady Luck:** Viejas Casino

**Tony Lasley:** Hotel del Coronado

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**Fran Loskota:** The Westgate Hotel

**Bob Magnusson:** Dizzy's

**Masterpiece:** Jimmy Love's

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**Jerry Melnick:** The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn

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**David Mosby:** Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant

**Mike Nelson:** Sogno Di Vino, The Lodge at Torrey Pines

**The New Standard Jazz Trio:**  
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**The Soul Revue:** Jimmy Love's

**Soul Seduction:** Jack's La Jolla

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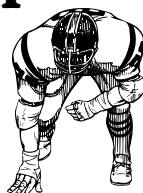
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BANDS

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Burnt: 710 Beach Club
The Debonaires: 710 Beach Club
Dubshack: 710 Beach Club
Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations: Belly Up Tavern
Jah Blood & the Fiyah Angels: Hennessy's Tavern (PB)
The Restless Natives: Coyote Bar and Grill
Semisi & Fulabula: The Calypso Cafe

COUNTRY
Benchmark: Don's Cocktail Lounge
The California Rangers: McCabe's Beach Club
Caribbean Cowboys: Stefanos

Cash'd Out: 'Canes
The Honky Tonk Kings: Renegade Inn
Nitro Express: Whiskey Grill
Shoestring Strap: Winstons, 'Canes

ACOUSTIC / FOLK
Bluegrass Social: E Street Cafe
Dennis Borlek: The Casbah
J.D. Boucharde: Princess Pub & Grille
Aaron Bowen: Borders Books and Music (Gaslamp)
Steve Brewer: Blarney Stone Pub, McP's Irish Pub and Grill
Edie Brickell & the New Bohemians: Belly Up Tavern
The Celtic Ensemble: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
The Chapin Sisters: Lestat's Coffee House
Ciela: Lestat's Coffee House
Liz Clark: E Street Cafe

Christopher Dale: Tiki House
Jim Earp: Borders Books and Music (El Cajon)
Fire Dog: Lestat's Coffee House
4-Way Street: McP's Irish Pub and Grill
Mike Gardner: Cheers, North Bar Sports & Spirits, Mas Fina Cantina
Allison Gill: Blarney Stone Pub
Peter Hall: E Street Cafe
Oakley Hall: The Casbah
Hargo: Borders Books and Music (Mission Valley, Gaslamp)
Harold & Chris: Blarney Stone Pub
David Hauser: Galley at the Marina
Damien Jurado: The Casbah
The Justin Brothers: McP's Irish Pub and Grill, Galley at the Marina
Keltik Kharma: Dizzy's
Cheyenne Kimball: House of Blues
Love-O-Rama: Lestat's Coffee House
Victor Martin: Beaumont's

Dwayne McCobb: Borders Books and Music (El Cajon)
Joanie Mendenhall: Lestat's Coffee House
Joe Mersch: Borders Books and Music (El Cajon)
Tim Mudd: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
Amy Obenski: Tower Two Beach Cafe
Carlos Olmeda: Lestat's Coffee House
Pat & Joe: Blarney Stone Pub
Lee Tyler Post: Borders Books and Music (Carmel Mountain)
Tommy Price: McP's Irish Pub and Grill
Joe Purdy: Belly Up Tavern
Andrea Reschke: Borders Books and Music (Carmel Mountain)
Michael Schenker: House of Blues
Allison Scull: Beaumont's
Gary Seiler: Galley at the Marina
Skibereen: Borders Books and Music (Carlsbad)
Ryan Star: House of Blues
Jack Tempchin: The Calypso Cafe
Lindsey Troy: The Casbah
Unknown Legend: Del Dios Bar and Grill
Rocky Vololato: The Casbah
Gene Warren: The Ould Sod, McP's Irish Pub and Grill
William Elliot Whitmore: The Casbah
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BLUES / SOUL
Marcia Ball: Belly Up Tavern
The Blues Brokers: Patrick's II
Chet Cannon: Patrick's II
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Cheyenne Kimball, October 13, House of Blues

The Fremonts: Tiki House
Fuzzy & the Bluesmen: Croce's Jazz Bar
Hugh Gaskins: Rosie & Joe's
Robin Henkel: Terra
Scott Holt Blues: Patrick's II

Hoodoo Blues: Molly Malone's
Nathan James: Humphrey's
Johnny "B" Blues: Coyote Bar and Grill
Lady Dottie & the Diamonds: Tower Bar, Henry's Pub
Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak: Patrick's II
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# Marrakech Expressive

Maybe I've got Moroccan stardust in my eyes, but I think I've found the ideal neighborhood restaurant. The food at Kous Kous is delicious, authentic, and healthful — and a bit too exotic to readily cook at home. The atmosphere is relaxing and sensual. The staff run the restaurant as though they're entertaining friends — and entertaining is an apt description. You feel as if you're enjoying an intimate dinner party at the home of bright, witty friends who keep you laughing as they teach you about the cooking of their homeland.

A perceptive reader, L.M., clued me to Kous Kous's existence; otherwise I'd never have noticed the place. It's got an electric sign at street level, but the restaurant itself is down a short flight of stairs, next to a glittery "We buy Rolexes" pawnshop.

Most San Diegans, when they think of Middle Eastern food, envision generic Greek-style cuisine or think of our excellent local Persian restaurants. Moroccan cuisine — from North Africa rather than Asia — is different. Where Persian food is generally mild, herbal, and earthy, Moroccan flavors are intense but subtle, hinting of the stronger tastes of dried spices.

If Kous Kous offers an authentic menu, it also presents the cuisine differently from typical Moroccan restaurants (including Marrakech in La Jolla, our only other local representative). Moroccan cooking usually comes with a strong dose of touristic "Arabian Nights" atmosphere, with seating on floor cushions at low tables and obligatory belly-dance performances. At Kous Kous you find a spacious bistro-style room with a small lounge, Oriental-fabric cushions, sofas and rugs near the entrance, a wooden bar along one side, and a dimly lighted dining room, conventional tables and chairs set over a thick faux-Persian green floral carpet. The hanging lanterns cast lacy shadows like butterfly-wing patterns onto the ceiling, and world music plays softly in the background. Don't know about you, but I find it a relief that no skinny blonde dressed up like Scheherazade is gonna come shimmying around to interrupt the meal.

The menu structure is different, too. Instead of the standard stuff-your-face four-course prix fixe, you choose à la carte from a list of a dozen-odd favorite dishes of Marrakech, where the chef-owner hails from. Since my visit, the menu has expanded — each week, Moumen includes a new dish. The latest is *b'stilla*, a filo-crust chicken pot pie topped



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with cinnamon, almonds, and powdered sugar; most Moroccan prix fixe restaurants serve this delicacy between the soup and the entrée.

The passengers on this run of the Marrakech Express were the Lynnester, Samurai Jim, and a newcomer to the gang, 747 Stu. It was a quiet weeknight, so while we were deciding what to order, the chef-owner came by our table to explain the dishes and answer any questions. "My name is Moumen — it's easy, it rhymes with Newman," he said. ("Noumen?" I wondered, drifting off to Plato, or maybe Pluto.) "Newman — the guy on Seinfeld," said Lynne, as if mind-reading my drift. "Aaagh, no!" Moumen said. "Not him! Newman as in Paul!" He went on to give us a cheerful crash course in Moroccan food appreciation, describing every menu item.

A basket of warm pita triangles — soft and fresh — arrived at the table first, along with a relish plate of sweet chopped poached carrots and kalamata olives. We began with a vegetable appetizer plate called "Chutney Sampler." "They're not chutneys at all," said Moumen, "but a trio of *mezze* dips to spread on pita, if you like." One was a paste

of roasted eggplant seasoned with cumin and lemon juice; it sent Lynne into a fit of passion and pleased the rest of us mightily. Another featured a spread of gently poached seasoned carrots, again of amazing sweetness, seasoned with ginger. The third was

a *pipérade* of roasted, peeled bell peppers and sautéed onions, so refreshing that I promised myself that henceforth I would let no *pipérade* at home go unpeeled.

Sh'lád is a fresh tomato mixture served as a bruschetta on soft baguette. "The bread is a concession to American tastes," said Moumen, "so that it will seem more familiar." Overfamiliar, it turned out. "Crostini just don't do it for me anymore," said Lynne. "It's better on pita," said 747 Stu. We had a chance to test this hypothesis, because our third appetizer, Moroccan quesadillas, substituted pita for tortillas. We chose a filling of caramelized onions and mild melted cheese, which came with a ramekin of the sh'lád ingredients minced into a salsa for topping. The other fillings include samples of the chicken and the lamb entrées. Whichever you choose, these would be great noshes if you come in just for a bite.

## REVIEW NAOMI WISE

### Kous Kous Moroccan Bistro ★★★½ (Very Good to Excellent)

3940 Fourth Avenue, Suite 110 (downstairs below street level), Hillcrest, 619-295-5560.

**HOURS:** Daily 5:00 p.m.–midnight (light menu after 10:00 p.m.).

**PRICES:** Appetizers, \$7–\$9; entrées, \$16–\$20; dessert, \$7.

**CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** A well-edited menu of Moroccan favorites, cooked with care. Conventional wine list, adequate choices by the glass; mass-market beers.

**PICK HITS:** "Chutney sampler" appetizer; braised lamb shank with honey and Ras al Hanout; chicken Mu'hammer; couscous; fresh berry dessert.

**NEED TO KNOW:** Validated parking at 3930 Fourth Avenue. Elevator to left of staircase (to Martini's). Charming service, relaxing atmosphere. Small, sheltered open-air patio. Reservations urged for weekends. Several vegetarian items available.

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Morocco's most memorable entrée is probably the humble lamb shank *tagine* (a Moroccan stew or braise, cooked in a clay vessel with a saucer-like bottom and a peaked "hat"). The lamb is braised for more than four hours, until perfectly tender, and served with almond slivers, prunes, and a lamb-broth sauce sweetened with a touch of honey. The meat gains an edge from a spice rub called Ras al Hanout. "Only in Marrakech do you find this spice," said Moumen. "It's in the grocery stores there, but in other cities you don't see it at all. My mother sends it, or my sister brings me a kilo whenever she comes to visit." Here, the shank is of moderate size, from a younger lamb. Remarkably, given how fatty shanks usually are, there was not a trace of grease in the enchanting sauce. Since Moumen makes all the *tagines* in the morning, the flavors have a chance to blend before

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Hit Number Two on the Kous Kous hit parade is Chicken Mu'hammer, a braised half-chicken with quartered green olives and slivers of preserved lemons. The cut lemons — peel and flesh together — are heavily brined in kosher salt, then stored in olive oil. The intense, complex flavor they develop can't be described but must be tasted. Like the lamb, the chicken is cooked gently and slowly (90 minutes in a low oven). Moumen told us how his mother taught him to make it: She used little liquid but periodically spooned the broth over the top of the chicken to keep it moist — but never so wet that the liquid could steal flavor from the bird. Hence, Kous Kous's version has less sauce than other renditions of the dish that I've tasted, but what there is, is alluring.

Once the *tagines* have started cooking in the morning, Moumen then marinates his kebabs (steak, shrimp, fish) in various seasonings. They're cooked to order over a charcoal grill. "Not gas!" Samurai Jim exulted. "Real charcoal, which gives it flavor." We chose the filet mignon kebabs but didn't specify doneness, so they came cooked to medium. (Since Moumen and company are trying to adapt to American tastes, I think they should ask how

done diners want the meat and be prepared for rare.) Shrimp kebabs, of medium-size, ordinary-quality shrimp, come coated with *charmoula*, which is Moroccan for "sauce," says Moumen — in this case, a lemony tomato mixture. We found the dish decent but out-classed by the bravura treatments of the lamb and chicken.

Kebab dishes come with a mixed green salad with refreshing, lemony dressing. All entrées also come with couscous, served on a separate plate so we could each take as much or as little as we liked. Made from scratch the old-fashioned way, the grains are firm and fluffy (rather than soggy) and taste of the mild, sweet vegetable broth they've been steamed in. The topping is an array of raisins, garbanzos, bell pepper, and carrots — and on the side, you get a ramekin of thin, mild hot sauce (based on the veggie broth, plus house-pickled jalapeños) to spoon over it. (This is a fixture in Moroccan homes, but not in most restaurants.) I usually find couscous oversalted but bland to boredom. Here, every bite was fascinating, with clean, sweet flavors. (Those who want couscous as a main dish can now get it in the vegetable version or mixed with lamb or chicken.)

Morocco was formerly a colony of France, so unlike, say,

the Saudis, Moroccans not only drink wine, they grow and bottle it. (One area of the country has a climate similar to Sonoma.) Moumen plans to expand the wine selection to include French and Moroccan wines, but currently the list reads like the middle shelf at Ralphs — dominated by familiar, unthrilling California bottlings. "I'm looking at the 'Interesting Reds' section," said Lynne, "and there's nothing interesting there." Lynne and I both spotted a David Bruce Pinot Noir, mellow and complex. She didn't say anything, but I knew she had to have it. Given the modest price of the food, I decided to splurge a bit, and it was the right wine for the cuisine.

Moumen's big brother Paul, a restaurateur in New Zealand, had taken off time from his own businesses to help Moumen open Kous Kous. As Paul cleared the table, we told him we wanted doggie bags for everything, saying, "This food is too good to waste a morsel of it." "In Morocco, we'd do this," he answered, pantomiming rolling up the tablecloth with everything in it.

For dessert, the house-made choices are fresh berries and crème brûlée. (There's also a nightly pastry purchased from nearby Bread & Cie.) The crème brûlée is light and creamy, not eggy, arriving with a large strawberry exuding its juices in the center. I find it one of the few

brûlées worth eating. Even better was a bowl full of fresh berries with a splash of Grand Marnier and fragrant rosewater — nothing added (not even sugar) and nothing more needed. It was a perfect ending to a light and sumptuous meal. And this furnished another reason that Kous Kous is the ideal neighborhood restaurant: You don't need to save your money and energy to eat there on a special occasion. You won't waddle out over-stuffed and broke, merely well fed and well entertained.

#### ABOUT THE CHEF

"I was the youngest child in the family," says Moumen Nouri, "so I spent a lot of time with my mom in the kitchen. I liked being in the environment of cuisine, and when I finished high school I decided to go to culinary school, the Hospitality School of Marrakech. It's a three-year program, and you choose whether you want to work in the kitchen or the front of the house. First year you study everything, and I did the last two years in international cuisine. Then I went ahead and finished college at government university in Tangiers, studying hospitality management. My goal was not only to cook but to own a nice restaurant.

"I didn't think about coming to the States until I'd been working in Morocco for about

a year after college. I was testing the waters for opening a restaurant, but things there — the business mentality — were a little too slow for me. So I came here. I worked as a manager at Roy's at Pebble Beach and at a nice place in Carmel. For a couple of years I waited tables at Sheerwater while I worked on my business plan and saved money to open the restaurant.

"It's a new concept, what I was working on, and I'd been thinking of it since university. Every Moroccan who opens a Moroccan restaurant, whether in the States or in Morocco, they do it the way we used to eat 100 years ago — low seats, eat with fingers, all that. We Moroccans don't like to sit on the floor either! Some of these restaurants are successful, but they're successful with tourists that eat there once a year. I wanted to make it less of a big event, because I wanted more Americans to have access to my product — our traditional cuisine, but served in a more comfortable setting. So I'm doing bistro tables, silverware, no dancers — although maybe I'll have dancers at midnight sometime. I wanted to add a touch that's my own, and that's world music, which I grew up loving. And I designed everything. It was really hard to get the color green I wanted for the wall.

"Most Moroccan restaurants have a four- or five-course menu and charge \$60 or \$70 for it. The owners are making good money, but I don't want it to be some kind of privilege to eat our cuisine. I don't care about making a lot of money. I care more about making our food accessible. Our culture is about hospitality and bringing people in to your house and sharing food with them. That's why I want this to be a place where people come to see us once a week, not once a year. I'm so happy to see people coming back 10, 12 times. I tell them, 'Come back just to hang out with us. Have an appetizer and a glass of wine.' I don't want anyone to feel pressured to eat five courses.

"I'm still expanding the menu. I just added a beef *tagine* [stew] with fresh artichoke hearts, green olives, green peas, and preserved lemons. That's the first dish my mother makes for me when I go home. And I've had *b'stilla* as a special several times. People go crazy for it, so I'm adding that to the menu, too. It's labor-intensive but well worth all the hard work. I love watching people who are eating it for the first time. 'What...is this dessert?' they ask, because the top is covered with sugar, cinnamon, and almonds. And I say, 'No, it's not dessert — welcome to Morocco!' ■

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You might call this the Russian job. You rush in, chow down, rush out, heh heh. I only have half an hour. Jumped off the 932 bus when I saw these two breakfast places at F and Broadway, Chula Vista. Big Daddy’s and Manna. Figured I could squeeze in a *de-sayuno* at one of them before I have to get the trolley from Bayfront/E Street.

Manna won out because of their banner sign: “Breakfast \$2.99.” That was for two eggs, two pancakes, and two bacon or sausage and was a buck cheaper than Big Daddy’s Breakfast Special. Of course Big Daddy’s is the bigger place. It has the corner lot. Manna’s is just this little space between a gas-station convenience store and a strip-mall outlet called Comix.

Actually, when I first got off the 932, here at the crossroads, I couldn’t help staring at the view. Quite a *chula vista* (“beautiful view, right?”) when you take a moment. Like, you can see the bay, blue as a distant earth between orange-roofed buildings. Makes you wonder. Like, how come Chula Vista didn’t build their main street down there, with shops and squares and cafes facing the water, rather than up here where we’re all walled off from it?

I do a quick scan of Manna’s windows for the specials. Why? Because you always forget about them once you get inside. There’s that \$2.99 break-

fast, a \$3.99 two-egg omelet special (with two pancakes or toast), and a \$3.99 Chinese combo plate with fried rice, chow mein, and two items from the buffet display, like kung pao chicken and egg roll. They all sound like good deals.

But the nicest thing, when I fwop through the doors, is the bright “Hi!” I get from Rosary — yes, that’s her name — the waitress. The room is generic pink ’n’ cream, full of maroon booths. Rosary’s dressed in white blouse, jeans, and a maroon apron.

Then from one of the booths comes an echo.

“Hi! Good morning. How are you? Take a seat, please.”

That’s an Asian-American woman looking up from her Korean-language newspaper. She’s sitting in a booth near the buffet counter and cash register. Sunny, the boss lady.

I like this greeting thing. I know it’s Japanese, Korean, Asian, the custom of greeting the customer when s/he comes and again when s/he goes. Be kinda nice if it became a California thing too.

Rosary brings a coffee (\$1.19) and the menu. Oh Lord. I should just order the \$2.99 special. Save time, money, cholesterol. But the combos grab you. Two eggs with corned beef hash and potatoes (\$5.50). Ham and eggs and spuds, \$6.50. Steak and eggs, \$7.99. And, for \$6.75, “Mam’s” omelet, whoever Mam is. It has bacon, onion,

Bell pepper, mushrooms, tomatoes, and cheese. And for two bits more, you can get the “Round-Up”: three eggs, two sausage patties, two bacon, half a slice of ham, potatoes and toast, or pancakes, or tortillas, or biscuits, or English muffin. What a deal!

All this has softened me up for Number 7: pork chops and eggs and potatoes. It’s \$7.99. Top price. Maybe I just like the idea that for once I can afford the most expensive damned item on the menu. Also pork chop breakfasts make me think of when I was a rangy kid working summer vacations on relties’ farms. So when Rosary comes for the verdict, I’m ready. “Pork chops with pancakes,” I say. “Final answer.”

Natch, it’s only then that I see they have other interesting pancake combo deals, like the “twin,” two eggs, pancakes, and bacon or sausage for \$3.50.

But no regrets. Ten minutes later, Rosary brings out this big china plate loaded with two brown-crumbed pork chops, two eggs over-easy, and home fries. She’s got another plate stacked with two pancakes with a big blob of butter on top.

And guess what? The chops are great. They’re really good with some of that Sriracha hot sauce on them, and they’re not mean little cuts like you often see. We’re talkin’ way big, fat, generous.

But get this: the chops ain’t the stars of this show. It’s the home fries. They’re so fresh-cooked, with sautéed green peppers and onions, they’re nothing short of scrumbolicious. Oh yeah — first I fork-lifted the over-easies on top of them and let the broken yolks leak out all over, like, hey, golden manna.

Maybe it’s all those nuts and twigs I’ve been hogging lately, but the wicked addition of the pancakes melting under the syrup I pour is the perfect side dish. The whole sweet ’n’ salty thing works to perfection here.

Then, *dong!* Time’s up. I see that 932 stretch-limo tramping along Broadway. Heck. Just as well I paid up already. A moment later, I leap on board. But as we head down toward that sparkling blue patch of bay, Rosary’s and Sunny’s farewells are still ringing in my ears.

“Bye. Come again! Thank you!”  
I will. Except next time I really am going to try the \$2.99 special. I swear. ■

**The Place:** Manna Restaurant, 600 F Street #C, Chula Vista, 619-425-9270

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*“Premium wine grapes don’t thrive where ice plants and salty sea foam happily commingle.”*

Forty years ago, Ralph Amey, then a new professor of chemistry at L.A.’s Occidental College, started to investigate California wine. They were heady days: the industry, having survived Prohibition and its aftermath, was just beginning its remarkable renaissance — new energy and new ideas arising from the worlds of family wineries (such as the Mondavis at Charles Krug), wild-eyed experimenters (Martin Ray), and formal investigation (Maynard Amerine).

Amey got a bunch of friends to go along for the ride. “I said, ‘Look, if I make up some notes and get some wines together, and if you’ll join in sharing the cost, we can get together, taste the wines blind, talk about them, and maybe we can learn something.’ Things like five or six Zinfandels — that way, we could concentrate on what Zinfandel tasted like. And, of course, when you’re teaching a class, by doing the homework, you learn more than the students.”

Homework was a trickier business then. “I was rather naïve in my knowledge of the books that were around” — understandable, since there were far fewer books to be aware of and far fewer wineries for them to be written about — “and there certainly were not as many seminars in Los

Angeles as there are today.” So, he went to the source. “I was aware that various wineries put out newsletters” — without an established wine press, producers had to rely more heavily on their own efforts — “and so I subscribed to as many of those as I could. I drew a lot from those newsletters, and also from certain retailers: Red Carpet in Glendale and a couple of others.”

The tasting group thrived, eventually expanding its roster to “maybe ten wines” in an evening, and for Amey the experience formed the “fundamentals of my knowledge and my enthusiasm.” It also provided his entry into the Society of Wine Educators. “They interpreted the term in a very broad sense. It consisted of people who taught courses, people in the industry, retailers, and people like myself, who taught in a very loose sense and were interested in learning more.” Amey joined and took advantage of winery tours given to the Society. And when it began to offer a certification, he jumped at that as well.

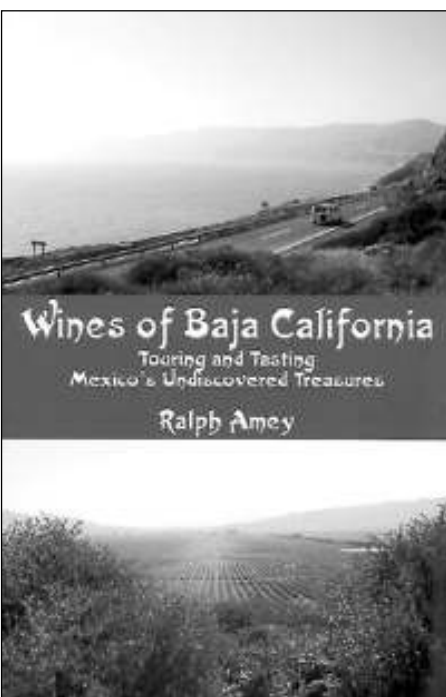
The Society continues to function — there is always more wine to investigate. “Our next meeting will be on the dry red wines of the Douro region of Portugal. These wines are a relatively new concept; they’re made from the grapes normally

used to make Port. We’ll have someone in who imports them, and we’ll taste seven or eight, along with a relatively technical seminar. We usually follow that with a walkaround reception, and then we sit down to a three- or four-course dinner, where we have more wine. Usually, the food is matched to the particular wines of that evening.”

And Amey continues to teach. “I’ve done vertical tastings of BV Private Reserve, Chardonnay around the world, the wines of western Australia. As a teacher, I don’t want to repeat myself too much; it’s more interesting for me — and for the students, I think — to vary it.”

So imagine the teacher’s delight upon discovering an industry in his own back yard, one just beginning its own attempt to rise above its reputation: Baja’s Valle de Guadalupe wine country. “My wife and I had a house built in a community called Plaza Del Mar; we love to go down there. It’s on a cliff overlooking the ocean; it was a great place to go and grade papers.” As he writes in his 2001 book *Wines of Baja California*, “My only reluctance lay in a not-so-secret desire to live near a center of wine production... I knew that premium wine grapes don’t thrive where ice plant and salty sea foam happily commingle.” A friendly local came to his rescue and apprised him of the vineyards planted just a few miles inland, and the professor started doing his homework.

If there were few books on Napa back in the ’60s, there were practically none on Baja in the ’90s. “I think what sparked my interest in writing the book was that the area was so little known, let alone understood. Whenever you read about wine regions, they’ll mention Canada, the U.S., and then they hop over Mexico and talk about Chile, Argentina, and occasionally, Peru. I thought I could contribute to narrowing the knowledge gap. I wanted to provide a book that could be distributed more effectively than a quick article,



something that people could take with them. People like to come to Mexico, but when I was beginning my research, they didn’t go to the wineries.”

It might be that they didn’t know the wineries existed. Or it might be that they did. Amey himself had tasted and dismissed some overheated wines from Bodega Santo Tomás back in the ’70s. “I’ll say right up front that not all of the wines are great. When I wrote the book, there were about 15 wineries in the valley, and 4 or 5 of those might

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have been mom-and-pop. Sometimes, when you have these mom-and-pop operations...I think the wines of Barolo are a great example," says Amey, taking a more famous example. There are some fantastic producers, like Gaja, but then there are also some old-fashioned people. They can be careless about cleanliness. I've walked into some wineries there that are filthy, and I think, 'My God, no wonder these aren't very good wines.'

Old-fashioned people can have "old-fashioned methods of making the wine. They haven't had any formal training, except from their father and that father's father and so on." This sort of teaching is not always about the preservation of ancient wisdom; sometimes, it can mean perpetuating a bad idea. Fermenting in concrete, say, may not be the best thing for your wine. (That was Italy; early Baja wines were fermented in bowls made from animal hides.)

But by the time Amey started investigating, Baja had begun to see winemakers "who really knew what they were doing and who had an international view. They could bring to the wine technology, materials, and recommendations" from the more

established wine regions of the world. Sometimes, the wine-makers themselves hailed from elsewhere: LA Cetto's Camillo Magoni came over from Northern Italy, and Chateau Camou famously sought the advice of French super-consultant Michel Rolland. "I personally am not keen about the internationalization of, say Cabernet or Chardonnay," notes Amey. "I think it's very beautiful to have wines that represent the region where they're made. But by the same token, if you're in an area where there hasn't been a lot of knowledge of what's going on elsewhere, certain techniques can be used to improve your wine without turning it into a clone of the rest of the world." ■

## RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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## NORTH COASTAL

**Beach Grass Cafe** 159 South Coast Highway 101 (one block south of Lomas Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-509-0632. Formerly a branch of Parkhouse Eatery, Beach Grass has been bought by a mini-chain (with Swami's Cafe and Honey's), but still serves the original recipes. You could eat breakfast here daily and never get bored with the creative morning menu, which includes foamy, fresh orange juice and "Beach Benedict" with eggs and house-made hollandaise on a soft, lush crab cake. Oddly, though, the "maple" syrup and "butter" spread are both mass-market blends. Lunches and dinners feature multi-ethnic "coastal cuisine," with the best results in seafood dishes like "Moroccan crabcakes" and the fish-n-yam chips (with fine house-made tartar sauce). Vegetable accompaniments are tasty and creative. Reservations essential for weekend breakfasts. Free parking in back via driveway to right of restaurant. Breakfast through dinner daily. Moderate to slightly expensive. — N.W. (6/05)

**Besta Wan Pizza House** 148 Aberdeen Drive (off the 101), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (1/01)

**Cafe Zinc** 132 South Cedros (at Lomas Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table (dogs are welcome). Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculpture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-

back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal-size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open daily, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

**En Familia Amici** 564 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-9050. You'll feel like a guest at an intimate party eating a leisurely dinner in this small, noisy, pretty dining room. Chef Monica Szepeszy offers personalized, home-style renditions of South American cuisines, including house-made beverages. Be sure to try the house's *chicha morada*, a tangy soft drink made from Peruvian purple corn. The fare includes numerous types of empanadas, tapas-like small plates, and full-size entrées — most from the family homeland, Peru. Desserts vary nightly and can include a cloud-like *tres leches* cake. Vegetarian and allergy-restricted diets accommodated. Lunch and dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Reservations necessary. Moderate. — N.W. (5/04)

**La Especial Norte** 604 North Coast Highway 101 (at Leucadia Boulevard), Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical decor (take a look at the blue ceramic "pond" in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen regional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — the authentic Mexico City-style chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the savory eggplant soup includes airy little "croutons" of puffed *relleno* batter. The fresh, interesting seafood entrées outshine the relatively ordinary renditions of the standard stuffed-tortilla variations. No wheelchair access to restrooms. Open daily, breakfast

through dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (5/02)

**Pacific Del Mar** Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar (at 15th Street), Del Mar, 858-792-1803. The chic crowd is drawn here by Pacific Rim/California-fusion cuisine centering on seafood and organic, locally grown produce. It's quality all the way, but some nights the restaurant is a victim of its own success. The riotous overflow crowds can challenge the kitchen's capacities, not to mention diners' tender ears. (Best strategy for pleasure: Reserve for early or late on a weeknight, and ask for patio seating or Room #2.) Fun list of low-priced mini-appetizers, plus great baked oysters, seared scallops, mustard catfish, and house-cured rib eye. The award-winning wine list is half price Thursday nights, and the full bar specializes in creative martinis. "Pacific Dine-In" offers call-in take-out for selected items. Lunch and dinner daily. Early-bird dinner discount. Pacific Breeze Café (a level down) offers savory dishes for breakfast through late lunch daily. Expensive to very expensive. — N.W. (6/05)

**Potato Shack Cafe** 120 West I Street (off South Coast Highway 101), Encinitas, 760-436-1282. Check out the cute potato-toon mural on the side of the building — a sign for spud-lovers to load up on portions sized for lumberjacks from The Lumberyard across the street. American fries (served "All you can eat!"), French fries, potato patties, and baked potatoes with various toppings are the heart of the menu, along with eggs, omelets, biscuits with sausage gravy, and beer-battered onion rings made from sweet reds. If size counts, consider the daunting inch-thick "manhole" pancake that's bigger than the plate. Lunch runs to "deli" sandwiches (with potatoes), or a hearty bowl of chili con carne. Arrive early weekends. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

**Ruby's Diner** 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-7829. One thing

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about Ruby's: You can build an appetite just getting there. It's at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There's a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby's is part of a themed "forties diner" chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it's still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca-Cola signs, "Dewey-Warren" presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too; try their omelets. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

**Savory** 267 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-634-5556. Chef-owner Pascal Vignau was executive chef of the Four Seasons Aviara when he decided he wanted his own little place. His casual strip-mall restaurant has been perpetually packed for dinner since opening day. Here he serves a monthly changing menu of Southern French and Mediterranean cooking spotlighting seasonal local produce. Highlights include an ultra-rich macaroni-and-ham casserole. The adventurous mainly-Cal wine list is remarkably affordable, with many choices available by half-bottles and glasses (and modest corkage if you BYO). Dinner reservations urged; no groups larger than

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**Tom Giblin's Irish Pub** 640 Grand Avenue (at Roosevelt Street), Carlsbad Village, 760-729-7234. Occupying the whole of a handsome, sprawling, block-long Elizabethan-style building, this friendly "small-townish" saloon offers some above-average pub-grub, especially the perfect, moist corned beef with firm-tender cabbage, the huge, lively salads, and the house-baked brown bread. Boxty (Irish "peasant" potato pancakes, rarely found in California) are done up rather doughy rather than crisp to serve as "wraps" for corned beef and other dishes. Live music Thursday through Saturday, 9 p.m. to midnight. A large, attractive heated patio next to the parking lot offers some afternoon serenity. Open daily, lunch until late, plus Sunday breakfast/brunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (3/02)

**Tony's Jacal** 621 Valley Avenue (between Genevieve Street and Juanita Street), Eden Gardens, Solana Beach, 858-755-2274. Come here at night, when the mysterious low mud-brick arches with the stained glass windows make you think Old Mexico, when the Del Mar racing bar makes you think 1930s Hollywood, and the dining patio, under the 100-year-old chinaberry tree, looks straight out of Guadalajara. Back in 1946, Tony Gonzales' wife Catalina started preparing food for fellow Mexican workers. Since then, everybody from Liz Taylor to J. Edgar Hoover has passed through these portals. Try the "La Colonia" combination of just about anything with rice and beans. Turkey meat is big here, and the (real) crab quesadilla in a corn tortilla is delicious too. Cheapest: probably chicken strips with French fries. And "Jacal"? It means "shack." No lunch or dinner on Tuesday; no lunch Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

**Trattoria Positano (Cardiff-by-the-Sea)** 2171 San Elijo Avenue (at Chesterfield), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-632-0111. If you're tired of Italian restaurants, you'll be revitalized by this one. Original recipes, wonderful fresh

fish, nightly specials, excellent lamb and pastas. Very warm atmosphere. A treasure. Reservations accepted for parties of four or more; expect a wait at prime dinner hours, especially on weekends. Lunch and dinner six days, Sundays dinner only. Upper moderate. — E.W. (6/98)

**NORTH INLAND**

**Abbey's Real Texas BBQ** 6904 Miramar Road (at Commerce Street, behind Denny's), Miramar, 858-566-5235. Newer, smaller branch at 9353 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Ruffin Road), Kearny Mesa, 858-279-7427. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, turkey, and links that are repeatedly mopped with a marinade and cooked in a big cast-iron smoker (rather than grilled over a fire). Here they use mesquite to barbecue the poultry quickly and the brisket ve-r-r-y slowly. In addition to the usual BBQ sides (potato salad, coleslaw, beans, etc.), they offer a Caesar salad. At the Miramar branch the room is large and unadorned but very clean. Wheelchair accessible. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily; continuous service for lunch and early dinner weekdays; normal dinner hours weekends. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.W.

**Galeon (Escondido)** 503 West Mission (at Centre City), Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffee-shop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter and a salad bar. Shrimp and *langostino* ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are well treated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory *albondigas* soup (lime it up, too). Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (6/01)

**Pho Hoa Hiep** 9910 Mira Mesa Boulevard, #A, 858-578-1468 (also at 6947 Linda Vista Road, 858-268-8406). This *pho* (soup) place of the brothers Hoa and Hiep is a clean, busy eatery



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**Rancho Valencia** 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-759-6216. Nestled in the lush garden setting of the Rancho Valencia Resort is one of San Diego's dining gems. They advertise the cuisine as California-French. Whatever. Every bite from appetizer to dessert is prepared and presented to delight Californians, French people — actually, any person on the planet with taste buds. Their crab cake topped with sun-dried apricot-mango chutney was equal to the best you'd eat around Chesapeake Bay. Also, enjoy an entrée of prime mesquite-grilled steak, fresh fish, veal, lamb, or chicken. Portions are generous, as is the wine list. Casual-elegant dress. Open daily, lunch and dinner; brunch Sunday. Very expensive. — *S.M. (6/04)*

**Sand Crab Cafe** 2229 Micro Place (at Oppen, off Barham), Escondido, 760-480-2722. Sandy Crabbe (honest, that's his name) owns this fun, funky dive in the wilds of industrial Escondido near the San Marcos border. A visit offers the primordial, preschoolish joy of whacking crabs to pieces with mallets and eating them with your hands. (Bibs are optional.) Everybody

gets into the party spirit. There's a huge à la carte list of appetizers, soups, snacks, and main courses, often at bargain prices. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked to a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Most of the shellfish were flash-frozen on shipboard, but they're still tasty. The melted non-butter "spread" accompanying them appeals to the area's many health-conscious residents. (Or you can BY-OButter and they'll melt it for you.) Fine tangy housemade key lime pie is a perfect finale. Beer and wine and good margaritas. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

**Vincent's Sirino's** 113 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-745-3835. French-born chef-owner Vincent Grumel serves Gallic classics in an intimate, small-town bistro setting. This is a cuisine of rich dark sauces robbing fine ingredients, such as a huge, flavorful veal chop (no factory calf, that). Mushrooms and vegetables (from local farmers or Grumel's own garden) are the season's best and sensitively treated. Desserts are worth every calorie — save room for the spectacular Bavarian. Full bar, fine wine list. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Expensive. — *N.W. (6/01)*

## LA JOLLA

**Great Khan's Mongolian Festival** 4545 La Jolla Village Drive (UTC), 858-678-0950. This is a chain that stretches almost as far as the Mongolian Empire, but that's because the idea is good. One meal, plenty of it, and guaranteed fresh because it's either frozen (curled shavings of beef, chicken, turkey, pork) or raw (veggies including cabbage, celery, broccoli, cucumber, green peppers, carrots, mushrooms, pineapple, water chestnuts). Stuff as

much as you can into your bowl and hand it to the chef to braise on the huge hotplate, and add noodles. Bonus: gallery view of skaters or an ice hockey match while you eat. Open breakfast through dinner weekdays, earlier closing weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

**La Taverna** 927 Silverado Street (at Girard Avenue), La Jolla, 858-454-0100. Reservations are a necessity at this tiny trattoria, especially if you'd prefer the relative quiet of the roofed sidewalk patio to the din of the cute but cramped dining room. Look for Italian cooking styles ranging from Tuscan, which showcases pastas with simple fresh sauces, to meatballs and red sauce. Highlights include chef-owner Mary Ann Vitale's house-made Sicilian-style fennel sausage, and if the feather-light potato gnocchi is on special, just say "yes." Save room for a slice of house-made layer cake. Moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

**The Pannikin Cafe** 7467 Girard Avenue (at Pearl), La Jolla, 858-454-5453. Oh sure, the inside of this converted bungalow is cool, with its woody-green tables of different heights and cool damsels with animal temp-tattoos on their arms serving you. But here at Pannikin's La Jolla outpost, the outside's the "in" spot, with its brick and earth tones and weathered timber and sixties rainbow tables. But you have to make it through the laptop-clacking, cell phone-blabbing crowd who use this as their garden office and Very Important Meeting spot. Musicians, grad students, and school kids also show up to munch twigs and nuts and think serious thoughts. Breakfasts are mostly steamed-egg variations, including the popular Greek eggs and a filling breakfast burrito. For lunch, a mild chicken curry is a nutty treat, and "pan-niches" such as ham or tuna are fresh, generous, and worthy, though the retros among us will be looking for a salt lick all the way home. Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (2/03)*

**Piatti Ristorante** 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. Whether you sit inside to enjoy the warm, rustic decor or outside under the giant ficus tree listening to the fountain, you're in for a treat at this secluded restaurant. Meals begin with crunchy corn-studded *ciabatta* and spicy balsamic dipping sauce, but don't fill up too soon: the appetizers and salads are varied and tasty. All pastas are house-made and served with lively, unusual sauces. Lemon-herbed rotisserie chicken, wood-fired pizzas, veal *piccata*, and *bistecca* (a grilled rib-eye steak) round out the entrées. Portions are generous, so pace yourself if you're planning to have one of their house-made desserts. Lunch and dinner weekdays; brunch and dinner Saturday and Sunday. Moderate. — *S.M. (7/04)*

**Sadaf** 613 Pearl Street (at Cuvier), La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry — those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, especially at lunch. After the basket of complimentary bread, try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad, or *albalou polo* (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spicing. Another branch in the Gaslamp turns into a nightclub after dinner, but the food's better at this La Jolla flagship. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (10/00)*

**Tutto Mare** 4365 Executive Drive (at Executive Way), Golden Triangle, 858-597-1188. The modern Italian cuisine here emphasizes pasta and fresh seafood from the mesquite grill or oak-fired oven. Lunch hours roar with chic crowds from the surrounding office buildings, but the kitchen is most on its toes then, too. Pastas are mainly house-made, with fresh-tasting sauces, and

substantial seafood salads are available. Entrées (whether seafood or meat) may be overcooked by the fierce wood fires, and most come with minor variations of the same lemon-butter sauce and a one-size-fits-all veggie medley. Full bar, interesting wine list, good happy hour nibbles. Complimentary valet parking. Call for careful directions (very hard to find). Extremely noisy. Lunch and dinner weekdays, dinner weekends. Pastas and salads moderate, entrées expensive. — *N.W. (10/02)*

## MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

**Adam's Steak N' Eggs** 1201 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley, 619-291-1103. Morning munchers take heart! Adam's has served nothing but breakfasts since 1966. The menu runs from healthy — hot oatmeal with raisins, dates, sunflower seeds, almonds, pineapple, and coconut — to corn fritters to a Southern brunch of spicy sausage patties, biscuits, gravy, grits, and eggs, to spiced apple crêpes with whipped cream and pecans. But the signature dish is steak and eggs. The steak's a high-walled chunk of meat almost as thick as it is round. Comes with two eggs, potatoes or grits, and toast or tortillas. You won't need lunch. This brick, dark wood, clubby, business-convention-tourist kind of place has ver-ry faithful customers. But if you want to walk there, be ready for lack of sidewalks, one-way bus access, and wild morning traffic. Open for breakfast daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Aladdin's Cafe** 5420 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 858-573-0000; Uptown Shopping Center, 1220 Cleveland Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-574-1111. These cafés offer a bright, clean atmosphere for bright and clean, if rather generic, Middle Eastern favorites (hummus, tabbouleh, kebabs, *shawerma*, etc.), plus imaginative Lev-

antine-flavored pizzas and salads. There are ample choices for vegetarians. The Hillcrest location offers beer and wine. Hillcrest's new owners also offer a more Lebanese cuisine. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

**Andres' Patio Restaurant** 1235 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-4114. This is a cozy cultural surprise on hard-to-define Morena Boulevard. The food is flavorful (and not spicy-hot like Mexican and South American dishes). A good introduction to it is *ropa vieja* ("old clothes"): shredded beef sautéed with mushrooms, green pepper, and tomatoes with ever-present rice and black beans. And the Cuban sandwich (roast pork, baked ham, and cheese) shows off the Cuban handling of pork. Other interesting dishes include *alcapurria* (pork and green plantain) and luscious, messy *yuca con mojo* (yuca root with garlic oil). Open for lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (8/01)*

**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 shrimp cake and — *voilà!* Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

**Dumpling Inn** 4619 Convoy Street #F, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-9638. Hole-in-the-wall? Yes. But what a hole-in-

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the-wall. For those who love the Far East and its food, finding the Dumpling Inn is a little revelation. It's located in the busy Jasmine/Korean Market Center among Oriental herbalists, man-size-vase shops, even feng shui experts. The Inn itself is tiny but charming. Long hanging lanterns, decorative strings of scarlet and gold firecrackers, Chinese flutes, and even the odd conical straw hat. The food is serious but not expensive. Dishes like ten fish and green chive dumplings, spicy stir-fried three-ingredient *lo mein* (thick noodles, jumbo shrimp, calamari, and chicken plus hot red peppers) are challenging and exciting, as is the Dumpling Dinner (including hot-and-sour soup, cold cuts, shredded pork bun, pot-stickers, shrimp and pork dumplings). Don't miss their divine jellyfish salad — crunchy-tender, bright and spicy (but not too) — you'd be hard-pressed to find it like outside of Hong Kong. Open 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., closed Monday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

**East Buffet** 8998 Miramar Road, Miramar, 858-566-1888. Curly-haired stone lions greet you outside one of the grander dining halls in the county. "The biggest buffet of San Diego" claims the menu, with "over 200 items daily." Start at the Mongolian grill. Pick your raw prawns, chicken, pork, beef, *satays*, and hand the plate-load to the Iron Chef. He'll stir-cook them on the hotplate for you. You'll need hiking boots to cover the endless rows of steaming chafing dishes. Must-eat: the fresh sashimi, like salmon and tuna — mouth-wateringly scrumptious. And try the chicken feet (they taste a bit like cow tongue, or brains). Open daily, brunch through dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (4/05)

**Lightnin' Jacks BBQ** Clairemont Town Square, 4705-H Clairemont Drive (near movieplex), Clairemont, 858-270-8227. Clean, cute, and a little self-conscious, this barbecue has black-and-white Western pictures on the walls and some seating on barstools with metal "saddles" (more comfortable than they look). The barbecue mechanism is a Texas-style pit smoker burning sweet hickory. The meats that

emerge from it aren't the smokiest, but they're tasty enough. Pork ribs are tender and moist, and beef brisket carries enough smoke flavor to pass muster in Texas; other meat choices are less successful. The tomatoey sauce is pleasant but ordinary. A fried catfish plate makes a flavorful alternative (but beware the cat sandwich, awash in hot sauce). Hush puppies and sweet potato fries are the most savory sides. Check your take-out bag to make sure you're getting what you ordered, as youthful staff is easily flustered. Kiddie plates available. Draft beer and wine available. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (1/05)

**94th Aero Squadron** 8885 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-6771. One of San Diego's hidden jewels: there's classic American fare (honey-glazed pork tenderloin, farmhouse chicken) in the "Officers' mess." Happy hour is weekdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Fridays, the outside "Runway" grill features kebabs. The biggest attraction is the place itself. Built to mimic a WWI French farmhouse taken

over by a bunch of Yankee flying aces, it has a garden full of antique planes and live ducks — and right outside, the real Montgomery airfield. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (11/00)

**Shanghai City Restaurant** 3860 Convoy Street #105 (off Balboa), Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5883. Forget the blah strip mall it hides in. This little piece of Shanghai is a jewel. It feels like one of those century-old places in San Francisco's Chinatown. A two-foot-long, satin-silver arowana fish greets you as you come in. Brightly painted dragon columns support a gold dragon arch that leads you into the gold-walled dining room. Mainly, Chinese seem to come here, often eating Shanghai seafood dishes or choosing sumptuous specials like clay hot pots filled with eel and chestnuts or steamed rockfish on a big oval platter. Or, for around five dollars, you can choose lunches like Shanghai chicken, chicken chop suey, or Szechuan pork with crispy noodles, soup, steamed rice, a spring roll, and the main item. Open 10 a.m. to mid-

night, seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/05)

**Spice House Cafe** 9035 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Complex Drive, across from courthouse), 858-565-1028. When your "head feels like an old potato" and your "tongue like a button hook" (to quote Kipling), Spice House's answer is their Hangover Omelet. We don't know if it's the Ortega chilies or Jack cheese or super tangy tomato sauce, but some guys swear they feel better for eating it. Other excellent choices include Portuguese sausage with three eggs; Italian sausage frittata with ham, tomatoes, mushrooms, and thick French toast topped with strawberries and whipped cream. Open daily, breakfast and lunch, dinner nightly, with emphasis on

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**Sunrise Buffet** 3860 Convoy #121, Kearny Mesa, 858-715-1608. “Oysters are here!” It’s what everyone here waits for. Apart from the usual array of meats, fish, shellfish, and novelties like stuffed mushrooms, stuffed clams, dragon rolls (cucumber, avocado, asparagus), and *mochi* (sticky rice cake), these plates of raw oysters in their big shells are one of the big draws. This buffet restaurant is smaller than many, but it still looks like a mega-McDonald’s eating barn inside, except for a sky-blue-lit ceiling recess “heaven.” Like McDonald’s, it attracts lots of families, maybe because it’s not just all-you-can-eat, but all-you-can-drink, too — included in the price. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (4/05)*

**24-Hour Valley Kitchen Family Restaurant** 875 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley, 619-819-1017 or 619-298-8282. Great when everything else is closed. The place feels like a Mid-western chain eatery: all carpets, dark-wood walls, etched glass. Prices are a little up there, but hot French dip is great and burgers are generous. Best news may be that if you feel like breakfast at midnight, no problem. Ask for the pork chops, two eggs, hash browns, and biscuits and gravy. Chops are crumbed and buried in hash browns. Splish on lots of applesauce, and leave room for the biscuits — their bacon-fat gravy will have you licking the plate. Bonus: You can sit here with a book and a coffee all night long if you like. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/04)*

THE BEACHES

**Bare Back Grill** 4640 Mission Boulevard (at Emerald), Pacific Beach, 858-274-7117. This may be the first New Zealand food place in town, but that’s not what keeps the customers coming in. It’s BBG’s claim that most of their meat is certified organic. The owners guarantee hormone-free beef and lamb, both from from New Zealand. So, what to eat? Burgers, burgers, burgers — all kinds — from prime NZ Angus to “Bare Li’l Lamb” burgers with wasabi dip. They also offer chicken. Décor inside is strictly Kiwi-land, from the all-black rugby shirt on the wall to the declaration of food principles. People who had given up on hormone-treated meat are coming here for their first burger in years. Open seven days, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/05)*

**Brazil by the Bay Restaurant and Sports Bar** 3770 Hancock Street, Loma Portal, 619-692-1410. It’s not by the bay, but the food is definitely by-the-book Brazilian. You know because the first things you see are *guaraná*, the Amazonian energy drink, and *açaí*, the Amazonian palm berry energy bowl. If you’re not strapped for cash, go for the popular *feijoada* stew, black beans cooked slowly with “six types of pork and two kinds of beef,” offered Saturday and Sunday. If you don’t have the dough, have what most of Brazil eats every day: the “PF,” *prato feito* (“ready plate”). It’s beef, chicken, or fish with rice and Brazilian beans. End with the cheapest dessert, the wicked *brigadeiro*. Come early evening or weekends and you might learn the *forro* (“fo-ha”), a Brazilian dance. Open seven days; closes at 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Gringo’s** 4474 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-490-2877. With better cooking

than you’d guess from its name, this ambitious spin-off of the local Moon-doggies chain serves the sort of Mexican cuisine you might find at a seaside resort in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta — skillfully prepared with good, fresh ingredients, just a bit dumbed-down in the flavors. The chile verde, say, is beautifully seasoned, if barely *picante*. Given the surefire location at the hub of PB party town, the food is actually better than it needs to be. A vast list of tequilas, interesting margaritas, and a sensible wine list emphasizing affordable, food-friendly Chilean bottlings add to the draw for a lively young crowd that revs the decibels to a roar on weekends. Three meals daily; brunch available Sunday. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/02)*

**The Mission Cafe and Coffee House** 3795 Mission Boulevard (at San Jose Place), Mission Beach, 858-488-9060. Gourmet and Latino breakfasts served in funky surroundings. Outstanding are cinnamon French toast, blackberry-banana pancakes, and roast beef hash with rosemary potatoes and eggs. Chino-Latino lunch items. All dishes plus fabulous bread, scones, muffins, available for take-out. Open daily 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

**People’s Organic Foods Co-op Deli** 4765 Voltaire Street, Ocean Beach, 619-224-1387. This is the land of “organic,” “cruelty-free,” “environmentally safe,” “shade-grown.” Vegan Country. People look either disgustingly healthy, disturbingly pasty, or just plain smug. But the food tastes pretty good. And they sell it by the pound so you can mix and match. ðCourse, you have to learn new words, like tempeh (cultured soy which can be made to taste like anything). And dishes have a sensible momsy East Coast feel — garlic eggplant with beet root and onions, tempeh loaf, sweet squash and rice, millet spinach bake, shepherd’s pie, “mango madness,” tempeh sausage, steamed vegetables, vegan macaroni and cheese. Bottom line: it’s guilt-free.

Open seven days, breakfast, lunch, dinner (but “serious” breakfasts Saturday and Sunday only). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/03)*

**The Surfside** 4527 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-273-2979. In the evenings, it’s a “scene” here — for good reason. You’ll find fresh sushi, sashimi, and “California coastal cuisine,” i.e., fun and flavorful fusion-y tapas, many of them going for half-price during weeknight happy hours. You can actually reserve for the sushi bar (it’ll put you at the head of the line), where the chefs are unusually friendly. They shine on simple, pure Japanese sushi, although they make the usual “party rolls” too. Most seafood is of fine quality (except the *toro*, which seems to have problems). For those preferring a tapas-style sit-down meal, there’s a breezy, informal dining room with large windows looking out on the street, plus a small private dining room for parties. At least five Japanese beers and a dozen sakes available. Reservations urged for large groups. Parking is tight; just one handicapped slot in front lot. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Sushi Ota** 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don’t come easily. First, find the place: Driving south from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio’s). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors’ choices, watching for off-menu extravaganzas. Don’t miss the *ama ebi* with crisp shrimp heads, atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan mushi* (custard broth with ginkgo nuts). Alas, when Ota-san’s away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar seat when the master’s most likely to be present. Lunch Tuesday through

Friday, dinner daily. Disabled access chancy. Long, crowded waits unless you’ve reserved. Moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

CENTRAL  
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**La Fachada** 20 25th Street (near Commercial Street), Logan Heights, 619-236-8566. The thing about La Fachada is: You can have anything anytime. The 24-hour restaurant near the trolley’s 25th Street stop is Mexican but has Anglo food too — maybe because the cops’ Central Division HQ sits across the road. Great not-quite-morning place for breakfast at, say, 3 a.m. They do a pretty good Western omelet breakfast with cheese, bell peppers, onions, and ham, bacon, or sausage. They also have great *Caldo Siete Mares* and *Vuelva a la Vida*, tasty soups laden with seafood. But the best fun is in the evening up to 11 p.m., when an outdoor kitchen operates, mostly serving tacos to eat under a big white garden canopy. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (6/05)*

**Los Reyes** 2496 Broadway (at 25th), Encanto, 619-231-0716. If you’ve ever craved those fabulous Mexican fish soups that can be such energy restorers, these strip-mall Mexican restaurants have a great one. It’s *Caldo 7 Mares* (Seven Seas Soup) and it comes as a big bowl of savory red fish soup clunking with giant crab legs, clams, chunks of white fish, shrimp, the pink and purple suckers of octopus, and vegetables. It’s also called *Vuelva a la vida*: “Return to life.” On a hot day, their Cocktail Campechana (shrimp and octopus in a light, spicy tomato broth) will return you to life, too. Four brothers and one sister from Michoacan run the place. A very Michoacan dish is *carnitas* — pork shoulders. Or try their gringo lunch deal of a bacon cheeseburger with fries and a can of soda. The prices

make this a tightwad’s paradise. Three meals daily, with the Broadway flagship branch open until 11 p.m. on weekends; all other branches close early every evening. (Smaller branches at 47th and Market and 25th and Imperial.) Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/03)*

**Phoenicia** 3381 Adams Avenue (at 34th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree (the symbol on the Lebanese flag), an American flag, and the word “Phoenicia” written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafta* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions, and seasonings, but you’ll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Bakery open mornings; restaurant lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Saigon** 4455 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights, 619-284-4215 or 619-284-4288. You’re in a big glass palace here. It’s especially good on Sundays, when three- or four-generation Vietnamese families gather for lunch. Gaggles of waiters hover a glance away, but take your time. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the famous, filling soup-meal of Vietnam where beef cooks in the soup. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodle with seafood and assorted vegetables. “33” Vietnamese beer is on hand to make Saigon lovers sentimental. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

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tics and play Cambodian chess. At lunch, Laotians replace them. Maps of “Kampuchea” decorate the walls, as well as long-distance telephone ads. The menu includes Chinese, Khmer, and Lao dishes. In the morning, ask for “*djak kvai coffay dok ko*” — fried bread with Cambodian coffee, the standard French-Khmer breakfast. Later in the day, you might try pan-fried noodles with broccoli and beef or shrimp and gravy (“*koitiow bahat sai kho*”). If in doubt, ask for Kathy, who speaks Chinese, Khmer, Lao — and English. Open daily, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

**Turf Supper Club** 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, “re-established” in 1998), if your meat’s done wrong, it’s your own fault. Every night’s an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that’s the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat’s a treat, especially the huge, juicy Demonico rib eye. If you’re an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you’d miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Weekdays dinner only; open until 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

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**Jimmy’s** 6935 Mission Gorge Road (at Town Center Drive), Santee, 619-448-8994. We’re at the end of the line here, the trolley’s Orange Line. Feels like a safari. You walk back through the grass to the streets of Santee. Thank goodness for this family-friendly restaurant with good, old-fashioned American food. Their six-page plastic menu tells all — forget your diet and dig into the breakfast “Eggs and Cakes” (two eggs, three pancakes), the “Touchdown” (two eggs, two hotcakes, four strips of bacon or three link sausages), or the “Monte Cristo” hot sandwich (ham and turkey grilled on batter-dipped Texas toast with Swiss cheese, hot syrup, and French fries). Later in the day, the New York strip or sirloin steak with all the trimmings, and desserts like homemade cinnamon bread pudding with raisins and whipped cream. Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

**Los Michoacanos** 8001 Mission Gorge Road, Santee, 619-449-9032. You get a lot for a little here. Order even one really cheap potato taco from Luis Gabriel, the owner, and you get the full treatment of tortilla chips and salsa beforehand. Then out comes this hot, crisp-shelled taco, bursting with shredded lettuce, two cheeses, and inside, the most scrumptious sautéed potatoes. It may be way cheap, but it’s no way mean. Other good Mexican dishes here include the chorizo torta or the grand garlic shrimp combo. Added bonus: The place is new, bright, red and yellow, and sports a terrace looking out across the valley. Open seven days, three meals. Inexpensive — E.B. (4/05)

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**Taste of African Cuisine** 5241 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-583-5788. This is one of the main gathering places for Somalis in San Diego, but they welcome others to sample their food, which is a combination of African, Italian, Arab, and Indian influences. Fish plays a big role in the diet of a country that boasts the longest coastline in Africa, but so does lamb, goat, and camel meat. Start with a *fadareshin*, a mixed plate of roasted goat meat, fried fish, basmati rice (the Indian influence), and a pile of spaghetti — common since the Italians came to colonize. No meal is complete without bananas, which are mixed in with pretty much everything, especially soups. Open three meals daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/05)*

## FAR EAST

**Dulzura Cafe** 16985 Highway 94 at Dulzura, 619-468-9591. Think *Grapes of Wrath*, Okies, the 1930s. Dulzura Café is the real thing, serving big, hot meals to weary westerners since 1910.

The walls are cluttered with license plates, pots, brass cream-separators, corn-shuckers, horse collars, railroad lanterns, ancient egg-beaters, six-foot snake skins, deer antlers, and a seedy stuffed bobcat head. The food's for filling. Big, juicy hamburgers with lanky home-cut fries, thick slices of meat loaf, or if you arrive early, steak and eggs or a hefty Denver omelet. This is frontier food before slim spelled "success." Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**La Posta** 32337 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley, 619-478-5600. Is the Wild West dead? Not out here. Swagger in past the rocking chairs on the wooden porch, by the "NRA meets here, every 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m." sign, past bows and arrows, dream catchers, lariats, and brass spittoons, and swing into a chair. Now think vintage American food. Hefty anytime-breakfasts include two eggs, hash browns, biscuits, and coffee or eggs with chicken-fried steak or a bulging veggie omelet. Their sour-dough cheeseburger with fries or potato salad is big, or delve into a bowl of chili. Folks hereabouts talk about that chili in low, reverent voices. For dinner, the rib eye steak or pork chops is good enough to make city folks swoon. Three meals daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

## UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

**Adams Avenue Grill** 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billings.

As to treats, the generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Lunch and dinner daily, breakfast weekends. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

**Bread and Cie** 350 University Avenue (at Fourth), Hillcrest, 619-683-9322. At least twenty breads emerge daily from this bakery's 10,000-pound French stone hearth oven. Most are dense, crusty, and delicious French or Italian peasant breads, including the outstanding anise-fig and black olive loaves that are served in many top local restaurants. Scones, brownies, muffins, banana bread, and cookies are the sweet side of the house. Focaccia pizza and sandwiches (many with thick-sliced bread and rather thin fillings) are available to take out or eat on the spot — inside the café or on the sidewalk patio. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (6/02)*

**Cafe on Park** 3831 Park Boulevard (at University), Hillcrest, 619-293-7275. Okay, it's trendy, from the rusty spoon-and-fork sign at the door to the PC industrial interior (concrete walls, exposed plumbing). But don't expect PC food. The plates are huge and overflowing with fodder. Breakfast scrambles are popular with add-ons such as smoked salmon, artichoke hearts, or Brie cheese. Health nuts choose the Park Porridge stuffed with apples, raisins, and honey. But the prize may be the dish that Placerville, California, miners ordered when they came down from the mountains with pockets full of gold: the Hangtown Fry — luscious marinated sautéed oysters scrambled in eggs. Three meals Tuesday through Saturday; only breakfast and lunch Sunday and Monday (line at door on Sunday). — *E.B. (10/01)*

**Cafe Pacifica** 2414 San Diego Avenue (next to Old Town graveyard), Old Town, 619-291-6666. The fare here is mainly very fresh seafood, either fusioned up and somewhat chancy, or grilled simply and reliably excellent. Among the highlights are a clean-limbed clam chowder, some amusing yellowfin-stuffed wontons, crab-stuffed portobello mushrooms, and luscious mustard-crusting Oregon catfish. On the downside, Mexican pink abalone are tiny, over-breaded, and overpriced.

Several good grilled meats are available for fish-scorners. Optional valet parking \$5. Wheelchair lot and ramp behind restaurant (ask valet to direct you). Often very noisy. Serious, rather steep California wine list; full bar. Daily, dinner only. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Ichiban** 1449 University Avenue (at Normal), Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick *udon* noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "*ichi-ban*" means. Open daily until 9:30 p.m., lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Jack and Giulio's Italian Restaurant** 2391 San Diego Avenue (at Arista), Old Town, 619-294-2074. After more than four decades in business, this father (Giulio) and son (Jack) operation manages to stay fresh. The antipasto salad with its thin-cut prosciutto and salami will get your juices flowing, or try the mango salad, with fresh mango, raisins, and sweet onions. All the traditional Italian entrées like veal parmigiana and fettuccine Alfredo are there, but go for the house specialties like Spaghetti New Orleans with shrimp, crawfish, and crab meat, or the expensive scampi dishes. Broke? Get a simple Angel Hair Mediterraneo or rigatoni with meat sauce to enjoy out on the patio. Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Moderate. — *E.B. (5/04)*

**Khyber Pass** 523 University Avenue (at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-7579. The room's very modern, but Afghan cuisine is full of history, carrying echoes of both Persian and Indian foods, with even a hint of Greek (Alexander the Great conquered the region). Dinners feature kebabs, tandooris, curries, and some unique regional specialties. Flavors are exotic but oddly comfortable to the cosmopolitan palate. Among the don't-miss items are the outstanding *ashak* (spring onion ravioli) and *mantu* (ground-meat ravioli) — both with lively yogurt sauces — and *zamodd chalow*, a spicy

lamb-and-spinach stew. Save room for the sexy desserts. Can be noisy inside; small sidewalk patio. Private dining room upstairs bookable for parties. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/02)*

**Ono Sushi and Pacific Spice** 1236 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-0616. If you are searching for huge portions, fresh tasty food and reasonable prices, don't overlook this colorful Japanese/Pacific Rim café. Excellent specialty rolls, entrées, appetizers. Very crowded weekends; lively young crowd. Dinners nightly; open for lunch Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (11/98)*

**Pomegranate Russian-Georgian Restaurant** 2302 El Cajon Boulevard (northeast corner of Louisiana), University Heights, 619-297-4007. Pomegranate's address is serendipitous, since the food of Deep-South Georgia is the Louisiana cuisine of the Slavic world — alive with fresh herbs, garlic, touches of hot pepper. This rustic-looking restaurant is animated with antic humor (check the multilingual graffiti on the walls) and offers unique, flavor-bomb dishes. Don't miss the world-beating beefy, herb-jungle borscht (beet soup, but it's way more than that), the Lobio bean dip, and Olivier salad. The chef slow-smokes his moist barbecued beef and pork and cold-smokes whole trout, a treat as a group appetizer or summer entrée. On weekends, there's sublimely smoky *shashlik* (a.k.a. shish kebab). The printed menu is only a hint as to what's really cooking, and regular patrons get the best off-menu choices. So become a regular. Street parking is dire. Reservations advised for weekend dinners. Dinner nightly, service until 11 p.m. on weekends. Moderate. — *N.W. (1/04)*

**Sushi Itto** 441 Washington, Hillcrest, 619-291-6060. Don't come here looking for Japanese food. This is *Mexican* sushi, from a chain based in Mexico City that's dedicated to creating rolls for Mexican tastes. Nearly all the party rolls feature cream cheese and avocado and most include a shot of hot spice and some fake crab (*surimi*), too. In their own way, they're fun, so long as you're prepared to give up any puristic standards and go with the flow. But don't bother with the plain *nigiri* — the rice lacks classic sushi seasonings (and is often dry), and the seafood is

too mediocre to be appealing in simple preparations. Rock-bottom prices, though. Another branch is in the Gaslamp at 409 F Street, 619-237-1037. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (8/05)*

**Terra** 3900 Vermont Street, Uptown Shopping Center, Hillcrest, 619-293-7088. Co-owner Jeff Rossman, formerly in charge of the front of the house, has moved into the kitchen to serve as chef at this comfortable neighborhood spot, serving venturesome, if uneven, tropical-influenced American cooking. You can settle in a spacious southwest-tinged dining room or people-watch from a sheltered outdoor patio (with smoking permitted). Generously sized tapas can serve as appetizers or as a sustaining bite before venturing into Trader Joe's across the street. The dinner menu changes seasonally, featuring barbecue items during the summer, comforting fare in colder weather, and special dinners on all major holidays. Good wine list with several flights available, full bar with tropical cocktails (Pisco Sours, Caipirinhas, etc.). Reservations advised, especially for weekends, holidays and special events (e.g., Sunday "blues and barbecue" during the summer). Saturday and Sunday three meals, weekdays lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/01)*

## DOWNTOWN

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the Waterfront Bar), Little Italy, 619-239-4210. Bud Deslattes, a New Orleans native, was the original chef-owner of the late Bayou Bar and Grille and the inventor of the legendary white chocolate bread pudding served there. Now he's cooking it in this cute, casual eatery. A brief but choice menu features authentic Cajun-Creole specialties, to eat in or "to geaux." (If taking out, ask for your rice on the side.) Among the treats are a fine seafood bisque, crawfish étouffée, and a "cupa-cupa-cupa" sampling of gumbo, jambalaya, and red beans and rice. For lunch, check out the roast beef po' boy. Some Louisiana grocery items intermittently available at retail (frozen andouille, tasso, crawfish, etc.). Parking's usually a pain but worth it. Beer and generic wine. Closed Sunday and Monday. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/05)*

**Cabo Cafe & Grill** 808 West Cedar (near Pacific Coast Highway), Little Italy, 619-595-1618. This miracle restaurant is run by homeless kids from the Monarch School Project next door, with a little help (okay, a lot) from Rubio's and its founder Ralph. He helped raise a million dollars to get the school and the restaurant running. Think Starbucks meets Taco Bell (oops, sorry Ralph). The place is like its kid-staff: smart, cheery (they painted all the seals and porpoise murals), with a great fountain-gurgling patio outside. Try the grilled burrito (grilled chicken or steak with guacamole, roasted salsa, sour cream, black beans, Mexican rice, and melted Jack cheese in a warm tortilla) or, as a great filler, the Cabo Maestro Bowl, with marinated grilled chicken or steak in a bowl with black beans, Mexican rice, cheeses, guacamole, and shredded cabbage. And yes, they do make the Rubio fish taco.

Daily specials. Open weekdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Candelas** 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in *alta cocina*, a luxurious, inventive combination of traditional Mexican fare and French techniques. In a handsome Spanish-style dining room (romantic but rather noisy) with gracious service, the menu emphasizes seafood, including a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster. Plenty for meat lovers, too, with fine Black Angus cuts inventively garnished. But the menu and ingredients have been somewhat compromised over the years to accommodate the "Dude, where's my taco?" conventioners. The choices are more Dude-friendly — that is, less venturesome than they might be, and execution can be uneven. In the lounge at 10 p.m. on weekends, the music cranks up and the scene goes disco (with a cover charge for non-diners; IDs checked). Reservations advised, required on weekends; slightly dressy. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly until 11 p.m. Interesting but expensive wine list; food expensive or higher. — *N.W. (1/04)*

**Edgewater Grill** 861 W. Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-7581. An easy walk from the Convention Center, the dining room is spacious and handsome, and the view from the crowded dining terrace is optimal (the bay, the Coronado Bridge, a park, etc.). The menu, though, is convention-centered — like a Howard Johnson's for the 21st century. The fare features middle-of-the-road faux-fusion salads, seafood, grilled steaks, pastas (most with shellfish), and individual pizzas, plus daily fin-fish dishes listed on a card in a plastic holder on the table. The lighter dishes are the most successful —

this is not a bad place to "graze" on appetizers and a mini-pizza when you're starved for a view. Difficult wheelchair access to terrace. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Entrées high/moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (8/01)*

**Fat City Steakhouse** 2137 Pacific Highway (at Hawthorn), Little Italy, 619-232-9303. In the Deco "pink palace" at the edge of downtown, the USDA Choice steaks (and one velvety Prime cut) are cooked over mesquite charcoal, which lends them a deliciously smoky campfire flavor. Don't like beef? You can choose nicely grilled chicken, pork, or salmon; two vegan pastas; or scampi. The appetizer list is mainly trite pub grub, but the fry cook does a great job with calamari. And in fair weather, the lush garden dining patio is a little piece of Eden. Full bar, rather basic wine list. Casual ambience, above-average wheelchair access from large, free parking lot. Dinner 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (12/02)*

**Gen Lai Sen Hakka Seafood Restaurant** 1065 12th Avenue (at C Street), downtown, 619-239-5478 or 619-239-5479. Across the street from City College, you'll encounter a split personality. The good twin provides superb Hakka dishes, a style developed by a nomadic people originally from northwest China, now residents of mainly the south China coast. The bad twin dishes out gluey cornstarch-ridden stir-fries for starving students. But it's easy to tell which twin is which: The "chef recommend sizzle plates," the hot pots that taste like home cooking (best ordered by four or more), the greaseless fried rice, the noodles (especially "house special rice noodles"), and the whole steamed fish-of-the-day are palpable hits. And if you really want to

know what the fuss about Hakka is all about, try the sizzle plate stuffed tofu — these deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in each tender center resemble meat-flavored roasted marshmallows, and may just change your mind about bean curd. Open brunch through dinner daily, 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Pleasant service, very casual, mainly inexpensive. — *N.W. (10/01)*

**The Honey Bee Hive Bar and Grill** 1065 14th Street (at C), East Village, 619-702-6010. Seems like half the students and staff of City College are popping across the road to this cellar-dive. Why the bee theme? A hive of real bees once lived in here. Try the Bee Keeper burger (a half-pound cheeseburger), the King Bee honey-lemon grilled chicken sandwich or wrap, or the Queen Bee, a Cajun honey-grilled chicken sandwich or wrap. Also loved by the more affluent college staff: Big Daddy's 12-ounce steak with baked potato and salad. Open weekdays for lunch till late afternoon. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Las Cuatro Milpas** 1857 Logan Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-234-4460. This isn't a restaurant, it's a legend. The same Estudillo family has been serving old-fashioned Mexican food here for three generations — seventy years. Rice, beans, pork tacos (they don't serve beef), pork tamales, chorizo with eggs — that's about it. So how come they have lines outside every day? Blame a potent mixture of sentiment and the lard they refuse to abandon. Folks say that lard flavor is the real Mexico. Also famous: their Saturday *menudo*. Warning: go easy with their deep wine-colored hot sauce. It's room-rocker strength. The name? From a famous mariachi song, "The Four Cornfields." Open morning to

mid-afternoon, Monday to Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**Osteria Panevino** 722 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-595-7959. At this Tuscany-style Italian restaurant, the appetizers and pastas are as close to heaven as you can get, particularly the spinach ravioli and potato gnocchi, which can come with a four-cheese sauce on request. The stuffed focaccias are simply incredible, and the pizzas are well-nigh perfect. The exposed brick walls enhance the European feeling. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive, wines rather high. — *E.W. (4/00)*

**Pete's Quality Meats** 1742-1/2 India Street, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete's Meats was just a butcher's shop until Pete's daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian specialties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around two cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and bread crumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Rama** 327 Fourth Avenue (near K Street), Gaslamp, 619-501-8424. This large, handsome restaurant is the younger brother of Celadon in Hillcrest. It's named for the king of Thailand and offers Thai cuisine fit for royalty, made with top ingredients (including Chino Farms produce). The menu includes all the popular favorites but adds authentic dishes rarely found locally, such as chicken and squid with flat noodles and caramelized palm sugar, and a wicked Thai version of Chinese twice-cooked pork — a fat-fest made with unsmoked bacon. Soups

and curries are based on freshly made coconut cream of swoony richness. The extensive wine list, unusual in this genre, offers affordable, food-friendly choices plus an interesting reserve list. Full bar. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/04)*

**Rei Do Gado Churrascuria** 939 Fourth Avenue (between E and Broadway), Gaslamp, 619-702-8464. The meats just keep on coming at a Brazilian *rodizio*: skewer after skewer of *churrasco* (Brazilian barbecue), a near-endless procession of rotisserie-grilled meats and poultry. At each table there's a wooden cone with one end red and the other end green. Turn the green side up to start the servers parading to your table, offering you tastes cut from long spits of salty, simply seasoned pork, poultry, ribs, sausages, and numerous cuts of beef. Turn the cone red side up to take a break from the protein parade. The gargantuan spread includes a buffet in the front of the restaurant with a changeable array of alluring side dishes, salads, fruit, and such intriguing hot entrées as Brazilian oxtail stew or seafood in coconut milk, with exotic but oddly comfortable flavors. There's always a potful of *feijoada*, the national dish — slow-cooked, meaty black beans (in a somewhat bland version, which you can live up with a splash of hot sauce). No matter how often you eat here, you'll never have the same meal twice. Reservations advisable for weekends. Full bar (have a *Caipirinha*). No doggie-bags. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate (considering the food amount); prices higher on weekends. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Sadaf** 828 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp, 619-338-0008. Vegetarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob

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scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There's excellent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. — *N.W.* (12/00)

**Sevilla** 555 Fourth Avenue (at Market Street), Gaslamp, 619-233-5979. (Also in Carlsbad.) This site has three faces: a crowded but civilized tapas bar for spontaneous snacking, a romantic dining room with serious Spanish entrées, and a basement nightclub dishing out assembly-line paella. The best food is upstairs. You can get tapas in the restaurant and entrées at the bar, and in either case the choices are varied, interesting, and highly cosmopolitan, executed with wonderful consistency. Be sure to look for something that includes potatoes; the humble spud gets Cinderella treatment here. No reservations (or wheelchairs) at tapas bar; reservations strongly recommended for dining room. Dinner daily. Moderate. — *N.W.* (2/01)

**The Westgate Gourmet Delicatessen** Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich who just can't live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. Among the menu items offered, the best deal is

the soup and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops. Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (9/01)

## SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

**Cilantro Live!** 315-1/2 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-827-7401. Look in Cristina Guzmán's kitchen: no ovens, no burners. Only warmers. Her theory? Never heat food above 112 degrees or the enzymes will die. Enzymes? They're life. They give you energy and do your digestion for you. What's amazing is how much real-looking and -tasting food she can create with raw nuts and twigs. And fruit. And especially seeds. She creates tuna wraps using sunflower-pumpkin seed pâté and burgers using flax seeds — both pretty credible and edible. Drinks? The margaritas (green apple with ginger, lime, and cinnamon) have to be good: Ms. Guzmán comes from Mexico City. Open for lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/04)

**Coronado Boathouse 1887** 1701 Strand Way, Coronado, 619-435-0155. For a relaxing good time with lovely views and tasty food to match, put on your aloha shirt and head over the bridge. The old Coronado Boathouse boasts a handsome, historic structure with architecture mirroring the nearby Hotel Del, plus enthusiastic servers, terrific water views, and satisfying mainstream American cooking. The herbed artichoke appetizer is wonderful, as is the very fresh macadamia-crusted halibut sauced with coconut milk. The juicy roast beef here is USDA Prime (translates to "melt in your mouth") and even the desserts offer some old favorites cooked with classy ingredients and imaginative twists. A perfect place to entertain your in-laws or hold your birthday dinner. Full bar. Dinner seven days (weekends until 1 a.m.), moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (10/04)

**Da Kine's Plate Lunches** 1635 Sweetwater Road (at Prospect), National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of

Hawaiians do, every day. You'll find Hawaiian license plates and surfboards on the walls, "Aloha Maid" Guava Nectar, and island food. Although the kalua pig here isn't cooked in an *imu* — a hole in the ground — it sure tastes like the real thing and comes with cabbage, rice, macaroni salad, and kimchi. But beware of the *haupia* cake — it may cause serious addiction. Lunch and early dinner Tuesday through Sunday; closed Monday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/00)

**Filipino Desserts Plus** 2220-Q East Plaza Boulevard, National City, 619-479-6748; also at 8955-F Mira Mesa Boulevard (inside Seafood City), Mira Mesa, 858-271-5754. Filipinos often mix sweet and savory, so it's no surprise that this desserts place has regular dishes too, including *adobo* pork, *pancit*, and *lumpia*. *Diniguan*, a Filipino specialty, is pork made with "chocolate milk," slang for pig's blood. But the pride of the place is the desserts, from the *ube halea* (purple yam custard) and *maja blanca* (coconut-corn combo) to the *sapin sapin* (multicolored layer cake) and fried sweet *saba* banana on a skewer. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. — *E.B.* (9/04)

**Island Wok** 922 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6835. This tiny indoor-outdoor-takeaway café is a standby with locals, especially the high school crowd. It serves good Vietnamese-Chinese food, and plenty of it. The owner, Xuan, makes scrumptious fresh (not fried) Vietnamese spring rolls wrapped in rice paper with shrimp, pork, or chicken and vegetables in the middle. But most customers go for the steam-table combination plates. You always get chow mein, fried or steamed rice, and a fried spring roll to start off, and then you can add entrées like orange chicken, *kung pao* chicken, or sweet-and-sour pork. Closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

**Lai Thai Restaurant** 1430 E. Plaza Boulevard #E10, National City, 619-474-5546. Lai Thai started up as the lone Thai in a sea of Filipino restaurants in South Bay, but has gained a respected place under glamorous Summawadee Bubpha. Prices are so reasonable, you feel the food shouldn't come on such beautiful platters. The soups, *tom kah* (spicy coconut), and *tom yum* (hot and sour), are especially good, as is the house Lai Thai Fish (usually tilapia) in delicious *panang* coconut-curry sauce. But you've got to push for spiciness if you want it. Lunch deals are really cheap. Also check out the Thai art on the walls, some for sale. Open lunch through dinner six days;

closed Mondays. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (3/06)

**Parisi's Italian Restaurant** 323 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-420-4490. This is an area where a lot of folks live in trailer parks on fixed incomes, and Parisi's has become their affordable, often daily treat. The good news is they don't just open cans. Nick and Rosemary Parisi, who opened here back in 1979, brought New Jersey traditions with them. Nick had been a butcher. His son Nick still makes his own delicious fennel-flavored sausage just as his dad taught him. Sons and daughters now run the place and still make their own spaghetti sauce, too. Other dishes include the eggplant or veal Parmesan sandwich and meatballs and sauce with garlic bread. This isn't the smart, spare Gaslamp Italian, it's the old-fashioned *Moonstruck* Italian. Lunch and dinner six days, late lunch and dinner Sundays. — *E.B.* (4/05)

**Peehe's** The Landing, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4474. This gorgeous, view-endowed restaurant offers upscale, Hawaiian-inspired fish and gargantuan steaks in a plush tropical-style setting with indoor waterfalls and three separate patios. Given the visual splendor, much of the food is better than it needs to be, featuring top-quality seafood prepared with care, e.g., halibut in a lush, sassy Frangelico-touched macadamia *beurre blanc*. A chocolate shell filled with macadamia nut ice cream may be worth the calories, too. Full bar. Reservations advised. Lunch (with limited breakfast) Monday through Saturday; brunch Sunday. Dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W.* (3/01)

**Swaddee Thai** 1001 C Avenue (at 10th Street), Coronado, 619-435-8110. Tourists never stray to Swaddee's quiet residential location a block from the bright lights of Orange Avenue. Their loss is the locals' gain. The dining room is a quiet, lovely haven from the hustle; the service is caring and gracious. Even if the long list of Siamese specialties is merely standard, the kitchen, too, is devoted to the art of gently giving pleasure. The peanut sauce accompanying the *saté*, for instance, is classically balanced; the complex but soothing coconut-chicken soup can wash away all cares; and the calamari in the many seafood arrays is cleverly knife-scored to achieve sheer tenderness along with good looks. Even the jasmine rice is an exceptionally fragrant brand. Unless you specify otherwise, spicy dishes have a nice nip tuned to brave but tender *farang* taste buds. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.* (9/00)

## BAJA

From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.

**Cien Años** Calle José María Velasco #1407, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-3039 or 634-7262. This lovely, comfortable, dressy-casual "destination restaurant" serves extraordinary Mexican haute cuisine, graced with a brilliant variety of sauces based on elaborations of Mexican ingredients, including tropical fruits, nuts, and above all a vast variety of chile peppers, each with its own distinctive flavor (not all of them spicy). You could eat here a dozen times and not begin to exhaust the possibilities. Just a few of the treats are mushrooms steeped in beef marrow, crocodile meat mini-tacos, *pozole* with crab meat, and an irresistible beef and shrimp stew. (Food critic Ruth Reichl consumed a meal of exotic Aztec delicacies, including ant roe and mezcals, and you can try them too when they're in season.) The wine list is devoted wholly to ambitious Baja wineries; you're also welcome to BYO. Bar choices include damiana and hibiscus liqueurs. Menu and staff are bilingual. Reservations strongly advised; ask for directions. Moderate. — *N.W.* (1/04)

**La Costa** Calle Galeana #8131 (Seventh Street between Revolución and Constitución), Tijuana, 685-8494 or 685-3124. Even after four decades, fisherman-singer Adrián Pedrín Aramburo's seafood place looks fresh, with its blue-and-white floor tiles, polished brass portholes, and varnish. Some seafood combos can be costly, but most fish and oyster dishes are reasonable. Everybody seems to go for fileted sea bass — the baked "Catalina" with mushroom cream sauce, or "Olivia," stuffed with octopus and shrimp, are really good. So are "Madrado" oysters, with chipotle and bacon. But you can't go wrong with the less expensive whole fish plates, like the charcoal-broiled "Saran-deado" (just watch out for the bones). Each entrée comes with soup, hors d'oeuvre, salad, rice, and coffee, plus a Kahlua-based drink-dessert. Bonus: the owner's charming menu inserts. Open daily, late breakfast through dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.B.* (3/05)

**La Fonda** Baja Highway 1, Km. 59 (Alisios exit from toll-road, about halfway between Rosarito and Ensenada, near CESUN Universidad), 661-628-7352. It's hard to imagine a better start to the day, in any sweeter am-

biance, than at La Fonda ("The Inn"), which offers Mexican and American breakfast dishes and a lavish Sunday brunch buffet with both. Arrive early for patio seating under a straw umbrella with a full-out ocean view. The bilingual menu is written on chalkboards and dinner choices change nightly, featuring American and Mexican seafood entrées and deluxe meats aged in-house. Most staffers speak some English. Full bar, including Baja-grown wines. Open daily, three meals, starting about 9 a.m. Inexpensive to moderate; cash only. — *N.W.* (4/03)

**La Leña** Agua Caliente Boulevard #11191, Tijuana, 686-2920. The nicest thing about La Leña ("The Fire Log") is its view. You come off noisy, fumey, traffic-wracked Agua Caliente into this quiet, dark-wood, creamy-yellow walled room and a full view of...countryside! Actually, a green golf course studded with trees. In the middle of Tijuana? Golfers thwack balls, giant mowers look like *Star Wars* creatures. So no surprise that you get country-club type eating: open-grill *charro* food for well-to-do *charros*. Old-style BBQ steaks, surf-and-turf combos, and big slabs of Mexican-cut *flete cabreria*, which are flabby but tender. Most arrive at your table sizzling on black iron hotplates. Servings are generous (meals come with soup or salad and you get a free appetizer such as shredded beef and tortillas) if not remarkable. Or even especially Mexican — their hamburger is darned tasty. But the atmosphere is a great break from the raucous TJ we all know and (sometimes) love. Lunch and dinner daily from 11 a.m. until late. Moderate. — *E.B.* (10/04)

**Malecón de Puerto Nuevo** Northwest edge of Puerto Nuevo; take Calle Entrada (entry road) to the ocean-front bluff, edge right, and walk about 30 feet down a steep dirt road running seaward from the street-market on the oceanside edge of town. Look for a yellow building with blue trim and a terrace with umbrellas. Worth looking for. This great, honest little restaurant harks back to the original, uncommercialized "lobster village" before it got its capital letters and written menus. Open since August, 2002, it's owned by an active fisherman, who serves (as much as weather permits) fresh-caught local lobsters and genuine "daily catch" with standard sides — superb frijoles, red rice, real melted butter — and that's all. The first-course ceviche, when available, is astonishingly flavorful with fish caught that very morning; in harsher weather, a hearty, warming fish chowder substitutes. Breaking from Puerto Nuevo tradition, when the lobster is

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fresh caught it's simply split and grilled, not lard-fried first, and all the better for it. Some staffers are bilingual. Open brunch through dinner. No reservations, cash only. Low moderate. — *N.W. (11/02)*

**Manzanilla** Riveroll 122 (off Lopez Mateo), Ensenada, Baja Mexico, 646-175-7073. At this art-filled, very “Euro” bistro, a pair of gifted, classically trained chef-owners are pioneering “new Mexican cuisine,” creating sophisticated combinations of superb local products and traditional Mexican flavors. Fresh-caught seafood, local-grown vegetables and mesquite smoke from the wood-burning grill are featured players on the seasonal menus; a spectacular rib-eye steak, tender and intensely beefy, is also a constant. Little wonder this has become *the* destination restaurant south of Tijuana. The menu is in Spanish, but owners Benito Molina and Solange Muris Evans speak fluent English, as do some wait staff. (The only communication problem will be the exotic music blasting on the sound system.) Reserve for weekends, especially during tourist seasons. Full bar featuring tequilas, Baja vintners. Wednesday through Saturday, late lunch through dinner, until midnight. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/04)*

**Original Ortega's** In Puerto Nuevo, next to Casa de la Langosta, on the first street to your left (Calle Principal) after entering town through the entry gate. Open since 1952, this is the original “Lobster Village” restaurant, and not much has changed. Eventually Ortega's grew into an octopus with multiple arms in Puerto Nuevo and Rosarito Beach,

all pretty similar. The menu is longer than most, with numerous starters (including “Viagra,” which features reputedly aphrodisiac Damiana herbal liqueur). The spiny lobsters (once local but now from who-knows-where) are first fried in lard, then finished off on the grill, and served with a greasy-tasting melted “Kitchen Maid” margarine blend, frijoles, rice, tortillas, and salsa. Full bar, English menu, staff marginally bilingual. Moderate to high, but with low-moderate specials. No reservations, cash only. — *N.W. (11/02)*

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**Bully's East** 2401 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2665. Also at 5755 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla (858-459-2768), and 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar (858-755-1660). Despite the plasma TV sports screen, this place is very sixties. For example, dark, woody, plush red booths. And always crowded. Word is, they serve more prime rib with au jus and horseradish than any eatery in San Diego. The “Petite Cut” 8 ounce, their smallest, fills you plenty, with its baked potato and salad. But just once, come here with your main squeeze and order up the “full cut for two.” It hangs ten over the edges. Or go bonkers and order the 32-ounce cut — just to watch your neighbors' eyes bug out. Not flush? Try the “Bully Burger,” French Dip

sandwich, or calamari sandwich. Lonely? Go to the horseshoe-shaped Low Bar. Lunch and dinner daily. The price ranges. — *E.B. (2/03)*

**El Pollo Loco** 2795 Main, Logan Heights, 619-595-0847. Additional locations in Midway, Carmel Mountain, Chula Vista, El Cajon, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, and more. This Mexican-style chicken chain offers healthier, tastier fast food. The flame-broiled poultry has crisp, richly seasoned, very salty skin; the flesh can vary from barely done to overdone, but usually is just right. The bird (or any assortment of its parts) comes with sage gravy, tortillas, and a choice of side dishes that includes rich, sweet black beans, crisp and clean coleslaw, great gooey-cheesy macaroni, and passable mashed potatoes. Help yourself to salsas (there are four varieties), chopped onions, lemons, cilantro, hot peppers. But stick with the chicks — the taqueria-style choices are barely better than Taco Bell. Check for daily specials, wherein a small amount of cash will buy a huge amount of highly palatable poultry. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/03)*

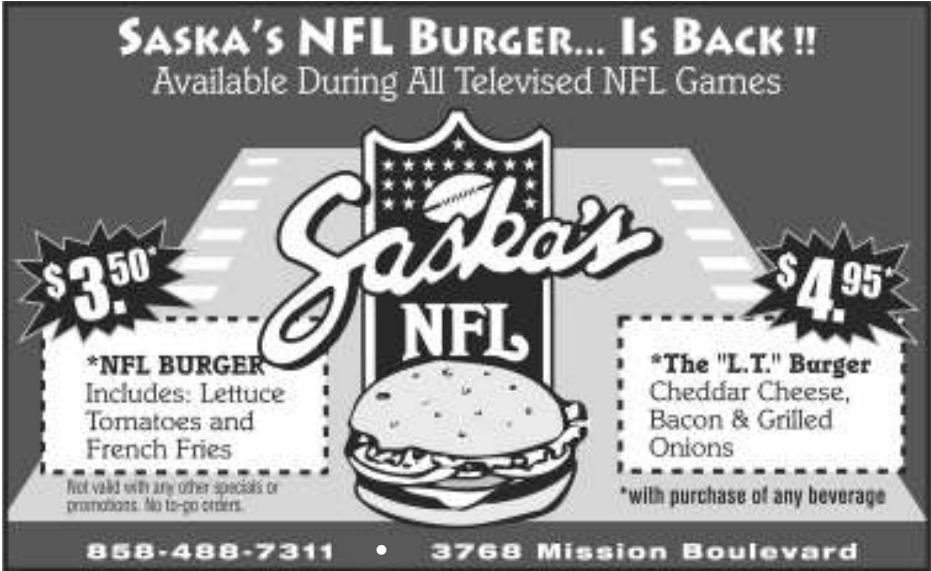
**Popeye's Chicken & Biscuits** 2333 Highland Avenue (at 24th Street), National City, 619-477-5605; 2210 E. Plaza Boulevard (at Euclid Avenue), National City, 619-470-3002; 3489 Santo Road (at Aero Drive), 858-573-0035; Metropolitan Center, 1737 Euclid Avenue (north of Federal Boulevard), Chollas Creek, 619-527-6565; and 6095 El Cajon Boulevard (at College Avenue), 619-286-3322. This is the one major national chain to cling firmly to a regional

American identity: Wherever you go, if you find a Popeye's, you'll be eating Louisiana flavors. But some flavors travel better than others in fast-food translations: The spicy, crisp fried chicken and air-light drop biscuits are fine as can be. The étouffé (whether of chicken or crawfish, when available) is surprisingly decent. The gumbo, offered at some locations, is weird — flavors aren't bad, but it's more like a Creole risotto, with wet rice instead of liquid (where's the soup?). Dirty rice and jam-

balaya are nasty and dry. Food quality varies subtly from branch to branch, as does the attitude of the counter-persons. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/02)*

**Uno Chicago Bar and Grill** The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago's better-known exports. Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They

come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Its expanded menu includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, and steak'n cheese burgers. Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to stick to the staple: deep-dish pizzas and salads. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. 4465 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-483-4143; Fashion Valley Center, 619-298-1866; 5th and H, Chula Vista, 619-420-8660. — *E.B. (8/01)*



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## Back in Action

*The training is gone into in some depth and at even greater length.*

**H**aul me up, if you must, on charges of dereliction of duty, scheduling my vacation at the heaviest time, if not busiest, of the movie year. The crux of my defense will be that while in Paris I managed to catch the Coen brothers' five-minute segment in the eighteen-part *Paris, Je T'Aime* (I had hoped to catch the new Alain Resnais film, *Private Fears in Public Places*, or *Coeurs* as it is known locally, but no such luck), and while in Lyon I wolfed down a barrelful of the Lumière brothers' silents (the pure source, the pure purpose, of cinema) at the Institut Lumière, site of the invention of the Cinématographe at the family factory in 1894, and while in Annecy I saw Gianni Amelio's *La Stella Che Non C'e* (or *L'Étoile Manquante* in French) at the annual Italian film festival there, and finally when back in Paris I saw a fresh 35mm print of Jules Dassin's *Thieves' Highway* (or in French, *Les Bas-Fonds de Frisco*, the Lower Depths of Frisco), looking all the more neo-realist for the unread subtitles at the bottom of the picture. Additional props to my defense appear to be falling into place as I claw

my way out of arrears.

*All the King's Men*. Dead on arrival at the box-office, an inflated remake of the Robert Penn Warren Pulitzer-winner, with the pseudonymous "Willie Stark" as Louisiana governor Huey Long, and Oscar-winner Sean Penn as Oscar-winner Broderick Crawford. Penn, sporting a Trotskyite haircut as the backwater populist politician ("Ain't nobody ever helped a hick 'cept a hick hisself"), speaks in an accent so slurrily authentic as to be almost unintelligible, and unlikely, without the boost from the swelling violins in the background, to carry his charisma very far beyond the neighborhood watering hole. Much of the dramatic interest, plus all of the voluminous voice-over, issues from the inner struggles of an impartial newspaper reporter (Jude Law) who crosses the line and signs on as one of the king's men. But writer-director Steven Zaillian, while he has no trouble projecting a tone of parable-like pretentiousness and high-horse moralism (one means: the abstemious, ascetic color, uninterested in the physical world), has a lot of trouble finding a naviga-

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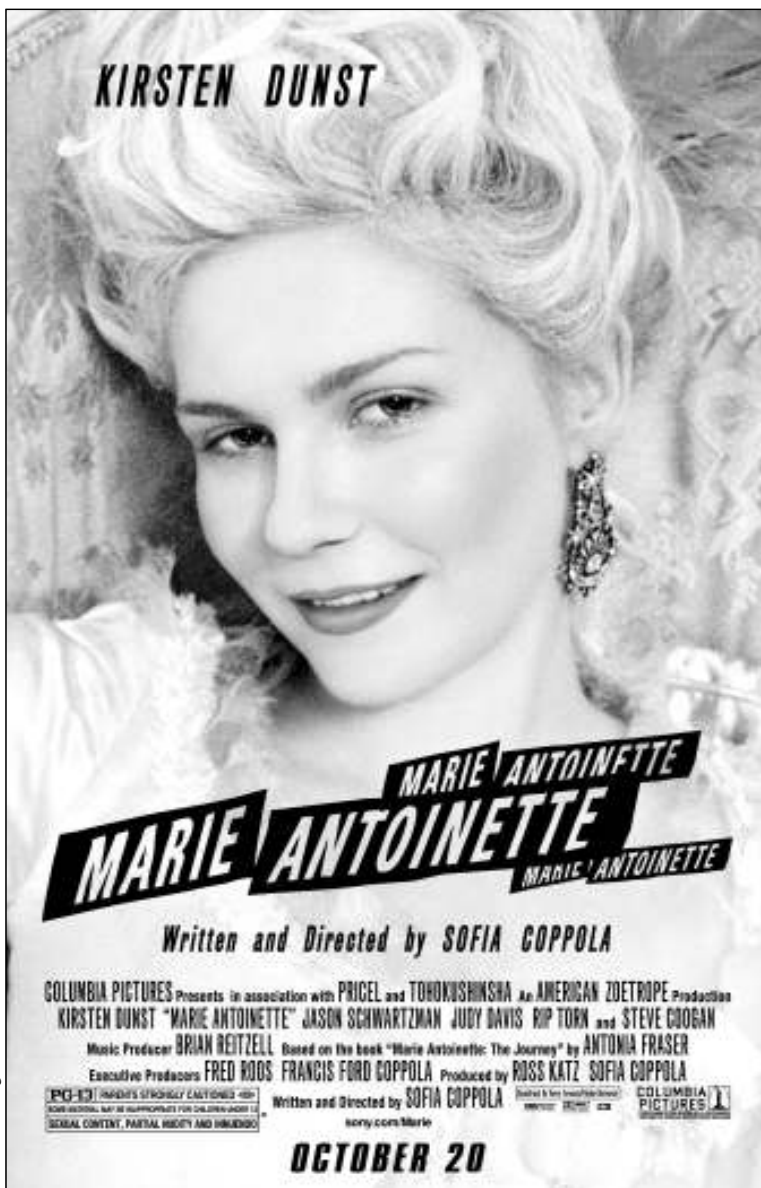
*The Guardian*

ble storyline in Robert Warren's rabbit warren of dirty politics, corporate malfeasance, family skeletons. In its place, he fills up the screen with a gallery of Serious Actors — Anthony

Hopkins, Kate Winslet, Mark Ruffalo, Patricia Clarkson, James Gandolfini, Kathy Baker — none of whom makes a stronger impression than the former child star, Jackie Earle Haley, as

the governor's mummylike bodyguard. Where has this Bad News Bear been keeping himself?

*Flyboys*. Fulsome tribute to the boys, the men, of the Lafayette Es-



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cadrille, the corps of American volunteers who flew for France in the First World War. A throwback, to some extent, to the aviation films of, for the prime example, William Wellman, except that Wellman had himself been a pilot in the Escadrille, and in consequence did not have so exaggerated, so exalted, a view of it. James Franco, a contemporary cutie-pie anachronistically aping a Fifties method actor (James Dean) in a setting of the Teens, is no heftier a star than Tab Hunter in Wellman's 1958 film named after the corps, but then again Hunter wasn't asked to be such a paragon. Martin Henderson, the new Bruce Boxleitner aspiring to be the new Bill Pullman, comes up even shorter, even lighter, as the hard-bitten, battle-scarred ace of the squad. A couple of colorful details — the 18th-century chateau for a barracks, the domesticated lion for a mascot — cannot go far to compensate for the cardboard characters, the hand-me-down dramatics, the taxing love interest (she speaks no English, he speaks no French), the squarish direction (Tony Bill), the tinny dialogue, the blustery music. There is nevertheless plenty of action, even if it mostly takes place inside a computer, programmed to hurl objects straight at your eyeballs till you yearn for the red-and-green goggles of 3-D.

*The Guardian.* A more up-to-date fulsome tribute, this time to the elite rescue swimmers of the U.S. Coast Guard, a select fraternity of 280. The flag-carrying paragon here is Kevin Costner, the closest living thing to the mythical "Fisher of Men" who represents the last hope of the drowning man, but now tied down, during recuperation from a rescue gone fatally wrong, as a discontent instructor of gung-ho wannabes. Ashton Kutcher is the noisiest of these, a high-school swim champ (whose actual name is "Fischer" — a potential Fischer of Men — and whose mocking nickname is "Goldfish") bent on breaking every record in the book. In short, a sort of *Top Gun* of the seas, complete with hackneyed love story, obligatory bar fight, lessons in humility, lessons in humanity. The training is gone into in some depth and at even greater length, with spectacular computer-generated waves (*Perfect Storm* program, *Posei-*

*don* program) placed at both ends. Director Andrew Davis, despite the ubiquity of water, favors drained, ashen, parched color and a gritty Dust Bowl atmosphere, triggering in my mind (rightly or wrongly) the catchword of "high-def digital video" and triggering in my eyes a thirst for two drops each of Visine.

*The Science of Sleep.* Michel Gondry, the director of *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* and less memorably *Human Nature*, sets out to demonstrate he can be just as wacky and braintwisty without Charlie Kaufman as his scriptwriter, with, instead, only himself as scriptwriter. The blur of dream and reality demonstrates *that*, all right, but at a cost of increased tedium and irritation. (An unsteady hand-held camera no doubt factors into the cost.) The dream scenes, incorporating a variety of animation techniques, are inventive, intelligent, informed, yet also invariably over-stuffed, and not just in the literal sense of the stop-motion straw pony or the plump pillow typewriter. The wispy plot thread has to do with the amorous hankering of a graphic artist and crackpot inventor (mind-reading helmets,

time machine, and the like) for his next-door neighbor, a twosome seemingly made for each other: Stéphane and Stéphanie. Gael García Bernal and Charlotte Gainsbourg have little room to exert their charms. We know they have them.

*The Bridesmaid.* Already here and gone, after a single week at the Ken. My belated two cents: subpar Chabrol, a further cure for the mindless habit of affixing to his work the label of "a Chabrol thriller," let alone "a Hitchcockian thriller." Despite its origins (same as those of his *La Cérémonie*) in the oeuvre of the incomparable Ruth Rendell, it little resembles a thriller of any type until its last half-hour, and delivers no measurable thrills even then, particularly not in the abrupt and out-of-the-blue climax. The romantic relationship of an oddish young couple (the crinkled-browed Benoît Magimel, the marmoreal Laura Smet), each of them independently odd, is not without psychological interest. It's simply without thrills, psychological or otherwise.

And here's a reminder (to myself as much as to anyone else) of the San Diego Asian Film Festival, October 12

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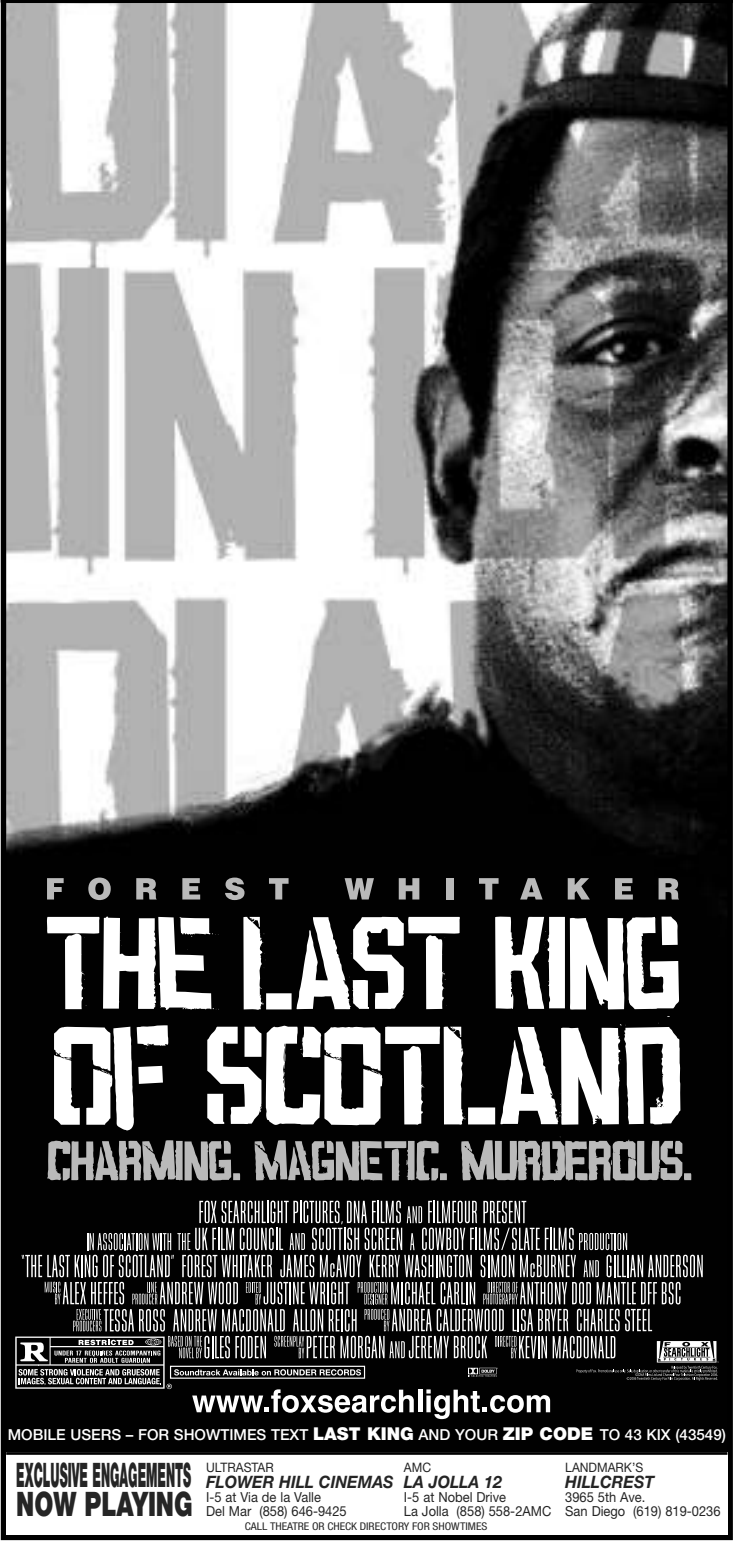
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*fatales* (Scarlett Johansson, Hilary Swank). Brian De Palma, the director, has never had much grasp of narrative, and here the tangle so overwhelms him that he neglects even his baroque stylistics. A complicated piece of slo-mo action, akin to his *Potemkin* plagiarism in *The Untouchables*, is not only unpersuasive in its staging, but fails to conceal the identity of the killer despite going to great pains (short of cheating with a stand-in) to do so. The highlight, if there must be one, would probably be K.D. Lang's rendition of "Love for Sale" in a subterranean lesbian nightclub. A lower but steadier light comes from the nice waxy sheen of Vilmos Zsigmond's cinematography. With Aaron Eckhart, Mía Kirshner, Fiona Shaw. 2006.

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**The Departed** — Martin Scorsese's Boston underworld drama, with Leonardo DiCaprio, Matt Damon, Jack Nicholson, and Mark Wahlberg. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION



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cious, queen-bee boss. An ice queen, more descriptively, with snow-white hair, just a bit of sludge showing through at the neck, and an anemic, cryonic complexion. Meryl Streep, in the latter part, is interesting as always, talking in a narcotized, uninflected voice that betrays no emotion deeper than a sigh. But Anne Hathaway, talking with a clothespin on her nose, doesn't quite fill the bill as "the smart fat girl." Or to put it more flatteringly, the offenses of her weight and her wardrobe are not overstated. Disappointingly, the possibilities of the fashion-industry setting, from Lauren Weisberger's fang-baring novel, largely go by in a blur of montages and a blizzard of name-dropping. With Stanley Tucci, Emily Blunt, Simon Baker, and Adrien Grenier; directed by David Frankel. 2006.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Fanfan la Tulipe** — Christian-Jaque's 1952 swashbuckling adventure with Gérard Philipe and Gina Lollobrigida. (KEN, 10/13 THROUGH 19)

**Flyboys** — Reviewed this issue. With James Franco, Martin Henderson, Jennifer Decker, and Jean Reno; directed by Tony Bill.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Gridiron Gang** — Not unpalatable, but predictable and corny anti-gang message movie, based on the "TRUE STORY" (in preludial capital letters) of an experimental football program at Camp Kilpatrick juvenile detention center. Filmed in an in-your-face style by director Phil Joanou, with emphasis on coarse-grained closeups and pushy telephoto shots. Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, billed under both his names for this "serious" acting effort, does a creditable job as the haranguing coach. With Xzibit, L. Scott Campbell, Leon Rippey, Jade Yorker, David Thomas, Setu Taase. 2006.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**The Grudge 2** — Horror sequel starring Amber Tamblyn, with a guest appearance by Sarah Michelle Gellar, directed by Takashi Shimizu. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN

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**The Guardian** — Reviewed this issue. With Kevin Costner, Ashton Kutcher, Melissa Sagemiller, Sela Ward, and Clancy Brown; directed by Andrew Davis. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKET-PLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**The Illusionist** — Ponderous amplification of a Steven Millhauser short story about a thaumaturge in turn-of-the-century Vienna (a fiercely scowling if not terribly intimidating Edward Norton), arrested on stage in the film’s first scene and fast start. There follows a tedious childhood flashback to a forbidden friendship across class barriers and a clichéd shot of clutching fingertips poignantly pulled apart. The separated friends are destined to meet again in adulthood when Crown Prince Leopold (Rufus Sewell with a joke-shop mustache) volunteers his presumptive fiancée as a pigeon in the magic act, whereupon the magician immediately recognizes his long-lost sweetheart (Jessica Biel), while she fails to return the favor, perhaps because of his beard or perhaps because he has aged at twice the rate. The entire story, until at long last it makes its way back to its starting point, is ostensibly told to the Crown Prince by the Chief of Police (the unprepossessing Paul Giamatti), including information he couldn’t know or wouldn’t share. Questions of whether the magician’s powers are supernatural or just prestidigital cannot be answered without Plot Spoilers, or Bean Spillers, though it’s fair to say they are answered with trivial tricksiness. Production and photography, nevertheless, are sufficiently evocative of bygone times, even without the antiquated iris-out transitional device. Directed by Neil Burger. 2006. ● (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**Infamous** — Douglas McGrath’s take on Truman Capote and the creation of *In Cold Blood*, with Toby Jones, Daniel Craig, Sandra Bullock. (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; SAN MARCOS 18; FROM 10/13)

**Invincible** — From the busy Disney sports department, an implausible but true story made more implausible and less true (and not made “better” in the process), the football equivalent of baseball’s *The Rookie*, wherein a thirtyish laid-off schoolteacher, part-time bartender, and abandoned husband in South Philly, name of Vince Papale, earns a spot on the Eagles roster at an open tryout under new coach Dick Vermeil in 1976. (Same year as that purely fictional Philly fairy tale, *Rocky*.) Glossy photography by Ericson Core, who also, à la Peter Hyams, directed; a luxuriance of Seventies hair and explosion of garish fashions; an occasional anachronism (“You disrespecting me?”); a nice, low-key, uncocky portrayal by Mark Wahlberg in the lead role and a complementary one by Kevin Conway as the pessimistic but proud papa; and a passable impersonation of Vermeil by the geeky Greg Kinnear. Vivid vignette: the rookie coach and rookie player throwing up in side-by-side stalls in the locker room (audio only, thank you) before the opening game against the fearsome Cowboys. With Elizabeth Banks, Michael Rispoli, Kirk Acevedo, Dov Davidoff, and Michael Kelly. 2006.

★ (GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Jackass Number Two** — Don’t-try-this-at-home hijinks with Johnny Knoxville, Bam Margera, Chris Pontius, and Steve-O, directed by Jeff Tremaine. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MIS-



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Rowan Atkinson as a preoccupied vicar, co-starring Kristin Scott Thomas, Maggie Smith, and Patrick Swayze, directed by Niall Johnson. (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**The Last Kiss** — Americanization, and if it doesn’t go without saying, vulgarization, of the Italian film of the same name, a fear-of-adulthood seriocomedy centered around a tight-knit group of pushing-thirties. The young cast has some glaring weak spots — Zach Braff looks as if he’d prefer to turn it into a lighter comedy, Rachel Bilson can barely deliver a line — and all of them are outshone by the oldsters, Tom Wilkinson and Blythe Danner. With Jacinda Barrett, Casey Affleck, Michael Weston, Eric Christian Olsen, and Marley Shelton; directed by Tony Goldwyn. 2006. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15)

**The Last King of Scotland** — Forest Whitaker portrays the Ugandan dictator Idi Amin, with Simon McBurney and Gillian Anderson, directed by Kevin Macdonald. (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12)

**Little Miss Sunshine** — The feature debut of music-video veterans Jonathan Dayton and his wife Valerie Faris was put together on the “quirky” assembly line, a product of the thriving “quirky” industry. Dad (Greg Kinnear) is a would-be self-help guru, “would-be,” that is, if anyone were

buying his Nine-Step Refuse-to-Lose System. Sample pearl, in casual conversation: “Sarcasm is the refuge of losers.” Mom (Toni Collette) is not such an arrant embarrassment, is not really much of anything, except that she has taken responsibility for and custody of her homosexual brother (Steve Carell), a failed suicide and the self-professed, as opposed to acknowledged, “pre-eminent Proust scholar in the United States.” Dad’s dad (Alan Arkin), who resides in the same household, is a scurrilous cokehead. And the kids are a Nietzsche-reading teenage boy (Paul Dano) who has held fast to a vow of silence for nine months, though he is not averse to communication via notepad (“I hate everyone”), and an owlishly bespectacled younger sister (Abigail Breslin) in competition for the crown of Little Miss Sunshine in Redondo Beach. Since the family lives in Albuquerque, a road movie ensues, with all members of the family packed into a yellow-and-white VW bus. You wait with dread for the moment that will cause the boy to break his silence, and even greater dread for the first public performance of the girl’s “talent” as nurtured in secret by Granddad; and the dread in each case proves fully justified. Quirkiness does not preclude sappiness. There are ample compensations, however. Little Miss Breslin is a good crier, and her competitors in the beauty pageant are a frightening collection of JonBenét Ramsey plastic dolls, and the bus itself emerges as the best character, requiring a collective push after the clutch

**Man of the Year** — Political comedy with Robin Williams, Christopher Walken, and Laura Linney, written and directed by Barry Levinson. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA CAMINO REAL; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 10/13)

**Monster House** — Computer-animated kiddie horror show lowers its sights to an illusion of Claymation. The human figures are awfully stiff, but the space around them is wonderfully plastic and elastic (the fall of an autumn leaf, first thing in the movie, gives you a dizzying idea of what’s in store), and the action moves right along until it runs into the overwrought, long-drawn-out finale. With the voices of Mitchel Musso, Sam Lerner, Spencer Locke, Maggie Gyllenhaal, Steve Buscemi; directed by Gil Kenan. 2006. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**One Night with the King** — Biblical epic with Peter O’Toole, Tiffany Dupont, and Omar Sharif, directed by Michael O. Sajbel.



Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning

(HORTON PLAZA 14; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SAN MARCOS 18; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 10/13)

**Open Season** — Computer cartoon featuring the voices of Ashton Kutcher and Martin Lawrence as an endangered deer and bear respectively. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CIN-

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**Predator** — Very primitive science fiction, of the Bug-Eyed Monster persuasion. A team of commandos trying to run a rescue operation in the jungles of Latin America is pestered on the job by a chameleonic creature with psychedelic eyesight, who’s at his best as a humanoid blob of colorless, striated jello. There is a point, certainly, in establishing the combat skills of the heroes, but it takes them much too long to make contact with the alien. And once they make contact, there’s nothing for them to do but die — all but Arnold Schwarzenegger. Directed by John McTiernan. 1987. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, 10/14 MIDNIGHT)

**The Queen** — Helen Mirren as Elizabeth II in the aftermath of the death of Princess Di, directed by Stephen Frears.

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**The Science of Sleep** — Reviewed this issue. With Gael García Bernal, Charlotte Gainsbourg, Alain Chabat, and Miou-Miou; written and directed by Michel Gondry.  
★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Scoop** — A companion piece to Woody Allen’s *Match Point* only insofar as it prolongs his revitalizing sojourn in England. The half-year interval between their releases is nothing out of the ordinary for the chop-chop Woodman. Nor is the repeat appearance of Scarlett Johansson in the female lead any more remarkable than repeat appearances in the past by Diane Keaton or Mia Farrow. And the mood, in sharp contrast to the immediate predecessor, has turned decidedly light and playful, which is to say that when (inevitably) the filmmaker contemplates death, it’s in childish terms of a literal barge on the River Styx, manned by a scythe-wielding Grim Reaper. The strictly functional comedy-thriller plotline is more on the order of *Manhattan Murder Mystery*, albeit with an element of the supernatural. There is no earthly reason, outside of the bold harmonies between the whiny older man and the throaty young woman, why the Allen character should be dragged along by the Johansson on this Nancy Drew adventure (“Excitement in my life is dinner without heartburn after it”), and the steady manufacture of amusing lines runs out of steam toward the finish, and the plot premise will not stand up to scrutiny from the vantage point of the denouement. But none of that detracts from the generous supply of chuckles and cackles strewn along the way, still less does it detract from the calm and assured camera that Allen brings to the proceedings (in the right place at the right time for the right duration), and still less does it detract from his mastery and durability, at age seventy, as a comic leading man, defying every precept of polish and precision, creating a persona dependent upon verbal groping and fumbling and sputtering and stumbling, mining a private vein we might label as Lifelike Stylization. With Hugh Jackman and Ian McShane. 2006.  
★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**7 Dias** — Mexican comedy of the music business and the mafia, with Eduardo Arroyuela, Jaime Camil, and Martha Higareda.  
(MISSION VALLEY 7, 10/13 THROUGH 19)

**Swingers** — Guy talk, among a group of Hollywood wannabes (their chief points of reference in life appear to be *Reservoir Dogs* and *Goodfellas*, openly aped by director and cameraman Doug Liman in slow-motion and Steadicam sequences, respectively) whose highest form of praise and self-praise is “money,” as in “You’re money!” and “I’m money!” There is an overpowering element of shtick in all this talk, so that the effect is not so much of our eavesdropping on them as of their trying to make themselves overheard. It tends to contaminate the ethnographical evidence. Very funny isolated “routine,” however, of the scriptwriter and star, Jon Favreau, being unable to wait the recommended two days before phoning up a new female acquaintance and instead leaving a frenzied flurry of messages on her uncommodious answering machine. And, near the end, an exciting apotheosis on the dance floor for this winsome sad-sack. With Vince Vaughn, Ron Livingston, Patrick Van Horn, and Heather Graham. 1996.  
★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 10/12 THROUGH 14, 8:30 P.M.)

**Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** — Horror prequel with Jordana Brewster and Matthew Bomer, directed by Jonathan Liebesman.  
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**The Wicker Man** — A needless remake, though not as big a time-waster for the viewer (an hour and three-quarters) as for the writer and director, Neil LaBute, known for less generic stuff like *In the Company of Men* and *Your Friends and Neighbors*. He has weeded out some of the silliness of the 1973 British original, but that bit of gardening is offset by his transplanting of the action to a Goddess-worshipping, organic-farming colony on a private island in Puget Sound, where a California motorcycle cop (Nicolas Cage, not altogether serious about the assignment) has come on a personal invitation from his former fiancée to search for her missing child. Further, the pruning of the protagonist’s Christian faith and the grafting-on of a fresh mental trauma and some cheap-thrill dreams are no help at all. If the film serves no other purpose, it at least allows the filmmaker’s suspected undercurrent of misogyny to erupt unambiguously and unapologetically into a geyser. The ad campaign — “A psychological thriller. A mind blowing conclusion” — leaves no possibility, even if you missed the original, that the ending is going to sneak up on you. Unless, that is, the campaign strategists thought your mind might be blown by the unannounced guest appearance of James Franco in a redundant epilogue, or by the closing dedication of the film to the late punk rocker, Johnny Ramone. (Whoa.) With Ellen Burstyn, Kate Beahan, Molly Parker, Frances Conroy, and Leelee Sobieski. 2006.  
● (GASLAMP 15)

**World Trade Center** — Looking on the bright side of 9/11: the fact-based story of two Port Authority policemen (Nicolas Cage, Michael Peña, roughly four hundred closeups between them) who, together with a couple of unluckier comrades, dauntlessly entered Tower One with the intention to help evacuate it, and survived the collapse of it on top of them. This feel-good approach seems a particularly unexpected one, a particularly cautious and safe one, to be taken by Oliver Stone, professional boat-rocker and wave-maker, who for once is not looking to cast an accusation or an aspersion (i.e., a stone), but rather to recast himself as the champion of Men in Uniform he became so briefly and incongruously with *Platoon*. Needless to say, there is no counterpart here to the James Jonesian abuse-of-authority figure played by Tom Berenger. The freshness of the event — five years as against the more than dozen years between the Vietnam War and Stone’s version of it — would appear to have cowed him into his best behavior, both civically and cinematically, toning down his camerawork and his cutting along with his bellow. At bottom, this is little more than a grade-A docudrama — a made-for-TV movie bulked up for the big screen — with a smooth incorporation of familiar archive footage, a decent selection of re-created detail (the shower of paper, etc.), and a meticulous reproduction of the skeletal remains at Ground Zero, a cremated behemoth. The early unfolding of events, beginning at 3:29 on the morning of the 11th, can hardly help but raise a few goosebumps, as it builds

## SEEN ON DVD

### MYE HOANG

Associate director, San Diego Asian Film Festival

*Amélie* makes you happy inside. It’s full of quirky characters and a selfless heroine that’s the ultimate romantic. In this year’s SDAFF, a Thai film called *Citizen Dog* does what *Amélie* did — makes hearts smile.

Peter Greenaway’s *The Pillow Book* is a sensual and decorative slice of Asian culture. Vivian Wu (who stars in *Beauty Remains* and *Eve and the Fire Horse* at this year’s SDAFF) plays a woman obsessed with books, paper, writing on flesh, and an erotic odyssey with a bisexual Englishman. The film raised eyebrows in 1996, but today we would probably just say Greenaway was ahead of his time.

Martin Scorsese’s highly anticipated *The Departed* is based on the Hong Kong action hit *Infernal Affairs*, one of the best crime thrillers of recent years. It shows Hollywood how good stories and character development ought to be done. Flawless.

*AMELIE* (France) 2001, Miramax

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### THE PILLOW BOOK

(France/England) 1996, Sony Pictures

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### INFERNAL AFFAIRS (Hong Kong)

2002, Miramax

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an unbearable tension between the filmmaker’s foot-dragging pace and the viewer’s racing memory, a true collaboration between artist and audience. But that comes to an abrupt stop with the fall of the first tower, and the cementing of a static situation, half an hour into the film. The remaining hour and a half of

### CHRIS PAFFENDORF

Production coordinator, San Diego Asian Film Festival

Everyone knows Quentin Tarantino was heavily influenced by Japanese exploitation cinema, especially the films of Meiko Kaji. My favorite Meiko Kaji film is the sleaze classic *Female Prisoner #701: Scorpion*. Japanese culture (like Kabuki theater) is blended into the sex and violence, and Kaji’s near-wordless performance is captivating.

Shu Qi stars in SDAFF’s *Three Times*. Americans know her from *The Transporter*, and you can see her in action in *So Close*. Director Corey Yuen is never afraid to throw a curveball to his audience, and *So Close* is no exception.

SDAFF’s *The Great Yokai War* is directed by the prolific Takashi Miike. All his films are worth watching, but *Audition* is his masterpiece. A somewhat normal romance descends into madness when a middle-aged man finds his dream girl is not as submissive as she appears. As the marquee at the Ken said, “Not for the squeamish.”

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### GEORGE LIN

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Lasse Hallstrom’s *My Life as a Dog* is intelligent, sentimental (but not syrupy), entertaining for all ages, and timeless! Demonstrating the same qualities is Julia Kwan’s *Eve and The Fire Horse*, which screens at this year’s SDAFF.

Asians doing stand-up comedy? Yes! *The Kims of Comedy*, recorded live in Los Angeles, features a group of Asian comedians hosted by Bobby Lee. The style of each comic makes for a very entertaining hour. Bobby Lee is featured in the SDAFF documentary *Mighty Mountain Warriors of Comedy*.

One of the most overlooked films about the Vietnam war is Oliver Stone’s *Heaven and Earth*. This is a powerful true story of a Vietnamese villager who survives a life of hardship during and after the Vietnam war. SDAFF’s opening film, *Journey from the Fall*, further examines the effects of war on a Vietnamese-American family.

### MY LIFE AS A DOG (Sweden)

1987, Criterion Collection

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2005, Goldhil Entertainment

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#### Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700)

**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (1:40, 12:35, 2:55, 3:55) 6:40, 7:25, 10:00, 10:45; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri. (11:45, 12:50, 2:10, 3:40, 5:15) 6:55, 7:50, 10:15 Sat.,-Sun. (11:45, 12:50, 2:10, 3:40) 5:15, 6:55, 7:50, 10:15; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri. (11:20, 1:45, 2:45, 4:10, 5:20) 7:15, 8:15, 9:50, 10:50 Sat.,-Sun. (11:20, 12:20, 1:45, 2:45) 4:10, 5:20, 7:15, 8:15, 9:50, 10:50; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 6:50, 9:55, (3:50) 12:15; **The Illusionist** (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 2:25, 4:55) 7:30, 10:05 Sat.,-Sun. (11:50, 2:25) 4:55, 7:30, 10:05; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri. (12:40, 3:00, 5:25) 8:05, 10:25 Sat.,-Sun. (12:40, 3:00) 5:25, 8:05, 10:25; **Jet Li's Fearless** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 9:25p.m.; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri. (11:25, 12:45, 2:20, 3:45, 5:05) 7:00, 8:00, 9:40, 10:40 Sat.,-Sun. (11:25, 12:45, 2:20, 3:45) 5:05, 7:00, 8:00, 9:40, 10:40; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri. (11:35, 12:30, 1:50, 2:50, 4:20, 5:10) 6:45, 7:35, 9:05, 10:10 Sat.,-Sun. (11:35, 12:30, 1:50, 2:50) 4:20, 5:10, 6:45, 7:35, 9:05, 10:10; **One Night with the King** (PG) Fri. (11:30, 2:15, 5:00) 7:45, 10:30 Sat.,-Sun. (11:30, 2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; **Open Season** (PG) Fri. (11:15, 12:25, 1:25, 2:35, 3:35, 4:50) 7:05, 9:20 Sat.,-Sun. (11:15, 12:25, 1:25, 2:35, 3:35) 4:50, 7:05, 9:20; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:40, 5:30) 7:55, 10:20 Sat.,-Sun. (12:05, 2:40) 5:30, 7:55, 10:20; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri. (3:25) 5:50, 7:10, 8:10, 9:30, 10:35 Fri. (1:00p.m.) Sat. (3:25p.m.) Sat. (1:00) 5:50, 7:10, 8:10, 9:30, 10:35 Sun. (1:00) 8:15 Sun. (3:25) 5:50, 7:10, 9:30, 10:35

### MISSION VALLEY

#### Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)

**The Black Dahlia** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (11:30) 5:20, 10:35 Sun. (11:30) 5:15, 10:30; **The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (10:45, 11:35) 2:25, 3:20, 6:10, 7:05, 9:40, 10:40 Sun. (11:00) 1:00, 2:25, 4:40, 6:10, 8:15, 9:40; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:05) 1:50, 2:40, 4:35, 7:20, 8:10, 9:55 Sun. (11:05) 1:50, 2:40, 4:35, 7:20, 8:05, 9:55; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:25) 12:30, 2:15, 3:15, 5:00, 6:00, 7:45, 8:40, 10:25, 11:20 Fri.,-Sun. (11:25) 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:25 Sun. (11:25) 12:50, 2:15, 3:45, 5:00, 6:45, 7:45, 9:45, 10:25; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 12:20, 3:50, 7:00, 10:20; **Infamous** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (10:30) 1:20, 4:10, 6:55, 9:45 Sun. (10:30) 1:20, 4:10, 6:55, 9:50; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (11:50) 2:35, 5:05, 7:30, 10:10; **Jet Li's Fearless** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun.

(11:15) 2:00, 4:45, 7:35, 10:20; **The Last Kiss** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 4:30, 7:15, 10:05; **Love's Abiding Joy** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:55) 2:10; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:35) 1:25, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:45) 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:55) 2:05, 4:15, 6:40, 9:00; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:20) 2:20, 4:55, 7:50, 10:45 Sun. (11:20) 2:20, 4:55, 7:30, 10:10; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (11:10) 12:15, 1:40, 2:45, 5:25, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30 Sun. (11:10) 12:15, 1:40, 2:45, 4:25, 5:25, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30

#### Mission Valley 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)

**7 Dias** (PG-13); **The Departed** (R); **Man of the Year** (PG-13)

#### Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)

**The Black Dahlia** (R); **The Departed** (R); **Employee of the Month** (PG-13); **Gridiron Gang** (PG-13); **The Grudge 2** (PG-13); **The Guardian** (PG-13); **The Illusionist** (PG-13); **Jackass: Number Two** (R); **Jet Li's Fearless** (PG-13); **Man of the Year** (PG-13); **The Marine** (PG-13); **One Night with the King** (PG); **Open Season** (PG); **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13); **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R)

### STATE UNIVERSITY

#### Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)

**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (3:15) 7:00; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (3:10) 5:30, 7:50; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (3:40) 5:55, 8:00; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (3:00) 5:10, 7:20, 9:30 Sun. (3:00) 5:10, 7:20; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (3:30) 5:35, 7:40, 9:45 Sun. (3:30) 5:35, 7:40; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (3:20) 5:25, 7:30, 9:35 Sun. (3:20) 5:25, 7:30

#### Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)

**Fanfan La Tulipe** (NR) Fri. 4:30, 7:00, 9:30 Sat.,-Sun. 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

### UPTOWN

#### Cinema Under the Stars

4040 Goldfinch Street (619-295-4221)

Call theater for program information

#### Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)

**Jesus Camp** (PG-13) Fri. 2:10, 4:55, 7:40, 10:05 Sat.,-Sun. 11:25, 2:10, 4:55, 7:40, 10:05; **The Last King of Scotland** (R) Fri. 1:30, 4:15,

7:00, 9:45 Sat.,-Sun. 10:45, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Little Miss Sunshine** (R) Fri. 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55 Sat.,-Sun. 11:05, 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; **The Queen** (PG-13) Fri. 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00 Sat.,-Sun. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; **The Science of Sleep** (R) Fri. 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50 Sat.,-Sun. 10:55, 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50

#### Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)

**Bears** (G) Fri. 7:00p.m.; **Coral Reef Adventure** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00p.m.; **Deep Sea 3D** (G) Fri. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 9:00 Sat. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00 Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00; **Roving Mars** (G) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 8:00 Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00 Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00

#### San Diego Natural History Museum

1788 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-232-3821)

**Ocean Oasis** (NR) Fri.,-Sun. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; **Vikings: Journey to New Worlds** (NR) Fri.,-Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00

## EAST COUNTY

### EL CAJON

#### Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)

**The Departed** (R) Fri. (12:10, 12:40, 3:35, 4:05) 7:00, 7:40, 10:25, 11:00 Sat.,-Sun. (12:10, 12:40, 3:35) 4:05, 7:00, 7:40, 10:25, 11:00; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri. (11:20, 12:05, 2:00, 2:40, 4:35, 5:15) 7:15, 8:10, 9:55, 10:30 Sat.,-Sun. (11:20, 12:05, 2:00, 2:40) 4:35, 5:15, 7:15, 8:10, 9:55, 10:30; **Gridiron Gang** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:05) 10:05; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri. (11:10, 11:40, 1:45, 2:20, 4:30, 5:00) 7:20, 7:50, 10:00, 10:45 Sat.,-Sun. (11:10, 11:40, 1:45, 2:20) 4:30, 5:00, 7:20, 7:50, 10:00, 10:45; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 4:15) 7:45, 10:55 Sat.,-Sun. (1:00) 4:15, 7:45, 10:55; **The Illusionist** (PG-13) Fri. (2:05, 4:45) 7:25 Sat.,-Sun. (2:05) 4:45, 7:25; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri. (11:30, 2:10, 4:40) 7:20, 9:50 Sat.,-Sun. (11:30, 2:10) 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri. (11:15, 1:45, 2:05, 2:35, 4:55, 5:25) 8:00, 8:20, 10:40, 11:05 Sat.,-Sun. (11:15, 11:45, 2:05, 2:35) 4:55, 5:25, 8:00, 8:20, 10:40, 11:05; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri. (11:30, 2:00, 4:35) 7:10, 9:35 Sat.,-Sun. (11:30, 2:00) 4:35, 7:10, 9:35; **One Night with the King** (PG) Fri. (11:00, 1:50, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20 Sat.,-Sun. (11:00, 1:50) 4:40, 7:30, 10:20; **Open Season** (PG) Fri. (11:25, 12:00, 1:55, 2:30, 4:25, 5:05) 6:55, 7:30, 9:25, 10:00 Sat.,-Sun. (11:25, 12:00, 1:55, 2:30) 4:25, 5:05, 6:55, 7:30, 9:25, 10:00; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri. (11:10, 1:50, 4:30) 7:10, 9:40



Sat.,-Sun. (11:10, 1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:40; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri. (11:00, 12:25, 1:35, 3:00, 4:10, 5:35) 6:45, 8:10, 9:20, 10:40 Sat.,-Sun. (11:00, 12:25, 1:35, 3:00) 4:10, 5:35, 6:45, 8:10, 9:20, 10:40

### LA MESA

**Grossmont Center**  
*Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)*  
Call theater for program information

### RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Rancho San Diego 15**  
*2951 Jamacha Road*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (11:05, 11:40, 2:20, 3:15) 6:40, 7:20, 10:05, 10:35; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:35, 12:00, 2:10, 2:50, 4:40, 5:20) 7:40, 8:10, 10:15, 10:45; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 11:35, 1:30, 2:00, 4:45, 5:00) 7:30, 8:15, 10:10, 10:45; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:10, 4:10) 7:35, 10:40; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:00, 2:15, 4:50) 7:25, 9:45; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 11:30, 1:50, 2:30, 4:30, 5:15) 7:15, 8:00, 9:55, 10:40; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:20, 1:45, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:25, 11:50, 1:35, 2:05, 4:05, 4:35) 6:35, 7:05, 9:20; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:55, 2:40, 5:25) 8:05, 10:30; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:05, 2:35, 4:55) 7:10, 9:25, 10:00

### SANTEE

**Santee Drive In**  
*10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)*  
**The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun.; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri.,-Sun.; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sun.; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun.

## SOUTH BAY

### CHULA VISTA

**Chula Vista 10**  
*Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)*  
**The Departed** (R); **Employee of the Month** (PG-13); **The Grudge 2** (PG-13); **Jackass: Number Two** (R); **Man of the Year** (PG-13); **The Marine** (PG-13); **Open Season** (PG); **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13); **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R)

**Palm Promenade 24**  
*770 Dennergy Road (858-558-2262)*  
Call theater for program information

**Rancho Del Rey 16**  
*East H Street (619-216-4707)*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (11:55, 12:30, 3:20, 3:55) 6:40, 7:40, 10:00, 10:55; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 4:35) 7:30, 9:40, 10:35 Sat.,-Sun. (1:20) 4:35, 7:30, 9:40, 10:35; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri. (12:10, 1:45, 2:45, 4:40, 5:20) 7:20, 8:10, 10:10, 10:40 Sat.,-Sun. (12:10, 1:45, 2:45) 4:40, 5:20, 7:20, 8:10, 10:10, 10:40; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:20, 3:45) 7:10, 10:20; **The Illusionist** (PG-13) Fri. (1:05, 4:05) 6:55, 9:45 Sat.,-Sun. (1:05) 4:05, 6:55, 9:45; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri. (2:20, 4:55) 7:50, 10:50 Sat.,-Sun. (2:20) 4:55, 7:50, 10:50; **Jet Li's Fearless** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:35, 5:10) 7:45, 10:45 Sat.,-Sun. (12:05, 2:35) 5:10, 7:45, 10:45; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 4:10) 7:00, 9:55 Sat.,-Sun. (1:00) 4:10, 7:00, 9:55; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45, 3:05, 5:35) 7:55, 10:25 Sat.,-Sun. (12:45, 3:05) 5:35, 7:55, 10:25; **One Night with the King** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (12:20, 3:35) 6:30, 9:30; **Open Season** (PG) Fri. (12:15, 1:25, 2:35, 4:15, 4:50) 6:45, 7:10, 9:00 Sat.,-Sun. (12:15, 1:25, 2:35) 4:15, 4:50, 6:45, 7:10, 9:00; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri. (2:10, 4:40) 7:15, 10:05 Sat.,-Sun. (2:10) 4:40, 7:15, 10:05; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri. (12:35, 2:55, 5:30) 8:00, 10:25 Sat.,-Sun. (12:35, 2:55) 5:30, 8:00, 10:25

### IMPERIAL BEACH

**South Bay Drive In**  
*2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)*  
Call theater for program information

## NORTH INLAND

### CARMEL MOUNTAIN

**Carmel Mountain**  
*11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (1:30) 4:40, 8:00; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (1:35, 3:50) 7:35, 9:55 Sun. (1:35, 3:50) 7:35; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (1:30) 4:20, 7:05, 10:00 Sun. (1:30) 4:20, 7:05; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (1:50, 3:55) 7:40, 9:50 Sun. (1:50, 3:55) 7:40; **Jet Li's Fearless** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (2:05) 4:20, 7:10, 9:50 Sun. (2:05) 4:20, 7:10; **Little Miss Sunshine** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (1:40, 3:55) 7:30, 9:55 Sun. (1:40, 3:55) 7:30; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (2:20)

4:15, 7:00, 9:30 Sun. (2:20) 4:15, 7:00; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (1:45, 3:55) 7:30, 9:50 Sun. (1:45, 3:55) 7:30; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (2:10) 4:05, 7:55, 10:00 Sun. (2:10) 4:05, 7:55

### ESCONDIDO

**Escondido 16**  
*350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)*  
Call theater for program information

### FALLBROOK

**Galaxy 6**  
*5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (12:15, 3:45) 7:00, 10:00 Sun. (12:15, 3:45) 7:00; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:30, 2:00, 4:45) 7:15, 10:00 Sun. (11:30, 2:00, 4:45) 7:15; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (1:00, 4:15) 7:30, 10:45; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:45, 2:30) 5:15, 7:45, 10:30 Sun. (11:45, 2:30) 5:15, 7:45; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:15, 1:30, 3:15) 5:30, 8:15, 10:30 Sun. (11:15, 1:30, 3:15) 5:30, 8:15; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15 Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15 Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00

### POWAY

**Poway 10**  
*13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45 Sun. (11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15) 5:15, 7:30, 8:30; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:15, 1:45, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30 Sun. (11:15, 1:45, 4:30) 7:00; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (1:00, 4:15) 7:15,

10:15 Sun. (1:00, 4:15) 7:15; **Ju-on: The Grudge 2** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (12:00, 2:45) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30 Sun. (12:00, 2:45) 5:30, 8:00; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:15, 2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30 Sun. (11:15, 2:15) 5:00, 7:45; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:30, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15 Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00; **School for Scoundrels** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Strawberry Shortcake: The Sweet Dreams Movie** (NR) Sat.,-Sun. (10:30a.m.); **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (11:30, 1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45 Sun. (11:30, 1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30

### SAN MARCOS

**San Marcos 18**  
*1180 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)*  
Call theater for program information

### VISTA

**Vista Village**  
*Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (12:30, 1:15, 3:50, 4:30) 7:05, 8:00, 10:30 Sun. (12:30, 1:15, 3:50, 4:30) 7:05, 8:00; **Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:30, 12:05, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:35, 9:30, 10:15; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:45, 12:45, 2:10, 3:15, 4:45, 5:40) 7:25, 8:10, 10:05, 10:45 Sun. (11:45, 12:45, 2:10, 3:15, 4:45, 5:40) 7:25, 8:10, 10:05; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:15, 4:05) 7:20,

10:30 Sun. (12:15, 4:05) 7:20; **Jackass: Number Two** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:05, 2:35, 4:50) 7:30, 9:45; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:05, 11:35, 1:40, 2:15, 4:15, 5:00) 7:10, 7:50, 10:00, 10:35 Sun. (11:05, 11:35, 1:40, 2:15, 4:15, 5:00) 7:10, 7:50, 10:00; **The Marine** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:00, 12:45, 2:20, 3:05, 4:40, 5:25) 7:00, 7:45, 9:20, 10:10; **One Night with the King** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (11:10, 2:00, 4:50) 7:40, 10:35 Sun. (11:10, 2:00, 4:50) 7:40; **Open Season** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:20, 1:45, 4:25) 6:50, 9:20; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (11:00, 1:20, 2:10, 3:35, 5:50) 7:15, 8:15, 10:35 Sun. (11:00, 1:20, 2:10, 3:35, 5:50) 7:15, 8:15

## NORTH COASTAL

### CARLSBAD

**Plaza Camino Real**  
*2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)*  
**The Departed** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:20, 3:45) 7:00, 10:10; **The Grudge 2** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:00, 2:30, 5:00) 7:30, 9:55; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:30, 3:30) 6:45, 9:45; **Man of the Year** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:10, 7:45, 10:20

### DEL MAR

**Del Mar Highlands 8**  
*El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)*  
**Employee of the Month** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **The Guardian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (1:00, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15 Sun. (1:00,

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## A la calle

América Barceló

Diario San Diego

Hermelinda Torres y Rafael Salgado salieron del edificio municipal de Escondido con tristeza después de escuchar que el Cabildo de la ciudad donde han vivido por 16 años podría echarlos a la calle.

Hermelinda y su familia están temerosos, como todos los hispanos de Escondido, ante la aprobación de una ordenanza que prohíbe rentar viviendas a indocumentados.

"Hemos dejado lo mejor de nuestras vidas en esta ciudad, hemos trabajado mucho y ahora no sabemos que va a pasar, quizá nos quedaremos sin casa y lo mejor es regresar a mi México", dijo Hermelinda en un tono triste.

Cientos de familias hispanas en Escondido se podrían quedar sin hogar en breve cuando la ley municipal que niega la renta de vivienda a indocumentados sea puesta en marcha.

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## Borran a Padres

Abraham Nudelstejer

Diario San Diego

Con su victoria el domingo pasado sobre San Diego, por marcador de 6-2, San Luis avanzó a la serie de campeonato de la Liga Nacional.

En el encuentro definitivo Juan Encarnación bateó el triple del desempate y el pitcher Chris Carpenter se recuperó de un comienzo difícil para guiar a los Pájaros Rojos a jugar el pase a la Serie Mun-

dial en contra de los Mets de Nueva York.

Al igual que el año pasado, los Cardenales eliminaron a los Padres en la primera ronda de la postemporada. San Luis avanzó ahora con tres victorias y una derrota.

El descalabro podría hacer que la directiva de los Padres tome medidas drásticas como el cambio de Bruce Bochy como manager del equipo.

tijuana



## Malos estudiantes

Un suceso conmovió de nuevo a la comunidad de Tijuana y la puso a pensar sobre qué está pasando con la juventud ante el clima de violencia y narcotráfico que prevalece.

Esta vez se trató del secuestro de un niño de 7 años que planearon y ejecutaron dos estudiantes de una preparatoria nocturna.

La Procuraduría General de Justicia del Estado (PGJE) informó que Ernesto Alonso Salgado Lozano, de 20, y Carlos Bryan Rodríguez Her-

nández, de 21, secuestraron a un menor por el que cobraron 50 mil pesos de rescate.

La denuncia ante la PGJE de la madre del niño plagiado y la investigación del rastreo de las llamadas que hicieron los jóvenes para cobrar el pago del rescate, consiguieron aprehenderlos y descubrieron las presuntas causas que los llevó a ese crimen.

"Simplemente nos dijeron que se les hizo fácil", dijo la subprocuradora María Teresa Valadez.

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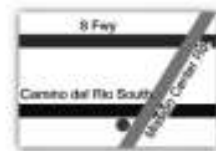


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## Arriba el Zorro

Sixto Gazpar

Diario San Diego

Llámense como se llamen, todas las acciones contra los inmigrantes en California, sólo se puede traducir en una sola palabra: Racismo.

Y todos necesitamos un héroe que comprenda la problemática y el estado de emergencia en el que se encuentra el estado.

Por más de dos décadas, Culture Clash's, ha creado un estilo muy propio de hacer comedia en teatro. Y ellos, el trío irreverente formado por Richard Montoya, Ric Salinas y Hebert Siguenza, tomaron la leyenda del popular héroe enmascarado El Zorro, para explorar los estereotipos de los "latinos y

chicanos" en los últimos 200 años en California.

El héroe que todos estamos esperando se presenta en teatro. Zorro In Hell es una sátira política y además cómica que hace un recuento por la historia de California. Todo comienza cuando un aspirante a escritor tiene la firme idea de hacer una película de El Zorro, el afamado enmascarado de capa y espada.

Pero en busca de más inspiración, el escritor se ve envuelto en un recorrido bastante inusual donde algunos de los personajes son bastante singulares, desde el oso que habla, hasta una señora de 200 años.



## Fuerza hispana

Los inmigrantes latinos representan el 53 por ciento de los extranjeros que residen en Estados Unidos, según cifras de la Oficina del Censo.

Entre los años 2000 y 2005 la población de origen extranjero en Estados Unidos creció un 16 por ciento de acuerdo a las cifras obtenidas de la encuesta de hogares llevada a cabo por el Censo.

La Oficina del Censo de Estados Unidos utiliza clasificaciones que corresponden tanto a origen nacional como a color de la piel, de modo que hay "hispanos" -los oriundos de América Latina- con la aclaración de que "pueden ser de cualquier color".

Los mismos datos señalan una disminución del porcentaje de población

que la Oficina del Censo califica como "blancos no hispanos", y que resulta del aumento de las "minorías", categoría que incluye a todos los inmigrantes, más los negros e indígenas norteamericanos o de las islas del Pacífico.

En 1990 los "blancos no hispanos" eran el 75.6 por ciento de la población de Estados Unidos, y el año pasado eran el 66.8 por ciento.

Los datos de la encuesta asimismo muestran que los mexicanos con bajos niveles de educación escolar y conocimiento muy limitado del idioma inglés siguen al frente de la ola de inmigrantes, y que los inmigrantes en general se han distribuido en casi todo el país, lejos de los estados fronterizos.



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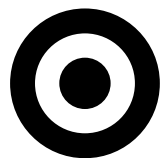
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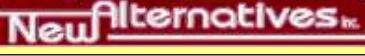
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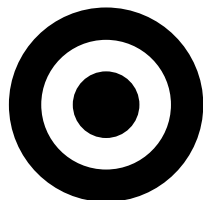
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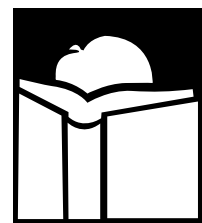
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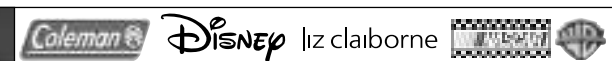
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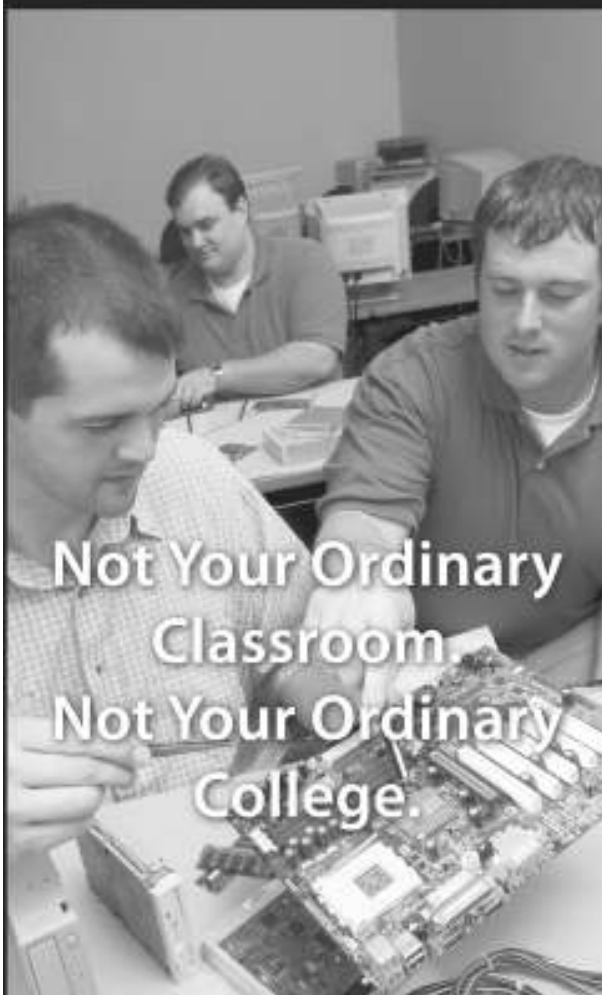
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**BENEFIT AUCTION.** National Transplant Assistance Fund (NTAF) fundraiser for Riley Horgan, October 22, 4-7pm, La Mesa Community Center. Help with uninsured medical costs. www.transplantfund.org; 619-990-8392.

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**CHRISTMAS CHARISMA**, Friday November 10, 10am-4pm. United Protuguese Hall. 2818 Avenida De Portugal, San Diego. Hand painted porcelain, door prizes, raffles, vendors and porcelain exhibit.

**CHRONIC FATIGUE Syndrome**/Fibromyalgia support group meets 4th Saturday of month 1:30-3:30pm. Grossmont Healthcare Auditorium. 9001 Wakarusa Street, La Mesa. Free. www.sandiegocod.org; 619-453-5299.

**DIVORCE CARE**, meets Sundays 9am. CVCF campus, 10791 Tierrasanta Boulevard Dc, free support group for broken hearted in/out divorce, or live-in relationship. 619-461-4480. bfarley@calitoday-cashotomorrow.com.

**DIVORCED AND PROBLEMS**, With child visitation, support payments, non-custodial rights, lawyers, and family law court? Change the system, join Coalition of Parent Support. Call 619-465-2677.

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**GASLAMP**, community church. Join us Sundays 9am, 3rd & J street downtown Chimes historical museum outdoor garden casual setting. 619-262-0757 for info www.gaslampchurch.com.

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**MIND-BODY** exercise by Clifford C. Oliver, DC, RN, Free. Thursday October 19, 7-9pm. Price-Pottenger Nutrition Foundation. 7890 Broadway, Lemon Grove. RSVP 619-462-7600.

**MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH** Ambassadors for Christ. Looking for a new church home? Come worship with us! Pastor Jimmy Fuller. 310 South 31st Street, 92113. 619-531-0141.

**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! Wal! No! sancho69ya@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.

**OUT OF THE DARKNESS** Community Walk. Sunday, 10/29, Balboa Park, 5K Walk to benefit American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. Register or donate log on to www.outofthedarkness.org.

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**PATHWORK DISCUSSION**, 'Integrating Love, Eros and Sex' October 19, 7-9pm. 1228-1/2 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 92014. Meeting, no fee. 858-259-1880.

**PATHWORK DISCUSSION**, 'The Fear of loving,' October 30, 7-9pm. 3180 University Avenue, Suite 200. San Diego, CA 92104. Open meeting, no fee, materials available. 619-296-9046.

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**VOLUNTEERS.** San Diego's abused/neglected children need your voice. Serve as a Court Appointed special Advocate (CASA). Bilingual needed. Next information sessions: Wednesday, 11/8 and 12/13. Voices for Children. 858-569-2019 or visit www.voices4children.com.

**WRITERS WORKSHOP.** Free. Every Monday, 10am-1pm. Joyce Beers community

center. Hillcrest. Vermont Street, near University Avenue. 858-457-8477.

**YOU'RE WELCOME HERE!** Make a difference at Spring Valley Community Church. Christian, Bible-based, Outreach, Sunday Worship: 9:30am (English), 11:30am (Spanish). 730 Concepcion, Spring Valley. www.svchurch.org.

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**BEVERLY** and Marge H who lived in Imperial Beach and East County in the 60s, write Jerry. PO Box 731 El Cajon, California 92022.

**DAVIEABE**, in Boston. There were four and they always gave me a kiss when I came through the door. Without you or them, I am poor.

**HGS**, 10/16/06, 25 months, 1 day ago, little did I realize my heart of 20 plus years past, would still be beating. TYS Michale. IRDLY 24/7/365.

**IT SAID WE ENTER** some "Contract" with god upon birth (conception?). Also, "we go into trance a thousand times a day"... So? Meaning? More mysterious... (No clarity given, as usual.)

**THANK YOU**, holy spirit for prayers answered.

**NEED HELP.** Have fiancée in Tijuana, need cosponsor, no financial obligation necessary. Will pay for help. 619-299-8684.

**THOUGH** the past may not repeat itself, it does rhyme. Mark Twain, author. Peace now.

## MATCHES SHARED INTERESTS

**FRIENDSHIP.** Ageless single senior, NYC transplant, La Mesa. Seeking friends, 55+, to gallivant San Diego! Happy hours, events, dancing, seize the moment. Let's meet. (10/18) 70405

## MATCHES WOMEN SEEKING MEN

**SLIM, CHEERFUL, HEALTHY**, Tall, warm, affectionate, white female, 68. Seeking good-natured, fit, 6'+, gentleman, near age 68, for fun, companionship, TLC, friends first. Nonsmoker please. (10/18) 69927

**AMERICAN ASIAN FEMALE**, 54, youthful, spiritual, not religious, attractive, child grown, homeowner. Seeks male 48-60 for companionship, shared activity, intelligent conversation, and hopefully more. (10/18) 69920

**HISPANIC, 48, HONEST**, Caring, great sense of humor, childless, enjoy jazz concerts, theatre, movies, cooking, green eyes, light long hair. (10/18) 69930

**SEEKING GOOD MAN** With a pulse! Could add in intelligence and sense of humor. Me, tall Latina, plus size, with pulse. (10/18) 69928

**YOUNG AT 52**, Looking for you, would like to meet gentleman for dating, age 50 to 60 secure with self and fun personality. (10/25) 69941

## Halloween Holiday Fun

Exciting, fun, shapely, blonde realtor, artist. 49. Seeking nice, kind, loving gentleman for travel, concerts, dancing, homelife, future holidays. 49-65. (10/25) 69956

**ASIAN, EXOTIC, SEXY**, Nice legs, curvaceous figure, 5'3", 115lbs, professional, childless, homeowner. Desires fun, fit, nonsmoker, upscale, successful, compatible, generous, 36+ Asian/Caucasian stable gentleman. (10/18) 69939

**ONE TELEPHONE CALL AWAY.** I'm waiting to hear from you. Mature, Caucasian, 57" woman, seeks tall, Caucasian, 70+", active, nonsmoker man for friendship and companionship. (10/18) 69931

**NORTH COUNTY GAL**, Seeks fun loving guy who has weekends off for adventurous places to be found. 46, brown hair, 162lbs, cute, call for details. (10/18) 69922

**WELL TRAVELLED**, Attractive, slim, blonde real estate agent, 60, enjoys outdoors, arts. Seeks fit professional companion for good conversation and a glass of wine. (10/25) 69949

**ATTRACTIVE MEXICAN**, Long hair, nice legs, easygoing. Wants to meet attractive guy, 42-55, honest, healthy, financially secure, nonsmoker, for friendship or possible relationship. (10/18) 69938

**BEAUTIFUL COSTA RICAN**, Tall, white, 47, romantic, professional. Love to cook, care for a good, sincere man. Single only, white, serious relationship, only love. (10/25) 69951

**LADY, 50s, WANTS** To meet a man for coffee. I am 5'3". My interests are pie, ice cream, mental health. Men with disabilities are okay. (10/18) 69926

**SINGLE WHITE FEMALE**, 51, 5'4-1/2, 125lbs, blue eyes, light brown hair. Looking for an honest, sincere man for dating. I like dining, movies, beach, concerts. (10/18) 69925

**VIBRANT, SINCERE, ENERGETIC** female, 40s. Seeking Caucasian gentleman 45-54 for a long term relationship. Must enjoy all activities. Let's enjoy it all together. (10/25) 69955

**BRITISH GENTLEMAN** Desired by pretty green-eyed white lady, 47, with great sense of humor, world traveler, healthy lifestyle, nature lover. Please have similar interests. (10/25) 69952

**EAST COUNTY**, Sexy, attractive redhead, 56, 5'10", shapely. Looking for nonsmoker, 36-59, tall, honest, sincere, outgoing, playful, outdoorsy, educated, adventurous, funny, kind, caring. (10/18) 69929

**ATTRACTIVE BLONDE WOMAN**, Seeking honest, caring, fun man for a sincere relationship. Ages 45 to 55 with similar interests. (10/25) 69944

**ADVENTUROUS, CARING**, educated, 57, woman wants gent, 52-62, for fun, friendship and companionship. Be educated, sense of humor, for a sharing and caring, meaningful relationship. (10/18) 69933

**READY FOR LOVE**, affection, companionship. 62 years young. Atlanta, San Francisco, now San Diego. Photography, museums, travel, outdoors, indoors,

adventure, family, friends, pets, music, laughing. (10/18) 69921

**ATTRACTIVE ASIAN**, Health care provider, 42, 115lbs, 5'4". No children, outgoing, love outdoor activities, homeowner, financially secure. Seeking college graduate, 40-45, nonsmoker. (10/25) 69948

**CARING, 57 WOMAN**, educated, cultured, honest, positive attitude, secure, love outdoors, movies, beach. Wants gent 55-65, educated, sense of humor, for sharing/caring meaningful relationship. (10/25) 69945

**LOVE BALL**, Travel, dance, cruises, photography, writing, theatre, music, exploring California. You are college grad, active, similar interests, liberal, verbal, nonsmoker or religious. 65-75. (10/18) 69998

**ARE YOU HANDSOME**, successful, educated, 30-47, loving, sweet, and funny? Then we need to meet! Do you like concerts, theater, traveling, movies, the Gaslamp, and moonlights? Then we definitely need to meet! (10/25) 69957

**QUALITY WOMAN**, professional, cultured, aware, great body, humanistic, healthy, positive attitude. Seeking nonsmoker gentleman of comparable qualities, 59-73, to explore life's possibilities. (10/18) 69935

**INSPIRED GODESS** summons unencumbered white male with above-average mentality. This childless, black beauty awaits. Possess character, diverse interests, 30-50. Life's too short to settle! (10/18) 69932

**COME DANCE WITH THIS** Attractive, slender, 58, country-dwelling woman. Let's explore back roads and share a lot of happiness in the years to come. (10/25) 69947

**FRENCH SEXY, ATTRACTIVE**, Fit, blond/blue, 41, 125lbs, 5'6", romantic, affectionate, sports, outdoors, indoors, dancing, beach, travel. Gentleman 41-56, athletic, fit, secure, handsome, trustworthy, similars. (10/25) 69942

**RANCHO BERNARDO RESIDENT**, Northern European transplant, 60 (looks 40s), attractive, well-educated, active. Seeking degreed, successful gentleman to age 80, for social activities, long-term relationship. (10/25) 69950

**LIFE IS A WONDER OF** Unlimited possibilities. 70 years, adventurous, stable, happy. Would like only one special gentleman. Dreams do come true, take a chance. (10/25) 69953

## Friend

Petite, attractive, independent. Enjoys most everything, although selective. Now looking for a companion, 48-60, mannered, smart, humorous, stable men only. Lunch. (10/25) 69943

## Asian Lady, Slender

Attractive, friendly, loving, caring, educated, enjoys travel, outdoor. Seeking tall gentleman, Caucasian, financially secure, 55-65, to share life together. compatible companion. (10/25) 69940

**NO BAGGAGE, NO NAGGING**, just good looks with nice figure seeking comfort zone with 58+, tall gentleman who is snuggable, lovable, carefree and sexy. (10/18) 69934

**ATTRACTIVE ATTORNEY**, Romantic, passionate, loyal and considerate. Likes traveling, dancing, fine dining, theatre, jogging and tennis. Seeks successful,

well-educated, slim, honest man, 40-49. (10/18) 69936

**ALTO, STOP, LOOK NO** More. Sincere, caring senior Chocolate lady from Central America would like to meet classy senior gentleman to enjoy each other's company. (10/18) 69934

## MATCHES

## MEN SEEKING WOMEN

**THE LIFE YOU'VE DREAMED OF.** Successful executive, 49, nonsmoker seeks younger, attractive female, nonsmoker, ages 21-44, who's classy, sassy, sexy, for dinners, dancing, shows, the good life. I'm 6'3", 195lbs., good looking, GQ dresser, fun, kind, caring. Be my monogamous companion. Let's have fun and go shopping. (10/25) 70455

**YOUNG, 60-YEAR-OLD MAN.** Looking for nice, sweet North County woman, with good sense of humor, who wants smart professional man who likes his life. (10/18) 70415

**HONESTY, TRADITIONAL VALUES.** Lasting relationship, intelligent professional. Seeking nonsmoking woman to enjoy weekend adventures, casual entertainment, travel, good music, good friends, my cooking, life. (10/25) 70440

**HIGH REGARD FOR WOMEN**, Including equal treatment. Unselfish, sensitive, personable, adventurous, liberal, well-traveled. Music, arts, politics, tennis, outdoor adventures, animals. Agnostic, 6'1". Young 59. (10/25) 70442

**SENSES OPEN, RECEPTIVE**, 5'8", 58 Caucasian, alert, aware, communicative, energetic, enjoy life. Seeking female with a youthful attitude, Linguist teacher, free spirit, multitude varied interests. (10/25) 70421

**UNIQUE QUALITY MAN**, 63. Seeks nonsmoking woman 40-60. Asian, South American, European preference, but open! Share friendship, fun, beauty of nature, developed consciousness, maybe more?! (10/25) 70439

**SEEKING FRIENDSHIP**, Possibly more. I'm 57, 5'10", 175lbs, I enjoy working out, movies, dining, sports, quiet time together with nonsmoker lady, prefer 619, 858 areas. (10/18) 70414

**TALL, HANDSOME, 49**, Brown green, business owner, emotionally and financially stable, very interesting. Looking for White, Hispanic female, 36-44, with many interests. Call me, please. (10/25) 70446

**CARING, FUN, FIT**, Romantic, stable, white male, 6, 56, 185lbs. Seeks special gal for quality time together. walks, dining, travel. Bye for now. (10/18) 70404

**AFTERNOONS FREE?** Let's walk! Canyons, beaches, parks, museums. 55, 5'11", 160lbs. Author. Good laughter preferred. I like trying out new ideas during walks. (10/18) 70413

## Very Attractive

And healthy HIV+ white, 33, male. Seeks HIV+ female for friendship and possible relationship. 18 and over, no reason to be embarrassed anymore. (10/18) 70416

**ATTENTION ALL ASIANS** With sense of humor. Great guy, 41, funny, honest, financially secure and emotionally secure. Make the call. I am the one. (10/25) 70448

**PROFESSIONAL BLACK MALE**, 55, 6'3", interested in meeting down-to-earth, nonsmoking, good humored, honest female 40-55, for friendship and possible relationship. Race unimportant. (10/25) 70441

**QUASIMODO SEEMS ESMERALDA.** King of fools searches for his queen. A red-haired gypsy with sparkling emerald green eyes who dances amidst the raindrops. 59+ please. (10/18) 70395

**LONELY OLD GEEZER,** 80s, retired, affluent. Seeks young chick 70s-80s for friendship, companionship, on cruises, trips, tours, dinners, shows, whatever we would enjoy doing together. (10/25) ☎70436

**JEWISH MAN,** 6'2", eyes of blue, into tennis, swimming. Seeking Jewish woman, 35-50, health conscious, long walks, with similar interests. (10/18) ☎70397

**SENSE OF HUMOR,** Spiritual path, passionate, adventurous, 52, 5'8", 170lbs, black grey. Enjoy rock music, movies, nature walks, coffee houses, stimulating conversation. Seeking like minded. (10/25) ☎70449

**SINCERELY SEEKING** a quality relationship. I'm 55, 5'3", 145lbs, good looking, in good shape. I love music, exercise, nature, fun at home! La Mesa. (10/25) ☎70429

**SUPER NICE GUY!** Kind, sensitive, romantic, cute, young 56 (looks 45), Jewish, nonsmoking, humorous. Enjoys music, dancing, seeks younger, petite, attractive, quality, nonsmoking, unencumbered lady. (10/18) ☎70407

**JAPANESE-HISPANIC MALE,** 52, 5'7", nice, kind, honest. Looking for nice friend for movies, jazz, concert, walks, running, talks, fun times. No smoking, nice smile. (10/18) ☎70396

**Seeking Black Female**  
You 40-50, Beautiful, nice body. Me White, handsome, 5'8", average build, loving, caring, I'm worth meeting. (10/18) ☎70412

**BLACK GENTLEMAN,** Tall, dark, handsome, humorous, honest, healthy, husky handyman. Seeking female full figured is a plus, not a must, any ethnicity, age 21-45. (10/25) ☎70423

**HAS A DISABILITY CHANGED** Your routine? Want someone in your life? Dinners, conversation, hugs, kisses, with romantic guy. Who can relate, please call, race open. (10/25) ☎70450

**POSITIVE MAN,** Attractive, slim, 5'11", blue eyes, young 54. Into new thought, personal growth, healing. Seeks slim, positive energy woman for fun, salubrious sea walks. (10/25) ☎70426

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**50, POLICE OFFICER.** Healthy Caucasian, gentleman's standards/morals, Fashion Valley. Seeking motivated lady, 42-50, to enjoy life's adventures and experiences. Possible commitment. (10/25) ☎70419

**FORMER MID-WESTERNER** Educator, handsome, passionate, gentle touch, outdoor/indoor activities. Seeks fun-loving cuddler, friendly woman, nice figure, alluring lips, inviting smile, teachers/nurses a plus. (10/25) ☎70444

**GOOD-LOOKING** and nice, 39, white, funny, love, movies, dining, dancing. Looking for woman not over 50. Sorry, but I'm a smoker. Call me. (10/25) ☎70451

**SMOOTH, DIRECT APPROACH USED.** Seeking smart, assertive woman, with a sassy sense of humor. Like theater, movies, outdoors, sports. I'm 50, 5'10", decent shape, articulate. (10/25) ☎70430

**PASSION, ADVENTURE, LAUGHS,** Very athletic, 44, 5'9", 160lbs, post-grad in health care, easy-going, financially secure. Love ocean, surf, snorkel, kayak, mountains, snowboard, hike, backpack. (10/25) ☎70437

**Older Man  
Younger Woman**  
Successful 62-year-old, tall, slim, professional man, evolved, kind and supportive. Seeks intelligent, slender, attractive companion, 30-45, for mutual care and comfort. Let me be your genie. (10/25) ☎70443

**PRO JAZZ MUSICIAN,** 6'1", 160lbs., 54, blue/red, shaved, swing dancer, road bicycle racer, Buddhist, child-free. Seeking chemistry/connection! (10/18) ☎70400

**SOON TO BE 41, WHITE MALE,** 5'10". Seeking attractive, playful lady, 25-55, for weekend trips, dining out, movies and sports events. (10/18) ☎70408

**CHRISTIAN, 47, WIDOWER.** Considerate, compassionate, sensitive, kind, likes meaningful conversation, communication, healthy living with purpose, staying in shape, hiking, reading. God first, marriage-minded. (10/18) ☎70411

**HISPANIC BUSINESS MAN,** 52, fit. Enjoys barbecuing, hiking, thrills, yoga, travel, theater, concerts, movies, most sports. Clean, neat, homeowner, a gentle-

man, lives alone with doggie. (10/18) ☎70409

**DIVORCED WHITE MALE,** 43, good looking, 5'10" employed. Seeking thin, dark,sane but sensual lady for long-term-relationship, sunsets, romance, good food and wine, peace, harmony. (10/25) ☎70422

**LIKE HARLEYS?** I'm looking for you. Good-hearted biker, nonsmoker; love hug, kisses, no games. Let's enjoy life together. Call me. (10/18) ☎70394

**PERSONABLE GENTLEMAN.** Likes occasional casino trips, dancing, theatre, music, Bridge. Seeks 70+ lady. Must be tall, full figured, with similar interests. (10/18) ☎70406

**BOYISH GOOD LOOKS,** 6'2", eyes blue, slim, athletic, college-educated, professional, enjoys surfing, sailing, travel, conversation, family, friends, music, kids. Seeking slim 35+, friends first. (10/25) ☎70445

**HANDSOME, INTELLIGENT,** Sensual guy, great sense of humor, youthful 68. Seeking open, honest, energetic woman for long walks, entertaining conversation,

warm friendship and supportive partnership. (10/25) ☎70431

**BROWN SKIN DESIRED,** Asian or Latina, by white professional, 47 (looking 38). Smooth skin, shaven face, brown/green, 6', 200lbs. Sweet. Promise wonderful back rubs. (10/25) ☎70438

**EAST COUNTY, RETIRED.** Looking for a lady 65-75. I am healthy, active, stable finance. Like movies, cruises, walk, quiet time. Call. (10/25) ☎70435

**NICE-APPEARING BACHELOR,** early 50s, trim, successful, childless, blue, brown, North County coastal homeowner without encumbrances. You: 40-something, well groomed, not overweight, serious-minded. (10/25) ☎70428

**HAPPY-GO-LUCKY GUY,** Looking for an optimistic, fun loving gal, someone to dance with, see what's around locally and beyond. No goofy stuff. (10/25) ☎70433

**WESTERN WASHINGTON GUY,** Seeks white female, 40-56 and slim/medium build, to come share quiet times in Puget sound. I like trips, walks, nature, moonlit nights, cozy evenings, cuddling. (10/25) ☎70453

**BRAINS ARE SEXY,** I'll show you mine if you show me yours. 55, 5'11", 160lbs, author, nonsmoker and drinker, but I'm a walkaholic. (10/25) ☎70420

**Caucasian, 50s, 6', 195 Lbs.**  
Architectural designer-builder, extroverted, world traveler, huggable, personable, listener, compassionate, open, loves life, home owner. You 37-47, also loves life. Call! (10/18) ☎70402

**FIREMAN, WHITE,** 45, ready, willing, able to rescue attractive, classy, quality lady, 30-40, from lonely nights and bar scene. Dial my number and have fun. (10/18) ☎70410

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Alanna Orlando  
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When people text message their friends on the cell phone. And girls putting makeup on annoy me. People always swerve when they do that, not looking at the road or rolling through stop signs. It's dangerous. Maybe as dangerous as drunk driving. I myself do both of those things. I've almost gotten in multiple accidents because of those things. So, I know the dangers of doing it.



Timothy Easton  
Student  
Encinitas

People in right-turn-only lanes [who] insist on waiting until the light turns green before they make the turn. You can wait for ten minutes for some guy in front of you that's probably from out of town. In California, people don't realize that you can turn right on a red light. It gives me road rage. Oftentimes they are yapping on their cell phone, too.



Michelle Hardwick  
Student  
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General disregard for other people on the road: not signaling, weaving through traffic, talking on the phone, going too slow. Any kind of thinking where you think you're the only person on the road. I don't mind someone talking on the phone as long as they can drive. If you drive well, you can pick your nose, put your makeup on, if you are paying attention to the rules of the road. I drive a five-speed and I'm shifting and doing all these things, but if I'm on the phone and it interferes with my driving, I tell the person I'll call them back.



John Donovan  
Retired  
Vista

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Ben Hays  
Ink salesman  
San Diego

It's the girl in the silver Jetta. I'm not talking about a specific girl, but those types. They suck. Those are the ones talking on their cell phones, driving slow, cutting you off. You're, like, "What the fuck?" They are probably complaining on the phone about the traffic, saying, "Oh, my God, if everyone was driving as fast as me right now there wouldn't be traffic." I'm glad they passed that new law about using cell phones as you drive.



Eric Hays  
Room service  
Del Mar

This is kind of obscure, but if it's happened to you, you'll know what I'm talking about. It's at the light, and you can either go straight or turn right. There's only one person at the front of the line that wants to go straight. Everyone else wants to turn and we can't because of this one idiot. You can even be signaling right behind them, and they don't move up to give you the room to turn. It's their ignorance to the whole situation.

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Clue: Long, leggy links divide citrus and table

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### Across

- Scare
- Some lunch orders
- Sun or moon
- Trojan War figure
- Actress \_\_\_\_ Flynn Boyle
- Corp. VIP
- Where a rambling speech often goes
- Nashville sch.
- Prefix with sphere
- Hired thug
- “Fernando” group
- Like Paraguay’s climate
- Where Mariano Rivera warms up
- In an impoverished fashion
- Warehouse item
- “Shoo!”
- Like Bill Gates, to be sure
- Lionel layout, maybe
- Singer McEntire and others
- Like some eyes
- Gypsy Rose Lee’s wardrobe item
- “The Odyssey,” e.g.
- “You there!”
- Homecoming guest
- One for the money?
- Do agenting (for)
- Apt title for this puzzle
- “I pity the fool!” speaker
- Veneer
- Films
- Chucklehead
- They’re often pickled
- Skip the nightclub

### Down

- \_\_\_\_ Schwarz
- TKO caller
- Like Brahms’ Symphony No. 3
- Pick up
- “Very funny!”
- Safari hazard
- Flourish
- Drink from a dish
- Cycle starter
- Amniotic \_\_\_\_
- Squids’ kin
- Add new dirt to
- Full of energy
- They give counterfeiters fits
- “The man upstairs”
- 1970 Jackson 5 hit
- Pat on the back, as a baby
- Humdrum
- High: Prefix
- Mark of a ruler
- Go like mad
- Snappy comeback

- Gephardt’s successor as House Minority Leader
- Letters on Albert Pujols’ baseball cap
- Opposite of sans
- “Six Feet Under” role
- Cop’s catch
- Wading bird
- Gives the boot
- Police dept. rank
- Jenna Elfman TV role
- Conger catchers
- Flies off the handle
- Little dog, for short
- NFL Hall of Famer Marchetti
- Shoe blemishes
- Last shots?
- Jackson of the Modern Jazz Quartet
- CD burners
- Sob syllable
- Stable bit?
- Actress Vardalos
- Glacial
- Word with bum or bunny
- TV’s answer to the mall

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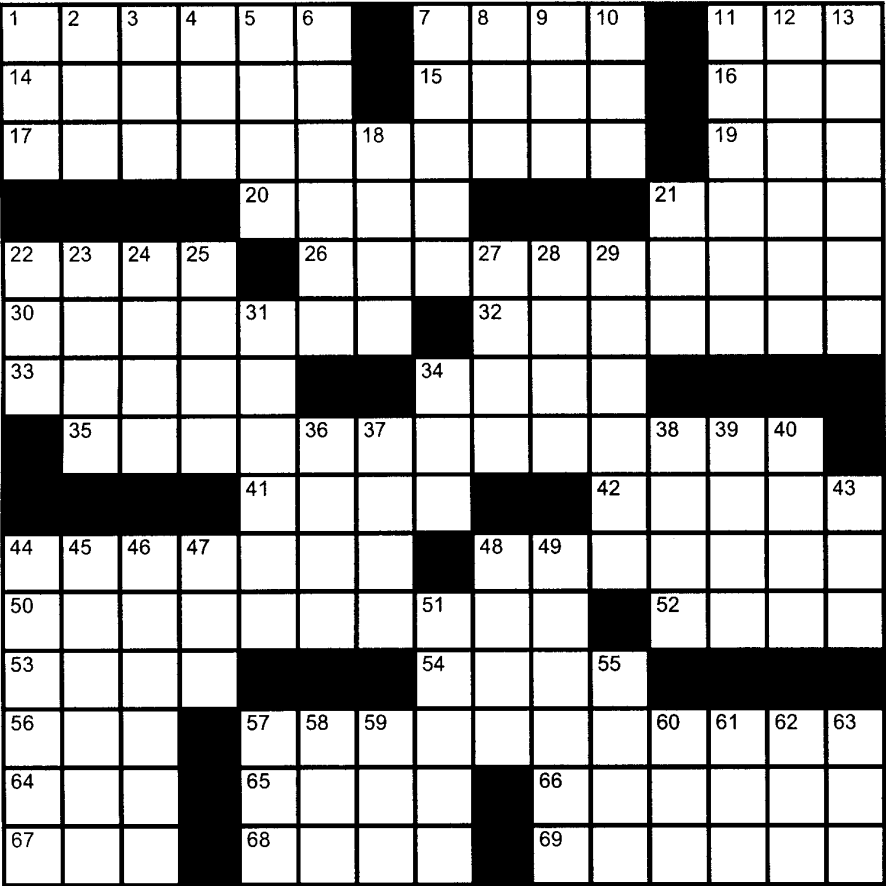
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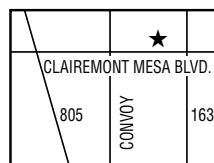
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LEAD STORY

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Compelling Explanations

— The 30-year-old traditional festival of eel-“bowling” in the fishing village of Lyme Regis, England, was canceled in July after an animal-rights activist said that it was disrespectful to eels. In the ritual, teams stand on platforms and swing a giant (but dead) conger eel to see who will be the last person standing. Said a spokesman for the charitable event, which raises money for lifeboat crews, “But it’s a dead conger, for Pete’s sake. I shouldn’t think the conger could care one way or another.”

— Leon Howard Matter was arrested in Sandusky, Ohio, in August for sending a letter containing “anthrax” (though it turned out to be harmless powder) to the local FBI office. He told agents the reason he did it was because he was facing child-pornography charges and didn’t want to go to prison because he’d get beaten up. Threat-

ening the FBI, he reasoned, has better cachet. — Lame: After police found 638 marijuana plants in a Hastings, England, warehouse rented by David Churchward in September, he said he was forced to grow the plants (which would make more than 280,000 marijuana cigarettes) to help his wife, because she has difficulty sleeping. ... Reuters reported in September that a farm woman in Lobez, Poland, who has been charged with growing marijuana, said she was forced to because her cow had been acting “skittish and unruly” until she put cannabis in the feed.

Especially Lame

— At the York Crown Court in England in September, Antonia Pearson-Gaballonie, 36, was convicted of enslaving a 26-year-old housekeeper from 1997 to 2005 despite her defense that the woman had been earning the equivalent of about \$55 a week and that all she had to do was ask for it, but she never did.

— At the Wimbledon Magistrates’ Court in England in July, Andrew Curzon was charged with wrongfully attempting to cash a neighbor’s pension-adjustment check in the equivalent of about \$220,000. The explanation by Curzon (who is a law student) is that he has “dyspraxia,” which renders him unable “to engage in logical thinking.”

Ironies

— U.S. Rep. Bob Ney of Ohio agreed to plead guilty in September to corruption charges stemming from investigations of lobbyist Jack Abramoff. Even though Ney faces as much as 27 months in prison, he will be eligible for a congressional pension (based on 12 years’ service) when he gets out. Earlier this year, Congress passed a corruption-reform bill, which Ney supported, which

would have caused a congressman in Ney’s position to forfeit his pension, but the bill has been stalled in a House-Senate conference and was not enacted before Ney’s plea was accepted. — More Ironies: (1) WEWS-TV in Cleveland reported in August that the pregnancy rate among girls at Timken High School in Canton, Ohio, was 13 percent, despite the fact that the school’s athletic teams are known as the Trojans. (2) Police chief Michael Chitwood of Daytona Beach, Fla., reported that his house was burglarized in August during the time he was speaking to a Neighborhood Watch group on crime prevention. (3) In August, Kosco, a police dog assigned to the Watertown, N.Y., force, was the first cop on the scene to bring down Mark A. Adams, 22, who had eluded officers for seven hours after violating probation for cruelty to his pet dog.

Charmers

— In Tacoma, Wash., in September, a smirking Ulysses Hardy III, 24, pleaded guilty to three aggravated murders, laughed at the victims’ families in court, and told them to “get over it” and that “pain is part of life.” Hardy said there are two kinds of people, “us and them, predators and prey,” and that he’s “damn sure not prey.” “[I] did what I did. And that’s not going to change.” A week earlier in Norristown, Pa., Janeske Vargas, 35, was sentenced to life in prison for setting a friend on fire with vodka and nail polish remover. She said she had nothing to say in court to her friend’s family. “No, why should I?... They’ll get over it.”

Fetishes on Parade

— In an August rafting tournament on the Vuoksa River near St. Petersburg, Russia, which

used only inflatable dolls of the kind typically sold in adult boutiques, Igor Osipov, 40, was disqualified upon finishing the race when (according to a report by *Moscow News*) observers “saw signs of recent sexual activity on [Osipov]’s doll.”

Least Competent Criminals

— (1) Bryan Sanderson was arrested minutes after allegedly committing his second bank robbery of the day in York County, Va., in September. Sanderson’s main misjudgment, according to police, was making his getaway both times in his company home-inspection van with “Sanderson Services” on the side. (2) More Anthrax Stupidity: New Yorkers Donald Ray Bilby, 30, in July, and Abdullah Date, 18, in August, were, convicted and arrested for sending anthrax threats to authorities in envelopes that each contained their correct return addresses. (Date allegedly included a note reading, “Catch me if you can.”)

Recurring Themes

— In July, an Australian man, looking for a place to relieve himself near the Commercial Drive SkyTrain station in East Vancouver, British Columbia, fell about 100 feet into a ravine, but tree branches broke his fall, and he survived. ... Jerry Mersereau, 23, after camping in the Mount Hood National Forest in Oregon, filed a lawsuit against the federal government in August for injuries he suffered after wandering off a cliff at night while searching for a place to relieve himself.

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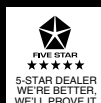
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### Thirty Years Ago

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—CITY LIGHTS: **"HONESTY ISN'T DEAD,"** *Richard Low,*  
October 21, 1976

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

No one knows how long Brian Berlau has been a student at San Diego State University except Berlau himself, and all he'll tell you is that he enrolled as a transfer student sometime during the tenure of former university president Malcolm Love, who took office in 1952 and left in 1971. Berlau is evasive about his age, insisting, "I'm eighteen," when you know he's got to be nearly twice that.

Berlau earned bachelor's degrees in political science and in accounting, and is nearing completion of two more majors: psychology and public administration.

—CITY LIGHTS: **"IVY-COVERED CHEEKS,"**  
*Thomas K. Arnold, October 15, 1981*

### Twenty Years Ago

Penn had been attending Point Loma Nazarene since the beginning of the fall semester, on September 25. But Penn, who is awaiting retrial on manslaughter and attempted murder charges for the March 1985 shooting of two San Diego police officers and their civilian ride-along, dropped out of school last Friday "because he was feeling the stress," according to Ken Hills, dean of students.

—CITY LIGHTS: **"THE SHORT SEMESTER OF SAGON PENN,"** *Brae Canlen, October 16, 1986*

### Fifteen Years Ago

Hi, Matt:

Here's a blue-light special for you. What does the K in Kmart stand for?

—Sandy W., *El Cajon*

Kafka, maybe? Knackwurst? Kinky? Kayak? Knucklehead? Kudzu? Was the emporium founded by a Swede and originally called Knute-Mart...or a Scot, Kilt-Mart...a Hawaiian king, Kamehameha-Mart? Stop me if you hear one you like. Personally, I like all those better than the real answer. The Mart's K stands for Kresge (Sebastian S.), the Detroit entrepreneur who founded the now-ubiqui-

tous shopateriums in 1897.

—**"STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP,"** *Matthew Alice,*  
October 17, 1991

### Ten Years Ago

I hadn't gone to Long Beach hoping to fall in love. When we met in the bookstore parking lot, what my wife-to-be had on her hands was a sweat-stained, disheveled, no-longer-young man whose pants were too tight at the waist. I was certain of only one thing: I was aroused by the sound of her voice.

But when I first saw her, watched her hop from her car rosy-cheeked and merry, I thought to myself, "You might very possibly be able to love this woman forever."

And then she started to make me laugh. Laugh hard. Dry quips, witty asides, wry anecdotes about life's little horrors. While we prowled the bookstore, so much humor poured out of her — not all of it gentle, some of it sharp — my heart began to beat differently. I felt a kind of excitement I hadn't known before."

—**"THE BRIDE WORE BLACK LINEN,"** *Abe Opincar*  
and *Cynthia Heimel, October 10, 1996*

### Five Years Ago

At Ralph's Hair Place, Sean Higby, 19, has just



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finished having his hair styled. Although he would not rule out fighting in a war, his prosperity at home finds him less than willing to go. "I would try as hard as I could to not do it. I would write a letter saying that it would be a financial hardship or something like that. The Internet economy has brought a lot of good things to me, and it would be really hard for me to trade. It would be hard for me to get up and leave that."

—CITY LIGHTS: **"WHO WILL AND WON'T FIGHT AND WHY,"** *Robert Kumpel, October 11, 2001*

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## Dear Saffron,

I teach at a San Diego-area junior college. I will withhold the name. We have had some minor problems with graffiti at school. The other day a colleague and I went into the ladies' room together. I turned to fix my hair, and lo and behold: no mirrors. My friend and I were both surprised, to say the least. We sought out another ladies' room and were alarmed to find the same story. There was a meeting with the president of the school and the whole faculty that week, so we asked about the mysterious mirror disappearance. The president told us that since some bathroom mirrors had been graffitied, he'd given orders for all of them to be removed. We took an informal poll of the faculty after the meeting, including both male and female teachers. None of them remembered a single graffitied mirror. All wanted the mirrors back. Having no mirrors makes the bathrooms seem like prison bathrooms. Do you agree that a little alleged

graffiti is not a good reason for eliminating all bathroom mirrors? If so, how do you think we can get them replaced?

DISHEVELED PROFESSOR

## Dear Disheveled,

I would be very bummed out if my workplace had no bathroom mirrors. No doubt I would be walking around with lipstick askew, spinach in my teeth, and hair resembling a fright wig. I think the president overreacted. Perhaps the faculty can meet and appoint a committee of several of its most eloquent, persuasive members to talk to the president. If they feel they need to be armed with a petition signed by the majority of the college community requesting mirrors be restored, make that happen. Also assure the president that the faculty will be brainstorming about mounting a schoolwide anti-graffiti campaign to raise awareness about how destructive it is. Maybe that effort can include providing mural space for artistic students on campus so those who have the irresistible urge to spray paint can do so in a constructive manner.

## Dear Saffron,

My father is a fragile person who was hospitalized multiple times for psychiatric disorders while my sister and I were growing up. He's a sweet, gentle guy, but he has bouts of poor judgment, strange behavior,

and is sometimes in a world of his own. Our mother died when I was ten and my sister was eight, which did not help Dad's mental stability. Mom sheltered Dad from the difficult world. When she passed, that job fell to me. Over the past decade, Dad seemed to be doing more or less okay. He had a steady job and was hospitalized only twice. I have always given him money when I can. Sometimes he takes his medications, but usually he doesn't. Now my sister and I are both working our way through college, and Dad is relapsing. A few months ago he was fired from his job of five years — the longest he's held a job that I can remember — for bizarre behavior, talking to himself, and showing up only when he felt like it. Now he says, "I'm tired of working. I think you and your sister should take care of me. Aren't you willing to take care of your poor old dad?" Dad is only 51. My sister and I are not able to support Dad or live with him. We need to find him housing, health insurance, and financial support.

OVERWHELMED SON IN KEARNY MESA

## Dear Overwhelmed,

I am sorry you are saddled with this burden. If your college has a counseling center, make an appointment and explain your situation to the social worker or therapist there. He or she should be able to give you referrals to professionals and agencies that can help you implement a plan for taking care of your father. If your school doesn't provide counsel-

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## FUNNY ALIENS

My husband Andy and I had only recently arrived from the UK to Belize, Central America, and were trying to figure out how to make friends here. Inviting one or two local cowboys to a movie night seemed like a good way to us.

That evening, as Andy was putting some bowls of popcorn on the table, I was scanning our rather extensive DVD collection. All of our stuff had arrived from London a few days before, and we were getting to grips with how much stuff we had. The unpacking of the 20-foot container had been a rather embarrassing experience. All the Mayan families had gathered around our house to watch us unpack. With each item that was lifted out of the box, they let out a loud "Ooh!" and "Ah!" I had never felt filthy rich before, but I did then. Out of shame, I ended up giving away several things. The families grabbed anything we didn't want. Down to the boxes themselves, which they apparently turned into wardrobes.

"So, babe, do you think they will like *The Fifth Element* or *The Matrix*? Or will those movies be too far out for them? We don't have any John Wayne movies, do we?" I just didn't know what DVD to pick.

Before Andy had a chance to answer, the cowboys arrived, and they hadn't come alone; our deck was filled with what appeared to be a Mayan village. There were the cowboys, their wives, their wives' parents, their children (lots of them), their nieces and nephews, babies suckling the exposed breasts of young women, even their dogs had come along. This wasn't what we had been expecting. And they all looked as if they were going to a wedding, with the little girls in frilly white dresses and the little boys in shirts and pants with freshly washed hair that their moms had glued to their heads in tight side-partings. Looking at these clean, proud Mayans, I felt like a total slob. To me, movie night meant T-shirt, sweatpants, no

make-up. Obviously, things were different here.

"I'm sorry," I said, as everybody poured through the door in near silence. "We don't seem to have enough chairs for everyone." But nobody seemed bothered about the lack of chairs; they squeezed as many people on the sofas as possible. Nursing mums and grandparents sat on the comfortable seats, and the kids sat down wherever. The grandmother looked ancient, dignified. I thought that she was at least 80 or 90, but found out later that she was 57. I guess the years of hard labor, the Guatemalan war, and the many children she had had taken their toll.

While I was attempting to be a host to the women and children, Andy and the guys had taken control of choosing the night's movie. Soon they reappeared with their choice of the night: *The Godfather*.

I blocked the guys from moving toward the DVD player, saying, "No way! We can't watch that. That's way too violent for these children." Andy shrugged his shoulders. "They said it was okay with them."

"No, no, I'm not having that." I snatched the DVD out of Andy's hands and

walked back to the rest of our collection, followed closely by the cowboys. "We don't mind. Our kids watch movies like this at home."

I wouldn't budge and asked them to choose again. They picked *Die Hard*. I said no. They picked *The End of Days*, and I said no again. I picked *Peter Pan*. They said no. I picked *The Wizard of Oz*. They didn't respond.



Andy was getting annoyed with me. "Simone, what's your problem? They don't care about their kids watching violent movies, so why do you?"

"Well, whatever the policy is in their house is their problem. I can't change the policies in my house. And my policies are no violent movies for young kids."

We eventually settled (against my better judgment) on *Star Wars*. They got their bits of violence, and

I hoped that the kids would at least enjoy the funny aliens.

So this was one of our first introductions into Central American culture, and it taught us two important things:

1. Be cautious when inviting people in Central America to your home. In the U.S. or Europe you may invite 200 people to a wedding and expect 100 of those to show up. In Belize you invite 50 and can expect 200. It's the way things are here. Invitations are a kind of free for all, and people love to bring their extended families along.

2. Even though the Mayan community seems very friendly, innocent, and peaceful, they do expose their young children to violent movies, and the children's play often reflects that. They may run around with fake Ninja knives and pretend to slash each other's throats. But in the midst of their throat-slashing sessions, they will wave at you and smile the sweet, innocent smiles.

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### THEFT RING

**Location:** 6377 Quarry Road, Spring Valley  
**Time/Date:** 1:00 p.m. on 9/30/06

**Investigation:** Sheriff's deputies from the Lemon Grove Station were alerted by a private security team from a local shopping mall that potential stolen property was being sold from a booth at the Spring Valley Swap Meet.



Deputies responded and discovered approximately \$500,000 worth of suspected stolen property. The stolen merchandise was mostly high-end clothing items from major department stores in Fashion Valley. Some of the recovered stolen items had tags from Macy's, Banana Republic, Victoria's Secret and Bath & Body Works.

Representatives from several Fashion Valley stores did eventually identify their stolen property and one department store actually had one of the arrested suspects, Francisco Q., 28, on video stealing the merchandise they discovered at the swap meet booth.

### STRONG ARM ROBBERY

**Location:** [3700] Jefferson Street, Carlsbad  
**Time/Date:** 2:25 a.m. on 10/1/06

**Investigation:** Officer Shipley was flagged down by an unidentified citizen stating there was a fight in the area of Jefferson Street and Tamarack Avenue. At approximately the same time, the Carlsbad Police Department received a cell phone call from Kyle K., stating he had just been robbed and was hiding from the suspects in the trash can area of Squid Joe's.

Officer Ernst contacted K. [K. said] that he and Christopher A. were walking southbound in the 3700 block of Jefferson Street when they were approached by a Hispanic male, later identified as the juvenile suspect, who demanded their money, approximately \$75. Several more Hispanic males approached them in a threatening

manner. K. and A. threw their money on the ground in front of the suspects. The victims attempted to walk away...when they were attacked. They were able to escape from the suspects and fled on foot.

Officer Ernst broadcast the suspect descriptions. Officers McClanahan and Karches located the suspects. The victims...identified H. and the juvenile suspect. H. was booked into the Vista Detention Facility and the juvenile was booked into Juvenile Hall.

The victims' injuries were minor and did not require hospitalization and their money was not recovered.

### ARMED BANK ROBBERY

**Location:** 1678 South Mission Road, Fallbrook  
**Time/Date:** 2:36 p.m. on 9/29/06



**Investigation:** Deputy Brown was dispatched to a call of an armed bank robbery at the Union Bank of California. The suspect was described as a white male about 30 years old, wearing a yellow baseball cap, red shirt, blue jeans, carrying a black handgun and a gray bag. According to witnesses the suspect ran across Mission Road toward the area of the Best Western Motel. Deputy Brown responded to the bank while other sheriff's units from the Fallbrook Station set up a perimeter around the area where the suspect was last seen. The area was also checked

using the sheriff's ASTREA helicopter and a canine unit.

During the search of the area, Deputy Wilkinson received information from a witness that there was a suspicious person going in and out of a room at a nearby Best Western. While Deputy Wilkinson checked the area, a male later identified as Steven P. (10/28/68), fled on foot from the rear of the motel and ran south across Rocky Crest Road, reportedly carrying a gun. P. ran into the back yard of the residence, 1700 block of Foxfire Road.

P. was later found hiding in the back yard of a residence. P. was determined to be a parolee-at-large with two outstanding felony warrants with a total bail of \$100,000, for possession of stolen property and grand theft. P. was arrested for the warrants.

Special Agents from the FBI responded and assisted in the robbery investigation. The motel room was searched and items identified by witnesses seen during the robbery were seized.

After reviewing the surveillance tape from the bank it appears there may be a second suspect related to this robbery and still outstanding. A stolen Lexus sedan was found in the parking lot of the motel where P. was staying. An alarm activation key belonging to the stolen Lexus was found in P's pocket at the time he was arrested.

### HOMICIDE

**Location:** 9800 Campo Road, Spring Valley  
**Time/Date:** 4:13 p.m. on 9/30/06

**Investigation:** Deputies from the Lemon Grove Sheriff's Station responded to a call of a stabbing. They discovered a female lying on a side-

walk outside the Thrift Store, suffering from multiple stab wounds. They [were] directed to a male suspect who was being restrained by witnesses. The witnesses identified the male suspect as the assailant.

The victim was transported to Mercy Hospital by paramedics for treatment and was later pronounced dead at the hospital. The male suspect was taken into custody for the stabbing and...booked into San Diego County Central Jail for murder.

The male suspect [is] identified as Marion C., 54 years old...the victim has been positively identified as Peggy C., 47 years old.

### ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

**Location:** 10900 Fillbrook Drive, Lakeside  
**Time/Date:** 2:00 p.m. on 9/28/06



**Incident:** Deputies from the Santee Sheriff's Station responded to a residence...after a man called...to report he had just shot someone. When deputies arrived, they found the caller and a 48-year-old man with a gunshot wound to the face.

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I'm fading in and out, piecing together a weekend gone without me. My girlfriend screaming at me and shoving me. We were in San Diego then.

Peanuts and Beer, the strip club in Tijuana. A bathroom stall with three people in it — you, me, and Juan. Forty dollars' worth of crystal and the sun coming up.

A bottle of Captain Morgan. A bottle of Coke. Driving to Las Vegas.

"Where the hell are we?" I ask.

"Sports Club of the Orleans."

"The Orleans? This place is a dump. Is that a real alligator?" I ask. "It just moved."

"You've been awake for three days."

I wouldn't say I've been awake. The booze whispered in my ear, "go to sleep," but the crank chewed on my neck and ass and kept me a zombie for 70-something hours.

"What the hell are we doing here?" I ask.

"We took out 400 dollars each at midnight last night." Yeah. Okay. "We've got to wait until midnight tonight because the ATM won't let us take any more out today."

"How much money do we have until then?"

Fifteen bucks. We'd blown our roll at the blackjack table. We put ten bucks on the Chargers game so we could sit in the sports lounge all day. We didn't have enough for a hotel. We didn't have enough for gas. We didn't have enough for lunch.

"I've got a lime in my drink," I say. "That's good. It'll keep me from getting scurvy. You've got an olive in your drink. Hell, that's nearly a salad."

I pawed at my pockets and pulled out a baggie with a dusting of clear amber crystals clinging to the plastic.

I remember arguing with a border guard because he asked me my nationality and I answered, "Italian and Portuguese."

"No, dumbass!" he yelled into the car. "What country do you live in?"

When I couldn't remember, he waved us through, convinced only an American was that stupid.

More details come to me. Tijuana to Vegas in the middle of the night. Hugging a pudgy Eskimo at the craps table because she promised to get me an AK-47. I wrote my name and address on the back cover of a matchbook and tore it off for her. Good lord, I hope she loses that. I don't need a fluffy Inuit gunrunner showing up at my house unannounced.

Hmm...I sip my drink and suck at the lime. Go Chargers.

WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12**

**EMERIL LIVE**

**FOOD 8:00 P.M.**

People's mouths creep me out. Let me rephrase that. Men's mouths creep me out. I can't watch anything on the Food Network because there's a chance that some man will say the word "mouthfeel," and I'll jump up, pull my arms up like I'm a tyrannosaurus, and yell, "Yiggygygygygygy!"

**LIES MY MOTHER TOLD ME (2005)**

**LIFE 9:00 P.M.**

Easy, Tinkerbell. Just because Santa didn't die when you kissed a boy is no reason for all this resentment. I know, giving high fives at the end of every date until you were 30 really cut

into your social life, but let's move on, hmm? Also, we have to talk about what happens to unicorns when you gain 15 pounds, but not right now. We'll discuss it after you've had a good cry and a nap.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**

**POINT BREAK (1991)**

**ENCORE DRAMA 10:05 P.M.**

Oh, Keanu. You surfing FBI agent with the floppy black hair. Keanu. I wrote you a poem. You can't see it. It's in my diary. No, Keanu! You can't have the little key I wear around my neck to open the shiny brass lock on my heart-shaped journal. I know you want to read my poem, but you can't! You're a bad boy. Oh, Keanu. Oh, Keanu. (Woof. I even grossed *myself*

out with that one.)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14**

**SORORITY BOYS (2002)**

**COMEDY 10:00 A.M.**

Hijinks! Girls dressed like boys. Boys dressed like girls to win a sporting event, or acceptance to a prominent college, or to catch diamond smugglers. There are a hundred movies out there with the same plot, and while some may say they'd rather watch a camel take a lumpy crap, I say it's madcapped hijinks! Someone takes a basketball to the goolies while *he's* dressed as a *she* and, WHOA, watch the sparks fly! American cinema and Comedy Central, how can I tell you I love you? I've got it! I'll put on a sports bra and a tennis skirt and sneak into your dorm at night and then...

**WHEEL OF FORTUNE**

**NBC 8:00 P.M.**

I'm writing a *Wheel of Fortune* movie. Vanna's kidnapped by a crazed pack of evening-gown designers and little clues are left behind with missing vowels and only Patty Elmerst of Kissimmee, Florida, *Wheel of Fortune's* reigning champion, can solve the puzzle to bring Vanna back. Pat Sajak's hair makes a special appearance in act three when it teams up with Judge Wapner's robe and Shelley Winters's martini glass to foil a plot to blow up the wheel. There's a bomb set to go off if the wheel lands on "Bankrupt." Get it? Bankrupt? The script is still a rough draft.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**THE GAME**

**WB 8:30 P.M.**

I've got a game for you. It's called "Why Does My Chair Smell Like That?" and it has to do with a crockpot full of corned beef and polyester shorts. The winner gets a candle and a book of matches.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 16**

**YO MOMMA**

**MTV 9:00 P.M.**

Fez trading insults for cash? No thanks. If you get the redhead and that little brunette from *That '70s Show* to trade lingerie and pillow-fighting tips... I'm sorry. What was I saying? Kind



The Game

of spaced out there for a second.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17**

**THE INTERVIEW WITH RYAN SEACREST**

**E! 9:00 P.M.**

Can't I go a day without this ass darkening my doorstep? Here's the interview. What do you like, Mr. Seacrest? "I like good things." What do you dislike, Mr. Seacrest? "I dislike bad things." Thank you, sir. Report to the hair stylist for a fresh frosting, and Satan would like to speak to you about your progress on sucking every bit of art and soul from America. Ass.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18**

**UNSEEN LIFE ON EARTH: AN INTRODUCTION TO MICROBIOLOGY**

**ITVS 10:30 P.M.**

I'd rather not know. Some things are best left unsaid. I'm usually all for education, but in this instance, I feel I'm better off if I don't know there's a tiny civilization of beings living on the handlebars of the stationary bike, and the little buggers are hell-bent on giving me pink eye, a staph infection, and a scorching case of the scoots.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19**

**SURVIVOR: COOK ISLANDS**

**CBS 8:00 P.M.**

They've mixed the races, and I've lost all interest. The only thing that could win me back is a reward challenge where the prize is a trident, a shield, and total ruling sovereignty. Wait. What if one of the contestants was the red-head from *That '70s Show*. And she had on a little leopard-print bikini. And the brunette was there too, and they had to wrestle... I'm sorry. What?

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I will not sweat it if a black cat intersects my projected path.

By John Brizzolara

The origins of the Friday the 13th superstition are, as any reader of *The Da Vinci Code* now can tell you, the events of 13 October in the year 1307. On that day, "French authorities began capturing, interrogating, torturing, and burning Templars [the Knights Templar] as heretics and blasphemers. As a climax to this inquisition, the last Grand Master, Jacques de Molay, was roasted to death in Paris in 1314. It marked the public end of a proud and secretive order." This is from *The Secret Societies Handbook*, by Michael Bradley: a must on the shelves of any self-respecting paranoid and/or conspiracy theorist.

From my perch on the deck of the Café Noir, near Petco Park, I contemplate my own irrational belief systems that would come under the heading of superstitions. For some reason, the first that comes to mind (possibly because of its embarrassing and flagrant idiocy) is my refusal to retrace my exact steps unless it is unavoidable. The best example of this is when I leave home and have forgotten something — my wallet, my keys and notebook, whatever. I will not walk back home on the same side of the street I have just walked. No idea where this comes from, but it is there. On the other hand, I will, at times (though less so these days) deliberately walk beneath ladders that appear in my path in such a blatant defiance of I-know-not-what that I might as well be hopelessly enslaved

to that particular superstition and assiduously avoid the underside of ladders.

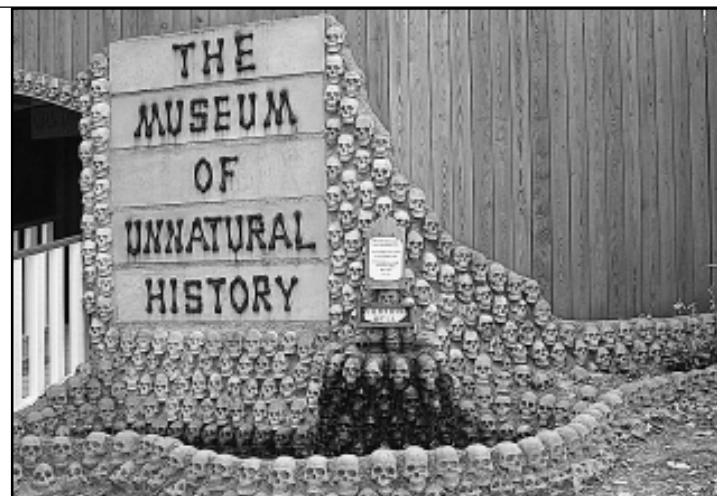
I will not sweat it if a black cat intersects my projected path, and I will not change course, but I do flash on it (as some of us used to say). Same with spilling salt: I will not grieve about it, and I won't do anything like tossing it over my shoulder (correct that; actually, I might), but I am momentarily aware of it. I wonder if my reluctance to pray while on the toilet seat could be considered superstition or just — as I tell myself — a matter of consideration, dignity, manners, really. My reluctance to make the sign of the cross in public is, so I rationalize, a matter of distaste at public displays of piety and not a fear of jinxing whatever prayer might be at hand. A broken mirror? No big deal.

But on any Friday the 13th, I confess I am cataloging events all day long. In the middle of the day, I might look at my parking karma or timing at bus stops, any surprises on payday and — if I run across one — my horoscope, though I am hardly a subscriber to ideas of astrology in general. The irrational (or is it non-rational?) tug of that paragraph under "Sagittarius" in the newspaper is just harmless diversion, I tell my super-ego, and he believes me; but it is superstition, all right, even if it is just a ghostly twinge of some long-extinct, vestigial sensibility that has stopped serving any purpose. "Or," as, say, Rod Serling might put it, "has it?"

In a former incarnation as a bartender, during my Sambuca phase, I would not take a sip out of a snifter of the Italian, anise-flavored liqueur if it had more or less than three coffee beans in it. Bad luck. I would not wear a hat behind the bar for fear I might pass the cash register while wearing it — but this was less a matter of superstition than the practical observation of bar lore, that doing so obliged the house to buy drinks for all bar patrons. I'm sure there were a few other bar superstitions I observed at the time and can't remember now, but then I was in the bag half the time anyway and can't remember much that happened between 1974 and 1980.

I may stop in at the Museum of Unnatural History on the 500 block of Market Street to catch their display of objects associated with someone or other's bad luck, and I may do it on Friday the 13th, too. I figure, what safer place to avoid evil mojo than the obvious target? It might be like standing under a lone tree on a golf course during a lightning storm; but whatever theoretical intelligence there might be behind the machinations of misfortune, surely it has a mature aversion to the obvious.

Yes, it was October 13, 1307, that a good number of French knights, out of



favor with King Philip IV and Pope Clement, the progenitors of Gothic architecture and keepers of secrets (among them, those of "sacred geometry") had their hash settled in a most gruesome fashion. Many of them survived, of course, and, it is said, carry on today — certainly their ancestors. But then that was, let's see, 699 years ago this Friday, October 13, 2006.

What's this — 699? The figure, if you notice, is a perfect dyslexic's anagram of the number of the beast: 666. It is a well-known fact that Da Vinci was dyslexic. My psychiatrist, Dr. Emile Beidweiler, would dismiss this as meaningless coincidence; and when he does, I will point out to him that I selected Dr. B. from the Yellow Pages listings for his name: a cosmic signpost, if you ask me, directing me to the one man most likely to help me unravel the decades of neurosis begun as a child in the throes of nocturnal bladder dysfunction. That's right, I was a bed wetter.

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