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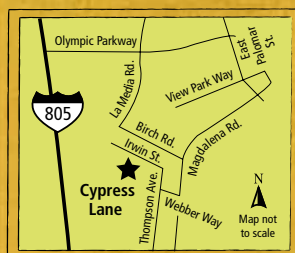
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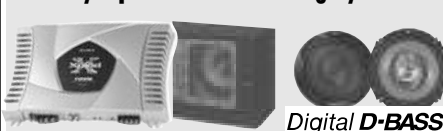
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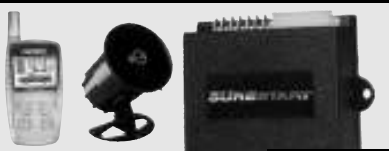
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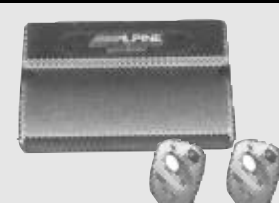
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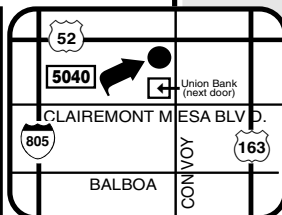


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Al Gore in An Inconvenient Truth

ing to a UCSD website, was paid for by various arms of the public university itself, along with Scripps Institution of Oceanography and the San Diego Foundation. The *Union-Tribune* reported that Gore was paid \$100,000 for his trouble, but a contract confirming that price also reveals that there was considerably more expense than just the lecture fee. Much of the additional cost involved the meticulous care and feeding of the former veep, who some say still harbors presidential ambitions.

"Sponsor shall provide the monetary equivalent of round trip air transportation at first class fare from Nashville, Tennessee or New York, or Vice President Gore's then current location, at Vice President Gore's discretion, to the place of engagement for Vice President Gore and one (1) additional individual," according to a contract between the university and the Harry Walker Agency, dated May 25. "If Vice President Gore provides his own roundtrip private air transportation to the engagement, the sponsor is responsible to reimburse the Harry Walker Agency, Inc. for the cost of what the commercial airfare for travel would have been." A handwritten annotation in the margin says, "Airfare \$12,200."

The document continues, "If necessary, Sponsor will reimburse Agency for costs associated with airport expedition service. The expedition service will be employed by the Agency to coordinate Vice President Gore's airport arrival and departure at all airports during travel to and from Event." Of course, a chauffeured car was also necessary, but not just any old limo would do for the self-styled king of green. "The car will be a sedan, NOT an SUV. In addition, sponsor will make best effort to use [a] hybrid car for Vice President Gore's transportation in the city of engagement."

As for the Gore party's room and board during the engagement here, which officially lasted only from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m., according to the contract's itinerary, "the Sponsor will also pay for first class hotel accommodations, for Vice President Gore plus one additional individual. The Sponsor will be responsible for meals, phone calls, and any other related expenses for Vice President Gore and one additional individual." For good measure the contract said, "the Sponsor will pay a \$1,000 per diem per agenda day for Vice President Gore's Advisor for meals, phone calls, and any other related expenses." The word "Estancia" is written in the margin next to that passage, apparently referring to the

ritzy Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa across from the university campus.

Judging by the contract, Gore didn't want to get too close to members of the Fourth Estate during his stay. Under the category "CLOSED PRESS," the agreement says, "a.) The press is not invited or permitted to cover the event unless express written permission is granted by the Harry Walker Agency, Inc. b.) There will be no press opportunities or availabilities, i.e., press conferences or statements, etc. c.) Vice President Gore will accept no interview requests." (Contents of the contract itself, according to another clause, were originally to be kept secret, but the university was forced by the state's public records act to make them public.) The document also reveals that Gore spent close-up face time with "50-100" local bigwigs at a 45-minute "private reception" held at Scripps Institution before the lecture.

Wright's wrongs The chief executive officer of San Diego's taxpayer-funded Economic Development Corp. and a big backer of last year's failed campaign to move the airport to Miramar, Julie Meier Wright, has quietly agreed to pay a \$300 fine to the city's ethics commission for failing to file quarterly reports disclosing her city hall lobbying activities from



Julie Meier Wright

April 2006 through this past January. Back in March of last year Wright was quoted by the *Union-Tribune* as saying she'd decided to register as a lobbyist after the paper reported her name had been popping up on the calendars of city council members. In a March 11 letter to the city clerk, Wright blamed her failure to file on "a wide variety of performance issues that I had with my executive assistant." The commission also took up "a request from another law enforcement agency for copies of the Commission's investigative files in one or more closed matters," according to the agenda of the board's June 14 meeting. A commission spokesman says that an ad hoc board subcommittee has been formed to deal with the matter, which he declined to provide details of.

Keep on yachting It's summer on the Riviera, and *U-T* publisher David Copley's 164-foot yacht *Happy Days* is making good progress through the balmy waters of the Mediterranean. Spotted at the International Yacht Club of Antibes on May 23, it has since been seen at Italy's Marina di Portofino on June 10 and in Monaco's Port Hercule on June 12 ... Mayor Jerry Sanders badly wants a new city hall and has turned to the city's redevelopment arm to come up with a plan. Meanwhile, his administration is letting the dirty brown paint slowly flake off the building's metal façade above C Street.

— Matt Potter

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Honest Probe?
Ha Ha Ha Ha

By Don Bauder

A beggar comes to the door and asks for food. The housewife says he can have dinner if he will whitewash the porch. Ten

minutes later he is back, claiming the job is done. The housewife is incredulous. "I covered every inch with thick white paint," he boasts. "But it isn't a Porsche. It's a Mercedes-Benz."

A similarly blunderheaded whitewash attempt is going on in San Diego. The city hall gang that can't shoot straight is trying to pull off a whitewash with purple paint. Just wait until Jay Leno and David Letterman get wind of this. The Sanders administration, with the enthusiastic backing of the *Union-Tribune*, is trying to bring back the Sedition Act of 1798. That act made it illegal to "write, print, utter, or publish" anything critical of the president or Congress. You could go to jail for two years for casting aspersions on a public official. Understandably, people raised hell, and the act was gone in three years.

Now Sanders and his minions want to bring it back. In a letter to the editor of the *U-T* on June 15, City Attorney Mike Aguirre, responding to a prior attack on him by for-

mer Copley Press official Herb Klein, pointed out that when Sanders took office last year, he had noted that government had become a "corrupt impediment to progress" under



Bonnie Dumanis (left), Jerry Sanders (middle)

his predecessors. Sanders had promised to "tell the whole truth." But now, Aguirre wrote accurately, Sanders has been engaging in an "embarrassing and corrupt course of action" by doing a multimillion-dollar favor for a campaign contributor — Aaron Feldman, owner of Sunroad, who not only gave the mayor money but also held a big

fund-raiser for him. Sanders allowed Sunroad to construct a building in defiance of federal and state flight-safety regulations. Then, noted Aguirre — again, accurately — Sanders borrowed an official from the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority to lobby the federal government to change flight patterns near Montgomery Field, so Sunroad could keep its illegal building.

Then the comedy really got going. Sanders, indignant that anybody would write a letter critical of him, called upon

the attorney general's office to investigate Aguirre's charges. Sanders quickly penned a letter to California Attorney General Jerry Brown — yeah, the guy who used to be called

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River of Tears

By Ernie Grimm

The University of California San Diego promulgates a list of nine “Principles of Community” to its faculty, staff, and students. The second principle states, “We affirm each individual’s right to dignity and strive to maintain a climate of justice marked by mutual respect for each other.” The eighth principle asserts, “We are committed to pro-

Employee Handbook” that clearly lays out its “Zero Tolerance Policy”: “Any intentional act of intimidation, threat of violence, or act of violence committed against any person or to the property of another...is prohibited.”

Paula Schacht read these principles and policies when she was hired in June of last year to be an administrative assistant to Dr. Thomas Kipps, deputy director of research operations at the Rebecca and John Moores UCSD Cancer Center. That’s why she doesn’t understand how the university hasn’t fired or even suspended the co-worker who, she says, threatened, intimidated, berated, and physically assaulted her on a near-daily basis for the entire nine months she worked as Dr. Kipps’s assistant.

When Schacht, a diminutive woman who speaks with a soft Texan accent, first took the job, she was told that Dr. Kipps, a renowned leukemia researcher trained at Harvard and Stanford, would be her immediate supervisor. But it

soon became clear to her that not Dr. Kipps but his other administrative assistant, Mary Carpenter, was her de facto supervisor. Everything was fine for the first three weeks of the job, Schacht says. “Then it suddenly turned.”

The first incident, Schacht recalls, “was on a Friday. I remember she [Carpenter] was screaming and being verbally abusive to me.” After that, Schacht says, abuse from Carpenter was nearly perpetual. “She would constantly

be in my face. She would come in and ask me for a file, and if I couldn’t find it immediately, she would start going through the file cabinet and literally throw the files out onto my work area. She would stand by the door if I were making phone calls. And if I wasn’t saying what she thought I should be saying to the person at the other end, she’d grab the phone off my ear, sometimes pulling my hair out in the process. She once threw a handful of pencils at

me. She called me ‘stupid liar’ and ‘idiot.’”

After a couple of months on the job, Schacht says she was at her “wit’s end” with the treatment she was receiving from Carpenter. When she asked her co-workers what had happened to the administrative assistant who had the job before her, she was told that the prior assistant, Reneé Johnson, had transferred to a job on a different floor of the building. Schacht contacted Johnson and the two met. “We compared notes,” Schacht says, “and we found that we were treated [by Carpenter] in an identical fashion.”

“It was kind of frightening to discuss it,” Johnson says. “We realized it was a pattern of behavior, and we determined that it wasn’t we who were the problem. Because we had both been psyched into believing that maybe what was going on was because of our job performance.”

Not only had Johnson worked at the cancer center, she was a cancer patient there. “Come December,” she says, “I will be in my fifth year of remission.”

While working under Dr. Kipps and Mary Carpenter, Johnson says she suffered the same abuse that Schacht described. Often, on her commute home, Johnson says, “I would sit on the bus and the tears would just come. It was like a river of tears. And I’d be

sobbing, and the other people on the bus were becoming distraught, because they knew me and knew that I’m a happy person. A lot of them were telling me, ‘We have a job in our department, Reneé. Go and apply for this job.’”

Johnson did just that, after her oncologist told her that the stressful work environment was jeopardizing her recovery from breast cancer. She and Schacht both still work at the Moores Cancer Center, but not under Dr. Kipps or with Carpenter. Before she left Kipps’s office, Johnson says, she attempted to address the situation with Carpenter woman-to-woman. When that didn’t work, “I asked to speak to Dr. Kipps alone. He finally came in to talk to me. And I told him, ‘This is not working for me...so I want you to know that I’m going to HR.’ A couple of weeks after that, Mary came into my office...and she said, ‘Do you know what, I can go to HR too.’ That shocked me because I hadn’t said it to her, I had said it to Dr. Kipps, and he must have told Mary.”

On September 12, 2006, Schacht wrote an e-mail to Dr. Dennis Carson, director of the Moores Cancer Center and the immediate supervisor of Dr. Kipps, in which she stated, “I cannot describe how extremely disturbed I am by the abhorrent and abusive

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Mary Carpenter

moting and supporting a community...free of abusive or demeaning treatment,” and the ninth stresses, “We are committed to the enforcement of policies that promote the fulfillment of these principles.”

In addition to these principles, the university also has a “Workplace Violence



Paula Schacht and Reneé Johnson



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Governor Moonbeam — and requested an investigation into the charges in the June 15 letter. "Because of the serious nature of these allegations, it is necessary that a *fully independent and skilled agency* [italics mine] such as the Attorney General's Office look into these charges," wrote a supposedly wounded mayor.

Remember those words: *a fully independent and skilled agency*.

Almost immediately, one Dane R. Gillette, chief assistant attorney general, came right back — in time for a quickie press conference — and stated, "In light of the serious allegations and the importance of maintaining public confidence in its elected officials, the Attorney General's office will, as you requested, investigate the charges of public corruption." (Just try getting a lightning-fast response to your request to the attorney general.) Gillette said he would turn the matter over to the attorney general's San Diego office.

Now, who is Dane R. Gillette? Well, back in March, the chief of police, William Lansdowne, refused to carry out a judge-approved search warrant of a Sunroad official. Lansdowne's refusal — which now should be investigated thoroughly, given Sanders's admissions about Sunroad's dubious character — was publicly supported by none other than Dane R. Gillette of the attorney general's office. Hmmm.

And the attorney general's office is going to do an independent investigation? Come now. In an editorial June 22,

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the day after Sanders's letter, the *Union-Tribune* opined rapturously that "an independent probe" by the attorney general's office "will demonstrate Aguirre's claims to be utterly baseless."

Folks, there ain't gonna be no independent probe. This whole thing was rigged quickly for Sanders, and the results of any so-called probe were transparently foreordained, San Diego style. That's why the *U-T* so confidently predicted that Sanders would be exonerated and Aguirre anathematized.

To make things even more hilarious, when he announced that he was contacting the attorney general's office, Sanders was flanked by local law enforcement officials such as District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis, Sheriff Bill Kolender, and Lansdowne, as if their presence somehow imparted a divine spark of public virtue. Quite the contrary. Kolender and Dumanis, both in the pocket of the establishment, supported Lansdowne's refusal to carry out the search warrant in the Sunroad case, among many other dubious things. That photo of former and present law enforcement officials standing by Sanders may go down as visual proof of San Diego's essential corruption.

It's reminiscent of Sanders's admission in mid-May that the Sunroad deal had been botched. He said he would put his key aide, Ronne Froman, in charge of an honest investigation that would be completed in a few short weeks. People hooted. Froman investigating her boss? In less than a month, Froman had announced her resignation. Corruption is defined as "lack of integrity or honesty." Paul

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Spiegelman, adjunct professor of law at Thomas Jefferson School of Law, says, "Sanders is following a strategy of trying to distract from the fact that he has made false statements, deceived, and engaged in backroom dealings by trying to reframe the issue as to whether he has done anything criminal." Aguirre did not charge Sanders with criminality in his letter, which Spiegelman calls a "measured statement," given Sanders's double-dealing proclivities. Sanders was "deliberately misleading" by stating that he would require Sunroad to lower its building by 20 feet, but four days later Ted Sexton, whom he had borrowed from the airport authority, was lobbying the Federal Aviation Administration to change flight paths at Montgomery Field so the building could remain, notes Spiegelman, who has run up against Sanders's spinmeisters in other contexts. Then Sanders lied on June 7 when he denied Sexton was detailed to the City to handle Sunroad issues when it was clear he was.

"I find it bizarre and totally unprofessional for the district attorney, chief of police, and other officials who purport to be in law enforcement to appear at Sanders's press conference and vouch for a man who has blatantly deceived the public," says Spiegelman, adding, "It appears that the state attorney general is allowing itself to be used to help provide political cover to Sanders."

San Diego attorney Stan Zubeil recalls listening to a public radio roundtable in which Sanders apologists were saying the mayor was guilty of favoritism but not corruption. "Our culture in San

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Diego is one that rewards friendships and relationships to such an extreme that we have lost our ethical compass," Zubeil says. When announcing his letter to the attorney general, Sanders "lined up criminal justice people; in their eyes nothing is corrupt unless something that is criminal has been done. As long as you haven't committed a crime, everything is fine. They have lost sight of the fact that when you favor your friends — if you would not have done it for the other guy on the street — then you have corrupted democracy. In San Diego, these people don't understand the political, ethical, moral impact of what they have done. They have been favoring their friends so long it has become part of the culture."

Actually, there is lots to investigate. Exactly what transpired in the meetings between Sanders and Feldman that led to the City letting Sunroad off the hook? Did anyone take notes? What happened inside Sunroad and inside the City when the company promised to build the structure to 160 feet, then went ahead and built it to 180 feet? Who leaked the contents of the search warrant to Sunroad? In a January 19 letter to the City, the California Department of Transportation said that in permitting Sunroad to finish the building "under the pretense of weather proofing," San Diego was attempting to "undermine state law." After receiving that letter, why did the Sanders team continue its quest to help Sunroad evade the law? If you believe the attorney general will honestly look at such questions, you haven't lived in San Diego long or you have an IQ below 80. ■

Tears

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maltreatment I've been subjected to by Mary Carpenter. The culmination was last Thursday evening after three months of unbelievably insulting and disrespectful verbal onslaught. I was so severely affected by Mary's unceasingly harassing behavior that I had to hurry to urgent care with chest pains at the end of the day."

Schacht went on to say that Carpenter "comes into my office approximately every

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five minutes to stand suffocatingly close and demands [to know] what I'm working on. She demeans me when I tidy up the office and keep my workspace well organized. She threatens me on a weekly basis with my job or with going to Dr. Kipps about me. She throws paperwork at me that flies all over my desk. She uses abusive language to describe my work, saying that it looks 'shitty'.... She calls me stupid, and she calls me a liar. She raps her fist in anger on my desk without any provocation. She taps on the desk while rudely humming when I'm on the phone. She pulled the heavy desk chair over my foot today while I was on the floor plugging something into the computer. No apology followed when I exclaimed in pain. When [I was] trying to escape her right-in-my-face bullying, she grabbed my arm and blocked my path to taunt me further."

Carson wrote back the next day, saying an investigation would be opened. On the 17th

of September, Schacht wrote Carson saying that nothing had changed and pleaded, "Please instruct her [Carpenter] to allow me to work in a dignified atmosphere and to immediately cease her violation of UCSD's Principles of Community."

Dr. Carson did not answer an e-mail seeking comment for this story.

Schacht said after her second e-mail to Carson, "The people from HR came up and said, 'Could you come down and talk to us?' So I went down. And they said, 'We were trying to get in touch with you, but your phone wasn't working.'" (Schacht disputes this, contending that her phone was working properly all during this period.) "So they talked to her, and for about a week she cowered in her office and didn't come near me. But then she came back, with a vengeance."

Dave Simonson, a manager at the cancer center's human resources department, didn't return calls seeking comment.

From September 2006 until February 2007, Schacht says

she suffered through Carpenter's abuse but kept a log to document every occurrence. On February 20, 2007, in an e-mail to Chris Hertzog, chief steward of the San Diego branch of the Coalition of University Employees labor union, she declared her intention to file a grievance against Carpenter and spelled out Carpenter's offenses by date and category.

Under the heading "violence," she included: "1/18/07: threw telephone message book at my key pad with such force that it displaced everything on the desk. 1/23/07: punched my chair from behind hard enough to pitch me forward... 2/7/07: pulled stacks of very heavy binder and journals from storage cabinets and threw them on my desk, nearly breaking a Lucite organizer I bought for myself."

Under "verbal abuse," Schacht noted: "1/19/07: Verbal abuse was so paralyzing that I had to go to another office to get my work done. Sometimes I'm so dazed that I just go sit in my car for a while. 1/29/07: 'You're so stupid...!' 2/7/07: 'You get more ridicu-

lous by the day.' 2/8/07: 'Your work is just shitty.'"

The same day Schacht wrote this e-mail to Hertzog, she also called campus police, who suggested she get a temporary restraining order against Carpenter, which she did.

Reached by phone, Hertzog, the union steward, says he's never seen workplace bullying at this level. "Paula's case is extraordinary. I have never seen that kind of abuse in the office. Paula is a very tough woman because typically when the abuse reaches that kind of level, most employees leave. Renée is tough as well. Renée never came to us when she was going through those problems."

Though he says labor relations with the university's medical center are "very healthy," Hertzog complains that labor relations with the main campus's Department of Medicine, which includes the Moores Cancer Center, are much more difficult. "With the medical center labor department," he explains, "we're almost always able to resolve our disputes without having to go very high in the

grievance department. But on the main campus, we typically have to appeal things to the office of the president."

As an example of the difficulty of resolving labor grievances with the Department of Medicine, Hertzog offers, "In the grievance process, the first step involves a meeting with the immediate supervisor. We have contract language to that effect. I requested a meeting with Dr. Kipps at the time, and he wasn't present for the meeting. When I asked the labor relations advocate why he was not there, she just shrugged her shoulders. I filed a grievance on that because it's a really serious infraction, as far as I'm concerned. It completely undermines the language of the grievance process and the contract which says the object is to resolve grievances at the lowest possible levels."

Hertzog continues, "We believe that in the whole school of medicine there is kind of a culture of, I call it willful neglect. I think a lot of people know this kind of thing happens, but they turn a shoulder to it. There is another

employee who is currently out on a psychological stress leave, and she works for a very distinguished professor [at the] medical school. Apparently this guy brings all kinds of money to the Department of Medicine. And yet he is absolutely abusive. He worked this woman overtime without [her] getting paid [for it]. He kind of bullied her into thinking that she had to put in ten-hour days."

Despite over 20 grievances he's filed against her on behalf of Paula Schacht, Hertzog says Carpenter hasn't served a day of suspension, much less been terminated under the university's Zero Tolerance Policy. By contrast, he says, "I was suspended for two weeks last year because I was representing an employee at a grievance hearing and I yelled at a supervisor. I was, at that time, an 11-year employee with a perfect record, and I was suspended for two weeks, just for that single incident."

Neither Mary Carpenter nor Dr. Kipps answered e-mails seeking comment on these matters. ■

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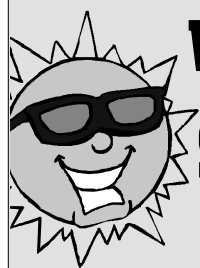
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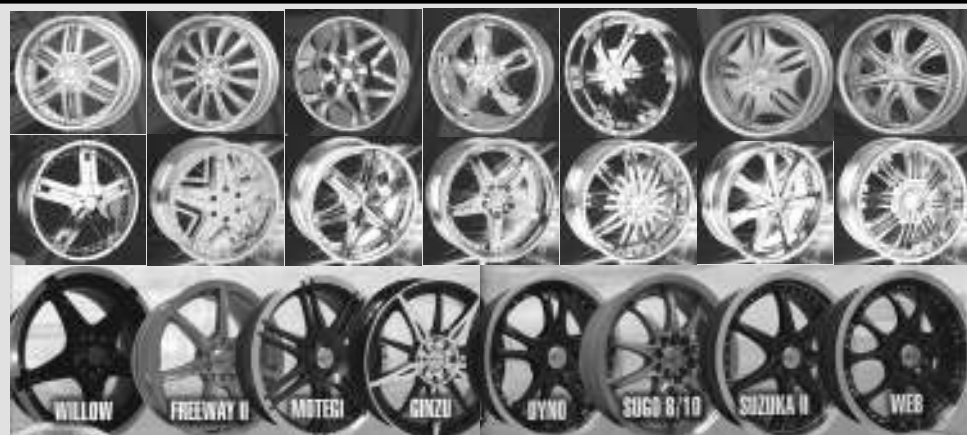
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Erratum

Re “Hot Couture,” Music Review (June 28).

The Maystar’s Fashion Whore Discotheque and Fashion Show runs the second Friday of every month at the Brass Rail in Hillcrest (not the second Saturday, as was erroneously reported).

We Used To Grind

In today’s issue Mary Krimmel said that there is no such word as “grinded” (“Grounded,” Letters to the Editor, June 28). But in the old burlesque days if a person had been moving their hips in a certain way, that was called “grinding,” and the past tense of that would

be “grinded.” I think that’s perhaps what the writer was referring to (“Before It Was the Gaslamp,” Cover Story, June 21).

Dale Ann Thompson
Clairemont

Beautiful New Word

Unlike my well-respected and generously genuflected Mary Krimmel (“Grounded,” Letters to the Editor, June 28), I applaud the reinvention of the living English Language. We can bastardize it any way we want. We can turn its nouns into verbs. (Oh!!! The horror!!!) We can turn idiolect into dialect (our speaking traditions). We can even lend idiocon to lexicon, interchanging what “she” writes, into what “we” write (our writing traditions).

Yes, Mary Krimmel, the story (“Before It Was the Gaslamp,” Cover Story, June 21), as you so plainly explained, used the word “grinded.” Hmmm... The use of this new, beautiful and welcomed word delineated between “ground” and “grinded.” From your eloquent letter, I assume you referred to grind-houses. If that is true, one who

went through the experience of viewing a grind-house movie would then have been grinded, not ground. I don’t want to be hard, but need to be hard, here.

The English Language is ours. It changes day-to-day. Keep up or keep out. Better brush-up, Mary... I want a smart girl like you on my team. ’Sides; Yer probly kinda cute, fer a La Jollah Kindah Gal...

Matthew Nerz
via e-mail

Secret Shopper

Your article on the old Gaslamp district of the 1970s (“Before It Was the Gaslamp,” Cover Story, June 21) brought back many memories. While going to college I worked for the Miranda organization as a secret shopper, visiting each movie theater once every month. The theaters were clean and well run. I can claim that I saw *Deep Throat* almost every month for a couple of years! An interesting note is that when the Pussycat was closed down for Horton Plaza, rather than put employees out of work, the new owners switched to

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Cover Story

Published June 20

Posted by Craig Zander on 06/22/07, 12:16 p.m.
I just spent 2 hours of company time reading this article. This is an incredibly important historical piece on a part of San Diego history that most people don't know existed (or try to deny). I vividly remember driving through downtown S.D. back in the 70's, and wishing I could get out of the parents' Olds and walk the city streets. Things seemed better back then somehow. I am so thankful that you spent the time and put together such a quality article. Thank You.

Posted by Dan Whitehead on 06/22/07, 5:28 p.m.
The San Diego I knew and loved, the San Diego of the '70s, WAS a better place. It was easy-going, laid-back and inexpensive. One could strike up a conversation downtown with a total stranger and not have them look down their nose at you or look at you in such a way as if to say "Who the hell are you and what do you want". Seldom did one ever hear a car horn blaring because someone wasn't moving as fast as someone else thought they should be. There are many, many examples; these are a scant few. That San Diego began to be destroyed in the middle 1980s with the hordes of outsider barbarians that swept in from the east and the midwest with their pushy ways and attitudes. Weep for the old San Diego, those of you who still remember, and count your blessings that "they" at least can't destroy the weather.

Diary of a Diva

Published June 20

Posted by Jennifer on 06/27/07, 11:03 a.m.
I just wanted to say that I look forward to your column every week and always find myself laughing, tearing up or nodding my head right along with you. Thanks for putting yourself out there!
Published June 27

Posted by Lisa on

06/27/07, 9:26 p.m.

Your niece sounds like a lot of fun, and good for your sister for letting her listen to something other than those horrible "kid" CDs with boring "Wheels on the Bus" and "B-I-N-G-O". My sister also doesn't plan to have any children of her own, but enjoys being a great aunt.

Posted by pete on 06/27/07, 9:44 p.m.
Word Lisa... Who needs Raffi when you've got Hip Hop and Gangsta Rap. Buy the kid a red bandana while

you're at it.

Posted by Benji on 06/28/07, 6:31 p.m.

Barb, You and Joshua Board should team up for a column and call it "Diary of a Crash Test Diva!" You can drag Josh around to all the little artsy shmartsy places that you frequent in Hillcrest, North Park, Little Italy, etc. Maybe you could take him to a wine place and teach the lad some culture. Then he could take you to a bunch of weird parties in Escondido, Mira

Mesa, and Logan Heights. He could show you and your diva friends how the other half lives. This would be sweet! I'm going to pitch the idea to him also.

Blurt

Published June 27

Posted by Your Mom on 06/27/07, 1:41 p.m.
If you're going to call yourself a dj, SPIN VINYL! And enough with the cheesy remixes of 80's songs, unless of course you're dj-ing for all the dips***s at On Broadway or any other

Gaslamp club. The people down there wouldn't know good music if it slapped them in the face with it's ballsack.

Posted by MGD4Ever on 06/28/07, 11:17 a.m.

If 91X truly starts playing some harder edged stuff from bands other than just Metallica, Korn, Tool, Linkin Park and the three or four other bands that 105.3 plays to death, they might be able to take a bite out of that station. It amazes me that 105.3 still does so well.

Their playlist is completely unimaginative and is incongruous with the attitude that they are trying to portray. I perceive 105.3 as being the station for guys who think they are bad asses, but wouldn't know a real metal album if it bit them in the ass.

Posted by Frankie on 06/29/07, 5:23 p.m.

Why did 91X change to emo-crapjunk in the first place. It was nice when you could change 94.9 during

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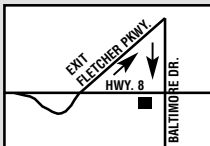
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Field Trip

Amilessly walking a bookstore floor letting what happens happen is a 20th-century amusement. Still, every few months I'll hie to a mall, load up on some tutti-frutti, mocca-yoko yummy ice slurp and stroll a vast warehouse filled with popular books. I believe they call it browsing. In this instance, browsing Barnes & Noble.

Well, what's new in sports? I note the Sports section is adjacent to Women's Health, and let me say I couldn't be happier. Now then, before me is, *Stealing the Wave: The Epic Struggle Between Ken Bradshaw and Mark Foo*. Looks like two surfer dudes battle it out... "Soulful insight...thrilling glimpse...operatic world of..." blah, blah, blah... "New York Times."

Here's the first sentence of the first chapter. "When I was about 14 or 15 I had to write an essay at school entitled something like, 'My hero' or heroes and explain why..." BEEP. The use of "about" and "something like" in one sentence trips the automatic rejection sequence.

Next is *The Inner Game of Tennis*, by W. Timothy Gallwey. Here's his opening paragraph: "The problems which most perplex tennis players are not those dealing with the proper way to swing a racket. Books and professionals giving this information abound." I am agog at "abound."

World's Best Sailboats. This is very cool. Big, big book, glossy paper, glossy photos of every kind of sailboat taken from the air, or deck, or alongside. Sailboats on oceans, on rivers, in docks and harbors. Pictures of sailboat interiors, galleys, dining rooms, bedrooms. Sixty bucks. Want. Want. Want.

Here's another oversized book, *The NASCAR Vault: An Official History Featuring Rare Collectibles from Motorsports Images And Archives*, by H.A. Branham and Buz McKim. Also very cool. It's a fancy scrapbook. Regard, a facsimile of a 1938 Indianapolis 500 pit pass given to Bill France, the founder of NASCAR. And a ticket stub for the "Stock Car Race Classic, 150 miles, Sunday, March 19th, 1939. Good for one admission, 59 cents." Lots of artifacts and photographs. Somebody is going to love this book.

I move over to *The Eiger Obsession*, by John Harlin III. Also on the cover, in a smaller type, "Facing the mountain that killed my father as seen in the film, *The Alps*." Lousy title and TV movie alert. Here's the opening paragraph: "When I was a kid it

always bothered me that Dad hadn't been able to survive most of his 4,000 foot fall. He would have wanted to savor the event: his 'ultimate experience,' the one he'd been looking forward to even though he wanted it to come later..."

Good enough to go to paragraph two: "Another minute of life might have been enough time for him to reflect on his children, ages eight and nine, and to realize how selfish it was to die when they needed him...."

"But, who am I to criticize. My own nine-year-old daughter is watching me through the telescope as I climb past where Dad came down." Might be a keeper. I'll carry it around for a while.

Make way for Teddy Roosevelt's *African Game Trails: An Account of the African Wanderings of an American Hunter-Naturalist*. I open to page 334: "I easily kept the camp in meat, as I'd guessed I could do. My men feasted on oryx and eland, while I reserved the tongues and the tenderloins for myself..." That's not sharing, Teddy.

Not by a Long Shot: A Season at a Hard Luck Horse Track, by T. D. Thornton. Chapter 1: "No other sport is as profoundly effected by the start of a new year as thoroughbred racing.... January 1 is the universal

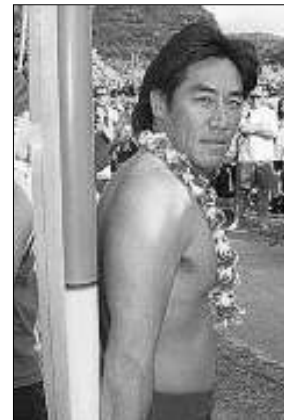
birthday for every registered thoroughbred in North America, regardless of their actual foaling date...." Not bad. On the other hand, not that good.

Finally, we have it. Here's *T.O.*, by Terrell Owens and Jason Rosenhaus. First chapter: "Strong and quiet — that's what I was like growing up in Alexander ("Alex") City, Alabama. Alex City is a small country town where there's nothing to do but get into trouble. As a teenager I was the perfect target for the big bully on the block...." Terrell, repent.

One shelf over, *Positively False: The Real Story of How I Won the Tour de France*, by Floyd Landis and Loren Mooney. Not if you paid me.

A lot of fishing books. Lots of baseball books. I skim *Marathon Woman: Running the Race to Revolutionize Women's Sports*, *Basic Kayaking: All the skills and gear you need to get started*, *How to Make Knives*, *Winning Bowling*, and *So, You Want to Play in the NHL*.

Yet, I am unsatisfied. Perhaps another tutti-frutti mocca-yoko yummy ice slurp and a flyby of Women's Health.



Mark Foo

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Whimsy at the outset: for a service entitled Wipe Out, surfboards and a beach ball on the stage. Pastor Smith reading announcements (a Southern Sunday picnic, a musical rally in the park, a shout-out to the Marines in the band) from "Mister Smith's Neighborhood" while the piano tinkled a familiar tune. Sincerity to follow: A film extolling American independence from England, followed by prayers of gratitude for our freedoms and the soldiers who defend them, "out there on the lines for us." Song upon song of praise and worship, strummed and drummed and clapped: "Send your holy fire on this offering/ Let our worship burn for the world to see/ It's not for us, it's all for you."

Smith's sermon considered the beatitude, "Happy are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." "What we're talking about now," said Smith, "is this: once a person has accepted Christ in their heart, this is the evidence of change in their life...these are the actions of a person who has received a changed heart.... Let's walk through and find out how to experience God's comfort in a broken heart."

Smith's talk was full of explanations and examples, but efficiently organized and distillable. "Number one, I need you to realize that 'God is with me'.... I know that is tough to do, but listen to the verse: 'The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.' Let me give you some things to remember.... Number one, God is aware. The Bible says that the very hairs on your head are numbered by God," and that

"when Jesus ascended, He sent back the Comforter, the Holy Spirit.... He's aware of your pains.... Number two, God cares. Listen to the Bible: 'The Lord is God, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him.' Your pain matters to God.... Go to God with your pain...you're actually speaking a dependence on God, admitting, 'I'm hurt, I'm confused, I'm in need of help'.... Number three, God wants to help.... 'Let us approach God with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and by grace to help us in our time of need.'"

What sort of help? "What is God's idea of comfort? It actually means to be strengthened.... He will send us grace to help us through.... Remember, the ultimate goal of Christ is to make you more like Himself. So whatever you're going through, you need to simply look at it as, 'This is a time that God is developing me'.... God is saying, 'I want to come and strengthen you.'"

He warned against repressing, rehearsing, and resenting when dealing with pain, instead advocating releasing by no longer focusing "on what's lost, but on what's left. 'Do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!'... If you don't know the new thing that God is doing in your life, then your Christian life is either in neutral or reverse, and you're going to be stuck in your pain, instead of growing through your pain." The three comforters we can rely on for help: God's word ("Revive me by your word"), God's people ("God...comforts us...so that we can comfort others"), and God's spirit ("...that by the power of the Holy Spirit your whole life and outlook may be radiant with hope").

"I want you to make a commitment of coming to Christ," concluded Smith. "I want you to give your life to God and let God

use it to bless others.... I've found that when I get my eyes off myself and start focusing on somebody else, what I'm going through ain't so bad."

What happens when we die? "It depends on what you believe in," said Smith. "If you believe that Jesus Christ came and died on the cross for your sins, and you've accepted Him; if you've asked Him to come into your life and save you from your sins, then you're going to die and go to heaven. But if you just give a cursory effort — 'Hey, Jesus is a great man, a good guy, I believe in Him, here's a five in the plate, hope that puts us on good terms' — if you've not fully committed your life to Christ, then when you die, the Bible is very clear: you go to 'separate from God.' We call that hell. It's either heaven or hell, and it depends on where you decide. God doesn't send anybody to hell."

— Matthew Lickona

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—EVE KELLY

Summer party season is upon us, and my clan has already attended quite a few potluck barbecues. But I'm sick of my potluck side-dish offering: penne pasta with chopped spinach, golden raisins, tomatoes, and slivered almonds. It used to get *ooohs* and *ahhhs*, but I've trotted the old warhorse out one too many times, and Eve is better than that. So I sat down with a cappuccino — Patrick just got an espresso machine and he loves foam-ing milk — and made a round of calls to the gals to see if I could drum up some better dishes for this year's potluck parade.

Seems pasta dishes are the in thing this summer. "Everyone always loves my pasta salad," said Meg. "And it only takes about ten minutes to make. I cook rotini and add olive oil and a packet of Good Seasonings salad dressing. Throw in some goat cheese, chopped tomatoes, and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese."

Teresa cooks bowtie pasta, "and then I drain it and throw it in a pan and sauté it with olive oil, leftover baked chicken, sun-dried tomatoes, black olives, roasted pine nuts and Parmesan cheese. It can be served cold, but it's better served warm."

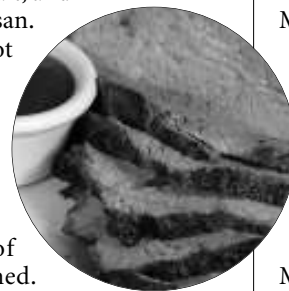
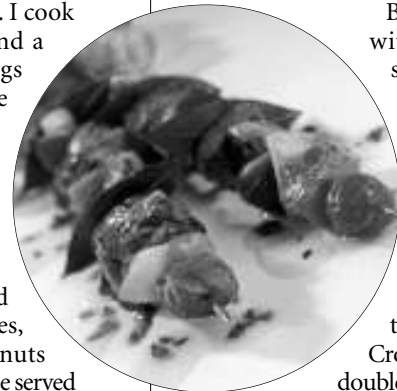
The topic got her musing and she suggested another favorite. "Another dish I make: sauté butter, garlic, and julienne carrots. You sauté them on medium-high, so the carrots get browned and caramelized. It is delicious."

Sarah favors a tortellini variety of pasta salad. "I buy the two-pack of tortellini pasta and the pesto sauce from Costco," she explained. "They sell it in the refrigerated section. Boil the pasta, run under water until room temp, and then mix in the pesto, some salt, and shredded Parmesan.

It serves quite a lot of people, and it's a crowd favorite."

I had to limit Nancy, an inveterate foodie, to two recipes. "I have a million of them," she laughed. "An easy dish is the fresh corn salad from the Barefoot Contessa cookbook. You shuck and remove kernels from corn. Blanch the corn in boiling water for a couple of minutes. Remove and mix with chopped red onions, olive oil, apple cider vinegar, and kosher salt. Julienne basil strips and serve room temp."

Can you use frozen or canned corn? "Oh, bad Eve, bad Eve. No way," she remarked. "Only fresh."



"I've never been to a potluck that had too many veggie dishes."

Nancy's other dish involved shellfish. "It is my own rendition of a dish I once tasted which I loved," she said. "It's a barley salad. You cook the barley in water, or sometimes I use half water and half white wine. After 50 minutes of cooking, I add shrimp tails, and after another five minutes, add the shrimp. Then mix in a lot of olive oil, Parmesan, chopped cherry tomatoes, and garnish with basil. Hmmm, hmmm," she mused, "it's so good."

Erica offered a finger-food idea. "I make tortilla wraps," she explained. "You mix softened cream cheese with Hidden Valley Ranch Dip Mix and then spread it over a flour tortilla. Roll up the tortilla and slice. It's like a fancy wrap, good for while people are waiting for the meat to come off the barbecue."

Bernice, always one with a superb idea, suggested a four-bean casserole. "My dad always called beans the musical fruit, referring to what it did to his digestion, but this dish is too good to pass up. To fill a Crock-Pot for a party, double this recipe. Brown

ten slices of bacon and crumble. Chop and sauté three onions. Mince two cloves of garlic and also sauté. Add a half-cup of brown sugar and quarter-cup distilled white vinegar. Use one can of Dennison's lima beans with ham pieces, one can butter beans, one can kidney beans, and one can B&M baked beans. Drain all the beans first. Heat all this in a Crock-Pot on low for two hours."

Then there was the fruit idea from Serena. "Well, when I go to potlucks, I notice people often bring store-bought food, and it often sits there untouched. My latest kick is to bring fresh pineapple. It takes some time to slice it, so people don't always buy it themselves to eat. But slicing a pineapple is a heck of a lot easier than making potato salad. And if the fruit is sliced, people will eat it."

"I've never been to a potluck that had too many veggie dishes," stated Molly, "so I usually prepare a roasted vegetable. I roast cauliflower until its browned and then sprinkle with toasted almonds as a garnish. I've done green beans, red onions, broccoli, or asparagus, always with olive oil, salt, and pepper. Some balsamic vinegar, lemon, garlic, and thyme can also be added. They taste delicious hot, warm, or room temperature, so it's an easy dish for a potluck."

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Roughing It

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— Frank Lloyd Wright

For every five people who hear me say, “I’m going to Martha’s Vineyard for a few weeks,” at least three will respond, “Ooooh, Maaahtha’s Viiiineyaaahd,” and nudge the end of their nose skyward with the tip of a finger. Martha’s Vineyard — summer playground of the rich and famous — is an island three miles off the southeastern coast of Massachusetts. Unlike Ibiza or St. Tropez, where notable nymphets gather for clubs, raves, and drug binges, the Vineyard is a magnet for über wealthy clans (e.g., tribes brandishing the names Kennedy, Forbes, Clinton, and Gates) looking to get away from the hubbub of life and enjoy some good clean family fun. Each summer, they flock by air and sea

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to the quaint island, where traffic lights and chain stores are forbidden, and time is measured in days rather than hours or minutes. For me, one who has grown accustomed to fast-paced urban life with its 24-hour conveniences, visiting the Vineyard is a test of endurance. To keep things in perspective, I remind

myself that it’s not as bad as camping.

I don’t camp well. When I want to gaze admirably upon nature, I prefer it be from a safe distance — like through a glass window or in high-def. My friend Stephanie once lured me to the Anza-Borrego Desert with the promise of a four-star experience. Upon arriving at our designated clearing, Stephanie set me up in a canvas chair with a cup of freshly brewed coffee, propped an umbrella over my head, and went about constructing our three-room tent. It wasn’t until my friend was puffing away to inflate my air mattress that the full implications of “no plumbing” sunk in, sending a chill down my spine.

The only thing worse than peeing behind a bush is going in a port-o-john.

Perhaps my most traumatic encounter with the nasty blue boxes was at Burning Man — the annual seven-day counterculture party held in a godforsaken desert 100 miles from the nearest running water. The portable out-houses, baking in the sun, would have benefited greatly from an hourly disinfection regimen. Instead, those foul plastic water closets (shared by tens of thousands of mind-altered iconoclasts) were serviced just once a day. Determined not to die of dysentery, I transformed one of my coolers into a chamber pot and my tentmate into my chambermaid.

I am perplexed when prosperous people pay a premium to be inconvenienced. After watching the DVD our friends Paul and Sarah created to document their stay at the Ice Hotel in Canada, I made it clear to David that I did not want to follow in our friends’ snowshoe steps. “If you want to visit one day and check it out, that’s fine,” I said. “But sleeping there is out of the question. Did you see how many layers they had to put on before they went to bed? That’s just ridiculous.” The hotel wasn’t cheap, but our friends weren’t paying for comfort; they were purchasing a new experience. Like braving the subzero winds of Antarctica, fighting off creepy crawlies in whatever rainforests are left, or getting stabbed in the eye with a screwdriver, there are certain experiences in life I am quite content to live without.

In the weeks leading up to our summer trek to David’s annual show at the Granary Gallery (known as the “Red Barn” to islanders), I switch my maintenance setting from its usual “high” position to “low.” While packing, I tell myself I do not need Arizona Diet Green Tea (or the hundred other brands I will not find in the island’s tiny grocery stores) and that the world won’t stop on its axis if I limit myself to only four pairs of shoes. Upon arriving at David’s parents’ house, we are surrounded by a verdant landscape lush with trees. Sure, they’re nice to look at, and I suppose they do their share in creating the remarkably pure, fresh air for which the Vineyard is famous, but for me, they’re a glaring green reminder to pop a Claritin for my allergies. I don’t even want to begin thinking about the bugs.

Everyone seems to adjust to the pace more easily than me. After attending receptions for David’s work in Zurich, New York, and Tokyo, I had forgotten that on the Vineyard, “formal” is casual. “Preppy” is not a part of David’s and my vernacular. For the opening of his show, David wore a black, stylishly crumpled linen/viscose-blend jacket by Theory over a black Banana Republic tee and beige linen pants. I went for a ’50s pin-up girl look with a red floral dress, black patent leather peek-a-toe shoes, and ruby lips.

The first moment my four-inch heels touched down on the Red Barn’s wooden



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floor, it was apparent I'd painstakingly primed for naught. Making a quick survey of the room, I counted five Ralph Lauren ponies, three Izod alligators, a pair of pants festooned with the silhouettes of whales, and a plethora of sweaters tied around necks. Well over a hundred people attended the two-hour opening, maybe three who wore makeup. A few girls, with matted hair and mesh shirts over tanks and shorts, seemed to have come directly from the beach. I'd glammed it up for the art gala, just to find everyone else suited up for a sunny day on the yacht.

Back in the city, I walk barefoot along the plush carpet outside my door and down the hallway to chuck my trash into the chute, after which it disappears forever. Strolling just a few blocks from the front door of my building I can find numerous restaurants

serving a wide variety of exotic cuisines, two coffee shops, two supermarkets, a wine bar, a cheese shop, and so on. It takes me ten minutes to get to any one of three shopping malls, and an extra five to reach Fry's Electronics.

Things are different on the Vineyard. Life is supposed to be easy on the island — slow-paced and simple. That's what they say. What they fail to mention is that "simplify" in this context means, "do it

yourself." David's parents have to put their trash *in their car* and *drive it* to the dump. Five of the seven towns on the island are "dry," so we must remember to bring our own bottles of beer and wine when dining out. Restaurants are few and far between, and none of them deliver; movie theaters do not have stadium seating or DLP projectors. There's no Whole Foods, no Trader Joe's, no Nordstrom's or Ann Taylor. No streetlights

line the long, winding dirt roads. My cell phone gets no reception. Sure, the eggs are fresh, the water is clean, and the air is thick with oxygen; the neighbors are friendly, and people stop their cars to let you pull

yours out into what traffic there is; but what if I have a middle-of-the-night craving for sushi? How did Jackie do it? Perhaps most distressing of all is the fact that if I needed to replenish my black liquid Lancome

eyeliner or SPF 30 facial lotion, the nearest department store is a 20-minute drive, a 45-minute ferry ride, and a 90-minute bus ride away. If that's not roughing it, I don't know what is. ■

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At first, Tracey thought I was an FBI agent. I'd been bidding on his eBay auctions for weeks, purchasing CD recordings of local concerts that took place from the mid-'80s onward. Though clearly not official releases from the artists' catalogs, the CDs attracted me with professional packaging and promises of "A+ sound quality." Curiously, auction descriptions always referred to them as "imports," usually said to be from Italy or Australia. Once received, I was surprised by the excellent audio clarity and high production values, utilizing genuine silver discs rather than cheap CDRs and with silk-screened disc art, full-color inserts, photos, set lists, and sometimes even lyric sheets, foldouts, and booklets. It was obvious all the CDs had been auctioned by the same person using different eBay screen names — the concerts all took place in San Diego, item descriptions were nearly identical, and all, it turned out, shipped from the same Clairemont Mesa PO box.

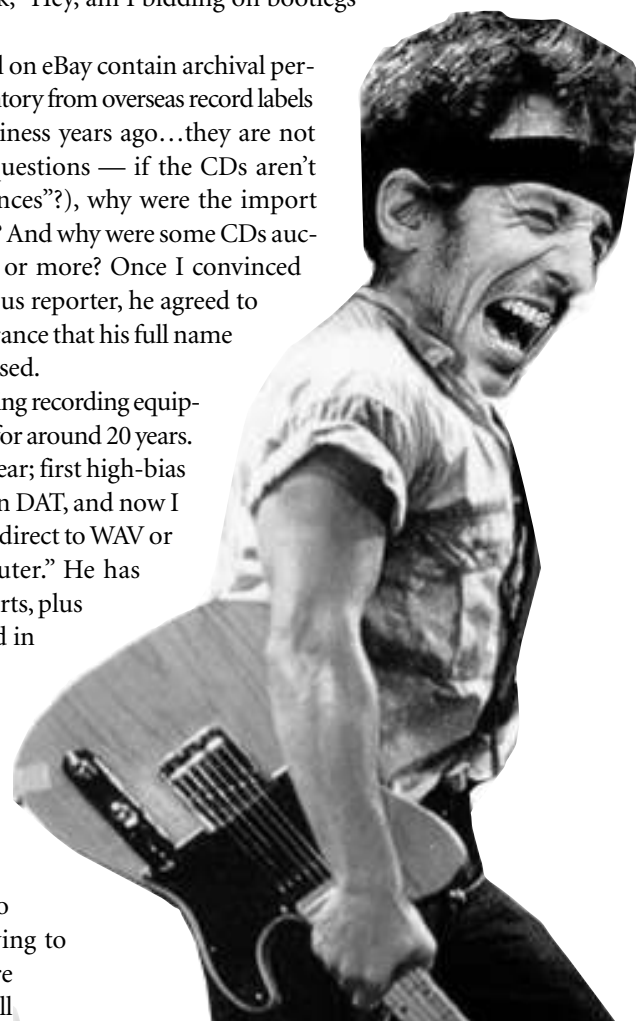


I e-mailed the seller to ask, "Hey, am I bidding on bootlegs or what?"

He replied, "The CDs I sell on eBay contain archival performances and are leftover inventory from overseas record labels which were forced out of business years ago...they are not bootlegs." This raised more questions — if the CDs aren't bootlegs ("archival performances"?), why were the import labels "forced out of business"? And why were some CDs auctioning at \$50, \$60, even \$80 or more? Once I convinced him I wasn't a fed, just a curious reporter, he agreed to a phone interview, on the assurance that his full name and eBay handles aren't disclosed.

Tracey says he's been sneaking recording equipment into hometown concerts for around 20 years. "I always use top-of-the-line gear; first high-bias cassettes and stereo mikes, then DAT, and now I can record to CD, minidisc, or direct to WAV or MP3 files on a laptop computer." He has around a thousand local concerts, plus a few hundred others recorded in other cities by himself or obtained in swaps with other tapers.

"I used to license my masters to overseas record companies, who could then legally release the shows on CD and sell them as imports to U.S. distributors without having to pay artist royalties. They were imported while there were still



Top: Blink-182; bottom: Bruce Springsteen

A BOOTLEGGER



Left to right: Frank Zappa, Kiss, Rolling Stones

‘protection gap’ loopholes in international copyright law. The CDs weren’t pirated copies of authorized releases; these were previously unreleased concert recordings. It was completely legal to manufacture overseas and bring them into the country...the black market became kind of a gray market for a while.”

Later research reveals that “protection gap” refers to a period, beginning around late 1990, in the early days of CD technology. The RIAA (Recording Industry Association of America) lobbied the U.S. government to avoid

signing on to any international copyright agreements that gave intellectual property rights to the artists on their rosters, in order to enable the record companies to maintain control of their own releases. This, however, left the door open for the exploitation of unreleased material. U.S. concert bootleggers moved their operations overseas, where American artists received no copyright protection for live recordings.

In Southeast Asia and Eastern Europe, particularly Ukraine, record companies could legally release unauthorized concert recordings, so long as

the tapes originated in another country. The CDs could then be exported to North America, thanks to the wording of U.S. Copyright Law, Title 17, Chapter 6 (Manufacturing Requirements and Importation), Section 602 (Infringing Importation of Copies or Phonorecords): “In a case where the copies or phonorecords were lawfully made, the United States Customs Service has no authority to prevent their importation.”

“I didn’t start as a bootlegger, not for money,” says Tracey. “I used to trade [concerts] with other tapers and had

a pretty big catalog with maybe a few hundred shows...and that was just a fraction of what I’d actually recorded! My list got around, and all these foreign companies started approaching me to get a hold of my master recordings, especially in Italy, Germany, and Australia, where they didn’t give a shit about U.S. copyrights. All of a sudden, the labels were spinning off new labels just to put all my stuff out! Especially when they found out I had hundreds of concerts I never duped for anybody, anytime — I had the only copy.” He claimed his personal archive was the sole inspi-

ration and content source for so many imprints that “At one point, I was probably responsible for starting up more record labels than David Geffen, Berry Gordy, and Suge Knight combined!”

He says he licensed concerts to the European companies rather than selling his masters outright, earning a one-time fee for exclusive rights to a performance. He won’t specify the fee (“It depends on the popularity of the band or how historic the concert was... San Diego shows are a lot rarer than L.A. or New York”), but he speculates that he was one of the highest-paid suppliers. “Even before the protection gap, I already had hundreds of live tapes I recorded myself, on DAT, mostly from soundboard feeds. Complete shows with fully mixed sound, stuff that nobody in the world ever

heard outside my headphones. There were bidding wars [among overseas labels] for my stuff, especially for ’70s bands like Jethro Tull, Pink Floyd, Kiss, any of the FM guitar heroes like Robin Trower, Eric Clapton, that sort of thing.”

A lot of money was changing hands. “The CD plants had minimum press runs of 1000 copies, so that would be the smallest release. The big labels, Great Dane [Italy] and Yellow Dog [Holland/Luxembourg], I’m sure they were doing 5000 units on most of their titles. Armando Curcio was a legitimate label [in Italy] that went into live CDs big-time in ’91 with a bunch of Zappa concerts that sold better than his studio stuff. KTS [Kiss the Stone, in Italy] got rich from my Tori Amos concerts. Dieter Schubert [of Germany’s Swingin’ Pig]

bought an office building with what he made off my Stones tapes.”

So why license the concerts? Why not just start

to owning a business in another country. I guess you could say I bought into some labels, Oxygen, Moonraker, and a few others, to a lesser

tional banking was, uh, complicated.”

He was also “involved” with a company named Red Line and an actual part-owner of KTS, both of which were notoriously prolific and blanketed Europe with shoddy CDs, with good source sound (“archiving” many San Diego shows) but packaged generically and often pressed on defective discs. “They were trying to cut costs to have the cheapest retail price in the market, but that was kind of a failed experiment. Those labels were based in San Marino, a sovereign country inside the borders of Italy, to get around some of the OSA fee requirements [the equivalent of BMI or ASCAP], even though the CDs themselves were being pressed in Prague [Czech Republic].”

He pauses. “Not that there was anything criminal going on.” He’s correct; by exploiting a loophole in the

Rome Convention, it was technically legal, in countries that had signed the Rome Convention, to issue concerts recorded in countries that hadn’t signed. Such as the USA. “In Italy, we went through the Italian Authors’ Society. They charged us a registration fee, and the government issued an approval stamp that went onto each CD... that made us immune from prosecution in Italy for bootlegging.”

But if they were releasing concerts without performers’ permission, weren’t the CDs still bootlegs? “No,” he explains, “to get the stamp, we had to promise to pay royalties to the original artists. Rinaldo Tagliabue at Great Dane [Records] was the first guy to realize you didn’t need permission, you only had to offer the performer ‘fair compensation.’ We just had to make this nominal deposit in an Italian bank, and there’d be

“I got nailed speaker-tapping at the Civic Theatre by Bruce Springsteen himself, from the stage, while he was just walking onstage! He saw me trying to tack down my drop wire [from the speaker], and he pointed at me and yelled, ‘Get that guy!’”

your own overseas label and keep the profits yourself? “I was kind of involved for a while,” he says warily. “The laws get hinky when it comes

extent... it was basically my money and my tapes that started them, but I couldn’t take money directly out of the accounts, the interna-

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this little line of type on the back of the CD that says, 'Hey, if you're one of the guys on this CD, well, guess what, you have some money waiting for you in an Italian bank account.' "

Did any performers ever withdraw their token royalties?

Tracey laughs. "Almost never. Actually, I think a couple of British guys requested the [bank] routing number."

He waxed on about "the good old days. In Australia, bootleg CDs with American concerts were legal as long as the word 'unauthorized' appeared on the cover. Every newsstand and grocery store in the country was selling my stuff! They were coming in [to the U.S.] by the boatload, all cleared by customs. Even the major distributors were picking them up. BMG would carry Comet Records and Planet Song titles, and they'd turn up at Tower and Strawberrys, all racked the same as regular releases. Everybody knew about the copyright loopholes...there

were stores like Second Coming and Revolver in Greenwich Village where more than half their stock was 'live import' CDs!"

Being a well-paid supplier instead of a label owner turned out to be a good plan when retail prices for import concert CDs plummeted in late 1994. "This guy in Bavaria, Wolfgang, had a label called Live & Alive...he flooded all the supermarkets in Europe and Australia with live CDs that he sold at half price. The market fell apart when people realized that bootlegs don't have to cost more than a regular CD; they can even be cheaper."

He was also rethinking his financial stake in the Italian labels, after being visited in his San Diego home by two darkly dressed men who "suggested" that he consider selling his entire masters collection to Teddy Bear Records, a rival of his own business associates with reported ties to the Italian Mafia. He declines to go into further detail.

The protection gap era ended December 8, 1994, when President Clinton signed the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA), implementing the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), including trade-related aspects of intellectual property. Provisions in the URAA amended U.S. copyright law, creating a new federal "Anti-Bootleg Statute," which criminalized "unauthorized manufacture, distribution, or trafficking in sound recordings of live musical performances." Convicted bootleggers were subject to up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

The GATT was signed by the United States and 119 other countries. Shortly after its enactment, the RIAA utilized the FBI and U.S. Customs to shut down overseas importers, seizing incoming shipments and raiding stores that carried the now-illegal bootleg CDs. The U.S. government threatened China with trade restrictions over its failure

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to honor international creative copyrights. A sort of global copyright system was set up, enforced by a brand-new international antipiracy team called the IFPI (International Federation of the Phonographic Industry). Police forces throughout the world agreed to assist

the IFPI, especially among members of the new European Union (E.U.), who were offered import tax benefits if they agreed to enforce E.U. directives explicitly granting performers the right to "authorize or prohibit the fixation of performances."

In 1995, the IFPI issued a report that estimated 32 percent of Italy's domestic music sales the previous year — about \$145 million U.S. — involved pirated or bootlegged recordings, and this accounted for about half of all pirate music revenues in Europe. "Word got around that the Italian government wanted to put on a show for the U.S. by raiding all the concert labels to

confiscate equipment and destroy stock...people were leaving the country under cover of darkness, with DAT decks under their arms and tape boxes busting out of their luggage. I lost all the money I invested as part owner of the labels I was involved with...a few [record companies] paid me off in free CDs that they got American distributors to dump on me by the boxful. The CDs were already in the country, but [distributors] were afraid of getting busted by feds, so they were happy to get rid of all their concert imports." Not all the Italian labels went under overnight. "Kiss the Stone packed up and moved to Singapore, and they kept buying my stuff for a while. They couldn't get anything into the States, though...at that point, Customs was even opening up single-CD

packages."

Tracey says demand for his concert masters dropped to almost nothing after July 1997, when a meeting between 11 European and

percent of what was left of the wholesale network, so I pretty much stopped circulating my concert master catalog. I still recorded shows for myself, and some-

"Right now, I run about a hundred record labels that don't really exist outside my hard drive," he says. "I come up with new company names and launch new labels all the time."

American bootleg distributors ended with their arrest in a complex U.S. Customs sting operation (at Disney World!). The distributors were charged with a total of 40 counts involving conspiracy to make and sell bootlegs. "That killed 90

times I swap with other tapers, but I think the last company to buy a concert from me was [Spain's] MC Records, around '99."

Then he registered as a seller on eBay. "I saw people getting big bucks for those old live concert CDs. Not just the original imports, but home-burned CDR copies. Well, I still had a



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warehouse full of CDs the labels gave me in lieu of money they owed me, when all the new laws came down.” The quick proceeds from auctioning old protection-gap imports inspired him to dip into his archive of unreleased concerts, the majority recorded locally.

Currently, he produces new CDs that he burns and packages himself on his home computer. “I manufacture to order, and I usually only auction a few dozen copies, for anywhere from \$20–\$100 each, before I move on to the next concert.” Those triple-digit sales aren’t unusual when he releases something brand-new-to-market featuring Springsteen, Nirvana, Bowie, Dylan, and other powerhouses, but surprisingly, he says top dollar is also common for ’80s synth-pop acts like the Cure, Gary Numan, Siouxsie and the Banshees, and Depeche Mode. “That’s why you see so many San Diego shows on eBay now...I was running tape at two or three [concerts]

a week for years.”

As to how he managed to secretly tape so many shows, for so long, Tracey offers a tutorial, saying he rarely tapes now and sees no potential backlash in sharing his methodology with a reporter. “A lot of those places are long gone anyways — the Bacchanal [Clairemont], Flash Café [Mission Valley], the Rodeo [La Jolla], Spirit [now Brick by Brick], the old Casbah [Midtown], places where you just had a couple of doormen, not a gauntlet of security guards patting you down like at the Sports Arena.”

The first challenge involved getting gear inside the venue.

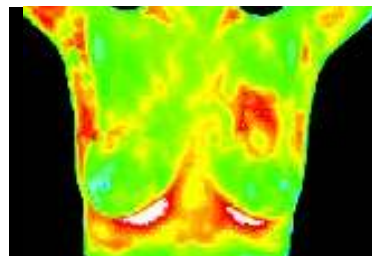
“I taped pretty much every Del Mar [Fair] concert up until just recently; you could sneak in a buttload of equipment, mike shields, and everything. It’s outdoors and they aren’t searching for tapers, they’re worried about knives and submachine guns.” He says bars like the Bacchanal were

also fairly easy. “There was this short, bald guy who ran the door for years, he ended up bouncing across the street at a nudie club, but during the Bach days, all I had to do was go in with a girl with her titties hanging out, and I could just about roll in my gear on an AV cart, he was so oblivious. He didn’t even look at my ticket half the time, let alone all the equipment I had strapped under my jacket.”

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rig with dual mikes that had its own EQ unit, leads, all kinds of stuff I could use inside to remote-tape [using mikes rather than tapping into club/band audio]. But it took up so much space, I had only a few options to get it in. There was the old wheelchair trick, which gets you in the door, but then they tend to seat you in a special section near the back, so people don't trip over you, and it's hard to get the gear where it needs to be for the best sound."

"So I rigged up the inside of a basketball that I cut in half, with all the gear laid out inside and taped down, buttons up, and I had a girlfriend who'd strap this on under a puffy blouse and go in pretending to be pregnant! We had wires snaked up the arms to lavalier [clip-

on] mikes on her shoulders or on either side of a hat that I rigged up. She went to the bathroom, turned it on in the stall, walked back out to the front, and we were taping! But then she had to stand, not sit, in the center of the stage all night, to get the stereo sound, and everyone kept asking her, 'When are you due?' and saying, 'You can sit in my chair,' and all that stuff got recorded too. They were babbling into the microphones and ruining my tape."

The "pregnant" trick had limited possibilities, especially on repeat visits, where bouncers began to wonder about his perpetually knocked-up girlfriend. He says he sometimes had paid arrangements with security or other venue employees who'd turn a

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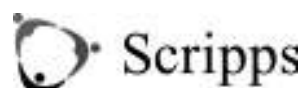
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and hide your outboard gear under a towel on the floor or something.”

Failing a deal with someone to plug into the soundboard, he was reluctant to just point microphones at the speakers and push “record.” His preference was to somehow tap into the club sound system, as this provided infinitely better audio quality, perhaps even fully mixed in stereo.

“The simplest thing is ‘speaker tapping.’ I’d stake out a spot alongside the stage or scope out the club PA and just find a monitor or speaker, ideally one that seems to be receiving multiple feeds, and look at the back, check to see if there’s an output jack. When there was, I could plug into a line-out, drop wire down to the

floor, maybe use some gum to hold the wire down so they don’t see it going to my unit [recorder], and I’m ready to tape.” He says he hid his recorder on the floor under the stage or even sometimes had a wire running directly from the speaker to his leg, with the recorder strapped under his pants. “Gotta stand real still all night for that one.”

The Belly Up was his favorite spot to speaker tap. “For years, they had these PA speakers up on risers with an extra set of quarter-inch line-outs on the back, for hooking up satellite speakers, and there was another set [of speakers] in the back with open RCA [outputs] that I could plug into if those weren’t accessible. I’d leave my unit under the stage or buried with cable boxes. It

was a hot mono signal, but I used a custom splitter to spread the sound out back over two channels, and then, when the show’s wrapping up, I just yank the plug from the back of the speaker when nobody’s looking.”

In instances where no output jack could be found, he had an alternative. “I brought in a quarter-inch splitter. When nobody was looking, I’d unplug their speaker, stick my own splitter in, female to male, and plug back in. There’s my own line-out access, and I drop wire to the [recording] unit. There’d be the same hot-mono problem, though, with noise cancellation at the high end, because of splitting the signal.”

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problems with speaker tapping — there was also the need for ultra stealth and the attendant fear of being beaten by bouncers (and possibly arrested) if caught. “There were places where I left my speaker tap in a panic or just couldn’t get back to the jack, and later they’d find my cable or my splitter hanging out of the speaker. Then I’d have to find new ways to tape there.” Like snaking a cable direct from the soundboard, without the soundman’s knowledge. “I studied manuals for all the models, so I always knew the best outputs, and I had all kinds of different plugs and adaptors with me. I even had a tech kit, where I’d actually splice a feed wire, cut into it, and tether the leads to my own jack unit. That was kinda dangerous,

and I could have blown up someone’s sound system, and you can only ever do that once at the same place. They find that cut in their cables after the show, they’re gonna be loaded for bear and gunning for you from that point on.”

Tracey says he had to abandon his whole recorder once at the Bacchanal around 1996. “I watched them [the stage crew] find it in the middle of the show, stashed under the stage, hooked to a speaker jack. I think someone saw me hook up and told them it was there. Meaning they probably saw ME. So I see this guy who worked there, everyone called him Snake Man, looking around for me, total murder in his eyes! I just eased on out the door and never looked back over my shoulder, and I

never went back, just in case someone spotted me. Place closed pretty soon after that.”

Sometimes, he lost equipment to the performers themselves. “I got nailed speaker tapping at the Civic Theatre by Bruce Springsteen himself, from the stage, while he was just walking onstage. He saw me trying to tack down my drop wire [from the speaker], and he pointed at me and yelled, ‘Get that guy!’ You can hear it on other tapes of the show. I had to pull out and run off...someone told me Bruce looked like he wanted to tear off the stage and come after me himself, he was totally pissed off. They didn’t chase me past the door, but they got my recorder, my master tape, plus I couldn’t go back in there again. Everyone got a real

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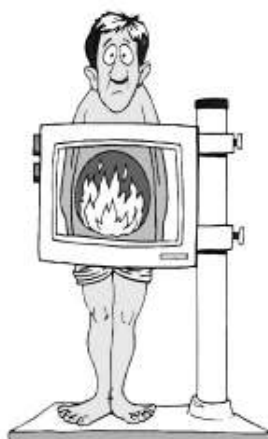
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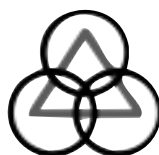
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good look at me. Someone got himself a \$1000 bonus that night, that's what the unit was worth. Never mind what I would've gotten for that DAT master."

By the mid-'90s, microtechnology made it

preferable (and safer) to go back to remote taping, entering the venue as a self-contained recording unit and pointing high-quality microphones at the sound source. Once digital recording media like DAT and recordable

CDs became available to consumers, Tracey, in order to remain on the forefront of technology, was compelled to drop big bucks on such equipment as quickly as it was introduced, rather than waiting until prices

inevitably dropped. "I went to Japan in 1996, just to pick up all the top-of-the-line gear that wasn't out here [in the U.S.] yet. After I got back, I made this \$5000 vest I sewed up myself, with all the cables and microphone

wires stitched into it and a DAT recorder I controlled just by running my hand under the vest for a minute. There were hidden pockets for jacks, battery packs, everything. The mikes were so small that I had them

wired to the rims of clear glasses that I wore. A lot of it was spy stuff, or intended for 'nature recording' — at least that's what they [manufacturers] pretend. The digital one-eighth-inch mikes were the most expensive part, and the optic cables that snake up the [eye]glasses straps, that's \$1000 right there. You can get a good DAT recorder for \$600 or \$700, but the mikes are where the quality comes in. I paid \$50 just for the [outdoor wind-block] foam I put over the mikes."

Though mostly retired from taping since around 2000, Tracey says he's dabbled in new stealth-taping technology. "I got a minidisc recorder for about \$150 last year and caught Social D at the Casbah, and it came out pretty good. You lose some sound by compressing down [into sound files], but it was fine just for my own collection."

"If I was gonna swap or sell, though, there's a saying among tapers: 'Friends don't let friends burn MP3.' I also have a Nomad Jukebox, it records to WAV or MP3 files, and then you can transfer onto a computer with a USB or FireWire, but it doesn't have a volume display. They're still tinkering with new technology. I don't keep up anymore."

He's intrigued that some tapers are bringing laptop computers to shows, to record 44.1KHz music WAV files directly onto their hard drives. "If I was in the supply biz today, I'd have a lot of fun with that part, the technology. I could make [the equipment] pay for itself pretty quick. But I'm in my 40s now, and it's hard just to get up and go out to a concert nowadays, let alone go several nights a week again. I have a real job [he declines to specify], I don't need to make my living as a taper. I like sitting still, at home, and I figure I already have enough old stuff to sell online to keep me in burritos and beer money for a few more years."

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up with new company names and launch new labels all the time, so one label can concentrate on a specific band or genre. All the cardboard inserts still say, 'Euro import,' just to be on the safe side, so eBay doesn't stress." eBay policy forbids the sale of unauthorized merchandise but seems to turn a blind eye toward items modestly disguised. "The CDs I make now weren't imported from anywhere other than my desktop, but people still figure the protection gap covers them."

He admits he sometimes even reproduces the old Italian "approval" stamp, though its protections were

applicable only in that country and haven't been in effect since 1994. His new releases are almost indistinguishable from the '90s imports, though some concerts he's offered on eBay took place years after the international copyright protection gap was closed. eBay seems to consider them acceptable. You can find all manner of gray-market concert CDs on the auction site ("imported" or not) by browsing their music category — type in keyword "San Diego," and most any search will return several locally recorded concerts.

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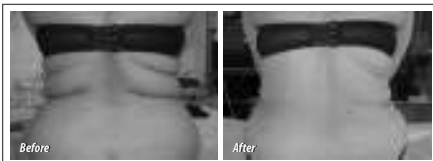
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tance to be identified in print, Tracey claims to have little fear of prosecution. "The record companies mainly go after pirates who copy commercial releases. Nobody's gonna get busted buying or selling concert CDs on eBay. The RIAA is busy prosecuting kids who download prerecorded music off the Internet for free on their college computers."

Tracey estimates his imaginary record labels release about 20 "archival performances" on eBay per year, many of them selling for \$50 or more during their first few weeks of release. That's how long it usually takes before other sellers are offering CDR copies, digitally reproducing his CDs with identical sound quality and sometimes even duplicating Tracey's self-designed packaging.

The irony isn't lost on him: the bootlegger being bootlegged. "The difference is that I'm not copying someone else's record right down

to the graphics. I'm creating an item that never existed before. Yeah, as soon as I put it out, copies are gonna end up all over the Internet. That's the price of technology. But, look, I already made a couple bucks off the first few CDs, so I'm happy. The CDR guys can have it from that point. It's worthless once it's been bootlegged and sold and traded for free that often."

"Worth" is a relative term. Looking over concert CD auctions I know to be Tracey's, I calculate at least \$4800 in sales over the three-month period preceding this writing. He says he still has hundreds of shows he hasn't even listened to since they were first recorded. "I don't give a shit about people burning copies [of my CDs]. It's not like I can sue them. Besides, I'm already working on the next release. Fans want new stuff all the time, not the same old thing over and over again. And they're willing to pay good

money for it."

BOOTLEG SAN DIEGO

The eBay auctions listed below were tracked over an 18-month period. Each features San Diego-related music memorabilia that would, by almost any definition, be classified as "bootlegs." Most are unauthorized concert recordings, spanning the '50s through this year, captured on vinyl, CD, video, and DVD. eBay members agree to a "Terms of Service" contract prohibiting the sale or trade of bootlegs. However, sellers frequently use phrases like "import," "live," "rare," and "radio broadcast" to (slightly) disguise the unofficial nature of items like the following:

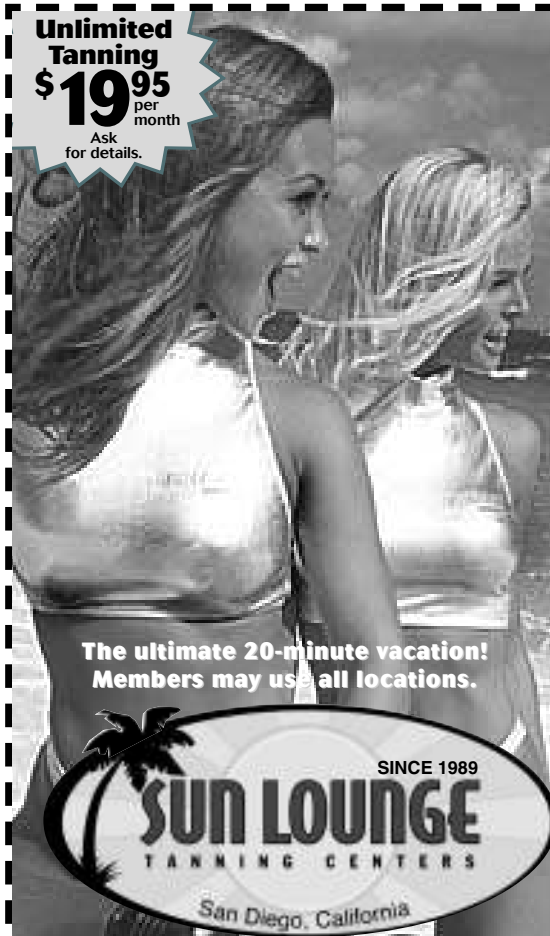
The Rolling Stones

11/10/69, Sports Arena:

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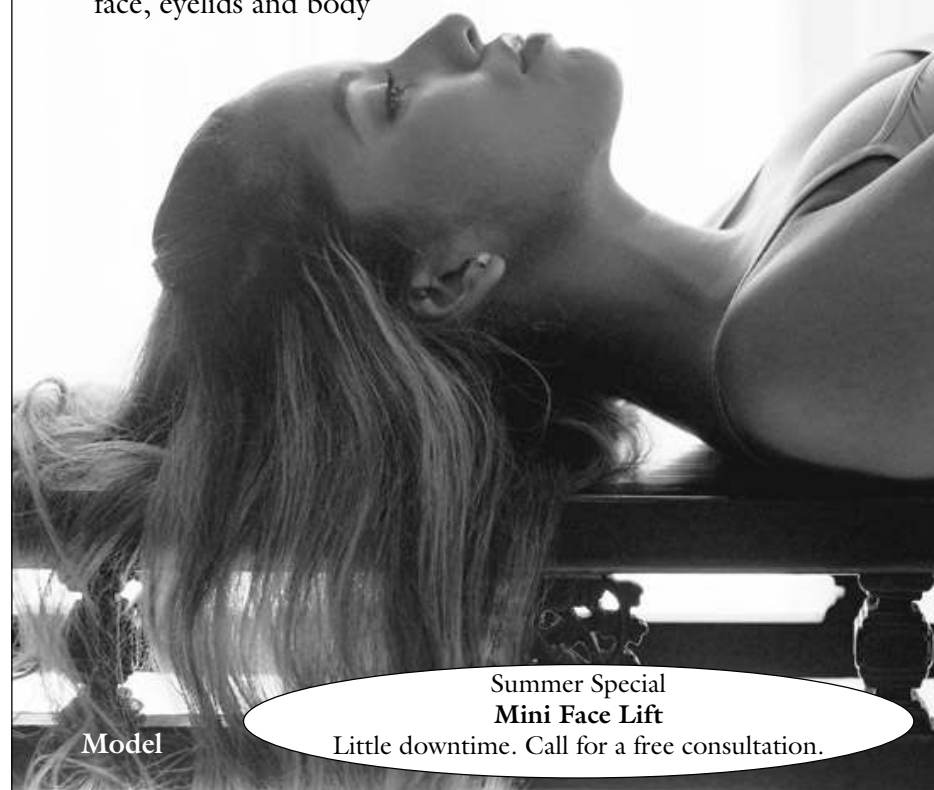
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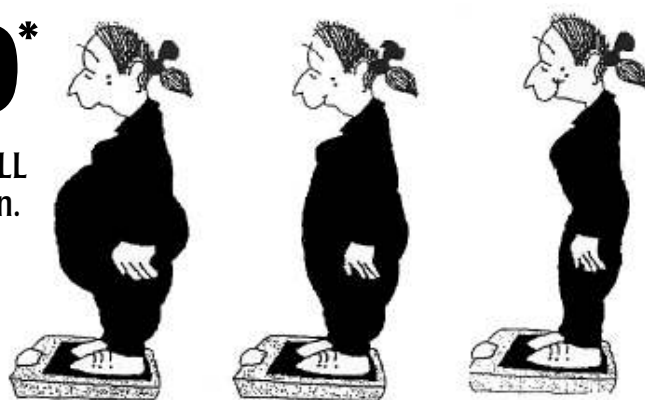
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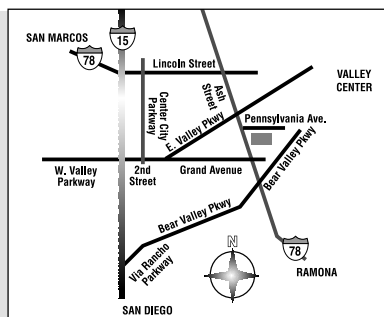
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tion. The listing showed a blue vinyl LP partially pulled from a plain white cardboard sleeve, with text reading "The Rolling Stones San Diego '69" on the front cover. In the tradition of most '70s vinyl boots, a paper track list with a black-and-white illustration of the band was glued to the back cover. Seven bidders placed 17 bids until the auction closed at 185.00 GBP (approx. \$323.07 U.S.).

The same Stones concert on CD, said by its seller to be a "20 bit digital mastering from the original tapes," sold for \$15, while a two-CD set of the Stones at Qualcomm Stadium on 2/3/98, originally broadcast on local radio by 98.3 FM, earned \$25.

Pink Floyd

10/17/71, Golden Hall: This is a CD version of a widely distributed '70s vinyl bootleg, *Pink Floyd: Embryo*. The Florida seller bragged, "This is not a CDR, unlike

many concert CDs on eBay," placing an opening bid requirement of \$25. The auction earned 11 bids, closing at \$42.00. The same concert from a different seller, with an alternate CD cover (described as "custom art"), was said to be "Pink Floyd at its most experimental, creative genius...it's almost impossible to get such a great collection of songs from one show." Not that impossible; the same auctioneer sold three more copies of his "custom" (read: homemade CDR) version of the Golden Hall concert over a one-month period, for \$15.95 (twice) and \$20.

T. Rex

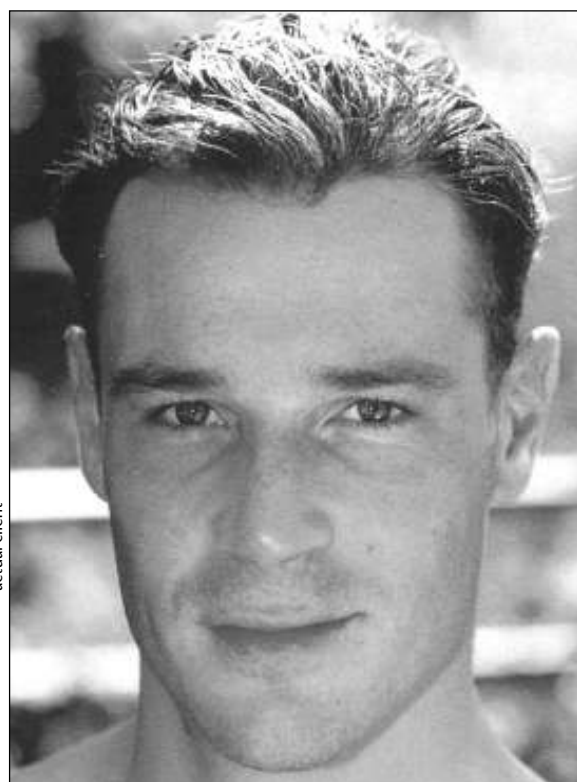
1973:

A bootleg vinyl LP of Marc Bolan and T. Rex supposedly performing on the syndicated TV show *Don Kirshner's Rock Concert* (1972-1982) was auctioned under the item description "T. Rex Concert San Diego 73 vinyl album." The track

list included "Jeepster," "Token of My Love," "Born to Boogie," "The Groover," "Zip Gun Boogie," and "Get It On (Bang a Gong)." This listing would seem incorrect regarding either the year recorded, the TV show it was taped for, and/or the locale of the concert. T. Rex did play in San Diego in 1973, on August 10, but it wasn't recorded for the *Kirshner* series. The bootleg's set list is similar to a performance the band did for the show *In Concert* that aired in June 1973, though whether this was recorded in San Diego is unclear. The source recording was more likely a 1975 episode of *Don Kirshner's Rock Concert*, which aired in February and March of that year, recorded in late 1974 at the San Diego International Sports Arena and with a set list identical to the one on the bootleg album's back cover. The U.K. seller got three bids, earning GBP 8.00 for the LP (approximately \$13.11 U.S.).

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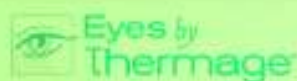
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Captain Beefheart

2/16/78:

On this day, Captain Beefheart, aka Don Van Vliet, performed two shows at SDSU's Back Door. This CD captures the shorter 45-minute set by Frank Zappa's onetime protégé. The track list included "A Carrot Is as Close as a Rabbit Gets to a Diamond" and cuts from the *Shiny Beast (Bat Chain Puller)* album he was ostensibly promoting at the time, such as "When I See Mommy I Feel Like a Mummy" and "The Floppy Boot Stomp." After an opening bid of \$18, six bidders entered a total of ten bids before the CD sold for \$52.50.

Van Halen

5/20/84, Sports Arena: "Sound quality is very good" on this CD... "has artwork," according to the seller. David Lee Roth-era tracks included "Jump," "Pretty Woman," and the furiously drummed "Hot for Teacher." Two bids were placed, and the CD

sold for \$11.

INXS

3/31/88, Sports Arena: A "Live Radio Broadcast" recorded on CD, from Westwood One's *Superstars in Concert* series. Running just over an hour, the CD was "not a commercial release," said the seller, and "not taped off the radio...ran off the broadcast master in the studio." This seems to indicate it originally came from a radio DJ who surreptitiously ran a dub from Westwood One's source recording. It sold for \$4.25.

Depeche Mode

7/31/90, Sports Arena: *DM — Everything Counts* is a bootleg vinyl album recorded during the band's "Violator" tour. Their characteristically mopey set list that night included "Shake the Disease," "Waiting for the Night," and "Enjoy the Silence." One of the last vinyl bootlegs issued before the explosion of CD pirating,

the double-LP sold for \$150.

Richie Sambora

11/16/91, Spreckels Theatre: Bon Jovi's guitarist, recorded just a few weeks after the September '91 release of his first solo album, *Stranger in This Town*. "This is a very rare pressing only available in Thailand...not a CDR," according to the seller in Bangkok, Thailand. The set list included Bon Jovi staples like "Wanted Dead or Alive," as well as covers such as "Midnight Rider" (Allman Brothers) and "With a Little Help from My Friends" (Beatles). The auction opened at \$9.99 and closed 12 bids later at \$41.02.

Nirvana

12/91, Del Mar: A 12-song CD said by its seller in Bloomington, Indiana, to be "a rare live mint CD that I purchased for \$34.99 and must now sell...I take good care of my things and my items do not smell of smoke as I am a non-

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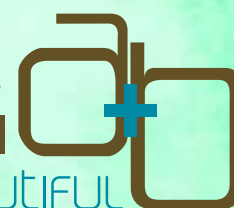
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smoker." The CD earned six bids and sold for \$20.

Metallica

1/14/92, Sports Arena: "James Hetfield interacts with the crowd a lot during this concert," said the seller of this video, which catches the hard-rock quartet covering Queen's "Stone Cold Crazy." The closing price was \$1.

Smashing Pumpkins

10/26/93, Crosby Hall: This unauthorized concert CD entitled *Dream* was pictured with a ten-song set

list and a scan of the CD cover's professional, colorful graphics, an unusual perk with homemade recordings like this. The auction opened at \$9.99 with two bidders battling it out, entering 13 bids until the single-CD sold for \$122.52.

Nirvana

12/29/93, Sports Arena: Among the last dozen shows performed by Nirvana, the set list for their San Diego date covered the gamut from "Smells Like Teen Spirit" and "Heart-Shaped Box"

through more obscure cuts like "Territorial Pissings" and a dreamlike cover of David Bowie's "Man Who Sold the World." A VHS video recording of the concert sold for \$10.

Stone Temple Pilots

8/23/94, New Haven CT: This 150-minute compilation video featured a complete recording of an STP show from their "Purple" tour, shot by an audience member. "Sound and picture quality are awesome!" said the seller. "Great head to toe shot of the whole band and stage. On the side of the stage are two huge lava lamps and an absolutely amazing visual show." The video also had the band's complete MTV *Unplugged* performance from NYC and live TV cuts from 1993 (*Headbangers Ball* and *MTV Spring Break*, "with singer Scott Weiland in drag!") and 1994 (*Saturday Night Live* and *Late Night with David Letterman*). The VHS tape drew ten bids, selling for \$42.99.

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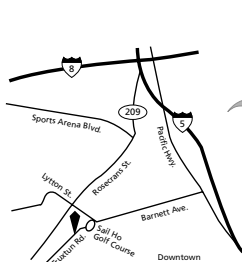
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Smashing Pumpkins

4/23/99, Spreckels Theatre:
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over his drug habit in 1996 following the heroin overdose of keyboardist Jonathan Melvoin] back on drums... lots of crowd noise on first three tracks due to familiar songs. Crowd noise diminished for rest of set as most are new songs at the time." The tour was promoting *Machina — The Machines of God*, with cuts from that album played live, including "Glass and the Ghost Children" and "Speed Kills." The San Diego seller got \$5.99 for their 16-song set.

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3/19/00, Sports Arena:
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Age Again," the 80-minute video sold for \$8.99.

Tesla

12/7/00, 4th & B:

In 2000, the original five members of progressive rockers Tesla, best known for their version of "Signs," reunited for two concerts in California and a third in Las Vegas, with the opening date at 4th & B. A videotape of the show, running 104 minutes and of "very good quality," closed at \$9.99.

Tool

8/15/01, SDSU:

A two-CD set featuring industrial heavy metalers Tool playing the Open Air Theatre was described as a "rare import," although the supposed country of origin isn't specified (copyright laws are fluid regarding "imported" music recordings). Unfortunately, the superior set performed that evening by co-headliners King Crimson wasn't included, but the CD managed to sell for \$36.75.

This VHS video featured "a cool night time outdoor show in downtown San Diego," according to the local seller. The tape also included "bonus footage" of the band playing two songs on a Warped Tour date ("Under My Thumb" and "Don't Drag Me Down"), plus an episode of Orange County public-access show *Request Live* with Social D leader Mike Ness as guest host. Two bids were placed before the tape sold at \$10.99.

Tori Amos

11/20/01, Copley Symphony Hall:

During this stop on the "Strange Little Tour" (promoting her *Strange Little Girls* album), the scarlet-haired songstress played two shows in one evening. This no-frills CD featured her 7:00 p.m. performance, with no accompanying artwork, only a printed set list. It sold for \$7.99.

Zwan

11/20/01, 'Canes Bar and Grill:

Among the first half-dozen

shows performed by this (already defunct) band fronted by former Pumpkin Smasher Billy Corgan, and the bootleggers were there to immortalize it. Nineteen songs are spread across the two-CD set auctioned by a seller in Ontario, Canada, including covers of the Beatles' "Don't Let Me Down" and the Burt Bacharach standard "What the World Needs Now Is Love." Two bidders clashed, with the winner taking the prize at \$9.49.

Sheena Easton

12/12/01, Civic Center:

"A rare uncommercial release," said the seller in Singapore; "A super hot and power packed singer." The James Bond theme crooner ("For Your Eyes Only") and sometime actress (*Miami Vice*) sang "Don't Send Flowers," "Modern Girl," and 16 others, including the horrifyingly catchy "9 to 5 (My Baby Takes the Morning Train)." The CD sold for \$9.99.

Garbage

5/31/02, SDSU:

Led by wicked waif Shirley Manson, Garbage's 77-minute performance was captured on DVD video. "Don't miss out on this amazing show with fantastic video quality and crystal clear hi-fi audio," hyped the seller. Fifteen bids were placed, with the final price \$12.

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dresser on Fire,” and, for an encore, “There Is a Light that Never Goes Out,” this CD closed at \$7.

Bob Dylan
10/19/02, San Diego State University:

The legendary troubadour actually plays piano for some songs on this two-CD release. The set list included surprising non-Dylan numbers like “Carrying a Torch” (Van Morrison), “Old Man” (Neil Young), and “Mutineer” (Warren Zevon). It sold for \$9.99.

The Goo Goo Dolls
1/25/03, Embarcadero:

The Goo Goo Dolls’ set list for the SuperBowl Concert Series gig included “Naked,” “Here Is Gone,” and “You Never Know.” Graded with “sound quality A,” the recording attracted four bids and closed at \$10.

Nashville Pussy
2/13/03:

This VHS video was described by its seller as “professional looking, shot from Ruyter’s side of the stage from the very front. See Ruyter strip down to her bra and panties while rocking out!” In rock and roll, as on eBay, the mere suggestion of sex sells, so

this lusty pitch drew 11 bids, driving the price to \$53.06.

The Foo Fighters
4/15/03, Rimac Arena:

Two CDs, coming from a DAT (digital audio tape) source, according to the seller in Winnipeg, Canada. DAT is the professional bootlegger’s weapon of choice: small, easy to sneak in, but with 21st-century sound capability, which can be duplicated with no loss of sound signal. The Foo set list included “My Hero,” “Weenie Beenie,” and “Everlong.” Seven bids were placed, raising the sale price from \$7 to \$15.50.

Simon and Garfunkel
7/15/03, Cox Arena:

Performing in San Diego for their first time in 20 years, the duo was featured on a two-CD version of the show, with no accompanying auction artwork. After an opening bid requirement of \$9.99 was met, six bidders logged ten bids until the auction closed at \$53.

A CD version of the 1968 debut double-LP by former San Diego street performer and onetime Frank Zappa protégé Larry Fischer — *An Evening with Wild Man Fischer* — was pitched several times by the

same L.A.-based seller. This album has never been officially released on CD, due to a dispute between Fischer and Gail Zappa, Frank’s widow. The unauthorized CD’s auction description, while not admitting its bootleg origin, does say, “CD is made to look like a record” — this is because the box graphics are reproduced directly from the original Bizarre Records LP sleeve. “This may be your only chance to get this on CD,” claimed the seller, despite the fact that the same auctioneer sold the identical item three times between March 27 and April 2 — for \$42 (3/27), \$37.95 (3/28), and \$37.95 again (4/2). That’s \$117.90 over seven days for three homemade bootleg CD sets — someone’s CD burner paid for itself pretty quickly.

The oldest apparently unauthorized recording listed during this monitoring period was a 60-

minute VHS episode of *The Milton Berle Show*, with Elvis Presley performing 4/3/56, live from the aircraft carrier USS *Hancock* docked at San Diego’s Naval Air Base. Elvis sang “Heartbreak Hotel,” “Shake Rattle and Roll,” and “Blue Suede Shoes” for several hundred sailors, as well as doing a brief comedy riff with Berle. Television shows from the ’50s often have tangled copyright histories — video manufacturers regularly acquire prints, kinescopes, or master video copies for reproduction without bothering to research who owns current media rights to these programs. This seller seemed to be an individual, not a manufacturer, stating in the video’s auction description, “It is part of my personal collection and I only have one.” Seven bids were placed before the video sold for \$17.86. ■

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Direct descendants of periodicals like *True Detective*, etc., continued to reign on newsstands until there were no longer any newsstands. Still, even now camp parodies can be found on the shelves of Paras at 30th and University (and not a whole lot of other places in town, if at all), which is one of the last-ditch holdouts among those carrying the flag — or torch, depending on whether you consider magazines and the confessional style of journalism a way of life, a tradition, or a passion. Even mags fostered with good old-fashioned American commercial sensibilities, not "camp" or nostalgia but greed, are launching new attempts

to revive the one-time pulp staple of the street corners: *Scarlet Street* and even *The Strand* (born of Conan Doyle's old cash cow, *Sherlock Holmes*, and *The Strand Magazine*) are enjoying a respectable run of subscriptions and sales.

Within inches of Sir Arthur and just south of *Starlog*, *Fangoria*, and *Screen Scream*, science fiction and horror movie back issues with fiction content are the slightly headier media-meets-literary sensibilities, such as old *Doctor Who* material, a pathetic treasure for myself that brings a fuddled old mist of sentiment to my rheumy eyes even now: here on pages seven (of both issues), photographs of a young writer trying to look as Rod Serling-like as possible for a 34-year-old former hippie. It is myself under the editorial rubric "Leaders of the Banned" in the December 1984 issue of *Twilight Zone* magazine, pictured with other contributors to the issue like Robert Bloch and Thomas M. Disch. In the November '87 issue, my stuff appears alongside that of Donald Westlake, and I am pictured with a life-long idol, Barry N. Malzberg. After seeing neither of these magazines for over ten years, I am overcome with the echo of emotion long kept at bay, denied but patient, *Heh heh...at last the fools have admitted me into the academy...*

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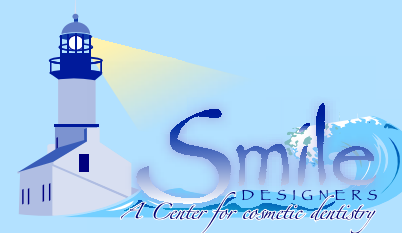
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Around another corner, you might want to visit the way the future was once upon a time in the pages of *Astounding Science Fiction* from 1947. I'm pretty sure I might, and I skim accounts

of what was once called "Campbellian Science Fiction" after the editor of *Astounding*, John W. Camp-

bell (Kurt Vonnegut Jr, it is rumored, used him as a model for villain Howard Campbell in *Mother Night*.) You may remember the

THE WOMAN HAS A MAN-SHAPED HOLE IN HER ENTIRE BODY, AND THROUGH THE HOLE WE SEE THAT MAN, IN THE MIDDLE DISTANCE, PURSUED BY DEMONS.


And here is an issue of *Fantastic Universe* from May 1957. This issue was on the stands the day my girlfriend was born and

featured a cover painting by Virgil Finlay. The illustration, with questionable relevance to any story in the issue, depicted a painting of a sculpted woman posed in a Romanesque colonnade between ranks of pillars converging at the vanishing point at the center of the cover. The woman has a man-shaped hole in her entire body, and through the hole we see that man, in the middle distance, pursued by demons. An appropriate birthday gift? Why not? Though my friend is no science fiction fan she is likely to recognize the Dali-esque populism on the cheap paper cover as the kind of extraordinary

weirdness that it is. She is unlikely to know anything of the contributing weirdsmiths to this issue: J.T. McIntosh, Nelson Bond, Ted Levine — possibly Dorothy Salisbury Davis, the author here of "The Muted Horn." But the cover speaks, and for a few dollars, I invest in a birthday present.

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"Alan started to find the old stuff at first. Now it's me. I go back East, the Middle West, the south, that's where the old paper is. I'm the one looking for the items now.

"We, of course, have issues of the *San Diego Sun*, the *San Dieguito Sun* (North County), the *Union* and *Weekly-Union*, the *Evening Tribune*. Issues of the *New York Times*, the *New York Herald*, San Francisco and Kansas City papers. The science fiction stuff you

were looking at is for the lookie-loos. There are some serious sci-fi and movie magazine collectors, however. We have people who come in weekly for those. The difference between the old movie/celebrity stuff we have here and what is at the grocery store and the checkout stand is that the studio was really behind a lot of this stuff." He indicates the banks of *Photoplay* and others, with Jayne Mansfield covers, young Shirley MacLaine.

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"Collectors obviously. Of all collectible items one might imagine, it is paper collectibles, according to the *Wall Street Journal*, that lead the field."

Paper may be king here on Adams Avenue, but I ask myself why I, as a writer, a professional whose task it is to utilize paper in the most edifying or at least amusing way possible with

print, feel progressively more like a blacksmith at the dawn of the automobile age. Still, if I work very hard, and if certain stars converge, and production schedules and space requirements align fortuitously, I might have some brilliant and timeless piece published on the reverse side of an advertisement for panty shields featuring a glam shot of Anna Nicole Smith — and thus find myself collectible. ■

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LETTERS

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a commercial to 91X and they'd have a quality song playing. Now they still play their favorites: Sublime, RHCP, Social D, Oingo Boingo. But in the last 10 months it's been emo followed by emo followed by emo and then Bob Marley or whatever. Now they are going to take it a step worse and try to play hard rock with out stopping the emo-core metal crap, real smart, I'm sure all your loyal 25-35-45 listeners are super into that sort of music! 91X people should actually listen to the music they are

playing: Lincoln Park, Panic at the Disco, Fall Out Boy, My Chemical Romance, Plain White T's, 30 Seconds to Mars, Say Anything. Same emo vocals... Barf City

Posted by radiojunkie on 06/29/07, 6:01 p.m.

Rock 105.3 doesn't play Weezer. Never has as far as I have heard and I'm a P-1 so I listen to the station a lot. I also have never heard Riders on the Storm. I also have heard them do digs on 91X a few times..it's not like they are saying it all the time. I think it's kinda funny. I think it's sad that 91X has changed to a rock station. I thought San Diego radio was so much better

when 91X, Rock and 94.9 all sounded a little different. Now they all sound the same. It's boring.

Posted by ex-X Listener on 06/30/07, 11:07 p.m.

I remember when 91X flipped to alternative in January 1983. I remember how effective their rock format was against KGB and the old KPRI before the switch: ineffective. 91X's then-new new wave/punk format knocked KPRI out of the race by the end of the year. This was also during the time when MTV once didn't suck. Today, 91X is back to the mid-90s hard rock sound, forcing me to get an mp3 player and leave radio once again, or settle for 94/9, probably the

station that sucks the least right now. Free-FM is dead. Leykis was sort of snobbish for my tastes, but was more interesting to hear that oddball speak his mind. San Diego radio has fallen on hard times. Internet radio is going away in two weeks. A local internet station is biting the dust, one that plays de-mento all the time. Vaginas are all over the FM dial. Dogs and cats are living together in harmony. Paris Hilton is out of jail. These must be the signs of armageddon.

Music Review

Published June 27

Posted by manda on 06/27/07, 5:53 p.m.

May is female. May has hair. May likes music and clothes and stuff. May have tongue. DAMN, haven't seen writing this uninspired since Jr. High.

City Lights, by Joe Deegan
Published June 20

Posted by Merrilee Miller on 06/21/07, 12:15 p.m.

Dear Joe, I would like to thank you and the San Diego Reader, for giving me the platform to tell my story. For the record I would like to make the following corrections: The baseball fields clearly and without question belong to the city of San Diego. It is the land adjacent the baseball fields, as per the SANGIS

map that lies within our property line. The property parcels are 674-010-04-00 & 674-010-09-00. The city of San Diego's litigation guarantee was performed by Chicago Title Co. My 2006 title report was performed by Land America Title Company. All the best, Sincerely, Merrilee Miller

Posted by Marlene Dawson on 06/22/07, 9:12 a.m.

Yes, without question there is corruption occurring with your city officials. As a member of the new generation of title holders in Murray Lake, I must affirm that the city officials have taken advantage not only of my Uncle, who was not competent, but his elderly sib-

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lings who acquired the property after my Uncle's death. As a member of the new title holders, we want the city to do what is right and compensate us for our property or let us use it for the rights outlined in the easement agreement. This is not a situation of adverse possession, such is not possible when there is an easement in place. What has occurred in call inverse condemnation. But, the condemnation has been without compensation. Hopefully, this exposure will cause members of this community to demand answers from their city officials. As it is now, we can't even get proper responses for our requests of public information.

Posted by Donald McLeod on 06/29/07, 7:58 p.m.

I'm a lawyer in British Columbia who just came across this story of outrageous behaviour by the City of San Diego. I find it difficult to believe that our friends to the south, who are held up as the champions of liberty and freedom, could engage in such theft of property and believe they could get away with it. It seems Ms. Miller has done everything correctly and above board, without any sort of deception or trickery, unlike the City. Don't you have any sort of public-interest lawyer group in San Diego that takes on cases such as this simply to protect & preserve individual rights? If this is how the city treats its citizens who can vote, how does it treat its visitors who can't vote? Makes me want to rethink any vacation plans I might have concerning California.

Posted by Another local writer on 06/29/07, 9:57 p.m.

Mr. D. I am a local newspaper writer of another type entirely. Stories of this kind generally bore me but reading this piece of yours closely I see that San Diego is lucky to have you. That letter above from the Canadian Attorney is the kind of feedback every journalist must dream of. I certainly include myself. Congratulations and keep at it.

Dumped
Published June 20

Posted by The Diego's Daze on 06/23/07, 12:51 p.m.

Good story Amy. Yep, you were the "Wednesday night date." It's not uncommon and you did the right thing. I was one of those scumbags in my 20's. In the 80's things were a lot different than today. I remember sleeping with a different woman every night and sometimes three in the same 24 hour period. They call them "players" now. Somehow I managed to keep several of the same girlfriends for several years. Money, cars, and free spending may have helped. But it usually boiled down to getting the woman intoxicated on drinks. So if you're seeing a guy my best advice is meet his parents before you "do him." All the crap will stop there (usually). Because you'll know if he's married, got a boyfriend or if his parents are concerned about his parole requirements. I'm not like that anymore, it's called maturity and most men grow

out of it. But there are plenty out there in their 30's and 40's.

Posted by Dr. Love on 07/1/07, 10:13 a.m.

Why did you wait 3 months to get upset? You didn't see that you were getting played by the 2nd date? Get a clue.

Posted by Lydia on 07/1/07, 11:25 a.m.

Hey Dr. Love, you need to get a clue and read more

carefully. Amy said "I thought, Okay, I can try and do this — even though we are not in love — but I am a liberated woman, and I can do this!" She was EXPERIMENTING, which is what most young women do. Duh! She LEARNED by TRYING it. I bet she learned a lot and was never played or used ever again.

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A guy named Norm Golb just loves to follow these Dead Sea Scrolls around the country and talk about how we've got it all wrong," says Delle Willett, director of marketing for the San Diego Natural History Museum. Written in Hebrew, Greek, and Aramaic, the scrolls, Willett says, "are the Bible. They are the oldest copies of the Hebrew and Christian Old Testament."

Fragments of the scrolls, including sections of Leviticus, Deuteronomy, Psalms, Isaiah, and the Book of War will be on display at the museum through the end of the year.

LOCAL EVENTS

Debates about the origins of the scrolls began in 1947, when a Bedouin shepherd inadvertently discovered a clay jar containing fragments of parchment in a cave in the ancient village of Qumran, located on the northwest shore of the Dead Sea and 13 miles east of Jerusalem in the area now known as the West Bank. The initial, and still most widely accepted, theory was suggested in the early 1950s by scholar and priest Roland de Vaux, who posited that the ruins of Qumran had housed a community for a sect of Essenes, an ascetic group that broke away from traditional Judaism. De Vaux concluded that the scrolls were the community's library and declared one of the larger caves, in which long tables and inkwells were found, a scriptorium for transcribing the ancient texts. In recent years, however, some scholars have begun to question de Vaux's hypothesis.

In his article "The Dead Sea Scrolls

Controversy," anthropologist Steve Mizrach writes, "The objectivity of the scroll researchers on these controversial questions is itself questionable, as de Vaux and many others are members of the École biblique, a [biblical research] institution formed [in 1890] to combat Modernist tendencies in Catholicism and promote pro-Catholic readings of scripture." According to Yitzhak Magen and Yuval Peleg, two archaeologists who conducted an excavation at Qumran for ten years, it is more probable that the Essenes were "one of several groups that wrote the scrolls." They base their findings on the various styles in which the scrolls were written, the fact that some stories contradict others, and physical evidence that, in the period between 250 B.C. and A.D. 68 (in which the scrolls were generated), Qumran was a factory location producing pottery and date honey.

Norman Golb, professor of Jewish history and civilization for the University of Chicago and the author of *Who Wrote the Dead Sea Scrolls?*, is, according to the online Gnostic Society Library, "among the most

vociferous opponents to the classic story of the Scrolls' origins."

Golb asserts that the scrolls were taken from libraries in Jerusalem and hidden in the caves to protect them from the Roman invasion of A.D. 68. He denies the possibility that any sect lived at the site and insists the long tables found in the "scriptorium" were dining tables and that the "inkwells" were perfume bottles.

The scribes, says Willett, were "a break-off group who called themselves the Sons of Light." The term "Essenes" will not be used in the exhibit. "That's another part of the controversy — were they Essenes or just people? There are people all the time that run off and start their own communities."

Because certain texts reflect the stories and style of the New Testament, some scholars theorize that Jesus and John the Baptist were involved with one of the sects by the Dead Sea. In her summary of the scrolls for the *infoplease.com* almanac, Holly Hartman writes, "This debate has furthered speculation about the historical Jesus, such as the claim that he was a Zealot rather than a pacifist, a theory that does not fit with the New Testament tradition but does fit with the history of this period." Willett explains, "The only thing close [to Jesus in the scrolls] is

that these people were looking for salvation, waiting for a messiah, for someone to come and make things better. But in the terminology of the time, 'messiah' was more a political leader than a god."

Hartman sheds light on another possible misinterpretation of the Bible as we know it: "One of the most important discoveries in the scrolls has been the use of the name Son of God to refer to someone other than Jesus, implying a cultural use of the term that was not itself synonymous with God."

A series of lectures coincides with the exhibit, many of which will highlight controversies surrounding the scrolls. "In the long run," says Willett, "it doesn't really matter who wrote them. The scrolls are the scrolls; they're still the basis of Judaism and Christianity. Is the stuff that a man named Shakespeare wrote good or not? Maybe he didn't write [those plays], maybe Leonardo da Vinci didn't paint the *Mona Lisa*, but it's still what it is."

— Barbarella

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BAJA

"Aburrida en Bouveret," Alejandra Maldonado discusses new

book, Thursday, July 5, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

"Swan Lake," Baja California Dance Company presents *El Lago de los Cisnes*, Thursday–Saturday, July 5–7, 8 p.m., at Parque de la Amistad in Mesa Otay. \$10 U.S. 011-52-664-684-5487. (TIJUANA)

Mexican Films in the 1970s discussed by Marina Stavenhagen, Friday, July 6, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. Free. (TIJUANA)

Austin TV and Lhabia plan rock concert, Friday, July 6, 9 p.m., at Box Underground, Jai Alai Palace (on Avenida Revolución). \$15. 619-734-2333. (TIJUANA)

"Bulls, Wine, Pasta, and Jazz" all promised at L.A. Cetto Winery (at km 73.5 on Ensenada-Tecate Highway 3) on Saturday, July 7, 1 p.m. \$45 U.S. 011-52-664-685-3031. (GUADALUPE VALLEY)

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Matadors Jesús Solórzano, Manolo Arruza, José "El Capitan" Antonio Ramírez, and Manuel Capetillo Jr. meet up with bulls from Garfias on Saturday, July 7, 2 p.m., at L.A. Cetto Winery (at km 73.5 on Ensenada-Tecate Highway 3). 011-52-664-685-3031. (GUADALUPE VALLEY)

La Bufadora Kayak Fishing Tournament — anglers with kayaks, nonmotorized canoes compete for trophies in bottom and surface fishing categories at Rancho La Bufadora (22 miles south of Ensenada, near tip of Punta Banda peninsula) on Sunday, July 8. Start: 6:30 a.m. at boat launch ramp near dive shop; final weigh-in: 1 p.m. \$25 entry fee. 011-52-646-947-8888. (ENSENADA)

Tijuana's Anniversary celebration includes athletic festival, Sun-

day, July 8, 7 a.m., at Unidad CREA in Zona Río. 011-52-664-215-9000. (TIJUANA)

The First Cities in Baja California are subject when Antonio Padilla Corona and David Piñera Ramírez present lecture, Tuesday, July 10, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río, 011-52-664-687-9636). (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

June Bugs in July? June bugs are emerging as summer's warmth is finally upon us. The green June beetle, only one of some 300 species of scarab beetles found in Southern California, flashes a metallic green underbelly as its buzzes about erratically. The mature scarabs flying about have spent at least a year underground in larval form munching at the roots of lawns or your favorite ornamental plants.

Native Lilies, such as the Humboldt lily, are blooming this month in widely scattered locations throughout San Diego County's higher mountains. To find them take a walk on the Noble Canyon Trail in the Laguna Mountains or explore the pine woodlands of Palomar Mountain and Cuyamaca Rancho state parks. The large, nodding flowers of the lilies — orange or yellow with brown spots — grow in clusters on stems two to eight feet tall.

The Heat of Summer will most likely reach its feverish peak in inland San Diego County during July. (Coastal San Diego is different: since its weather is greatly affected by the slowly warming mass of ocean water adjacent to it, coastal temperatures usually peak in August or September.) The weather station at Borrego Springs commonly measures midsummer highs in the 110s Fahrenheit (the record high is 122°, a reading set on June 25, 1990), but certain locales in the low-lying, barren basins of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park — notably the Borrego and Carrizo Badlands — probably experience even higher temperatures. Overnight camping in the desert in summer is relatively care-free — little or no shelter is needed, and early-morning temperatures are delightfully tepid. Prospective explorers of the desert in summer should take along enormous quantities of water and inform a responsible person of their whereabouts.

Trail-Repair Work in Paso Picacho at Cuyamaca Rancho State Park continues on Saturday, July 7, 8 a.m. Bring work shoes, gloves, hat, water, snack. Group gathers at Paso Picacho campground maintenance area behind fire department building. For those 16 and older with a parent.

Free. Registration: 619-341-1746. (CUYAMACA RANCHO STATE PARK)

Whelan Lake Bird Walk, see many different species during walk hosted by Buena Vista Audubon Society to scope out avian migrants, Saturday, July 7, 8 a.m. Free. Directions: 760-941-7824. (OCEANSIDE)

Guided Nature Walk, Saturday, July 7, 9:30 a.m., in Marian Bear Memorial Park (at west side of park, at Regents Road entrance). Free. 858-581-9944. Bring binoculars, drinking water. (CLAIREMONT)

Snowy-White Blossoms of buckwheat blanket trails during guided nature walks on Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, July 7, 8, and 11, in Mission Trails Regional Park (One Father Junipero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3281. (SAN CARLOS)

History Walk, Offshoot Tours offers hour-long history walk, blending Balboa Park history with its wealth of architectural and botanical treasures, Saturday, July 7, 10 a.m., from visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

Learn About Geology and Erosion of Beaches and bluffs while enjoying Fletcher Cove with geotechnical engineer Joe Vettel on Saturday, July 7, 10:30 a.m. Slow-paced activity suitable for range of ages, abilities. Also see newly renovated park. Free outing starts at 10:30 a.m. at Fletcher Cove playground, 111 South Sierra Street. 858-344-5490. (SOLANA BEACH)

Stargazing in the San Pasqual Valley, Saturday, July 7, at San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park (16666 San Pasqual Valley Road). Astronomy professor Mark Lane leads "voyage of the cosmos" beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by stargazing. Free. 619-884-5527. (ESCONDIDO)

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Birding the Marsh, Chula Vista Nature Center hosts guided bird-watching hikes around Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, July 8, 11 a.m. Free. Reservations: 619-409-5900. (CHULA VISTA)

The Planet Venus reaches “greatest brilliancy” on Wednesday, July 11, blazing like crazy in the western sky after the sun goes down. Venus’s tenure in the evening sky is rapidly drawing to a close. By late July, Venus will become lost from easy sight in the glare of the sun. After reaching inferior conjunction with the sun in mid-August, Venus will speed toward easy visibility as a “morning star” in the east by late August.

DANCE

Flight Path makes music, JoAnn Koppany calls for contradance, Friday, July 6, 8 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Beginners’ dance workshop: 7:30 p.m. \$7. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

Tango-Hop, dance to big-band swing, Argentine tango, and a social dance mix every Friday, 8 p.m.–midnight, in Mission Room, upstairs at Mission Valley Resort Hotel (875 Hotel Circle South). Lindy hop and Argentine tango lessons by Jerry MacCormack throughout evening. \$8. 858-735-4159. (MISSION VALLEY)

Balkan Music by Los Angeles band Veselba promised for dancing on Saturday, July 7, 7 p.m., at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street). Mady Taylor teaches several dances. \$10. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

USA Dance Party with wide variety of music, first Saturday of each month, including July 7, at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). Lessons at 7 p.m., dancing 8–11 p.m. All ages, abilities. \$7. 760-525-5124. (ENCINITAS)

ROAM-O-RAMA

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

Pyles Peak is a prominent bump in the series of mountaintops stretching between Cowles Mountain in the south and Fortuna Mountain in the north. Collectively, these high points constitute the spine and centerpiece of the 5700-acre Mission Trails Regional Park, which lies between the cities of Santee and San Diego. Just north of Pyles Peak, there’s a deep notch in the range where Mission Gorge Road passes through, and farther north is an even deeper cleft — Mission Gorge — where the San Diego River spent millions of years carving its way clear through the steadily rising (in geologic time, of course) chain of peaks.



Cowles Mountain, rising above the marine layer

A somewhat long and tiring out-and-back trek can get you to the rocky summit of Pyles Peak, where you can enjoy a well-earned view in every direction. The total elevation gain and loss is substantial: 2000 vertical feet. For summer hiking it’s best to get a very early start to

take advantage of the cool marine-layer clouds, which may not “burn off” until 8 or 9 a.m. Be sure to take along plenty of drinking water.

First, climb to the summit of Cowles Mountain by way of the Cowles Mountain Trail. This very popular route starts at the corner of Navajo Road and Golfcrest Drive and crookedly ascends the southwest slope. (Note: This trail is undergoing badly needed maintenance this summer, and may be briefly closed.) At the edge of the service road, which passes just north of the Cowles summit, find and follow the signed trail leading north toward Pyles Peak. You leave about 98 percent of the hiker traffic behind as you begin a serene descent to a saddle just north of the Cowles summit.

From the saddle you rise again, bending around some switchback corners on the west slope to gain the ridgeline about midway between the Cowles summit and Pyles Peak. You pass a side-trail leading east to a rather modest view point, good for some privacy perhaps, but little else. The Pyles Peak trail continues north, a little to the west of the ridgeline, and gradually loses elevation. Chaparral-clad slopes fall away on your left to the curving streets and toylike houses of suburbia, which seem to lap at the foot of the mountain. On mornings when a low-elevation marine layer blankets the lowland and the suburban sprawl disappears, the distant, rum-

bling roar of traffic floats up and reminds you of your place amid the city.

Nearing Pyles Peak, you reach a saddle where the trail bends left and contours west. After another 0.1 mile you come to a junction. The trail straight ahead leads to a nearby dead-end and a fence that discourages further travel in that direction. The trail to the right heads straight up to the Pyles Peak summit, 0.2 mile away.

You’ve come 2.6 miles; backtrack on the same route to return.

This article contains information about a publicly owned recreation or wilderness area. Trails and pathways are not necessarily marked. Conditions can change rapidly. Hikers should be properly equipped and have safety and navigational skills. The *Reader* and Jerry Schad assume no responsibility for any adverse experience.

PYLES PEAK

Hike along the Cowles Mountain crest to reach a seldom-visited viewpoint in Mission Trails Regional Park.

Distance from downtown San Diego: 14 miles

Hiking length: 5.2 miles round trip

Difficulty: Moderately strenuous



Belly Dance Show by Marianna, Saturday, July 7, 9 p.m., at Cafe Delight (4646 Park Boulevard). No cover, “just enjoy the food.” 619-298-5248. (SAN DIEGO)

Honoring Departed Family and Friends Through Dance, Bon Odori (Festival of Joy) dance lessons offered at Buddhist Temple of San Diego (2929 Market Street). Classes offered at 10:45 a.m. on Sundays, July 8, 15, and 22; and at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, July 11, 18,

25, August 1. Practices last two hours. Fans, towels, ribbon sticks provided. Free. 619-239-0896. (GOLDEN HILL)

Sunday Zapateado, Ballet Folklórico in Aztlán performs dances from different states of Mexico each month at Centro Cultural de la Raza (2125 Park Boulevard). Enjoy dancing from Nuevo León on Sunday, July 8, 2 p.m. Free. 619-235-6135. (BALBOA PARK)

English Country Dancing with calling by Chris and Karin, Sunday, July 8, 6–9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). \$6. 858-676-9731. (POWAY)

FILM

Movies in the Park series concludes with *E.T. the Extraterrestrial* on Thursday, July 5, 8 p.m., at Fall-

brook Community Center (341 Heald Lane). Bring picnic, blanket. Free; donations appreciated. 760-728-1671. (FALLBROOK)

Cinema under the Stars, see *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*, with Harrison Ford and Sean Connery in search of the Holy Grail, Thursday–Sunday, July 5–8. Screenings start at 8:30 p.m. at Tops (4040 Goldfinch Street). \$12.50. 619-295-4221. (MISSION HILLS)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Dinosaurs Alive, The Alps: Giants of Nature, Coral Reef Adventure*. “Fridays at the Fleet” showcases *Island of the Sharks* (6 p.m.) and *Everest* (7 p.m.) on July 6. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Celebrate “Independents Week” with screening of *Independent America: The Two-Lane Search for Mom and Pop*, Saturday, July 7, 8 p.m., at Jungle Java (5047 Newport Avenue). “Documentary uncovers a growing discontent with corporate America and a growing movement toward ‘local’ in communities across the country.” Free. 619-223-2382. (OCEAN BEACH)

Up for an “Odyssey of Anxiety and Disconnect”? See Peter Kuipers’s *Offscreen* when the “parable for the age of anxiety” screens for Film Forum at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street) on Monday, July 9, 6:30 p.m. 619-236-5800. In Dutch with English subtitles. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

“Helvetica,” feature-length independent film about typography, graphic design, and global visual culture screens Tuesday, July 10, 6 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Film chronicles “proliferation of one typeface (which will celebrate its 50th birthday in 2007) as part of a larger conversation about the way type affects our lives.” Interviewees include illustrious and innovative names in the design world.

Reception at St. James Hall (743 Prospect Street), with music, light appetizers, beverages precedes screening. Director Gary Hustwit will be on hand to answer questions after screening. \$25 general. 619-233-5470. (LA JOLLA)

“Standing Silent Nation” chronicles a Lakota family’s troubles with DEA over attempts to harvest industrial hemp. Courtney Hermann’s film screens for Wednesday, July 11, 6:30 p.m., for Film Forum at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Discussion follows. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Movies in the Park series continues with dancing penguins and

- Willie Nelson** July 12
- Beach Boys** July 13, 14
- Aly & AJ** July 15
- American Idols** July 19
- Dream Theatre** July 24
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Happy Feet on Thursday, July 12, at dusk, at Lindo Lake Park (9841 Vine Street). Bring picnic, blanket. Free. 619-443-4169. (LAKESIDE)

Parking Lot Pictures, Raising Arizona is 20 years old! Catch screening of Joel and Ethan Coen's madcap comedy with Nicholas Cage, Holly Hunter, and John Goodman on Thursday, July 12, 8 p.m., in parking lot at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Bring a lawn chair, blanket. Free. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

LECTURES

Behavior of Prisoners Faking Insanity to avoid prison is discussed by psychiatrist Dr. Sidney Bolter when *Sisters in Crime* gather on Thursday, July 5. Meeting starts at 7 p.m. at Joyce Beers Community Center (1010 University Avenue). \$3. 858-748-6842. (HILLCREST)

"Design Matters: The Work of Dominic Riley, Artist Book-binder" illuminated by Riley himself, Friday, July 6, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). The artist learned bookbinding at age 16 from Benedictine monks and at London College of Printing, spent the last ten years teaching and restoring rare books in San Francisco, now has a bindery in England's Lake District. Free. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Pine Needle Basketry skills taught Saturday, July 7, 9:30 a.m., Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Learn to weave "a small, useful, and decorative pine needle basket." Bring thimble, sack lunch. \$60 fee includes materials. Reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

Clear Sky Mind, meditation course outlining benefits of meditation, how to meditate, establish-

ing successful meditation practice, Saturday, July 7, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at Vajrapurini Center (3344 Fourth Avenue). \$25. 619-692-3676. (HILLCREST)

Picking Up Where Gore Left Off, Lisa Shaffer, executive director of UCSD Environment and Sustainability Initiative, presents "The Climate Crisis: Answer the Call," Sunday, July 8, 1 p.m., in Bard Hall at First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego (4190 Front Street). Slide-illustrated lecture is free. 619-298-9978. (HILLCREST)

"Stories from Our Collections: From Bones to Beads," senior physical anthropology curator Rose Tyson will recount anecdotes of museum's artifacts for 12 O'Clock Scholar program at San Diego Museum of Man on Monday, July 9. \$8. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

"Designing with Succulents" is topic when Debra Lee Baldwin speaks of varieties and care for San

Diego Horticultural Society, Monday, July 9, 6 p.m., in Surfside Race Place at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Plant forum follows. Free. 760-295-7089. (DEL MAR)

"Live from Gakkel Ridge," Scripps researcher Donna Blackman will talk live by satellite phone to scientists aboard Swedish ice-breaker *Oden* on location in Arctic Ocean during "Perspectives on Ocean Science" lecture, Monday, July 9, 6:30 p.m., at Birch Aquarium at Scripps (2300 Expedition Way). The scientists are using robotic instruments in search of hydrothermal vents on bottom of Arctic Ocean. \$8. Required reservations: 858-534-5771. (LA JOLLA)

"The Four Cornerstones of Socially Responsible Investing" explained by Xavier-Yves Halász, Monday, July 9, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-238-6630. (DOWNTOWN)

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BOOK IN HAND: CLEMENTINE CHURCHILL: BIOGRAPHY OF A MARRIAGE



1. What book are you currently reading? What page are you on?
Clementine Churchill: Biography of a Marriage by Mary Soames
Page 222 — about 11 years into the marriage

2. Tell us a little about the book.
It's wonderful. It's about the relationship between Winston Churchill and his wife Clementine, written by one of their children.

3. What do you make of the argument?
The book is full of tenderness — the relationship between the Churchills is wonderful.

4. Favorite characters?
Winston and Clementine, of course. Clementine calls him "Pug" and he calls her "Cat." Clementine would draw a cat next to her signature.

5. What about the style — language easy to understand? Favorite passages?
It's very well written. They wrote letters to each other while he was away at war. The letters really bring the relationship to life. In one passage, for example, Winston closes his letter with

several "kisses" and "hugs." He then tells her to "use them sparingly because they are of good stock."
[Several passages in the reader's copy are highlighted. She selects an excerpt from a letter from Clementine to her husband, after she has forgotten their anniversary:] "I love to feel that I am a comfort in your rather tumultuous life. My Darling, you have been the great event in mine. You took me . . . with you into the life and colour and jostle of the high-way. . . Eleven years more and we shall be quite middle-aged. But I have been happier every year since we started."

6. Compare this book with others you have read.
A couple of other historical books I've enjoyed are Doris Kearns Goodwin's *No Ordinary Time* and [Candice] Millard's *River of Doubt*. I liked *River of Doubt* a lot. It's about Theodore Roosevelt's trip down the Amazon. It was a study in disaster — everything that could go wrong, did.

A very good read.
Other recommendations: Gregory Maguire's *Wicked* and [Colm Tóibín's] *The Master*, a fictional biography of Henry James. It [was on the shortlist for] the Booker Prize.

7. Tell us what book or other work has been the most life-changing for you. Why?
Life and Death in Shanghai by Nien Cheng. It's the story of what the author experienced during the Cultural Revolution in China from 1966–1976. It affected me because it's about a woman's inner strength — what she endured during her imprisonment (she was a prisoner for about ten years), what happened to her and her family. She would not give in.

8. Tell us about your favorite author(s).
I'll have to think about that for a minute. I like Wallace Stegner, [Nelson] DeMille, [David] Baldacci. I like

Stegner because of his descriptive passages. I like the other two because they're fast-paced. I particularly enjoyed *The Winner* (about a lottery winner) and *Hour Game* by Baldacci.

9. What magazines or newspapers do you read? How many articles do you read to the end?
The Economist, *Atlantic Monthly*, *New York Times*, *Focus*....
It depends on the magazine. I read about 40 percent of the articles in the magazine, and I read them all the way through.

10. Tell us about your friends you talk to about your reading. What are their tastes like? What are your conversations like?
I don't have a reading club; I talk about books with my friends. Their tastes are similar to mine — mix of fiction and nonfiction, bestsellers. We talk about why we like what we're reading, characters, relationships, action.

of U.S. Coast Guard auxiliary starts Monday, July 9, 7:30 p.m., at San Diego County Health Building (3851 Rosecrans Street). Nine-week course covers the right boat for you, equipment, trailering, rules of road, inland boating. \$25 fee for text. Registration: 619-446-2145. (SAN DIEGO)

"State Census Records" discussed by Phyliss Young when

Computer-Oriented Genealogy Group of North San Diego County Genealogical Society gathers, Tuesday, July 10, 1 p.m., in Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 760-630-5720. (CARLSBAD)

"Knowledge Is Hope" is theme for lecture series continuing when Joy Hamer focuses on melanoma, Tuesday, July 10, 6 p.m., at Sidney

Kimmel Cancer Center (10905 Road to the Cure). Free. 858-450-5990 x243. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Interrobang Lecture Series features Steve Badanes, Tuesday, July 10, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). "Interrobang" is said to indicate "an interdisciplinary event highlighting the ex-

clamation and explanation of design." \$18. 619-232-0109. (LA JOLLA)

Intro to Backpacking Clinics slated for Wednesday, July 11, at REI stores. Backpacking essentials imparted — internal or external-frame pack, proper clothing, required gear. Talks begin at 7 p.m. at REI Chula Vista (Otay Ranch Town Center, 2015 Birch Road, 619-591-4924), at REI Encinitas

(1590 Leucadia Boulevard, 760-944-9020), and REI San Diego (5556 Copley Drive, 858-279-4400). Free. (CHULA VISTA, ENCINITAS, KEARNY MESA)

"Supernovas, Neutron Stars, and Black Holes" are topic for "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, Wednesday, July 11, 7 p.m. View real sky through telescopes (weather per-

mitting) after show. \$8.50 general. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Learn Meditations to Relieve Stress during workshop on "Stress, Meditation, and Choice" led by "authorized meditation teacher" Michael Klarreich, Thursday, July 12, 7 p.m., at Controversial Bookstore (3063 University Avenue). Participants will "develop a plan to use meditation,

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“New American Censorship,” Peter Phillips, director of Project Censored and sociology professor at Sonoma State University, speaks Wednesday, July 25, 7 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego (4190 Front Street). Project Censored receives between 700 and 1000 stories each year; participants review story submissions for coverage, content, reliability of sources, and national significance and select 25 for inclusion in *Censored: Media Democracy in Action*. Booksigning follows. Donation. 858-459-4650. (HILLCREST)

IN PERSON

Sam Johnson’s Original Jazz Quartet plays jazz originals “in the styles of modal jazz” and jazz fusion for First Thursday Concert in Escondido Library’s Turrentine Room (239 South Kalmia Street) on July 5, 7 p.m. Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

“The Living Newspaper 2007 Summer Edition” with original satire of current events is presented by Black Kat Theatre Company. Performances at 8 p.m. on July 5 and 6 at the Hole (2820 Lytton Street).

Production moves to North Park Vaudeville (2031 El Cajon Boulevard) for performances at 8 p.m. on July 13, 14, 20, and 21. Tickets: \$10. 619-645-1158. (POINT LOMA, NORTH PARK)

World-Beat Music and Dance — Damaru performs with guests Sene Africa, dancer Suzanne Forbes, Thursday, July 5, 8 p.m., at Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). Donation: \$5. 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

Miss Halfway! Anya Marina performs Friday, July 6, 6 p.m., for Concert on the Green at Prescott Promenade (2111Z2 East Main Street). Bill includes Kyle Phelan and Steph Johnson. Free. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

Ruby and the Red Hots take stage for TGIF Jazz in the Parks series, Friday, July 6, 6 p.m., at Stagecoach Park (3420 Camino de los Coches). Shuttle service, 5–9 p.m., from La Costa Canyon High School (3451 Camino de los Coches). 760-434-2904. Free. (CARLSBAD)

Summer in the Park concert series features the 145th Street Band playing electric blues and rock, Friday, July 6, 6 p.m., at Trolley Barn Park (1900 Adams Avenue, at Florida Street). 619-297-3166. Free. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

“What Are the Dead Sea Scrolls and Why Do They Matter?” Daniel Freedman discusses and signs his book, Friday, July 6, 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (11160 Rancho Carmel Drive). Free. 858-618-1814. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

“Abbamania” hits San Diego Symphony Summer Pops on Friday and Saturday, July 6 and 7. Evenings conclude with fireworks. Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. (gates open 6 p.m.) at Embarcadero Marina Park South (206 Marina Park Way). Single tickets: \$12–\$85,

available by calling 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Clean Comedy! Comic Ron McGeehee and 321 Improv ensemble perform Friday, July 6, 7:30 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). \$35. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Isn’t That Special? Comedic actor Dana Carvey takes stage on Friday, July 6, 8 p.m., for Humphrey’s Concerts by the Bay (2241 Shelter Island Drive). Tickets: \$60 general, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SHELTER ISLAND)

“Summer at the Brubeck: A Festival of One-Acts” presented July 6–8 in Howard Brubeck Theatre at Palomar College (1140 West Mission Road). Festival is culmination of acting and directing intensive designed by Francis Gercke of New Village Arts. See *Bus Riley’s Back in Town* by William Inge, Shirley Lauro’s *Railing It Uptown* and *The Sorrows of Elva* by Gus Edwards. Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$12 general. 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

Author James Rollins signs *Judas Strain*, Saturday, July 7, 2 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (11160 Rancho Carmel Drive). Free. 858-618-1814. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Talent Showcase sponsored by San Diego Community Housing Coalition, Saturday, July 7, 2 p.m., at Malcolm X Library (5148 Market Street). Tickets: \$5 for those 14 and older, \$2 for younger people. 619-263-8819. (SOUTHEAST SAN DIEGO)

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The Coyote Problem performs for summer concert series at Bird Park (at 28th and Thorn Streets) on Saturday, July 7, 5:30 p.m. 619-204-5606. No alcohol, glass, grills, unleashed dogs. Free. (NORTH PARK)

“A Night of Guitars, Harmonicas, Folk Music, the blues, and a lucky 777 day” promised when folk singer/guitarist Allen Singer and Dane Terry perform for San Diego Folk Heritage, Saturday, July 7, 7:30 p.m., at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$15. 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

Jazz Man Jaime Valle performs for San Diego Folk Heritage, Saturday, July 7, 7:30 p.m., at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$15. 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

Comedy Hypnosis Shows presented by James Kellogg Jr. on Sat-

urdays in July, 8 p.m., at Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way). \$25. 619-445-6002. (DEHESA)

“Hellapalooza 3” promised for Technomania Circus, Saturday, July 7, 8 p.m., at Center for Amusing Arts (2438 Commercial Street). “Swing Shift Side Show” from Las Vegas, as well as “most original bizarre sideshow, performance artists, and circus entertainment.” \$15. 619-231-1950. Warm clothing recommended. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

Working Cowboy Band performs for La Jolla Concerts by the Sea in Scripps Park at La Jolla Cove, Sunday, July 8, 2 p.m. Free. 858-454-1600. (LA JOLLA)

Summer Sunday Concerts by the Sea at Moonlight Beach get underway with reggae by Kyng Arthur, Sunday, July 8, 3-5 p.m. Dogs, alcohol, glass prohibited on beach, located at western foot of Encinitas Boulevard. Free. 760-633-2740. (ENCINITAS)

Westwind Brass plays for “Music in the Park” series, Sunday, July 8, 5 p.m., at Veterans Park (785 East Palomar Street). Free. 619-585-5682. (CHULA VISTA)

Sundays at Six, Ron Jermain Big Band takes stage, July 8, 6 p.m., at Harry Griffen Park Amphitheatre

OUT & ABOUT

PORTUGUESE PERFECTION

Mariza for San Diego Symphony Summer Pops, Thursday, July 12.

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(9550 Milden Street). Free. 619-667-1300. (LA MESA)

Twilight in the Park summer concert series continues when Bi-National Mambo Orchestra performs on Tuesday, July 10; Rey Vinole plays swing on Wednesday, July 11; and Cool Fever takes stage on Thursday, July 12. Concerts run from 6:15-7:15 p.m. in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Laugh Out Loud when Ralphie Mae of “Last Comic Standing” performs Tuesday, July 10, 7:30 p.m., at Pala Casino (11154 Highway 76). Tickets: \$25, avail-

able through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (PALA)

“4x4,” Sushi Performance and Visual Art’s performance series continues Tuesday, July 10, 8 p.m., at Bluefoot Bar and Lounge (3404 30th Street). Participants present new or in-progress works in “alternative, casual social setting”; all pieces low-tech, limited to ten minutes, performed on 4’ x 4’ stage. 21 and older. Suggested donation: \$5. 619-235-8466. (NORTH PARK)

The Royal Crown Revue performs for KSDS-Jazz 88’s Jazz Live series, Tuesday, July 10, 8 p.m., in Saville Theater at City College

(1313 Park Boulevard). Line-up includes Eddie Nichols (vocals), Mando Dorame (tenor sax), Jim Jedeikin (baritone/alto sax), Scott Steen (trumpet), Mark Cally (guitar), Dave Miller (bass), Daniel Glass (drums). \$10. 619-388-3037. Concert may be heard broadcast live on KSDS, 88.3 FM. (DOWNTOWN)

Jazz in the Park series continues with concert by Monty Alexander Trio on Wednesday, July 11, 5:30 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Trio includes bassist Hassan Shakur, drummer Herlin Riley. \$20. Reservations: 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Author Norma Watts discusses, signs *The Art of Nameology*, Wednesday, July 11, 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1905 Calle Barcelona, 760-479-0242). Free. (LA COSTA)

The Musical Comedy *Little Mary Sunshine* presented by recently formed C. Hook Theater Group at Salvation Army Kroc Community Center Performing Arts Theatre (6611 University Avenue). Campy fun for the whole family! Curtain rises at 7 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, July 11-14, with 1 p.m. matinees on Friday and Saturday, July 13 and 14. \$10. 619-465-9252, 619-464-2734. (ROLANDO)

Portuguese Perfection! Mariza performs traditional and contemporary songs for San Diego Symphony Summer Pops on Thursday, July 12, 7:30 p.m., at Embarcadero Marina Park South (206 Marina Park Way). Evening concludes with fireworks. Gates open at 6 p.m. Single tickets: \$12-\$85, available by calling 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

“A Night of Comedy” for those 21 and older, Thursday, July 12, 8 p.m., at 4th & B (345 B Street). Tickets: \$5, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Rootsy, Countrified Rock may be heard when Maria McKee (formerly of Lone Justice) performs for AcousticMusicSanDiego on Saturday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). Tickets: \$18, \$22, \$47 (dinner package). 619-303-8176. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

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SPORTS

San Diego Padres host Florida Marlins on Thursday, July 5, 12:35 p.m., in Petco Park. Home series continues with games against Atlanta Braves, July 6-8, at 7:05 p.m. on Friday, 12:35 p.m. Saturday, 5:05 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$8-\$67. 619-795-5005. (EAST VILLAGE)

Guajome Lakes 5K Run/Walk and kids’ 1-mile fun run is Saturday, July 7, 8 a.m., at Guajome Lakes Regional Park (3000 Guajome Lake Road). Registration for this cross-country race begins at 7 a.m. 760-630-1344. (OCEANSIDE)

Kayak the Calm Waters of La Jolla during outing hosted by Birch Aquarium-Museum, Saturday, July 7, 8-11 a.m. Scripps naturalists team with instructors from Ocean Enterprises Express to guide paddlers from La Jolla Shores to La Jolla Cove caves. Beginners welcome; for those ten and older. \$60. Reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

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Snorkel with Harmless Leopard Sharks and smooth hound sharks at La Jolla Shores on Sunday, July 8, 8–10 a.m., during outing hosted by Birch Aquarium-Museum. \$30. For those ten and older. Reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Elfin Forest Bicycle Ride (68 miles) hosted by San Diego Bicycle Touring Society starts at 8:45 a.m. on Sunday, July 8, in Doyle Park (8175 Regents Road). Free. 858-277-7499. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

America's Cup Finals hosted by San Diego Polo Club, Sunday, July 8. Preliminary matches at 1:30 p.m., feature match at 3 p.m. General admission is \$5, as is parking. The club meets at 14555 El Camino Real. 858-481-9217. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Tuesday Night Bicycle Racing continues through September 4 at San Diego Velodrome (2221 Morley Field Drive). Racing starts at 6:30 p.m. Free for spectators. 619-573-4953. (BALBOA PARK)

Vigilucci's World Beach Bocce Ball Championship XXVII with many divisions for experienced

and novice players is Saturday, July 14, all day long at Dog Beach (at mouth of San Dieguito River). Benefits Boys and Girls Clubs of Carlsbad. Entry fee: \$125 per team. 760-729-0207. (DEL MAR)

SPECIAL

"On Your Own Time": The National Arts Program Exhibition at Carlsbad for City of Carlsbad employees and their families may be seen through Sunday, July 22, in Cannon Art Gallery at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). 760-602-2021. (LA COSTA)

Calling All Harry Potter Fans! San Diego State University Library plans series of brown-bag book discussions of each title in J.K. Rowling's series, every Thursday through July 26, noon, in room 430/431 of SDSU Library. Bring lunch, a book, comments and questions for discussion of each book, starting with first in series and ending with discussion of final book (the week after its release). Costumes welcome. Free. 619-594-5148, 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

Get Graphic during TNT (Thursday Night Thing) on July 5, with inspiration from work of artist Ryan McGinness. Local design icons Don Hollis and Dylan Jones plan discussion on graphic art — old and new, corporate, underground; interactive art-making activities; live music by the Brisbanes, the Prayers. Shindig starts at 7 p.m. at Museum of Contem-

porary Art San Diego (1001 Kettner Boulevard). Donation: \$3. 858-454-3541. (DOWNTOWN)

"Understanding Islam" is goal for P&R discussion group on Thursday, July 5, 7 p.m., at Other Side Coffee House. Free. 619-370-1027. (NORTH PARK)

Dog Days! Wags for Wishes dog show hosted by Make-a-Wish Foundation, Friday–Sunday, July 6–8, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., at Del Mar Horsepark (14550 El Camino Real). Over 1500 dogs expected to compete in events including agility, herding, flyball, lure coursing, carting, disc dogs, dock dogs, Jack Russell Terrier events, obedience and conformation; pet-related vendors. Admission: \$5 general, free for those 12 and younger; parking: \$8. 858-707-9474. (DEL MAR)

Alley Cat Art Walk, Friday and Saturday, July 6 and 7, 4–9 p.m., at Arts Alley (in alleyway/pedestrian mall between East Main Street and Rea Avenue). Enjoy gallery openings, art, music, food, art demonstrations. Free. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

It's Ladies' Night for Cruisin' Grand on July 6. Events held every Friday through September 28, 5–9 p.m. Over 400 pre-1974 American-made hot rods, custom, vintage, classic cars and trucks participate in cruise loop running down Grand Avenue and back up Second Avenue. Free viewing. 760-745-8877. (ESCONDIDO)

"Na Mea Hana Lima," Hui o Hawaii of San Diego and Ahahui Kiwila Hawaii of San Diego host Hawaiian cultural fair, July 7 and 8,

at San Diego Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club (2606 North Mission Bay Drive). Workshops: ukulele, hula, lauhala weaving, leiulu and ipu, lei making, imu-style pig. Food and craft vendor booths, live entertainment. Festival opens at 9 a.m. both days, closes at 6 p.m. on Saturday, 4 p.m. on Sunday. \$5 per day. 619-306-9817. (MISSION BAY)

Jewelry Market with work by 12 artists, Saturday and Sunday, July 7 and 8, 10 a.m.–4 p.m., at St. James gift shop (743 Prospect Street). Free admission. 858-456-1105. (LA JOLLA)

"Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature" continues with a look at *The Dybbuk: Between Two Worlds: A Legend in Four Acts* by S. Ansky, Sunday, July 8, 1 p.m., in 201 West Commons at San Diego State University. Discussion led by Ellen Zyroff. Program hosted by San Diego County Library and four community partners. Free. 858-694-2484. (SDSU)

Celebrate Bastille Day (early) when House of France hosts lawn program with native dances, music, and costumes at International Cottages, Sunday, July 8, 2 p.m. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

What Is Life? What Is Death? Discuss such philosophical questions when Objectivist Discussion Group meets to examine Nathaniel Branden's *Divine Right of Stagnation* (1963), Sunday, July 8, 6 p.m., at Claire de Lune Coffee Lounge (2906 University Avenue). Newcomers welcome. Free. 619-277-5840. (NORTH PARK)

Nostalgic Thunder Showcase promised for Cajon Classic Cruise car show on Wednesday, July 11, 5–8 p.m., on East Main Street. Cruise nights continue on Wednesdays through September 7. Free. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

"The Demographic Transition: Guarantor of Mediocrity?" Explore the subject on Thursday, July 12, 7 p.m., at Other Side Coffee House (4096 30th Street). Free. 619-370-1027. (NORTH PARK)

Circus Vargas raises its big top — handmade in Milan, Italy — for performances July 12–16 at Oceanside Valley Drive-In (3480 Mission Avenue). Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday; 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. on Friday; 2, 4:30, 7:30 p.m. on Saturday; 1:30, 4, 7 p.m. on Sunday; 4:30 and 7 p.m. on Monday. Tickets: 877-468-3861. (OCEANSIDE)

FOR KIDS

"Big Joe's Fireworks" continue to go off when Big Joe Productions perform through Sunday, July 8, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: *Big Foot: The Musical*, presented by Old Fashioned Kite-Flying Puppeteers, July 11–15.

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 Triple-Decker Knight Bus from *Harry Potter* books visits Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway) on Thursday, July 5, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. (only preselected sweepstakes winners board bus). Activities: magicians, face painting, arts and crafts, Harry Potter games. Free. 619-238-6620. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Creatures of the Night" imparted by Secrets of the Garden, Friday, July 6, 6 p.m., at Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Enjoy a story about mysterious creatures who visit garden at night, explore garden "using your senses," eat a snack, take home a "creative set of nocturnal ears." For kids three–five years old with an adult. \$15 per adult/child couple, \$8 per extra adult or child. Reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

Isn't It Funny How a Bear Likes Honey? Musical version of *Winnie-the-Pooh* is current production for San Diego Junior Theatre, continuing through July 15 in Casa del Prado Theater. For all ages. Curtain rises at 7 p.m. on Fridays; 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Performance on July 14 is ASL interpreted. Tickets: \$8–\$13. Reservations: 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

Sinjin Smith and Randy Stoklos Volleyball Camps for those 7–18 offered every week through August 31 at courts south of Ocean-side Harbor. Learn basic techniques for skills, tips from pros, training techniques to include in regular practice routine. Camps run Monday–Friday, with full and half-day

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LOCAL EVENTS

options. Costs, registration: 310-940-7166. (OCEANSIDE)

It's Reptile Day on Saturday, July 7, 10 a.m.–noon, in big barn at Jack's Pond Park (986 La Moree Road). Get close to some fascinating reptiles with Susan Nowicke, reptile education specialist. Admission to this "Discover San Marcos" event: \$3. Required reservations: 760-744-9000 x3508. (SAN MARCOS)

Young People's Genealogy Class (for students who have completed fifth grade or higher) led by Margaret Read for North San Diego County Genealogical Society, Monday–Friday, July 9–13, 1–2:30 p.m., at Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free; materials provided. Registration: 760-757-0528. (CARLSBAD)

MUSEUMS

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

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

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)

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

OUT & ABOUT

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

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. Pet sharks and rays in the David A. Wergeland Shark and Ray Experience, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Coronado Museum of History and Art, "First Footsteps: Kumeyaay on Coronado" continues through Sunday, September 23, an original installation chronicling Coronado's early inhabitants, the native Kumeyaay Diegueño people. Kumeyaay Indians established seasonal homes along beach, finding food, materials to sustain themselves through mild coastal winters using traditional methods of hunting, fishing, sheltering. See traditional Kumeyaay baskets, pottery, matates, tools, weapons, and a tule boat.

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. 619-435-7242. (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)

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

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

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

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, "Visual Voices: The New School of Inlaid Art on Guitars and Banjos" explores art, craftsmanship involved in creating "functional masterpieces." See inlay work by

artists Larry Robinson, William "Grit" Laskin, Harvey Leach, and Renée Karnes, "each renowned within luther and inlay communities." Through Sunday, July 15.

"Harp Guitars: Passion, Imagination, Artistry," showcases "over 30 extremely rare, historic, and contemporary instruments representing the creative genius of European and American guitar building tradition from the early 1800s through today." Exhibition explores how human capacity for invention led to creation of harp guitar. Closes Monday, July 30.

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)

Olaf Wieghorst Museum, museum gallery displays paintings and prints by Olaf Wieghorst and features exhibits of other artists' American West art. Adjacent to museum is courtyard with cactus gardens, 20 x 20-foot reproduction of Wieghorst's painting *Navajos at Castle Creek*, and original restored home Wieghorst lived in for many years starting in 1945. The museum is located at 131 Rea Avenue. 619-590-3431. (EL CAJON)

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

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

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

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

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

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including an RQ-1K Predator UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) on indefinite loan from the National Museum of the United States Air Force at Wright-

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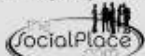


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The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

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, restored passenger car from National City and Otay Railroad. 619-474-4400. (NATIONAL CITY)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, 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)

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San Diego Natural History Museum, "Dead Sea Scrolls" exhibition described as "the largest, longest, most comprehensive ever assembled in any country" continues through December. Exhibit of 27 scrolls — ten exhibited for first time ever — showcases Dead Sea Scrolls from Israel and Jordan, never-before-exhibited ancient Hebrew codices from Russian National Library, medieval manuscripts from British National Library, and modern interpretations of texts. To ensure preservation of the 2000-year-old parchment, 12 scrolls will be displayed for first three months and an additional 12 in last three months.

"Contemporary Israeli Photography," a collaborative effort between museum and Ordovery Gallery on view through December, features work by Neil Folberg, David Harris, Didier Ben Loulou, Duby Tal, others, and includes sculpture and glass.

The permanent exhibit "Fossil Mysteries" showcases last 75 million years in Southern California and Baja California region, a time known for its rich fossil record. Highlights include life-sized models of *Albertosaurus*, *Lambeosaurus*, a sea cow, megalodon shark, more. Current "giant-screen films" are *Ancient Qumran: A Virtual Reality Tour* and *Ocean Oasis*. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Dieguito Heritage Museum, the museum offers informative displays on the North County coastal history including Native Americans, early homesteaders, and recent times, as well as photographic collections and archives. Find the mu-

seum 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. (OLD TOWN)

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)

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CLASSICAL

“Abbamania” hits San Diego Symphony Summer Pops on Friday and Saturday, July 6 and 7. Evenings conclude with fireworks. Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. (gates open 6 p.m.) at Embarcadero Marina Park South (206 Marina Park Way). Single tickets: \$12–\$85, available by calling 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Organ Concert by civic organist Carol Williams, Sunday, July 8, 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Gustavo’s Summer Festival! The focus for this year’s festival with Gustavo Romero hosted by

Athenaeum Music and Arts Library is on Johannes Brahms. Series gets underway with four “Balades,” seven “Fantasien,” and “Sonata No. 3 in F Minor” on Sunday, July 8. Concerts begin at 4 p.m. at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Tickets range from \$148 for series to \$39 per concert, with many variations on offer. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

University of San Diego Chamber Music Festival opens with faculty concert in French Parlor, Sunday, July 8, 7 p.m. Week-day noon-hour concerts promised in University Center Foyer, Monday–Thursday, July 9–12. Final concert starts at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 14, in French Parlor.

All concerts take place at University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. Admission to concerts on July 8 and 14: \$8 general; donation for all others. 619-260-4106. (LINDA VISTA)

English Concert Organist Simon Gledhill performs for 20th annual International Summer Organ Festival, Monday, July 9, 7:30 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

English Anthems on tap when Martin Green leads “Summer Sing” hosted by Pacific Academy of Ecclesiastical Music (PACEM) on Wednesday, July 11, 7:30 p.m., at Saint Paul’s Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Events provide opportunity to learn or relearn major choral pieces. Fee for participants: \$15 general, includes music rental; free for spectators. 619-298-7261. (MIDDLETOWN)

Portuguese Perfection! Mariza performs traditional and contemporary songs for San Diego Sym-

phony Summer Pops on Thursday, July 12, 7:30 p.m., at Embarcadero Marina Park South (206 Marina Park Way). Evening concludes with fireworks. Gates open at 6 p.m. Single tickets: \$12–\$85, available by calling 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

ART LISTINGS

Events that are underlined occur after July 12.

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GALLERIES

“At the Time of Life,” solo exhibition of work by Sean Brannan opens with reception on Friday, July 6, 6 p.m., at Art of Framing Gallery (3333 Adams Avenue). 619-563-9770. Through July. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

“Passages” by Judy Pike and “Paper, Rock, Scissors — Women with an Edge” by Heather Middleton

are on view, along with juried and awarded artwork from “Outstanding Visual Artists” of region, through Sunday, July 29, at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439 El Prado). Reception for artists is Friday, July 6, 6 p.m. 619-236-0011. (BALBOA PARK)

Latina Artists Emilia Garcia, Berenice Badillo, and Carolina Castaneda currently have work on view at La Onda Arte Latino (1616 National Avenue). Meet artists and discuss their work during closing reception on Saturday, July 7, 4 p.m. 619-656-6150. (BARRIO LOGAN)

New “Zedist” Works by Dave Miles, Pamela Jaeger, Nic McGuire, Ricardo Zelaya, Trevor Presley, Yuransky gathered in exhibit opening with reception on Saturday, July 7, 7 p.m., at Zedism Gallery (3540 Adams Avenue). 619-283-1210. Through July. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

“One Dolla,” exhibition of latex enamel paintings by Jackie Lo examining “hybrid identity” opens with reception on Saturday, July 7, 7 p.m., at Magpie Boutique and Gallery (2205 Fern Street). Show closes Friday, August 3. 619-563-5124. (SOUTH PARK)

Inventive and Complex in Simplicity? Artist Jeff Yeomans exhibits paintings through August at Art Expressions Gallery (2645 Financial Court, suite C). Reception for Yeomans is Thursday, July 12, 6 p.m. 858-270-7577. (PACIFIC BEACH)

ART MUSEUMS

Mingei International Museum, “Eva Zeisel — Extraordinary Designer Craftsman at 100,” draws on two large private California collections to chronicle the artist’s 75-year career. By Zeisel’s accounting, she’s designed more than 100,000 objects for home and table. She was the first designer in this country to produce an all-white dinner service and first to teach ceramics as industrial design for mass production rather than as hand-craft. Closes Sunday, August 12.

Masterworks from permanent collection are gathered in “The Beauty of Use — Mingei International Museum at 30,” showcasing significant objects from many cultures shown in relationships highlighting similarities and differences among them. Museum has formed a collection of *mingei* now comprising 17,000 objects from 141 countries such as collection of 19th-Century African tribal currency, group of masks including example of Amazonian feather work, ritual objects, selection of monumental containers. Closes Sunday, May 11, 2008. The Mingei is located on square with San Diego Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, Los Angeles-based artist Robert Therrien is said to recycle, reinterpret common images in uncommon ways. See two works by Therrien, including an enormous wood dining table and chairs, and a new work of an oversized folding table with folding chairs, through Sunday, September 23. Show includes selection of early works by Therrien from MCASD’s collection.

“Cerca Series: William Feeney” — continuing through Saturday, July 7 — showcases existing artwork plus several new collage and sculptural works specifi-

cally made for the exhibition by the Encinitas-based sculptor.

“The Art Guys,” Houston artists Jack Massing and Michael Galbreth, “have worked collaboratively since 1983 devising tongue-in-cheek conceptual artworks to poke fun at contemporary art’s intellectual pretensions and commercialism.” See *The Big Sneeze*, a mechanical sculpture taking “wheezing and sneezing to a higher plane.” Through Saturday, July 7.

“Collectors XXII” showcases selections assembled by curatorial staff to be voted on for purchase by museum’s Contemporary Collectors and International Collectors groups. Pieces include sculpture, painting, sound installation; proposed selections are by established and emerging artists. Closes Saturday, July 7.

Brazilian artist Ernesto Neto exhibits his largest and most intricate installation to date through Sunday, September 23.

Richard Wright, an artist from Glasgow, Scotland, created two site-specific works in Strauss Gallery of the Jacobs Building during his August and September 2006 residency at MCASD. They’re on view through Sunday, September 23.

Find the museum at 1001 and 1100 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot. 858-454-3541. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, “Vik Muniz: Reflex” — continuing through Sunday, September 2 — surveys more than 100 photographic works from 1988 to present, comprising “all of his major series to date.” The Brazilian artist has been making photographs documenting his pictorial reconstructions of famous images of well-known people, photojournalism, and art history, constructed from materials including dirt, sugar, wire, string, chocolate syrup, peanut butter, ketchup, color chips, plastic toys, junk, diamonds.

“Diagrammatic Logic: Selections from the Collection,” on view through Sunday, September 23, presents prints, paintings, drawings, and mixed-media artworks from museum’s collection utilizing “underlying logic and visual shorthand of the diagram — abstract and codified representations that express emerging concepts, ideas, constructions, and relations — to assemble and manipulate potential alternative realities.” Exhibit includes work by Robert Rauschenberg, Loren Madсен, Keith Coventry, Russell Forester, Terry Winters, Claes Oldenburg, Stephen Antonakos, Doug Wheeler, Matt Mullican.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Photographic Arts, “Harry Callahan: The Photographer at Work” chronicles work by “one of the most influential photographers of the 20th Century.” Exhibition presents negatives, transparencies, proof prints, contact sheets, other materials; these “archival items illuminate the processes and techniques Callahan used to express his visual ideas over the course of his 60-year career.” Closes Sunday, September 9.

“Arthur Lavine: Peripatetic Pleasures and Meditations” con-

tinues through Sunday, September 2. Lavine served as a noncombat photographer during World War II, freelance magazine photographer in New York City in 1950s, spent 22 years as photographer for Chase Manhattan Bank.

“Nature and Spirit: The Photographs of Ansel Adams” — also closing on Sunday, September 2 — explores artists’ mastery in translating light into an inspiring, finished photograph.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado. 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, “The ‘70s: Surf Photography by Jeff Divine and Classic Boards from the Era” continues through Sunday, September 2. Divine grew up in La Jolla, began taking photographs of his friends surfing in the mid-1960s. Exhibition features a selection of early images, focusing on surf culture in Southern California and Hawaii. Concurrently, see vintage surfboards from Southern California collections. Find museum at 704 Pier View Way. 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, iconic images of 19th-Century British art showcased in international touring exhibition drawn from “largest and most prestigious collection of Pre-Raphaelite art outside the United Kingdom,” continuing through Sunday, July 29. “Waking Dreams: The Art of the Pre-Raphaelites from the Delaware Art Museum,” boasts 130 paintings, watercolors, drawings, ceramics, jewelry, furniture from some of the most important artists of era. Highlights include Rossetti’s *Water Willow* and *Lady Lilith*, *Romeo and Juliet* and *The Dream of Sardanapalus* by Ford Madox Brown, *Mary Magdalene* by Frederick Sandys.

“Contemporary Links 5 — Alex Arrechea: Scalpel and Cotton” includes large-scale photomural based on Diego Rivera’s *Hands of Dr. Moore*; a large sculpture installation involving surveillance cameras and projected image of Rivera’s *Mandrágora*; several large-scale works on paper based on art objects in museum’s Latin American collection. Closes Sunday, October 14.

“Tastes in Asian Art,” continuing through Sunday, December 2, features over 80 new works, many of which have never been displayed before. Highlights include new subsection of sculptures of *lo-hans* (enlightened monks), newly restored Chinese ancestor portraits, a screen of samurai warriors, an elaborate deck devoted to Tibetan art featuring bronze sculptures, furniture, 18th-Century shrine doors.

“Lyric Visions from Nezami’s *Quintet*,” continuing through Sunday, December 16, includes more than 20 paintings created for or inspired by Nezami’s texts, “among the most celebrated and influential poetic works in all of Persian literature.” Paintings range in date from 15th to 20th Centuries.

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, permanent collection includes European old master paintings, 18th- and 19th-Century American paintings, and Russian icons. *Saint Bartholomew*, the only Rembrandt painting on public display in San Diego, is featured. 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)



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Now and Then

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I hope they never make a movie of Tom Stoppard's *Arcadia*. The chances are unlikely, since the play's set in two different eras (1809–1812 and 1989) and takes place at a long table where people exchange witty remarks and there's little onstage action. A movie would want to sneak behind the scenes, showing us the "money shots" we only hear about: duels, romantic assignments, Lord Byron hunting pigeon and shooting a poor defenseless hare by mistake.

Arcadia resembles Chekhov's comedy-dramas, where little happens yet *everything* does — much more than we can account for, in fact. Things occur twice, then and now, though variations of the periods, styles, and characters make the repetitions both the same and quite different. And since Hollywood has yet to produce a decent *Three Sisters* or *Cherry Orchard*, *Arcadia*'s probably safe from a silver screening.

"I had a really good period of time," Stoppard said about writing *Arcadia*, "where somehow I could keep it all in view and look further down the road to see where things were heading...so things could intersect properly." *Arcadia* resembles watching several doubles matches on the same tennis court. It's about determinism and Chaos Theory (which proved "the unpredictability of determinism") and free will; about Classicism versus Romanticism, and how history gets miswritten, and poets and lunatics and genius, in the least likely places, and passion: for ideas, for one's rep-

utation, and for sex — although, as in Chaos Theory, matches get made by "strange attractors." Somehow Stoppard turns the one-court Wimbledon into an astonishingly interconnected tapestry. It's his best play, and one of the best of our era.

Had he not suffered an unthinkable tragedy, Septimus Hodge might have become a Lord Byron (by the end of *Arcadia*, you'd swear that the real George Gordon stole his "Byronic" style from Hodge!). Septimus talks circles around most residents of Sidley Park, a large country estate in Derbyshire. He tutors Thomasina Coverly, a typical 13-year-old with one exception: she's a mathematical genius a hundred years ahead of her time. Because she can't unstir the jam in her rice pudding — it only swirls one way — she opens a gap in Newtonian physics and talks circles around Septimus.

Flash to 1989: same table, though now the letters, leather-bound books, and theodolite become artifacts that Hannah Jarvis, a popular novelist, and Bernard Nightingale, a Sussex don, inspect for clues. Somewhere in her past, we never learn why, Hannah fled from emotion. Her mission in life: prove that Romanticism is a "sham" that resulted in the "decline from thinking," of the Age of Reason, "to feeling." Hannah is all mind, or at least wishes she could be.

She will force the facts to fit her thesis. As will Bernard, determined to prove that Lord Byron fought a duel at Sidley Park and murdered Ezra

REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Claudio Raygoza, Rosina Reynolds in *Arcadia*

Arcadia, by Tom Stoppard

Cygnets Theatre, 6663 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area

Directed by Sean Murray; cast: Rosina Reynolds, Claudio Raygoza, Kate Reynolds, Matt Biedel, Michael C. Burgess, Jim Chovick, Zev Lerner, David Radford, Rachael VanWormer, Bryan Curtiss White, Jason Connors; scenic design, Murray; costumes, Jeanne Reith; lighting, Eric Lotze; sound, George Ye
Playing through July 29; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 619-337-1525.

Chater (didn't happen). It's Bernard's main chance, not only for academic stardom, but — note the tawdry nature of his aspirations — it could get him on *The Breakfast Club*. Unfeeling Hannah mirrors "the Sidley Hermit" she studies. Giddy Bernard's escapades (a seduction, or was he seduced?) make him a farcical version of Lord Byron. Hannah

strains to be Classic; Bernard, hopelessly Romantic. But, as Stoppard shows, life unfolds with "snowflakes" (order) and "snowstorms" (chaos), free will and determinism, thinking and feeling. Stress one at the expense of the other, and you're on a collision-course with madness.

Stoppard called his play "a thriller and a ro-

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THEATER

mantic tragedy with jokes.” The description’s apt; it also shows the versatility *Arcadia* requires. Cygnet Theatre’s opening-night performance brimmed with insights (director Sean Murray *knows* this play in all its complexity) but offered, at best, a mixed bag of acting.

The production has a sleek, elegant look. The long table picks up and sheds items the way Septimus says history does. Costume designer Jeanne Reith defines character then and now (and how strange, how underdressed, Hannah and Bernard must look to Septimus and Thomasina). Eric Lotze’s excellent lighting ranges from candles to fireworks. The play’s full of doublings, many ghost-like. Lotze visually underscores the duality by having actors reflected on the French windows.

Claudio Raygoza makes Bernard’s intellectual passion so intense he becomes childlike. Raygoza’s over-the-top. But each impulse and gesture is connected and crystal clear. Raygoza’s so swift, precise, and detailed, ev-

eryone else seems a beat or two behind. And when he leaves the stage, the energy falls off.

That energy would perk up if the actors having to explain things — landscape styles, the Second Law of Thermodynamics, iterated algorithms — understood them better. Too often the explanations sound like rote recitals, and the scenes drag.

Rosina Reynolds smartly plays Hannah as romantically icy but full of emotion when sleuthing her subject. Matt Biedel’s fine performance as Septimus — assured, funny, at ease with the language — makes you wonder where he’s been. There were times when Rachel VanWormer’s Thomasina was too shrill for the space; and others, as in the unforgettable ending, when she radiated.

The ending’s almost a play in itself. I can’t think of another as intricate, as hopeful *and* tragic, or as moving in contemporary theater. I won’t give it away but want to add a note. For Septimus and Thomasina, it’s 1812.

She wants to learn to waltz, which came from Germany to England that year. Britishers deemed it scandalous because dancing partners held each other. That’s why Thomasina tells Septimus, “If Mama comes,

I will tell her we only met to kiss, not to waltz.” And that’s why you’ll wish her mother, cavorting offstage with the piano-tuner, would intrude. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith. Information is accurate according to material given us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.

Actors Alliance of San Diego: Actors Festival, 2007

I want to plug this enterprise sight unseen. The 17th annual Actors Festival offers local performers, directors, and playwrights the chance to showcase themselves in new or rarely produced work. Most of the one-acts take place on a bare stage, or with a few props, against a black background. Costumes range from off-the-rack to off one’s clothes hanger. The emphasis isn’t on production values; it’s on acting. Each evening offers three or four selections. Not every one, of the almost 30 plays in the festival, will be a show-stopper. Some get chosen for juicy roles rather than for telling a story or making a dramatic point. But the percentage of quality work is usually

high. And every now and then you’ll find a jewel. The festival concludes on July 22 with a “Best of the Fest.”

Worth a try.

LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, TUESDAY, JULY 10, THROUGH JULY 22; FOR PLAYS, DAYS, AND TIMES CALL 619-544-1000.

Arcadia

Reviewed this issue.

CYGNET THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, THROUGH JULY 29; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-337-1525.

Avenue Q

The Old Globe Theatre presents the West Coast premiere of the Tony Award-winning musical about Princeton, a college grad who comes to New York, broke, and finds purpose in life on the only street he can afford. SPRECKELS THEATRE, 121 BROADWAY, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH AUGUST 5; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. THURSDAY AND FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND 9:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-234-5623.

Carmen

The world premiere of *Carmen*-set-to-pop-music is full of sound and fury, but for everything. Under Franco Dragone’s relentless, pre-emptive strike direction, a dropped bota bag, or skinned knee, would receive the same treatment as *Les Miz* at the barricades. But since every

moment gets staged with equal dramatic intensity, the key dramatic moments lose emphasis, and the story flattens out. In the Bizet opera and Prosper Merimee novella, *Carmen* is different. As the *gitanella*, Janien Valentine has the requisite fire. But so does everyone else! The music — reminiscent of early-1970s Andrew Lloyd Webber — isn’t sung. It’s shouted. Like *Carmen*’s unconnected moment/then moment view of life, each note’s a distinct blare, backed by a live band trying desperately to sound synthesized. The production has arresting sights (moody skies, hanging cross and hanged man, smoke that crawls along the ground with choreographed precision). But many scenes take place inside an ugly, floor-to-ceiling black metallic façade, as if we’re locked inside the Man in the Iron Mask’s mask. The performers have obvious talent, even when doing Assault Mode. Ryan Silverman sings Jose’s numbers with a rich, booming tenor. The production sells every song as a show-stopper. Silverman’s soliloquy at the end of Act One, “To Say Goodbye,” in which Jose debates whether or not he should leave his wife for *Carmen*, is the genuine article. The night I caught the show, some audience members gave Silverman and Valentine a standing ovation, which they, at least, deserved. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS THEATRE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, THROUGH JULY 22; TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P.M., FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M., SUNDAY

AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010.

Hamlet

The Old Globe Theatre opens its Summer Shakespeare Festival with the Bard’s tragedy. Darko Tresnjak directed.

LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30. NOTE: *HAMLET RUNS* IN REPERTORY WITH *THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA* AND *MEASURE FOR MEASURE*; FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL 619-234-5623.


I Left My Heart: A Salute to the Music of Tony Bennett

The Welk Resort Theatre presents a musical revue, based on the recordings of Tony Bennett, by the team that created *My Way*, the Frank Sinatra tribute. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH JULY 8; THURSDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE THURSDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448.

Inherit the Wind

Coronado Playhouse presents Robert E. Lee and Jerome Lawrence’s drama, based on the 1925 Scopes “Monkey Trial,” in which Clarence Darrow and William Jennings Bryan debated evolution. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO, THROUGH JULY 29; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-435-4856.

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Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Lamb's Players Theatre, which has staged the Andrew Lloyd Webber/Tim Rice musical before, has a flair for its irrepressible spirit. Their current production, with Deborah Gilmour Smyth belting out the story of Joseph's coat of many colors and journey to Egypt, and smooth-voiced, likable Spencer Moses in the lead, releases that spirit once again. Webber's score's so eclectic (ranging from calypso to Elvis) it feels like a Whitman's Sampler of his versatility, as is Colleen Kollar's choreography (everything from the "pony" and the "swim" to tap-shoe hoofin'). The nine-member cast gives and gives. The musical was Webber and Rice's first collaboration, composed without the budgetary largess that has overloaded their musicals with gaudy effects ever since. For those who remember Lamb's earlier, much more humble efforts, this is a *Joseph* with a budget. Instead of a Vegas-chintz look, the set and costumes are upscale (Michelle Hunt's quality outfits take so much time to change that onstage actors must stretch the interludes to accommodate them, which results in stop-and-go pacing). The show remains a crowd-pleaser. But the sense of humble, scavenger-hunt improvisation is gone. It's as if the show got moved from Glitter Gulch to a tonier part of the Strip. (Note: due to popular demand, Lamb's has extended the run of *Joseph* twice).

Worth a try.

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH JULY 29; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-437-0600.

Measure for Measure

The Old Globe Theatre presents Shakespeare's "problem" comedy about the letter, versus the spirit, of the law. Paul Mullins directed. LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30. NOTE: *MEASURE FOR MEASURE* RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH *HAMLET* AND *THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA*; FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL 619-234-5623.

Menopause the Musical

The San Diego Rep hosts a production of Jeanie Linders's musical about "the change." Songs include "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," "You'll No Longer See 39," and a remake of the disco tune "Stayin' Alive" called "Stayin' Awake." LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH AUGUST 26; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE WEDNESDAY AT 2:00 P.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

Nest

InnerMission Productions stages the world premiere of George Soete's play about how an innocent mistake can change lives forever. Carla Nell directed. SUNSET TEMPLE GRAND HALL (BEHIND CLAIRE DE LUNE), 2906 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, NORTH PARK, SATURDAY, JULY 7, AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY, JULY 8, AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-245-4958.

No Sit, No Stand, No Lie and Niger

6th@Penn continues its Resilience of the Spirit: Human Rights Festival with works by San Diegan David Hogan, about a man locked in a torture chamber, and Delaine Douglas, about life and death in famine-plagued Niger. 6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-

ENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH JULY 6; FOR DAYS AND TIMES, 619-688-9210.

Pistachio Stories and The Color of Black

6th@Penn presents one-acts by Laura Shamas about "the fine line between rational suspicion and paranoia" and Bernard Kofi Andoh about a young black African trying to convince his African-American lover to return with him to Africa. 6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH JULY 5; FOR TIMES, 619-688-9210.

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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True West

New Village Arts' opening-night performance of Sam Shepard's comedy-drama got upstaged — by the company's brand-new theater in downtown Carlsbad! When the curtain rose, the audience was already spent from appreciation (it's a handsome, promising space) and elation (that such a worthy company *finally* has a home). The production showcases two of NVA's stars. Francis Gercke and Joshua Everett Johnson play Lee and Austin, brothers so unlike you wonder which trees they fell from: recidivist Lee's a human oil slick; Austin, dressed for a Palm Springs soiree, is a screenwriter. Though they haven't seen each other in five years, it takes five seconds for things to get *sibling*. Nick Fouch's kitchen set becomes a

Formica and linoleum crossroads of their ambitions and relative talents. Then they cross over, reversing roles, trashing their mother's house, and showing how similar a difference can be. Except for a persistent tendency to indicate with their hands, Gercke and Johnson fare quite well in performances as much choreographed as directed by Kristianne Kurner. The play resembles a long, improvisational war dance, and it's a pleasure to watch Gercke and Johnson's tandem efforts. Jack Missett and Dana Case add support as movie producer Saul and Lee and Austin's mother (though she should be at least a shade or two less ditz). Adam Brick's sounds enhance (especially the tick of a rattlesnake). And the songs are fine but need to be kicked up. When Shepard wrote *True West* he wanted to "ride the characters out." Let them determine directions, and not the now-famous playwright "Sam Shepard." Along with being about clashing brothers and the quest for vanishing authenticity, the play's also about the creative process, best illustrated when Lee starts clobbering the poor, defenseless Underwood typewriter with a pitching wedge.

Worth a try.

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Aargh! Three weeks ago, the Federal Communications Commission fined Donald J. Payne \$750 for the operation of FRSD/Free Radio San

Diego, the local “pirate” station that has broadcast sporadically on 96.9 FM since October 2002.

Payne told FCC agents that he had no involvement with the broadcasts, except for leasing his garage to the operators for \$100 a month. Payne was originally fined \$10,000 on December 28 but argued that he could not pay that amount. This month, the FCC lowered the fine to \$750. The FCC said Payne claimed

suspended broadcasting on 96.9 FM. Our programming will continue to be available online.... If you own property and would like to be OUR HERO by leasing a small amount of space to us, we'd love to hear from you.... WE WILL BE BACK!!"

Recent reports say that another pirate station on 96.9 FM has been audible in Chula Vista.

In a “Notice of Unlicensed Operation” issued last week, the FCC said its agents found illegal radio transmissions coming from a residence at 1278 Cuyamaca Avenue, Chula Vista. The FCC cited Jose Partida as the landlord and gave him ten days to respond to the notice.

— Ken Leighton

Dimeless The Hi-Lites didn't play their scheduled Warped Tour kickoff show at the Pomona Fairgrounds last Friday. Five members of the eight-piece ska band left the group due to a falling out with bassist James Trent, who also writes the band's original tunes.

“He just marginalized us,” says trombone player Keith Duncan. “I have never gotten paid a dime, and I've been with the band for a year and a half.”

Though Duncan and everyone else agreed that all income earned from gigs would be invested in the band, he says Trent would not give a full accounting of receipts.

“Since December, nobody in the band has had any clue

of what was going on with the band's money. He never let us look at a contract.”

Trent counters, “I've also never gotten a dime.” He says no one ever brought up the

On June 24, Trent gave his bandmates a letter stating he would assume “full control” of music repertoire, booking, promotion, and “all other areas of band

Women on the Edge The straight-edge subculture arose from the male-dominated punk scene in 1981. The rejection of mind-altering substances and promiscuous sex was an idea presented by Minor Threat lyricist Ian MacKaye in the song “Straight Edge.” Though women adhered to the lifestyle in the 1980s, when Kelly Brother adopted the *xsisterhoodx.com* website in 1996, more women became interested. Among Brother's goals was to rid the scene of its sexist elements.

“A lot of hardcore guys act like they're 5-year-olds and constantly assert their manhood,” says Sarah, 24. “I remember a friend of a former roommate saying, ‘Women can't be straight edge! Do you think Ian MacKaye wanted stupid sluts in straight edge?’ He would

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the inside track

Diego, the local “pirate” station that has broadcast sporadically on 96.9 FM since October 2002.

In a “Forfeiture Order”

to have turned off the power to FRSD in December and that he was evicting the FRSD crew. But, according to the FCC, the transmissions



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BOB UGLY AND FRIEND

released June 13, the FCC said it was fining Payne for hosting the station's transmitter in the garage of his house at 1937 33rd Street, San Diego. The FCC said it used “mobile direction-finding techniques” to locate the transmissions from the residence in April, October, and November of last year.

originated from the garage for eight months and Payne could have pulled the plug “much earlier.”

If the FCC has been able to identify “Bob Ugly” or any other FRSD operatives, they haven't acted on it. On its website (www.pirate969.org), the crew writes: “Free Radio San Diego has temporarily



accounting issue and that their gigs were arranged without written contracts.

Percussionist Chris Wise says he co-founded the Hi-Lites with Trent in 2004, “but he took sole proprietorship of the band in February [of this year]. Until January we were co-leaders.”

Trent maintains that his bandmates didn't practice individually, as he had asked. “I met with a ton of resistance. Everyone wanted to call the shots without doing the work.... It took two years to learn 14 songs.”

Wise says he was outraged with the final product of their *Hi-Altitude* CD, which cost \$6000 to record.

“James controlled the final mix,” says Wise. “Essentially, all you can hear is his vocals and his bass. I told him that he was the only one happy with his mix.”

Regarding the disc's mix, Trent says a prominent bass is common on early ska records. Besides, says Trent, “I had to mix it in one evening.”

A TRIBE CALLED THE HI-LITES

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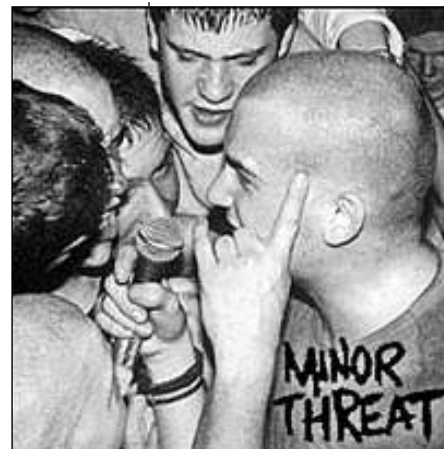
Wise says, “I felt the letter was directed at me.... I threw a cup of iced tea on him, spit in his face, and punched him.”

Trent says if Wise were to hit him again he would file charges. “I'm sad he's become so emotional.... I just want to go on and be happy and them to go on and be happy.”

Wise says the five members who recently bolted and two other former Hi-Lites have formed a ska cover band named the Amalgamated. Trent says he is auditioning replacement members.

The Amalgamated appears July 16 at the Casbah.

— Ken Leighton



DID MACKAYE PROPOSE STRAIGHT EDGE FOR ALL?

always make the most disgusting comments and gestures as well as slap my ass.”

Jenn, 19, says, “No, I haven't experienced this at all. It depends on where you

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reside. I've observed a lot of boys and girls in groups come together, listening to the same music and moshing."

Sarah says, "Some guys think it's disgusting when girls mosh and release aggression in the apparently masculine fashion of hardcore dancing. As for me, I remember moshing at a show, and a lot of guys came up to me afterwards and said, 'Hell yeah — that was hot!' Some girls even joined in once they realized that they have a right to be there as much as your penis-toting contemporaries."

Jenn says, "It can depend on the girl. I don't mosh...but I've been to shows and saw a lot of girls in the pit, moshing with the guys. I once saw a girl push and shove after the band stopped playing."

— Stefanie Howell

Gangsta Rap in Decline?

Carlsbad resident Carlos "Numbiz" Rodriguez performs as a solo artist and with Latin rapper Blaze in a group called LPLD. More lucrative are the hip-hop lyrics and beats Rodriguez composes and sells to producers for between \$1000 and \$15,000. The only negative aspect to this gig is that he has to relinquish publishing rights; Rodriguez is not listed as a songwriter and earns no royalties.

"If you are a Latin artist,

people are afraid to invest in you," says Rodriguez. "Fat Joe [from Puerto Rico] and [Cuban] Pit Bull are the only two artists who have videos on BET [Black Entertainment Television]. Chingo Bling from Texas is the only Latin artist of Mexican descent who is breaking right now." He notes that San Diego's Lil' Rob has earned some national attention.

"If I was African [American] or even Anglo," says Numbiz, "people would look at me as if I was worth a lot more. People think that because I'm not aggressive, I'm not worth the same amount as someone doing the exact same job...."

"A couple of labels are interested [in signing me as a solo artist], but I almost feel disrespected because there are other people who get double the amount."

Numbiz says even though major labels still sign



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NUMBIZ SEEKS INVESTORS

"gangsta" rappers, that type of hip-hop doesn't always yield a return on the labels' investment.

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Numbiz, a business major, starts his last year at Cal State San Marcos this fall. He plays in L.A. next weekend at Club Tokyo (July 12) and the Standard (July 13); on August 17, he'll be at Club Mystere in Tijuana.

— Ken Leighton

For the Little People

Large-venue concert after-parties at which the performers show up have become more frequent at the Casbah. "We did a Faint after-party last December that was pretty successful," says owner Tim Mays. "Two of the guys [Todd Fink and Jacob Thiele] came over and DJ'd from midnight to 1:30 a.m.... We've worked with the band over the years, and we contacted them and asked them to come in [after the concert]."

When Indie Jam was held at Chula Vista's Devore Stadium June 10, headliners

Interpol agreed to a Casbah after-party.

"FM 94.9 helped arrange them coming in to DJ," says Mays. "Sam [Fogarino] from Interpol came over and DJ'd. He got there about midnight and played music till closing time."

Attendee Rosey Bystrak at sddialedin.com posted her theory as to why the Interpol



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drummer arrived so late.

"Apparently back at Indie Jam, their dog that they take on tour went missing. Story goes that the guys in Kings of Leon don't like the Interpol boys and [hid the dog].... One of 'em finally showed up [to DJ] and we finished off the night."

— Jay Allen Sanford

Deuteronomy, Where's My Music?

"Due to a mix-up at the CD factory," says Shoestring Strap guitarist Dave Lowenstein, "some copies of our new CD *Mudgrass* have two tracks of Mormon sermons instead of our 14 songs."

Lowenstein didn't know about the erroneous recordings until he was told

there's stuff about Brigham Young and the prophet Joseph Smith....

"Apparently, the CD plant moved from Las Vegas to Salt Lake City, and the new plant is run by the Mormon church," explains Lowenstein. "The plant is going to give us 1000 new copies and let us keep all the ones we have, but it's up to us to open all of them to check the contents."

It's unknown how many of the CDs are in circulation. "We went on the road right when it came out, so anybody that got CDs in L.A. or at the Bobolink Music Festival [in Belden, CA] could have the Mormon edition.... Maybe this is a sign that all our songs about drinking and doing drugs aren't sending the right message."

Shoestring Strap appears tomorrow, July 6, at Rosie O'Grady's, and Saturday, July 7, at Portugalía.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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The outpouring of Obecians and pilgrims to the time-warp surf world of in-cense, tats, guitars, and coconut oil seemed at first themeless and meandering beneath the new summer fireball. Musical communicants wound their way from stage to stage, sampling reggae and rock, punk, funk, and folk. Before long, those glazed smiles in a fast-food fugue state became dyspeptic grins of gaseous glee, rictuses (ricti?) of rock rage and rebellious revelry. The ingredients of Mickey's wide-mouths, Polish dogs, bomb blunts, ultraviolet rays, and Jägermeister virtualized my editor's vision when he told me to "Cover the Ocean Beach Street Fight...er, Street Fair...Street Fair."

As an observer from a stage on the north side of Bacon Street armed with an electric guitar awaiting my cue, I got down with the zany cats of Gadfly performing in front of Winstons before some 80 to 100 audience members either seated or floating aimlessly toward Newport Avenue; wherever scents, sounds, thongs, or muscles might lead them.

Thinking I might have been late (we were to perform at 2:15, I understood) I swayed, nodded superbly, and boogalooed in place to the punk/reggae/acid-jazz and raga rock twangulations coming from what I assumed would be our stage. Then word was passed to me from our equally displaced singer, Jose Sinatra, that in fact we were at the wrong stage and had been for 45 minutes.

Another of our band members was performing solo at the correct stage across Newport, some tonnages of street flesh away. I quickly stubbed out a "straight" smoke and returned the satanic rock finger salute to a few toddlers who clearly recognized me. I grabbed my guitar and booked, but not before shouting over my shoulder, "Grab that, will ya?" to Sinatra, who wheezed and sweated through his make-up and full costume as he lumbered behind me with my 300-pound amp. "Pacemaker," I added, exhaling that last drag and tapping my chest, which apparently caused a nearby guitar to feedback: amplified doom.

At the correct stage, San Diego Phil Harmonic was leading a near-middle-age, straw-hatted audience of 20 to 30 gray ponytails, one Mohawk, and a possible Maori tribesman in a rendition of "Peggy Sue." *It may be too late* was the silent mes-

sage Sinatra and I shared in a panicked look. "We've got to keep our heads," he said, and none too soon. At any moment, Harmonic might start bullying the audience with commands of "You, you," stabbing a finger. "A little bit higher now! Everybody! Yes, you, c'mon... Peggy Sue, Peggy Sue."

Confused backstage banter: "Where were you?"

"We were at the right stage."

"No you weren't. This is the right stage." "I just found that out. The guy who booked us walked up to me, bummed a cigarette, and kind of by the way said, 'One of your band members is already playing with himself over at your stage.' I said, 'Whaaa!?! That's a parole violation for him!'"

"He meant by himself."

"I know that now. Where's Buddy Pastel?"

"I don't know. His drums are here."

"Skid's not here either." Skid Roper is, in this band, the bass player.

I was eyeing the crowd nervously; now growing in the wake of Sinatra's gaudily costumed arrival. "This mindless pap isn't going to hold them for long," I said.

"They seem to love it!"

"Jeez."

I was jostled to the stage by fans: my ex-wife and son, his friend (who appeared so hung-over on top of his psych meds that his pinwheel pupils managed to appear on the same side of his head like a Picasso painting), also an old high school friend, his daughter, and a woman I didn't know who thought I was Jose. This same woman, later, also held a conversation with a speaker column during our rendition of Laura Nyro's (or Three Dog Night's) "Eli's Comin'," which "the Hose" had co-opted as "O.J.'s Comin'." (Shortly after the gig there were rumors, later confirmed, of several complaints — safely termed "outrage" — regarding the choice of lyrics, including, "O.J.'s comin' and you'll never get away from the slicin' and dicin'... He'll cut you and Paula Barbieri," as well as other irregular phrases.)

While I was grinning and fumbling for the fourth chord (an F# major, by the way) in "Peggy Sue," Roper appeared looking, as usual, something like a homicidal Al Hirt with his waxed and curled mustache, goatee, and upper lip shaved in the middle. Buddy Pastel Jr. had mounted his drum kit, and it was as if we were those guys on Mount Suribachi in the Big One and had just hoisted our flag. Who were we by the way? Some talk of Purgatorio or the Purgatorians after Troy Dante



The Purgatorians

left and we could no longer be called the Inferno. There had been the usual suggestions: the Note Fuckers, Waitress Sweat. None sang.

Meanwhile, the audience was sweating out the saccharine from Phil's Buddy Holly jamboree. But, he had held them all right, just long enough for reenforcements to arrive. When the last note died away, I studied the crowd and noticed an influx of youth at the rear of the intersection, and they were coming our way. Surly, hopped up on their parents' old Anthrax records that they had probably cooked down then mainlined, they took one look at Jose and folded over laughing. "The Hose" lifted one karate splayed palm pontifically, waving to the newly arrived lads, and we were into "Heather Raye," a pop rocker that rolls and was written by the late Tom Richardson.

Opening riff: It was as if we had thrown gunpowder and meat to the street kids. Then a stiff cup of tea with some Valium to the gray ponytails followed by a deceptive wash of innocence to children under 25. Finally, a weird wave of nostalgia everyone seemed to share for a song no one had ever heard but stung nonetheless with first- or secondhand memories of the 1960s, full of bright, jangling guitars, mystic crystal revelations, and that last-ditch pre-Nixon patch of hope where Ocean Beach seems to be poised in amber.

Precisely half the fun of attending a Jose Sinatra show is watching the reaction of the audience. Often hopelessly confused as to whether this "clown" takes himself seriously or what, you can read in their faces synapse connections being

made or failing with such input as "You Ain't Nothin' but a Hound Dog" sung to the tune of "The Sounds of Silence."

Two men in particular caught my attention, and I followed their expressions through Medley #1, which begins with James Brown's "Papa's Got a Brand New Bag," segues into a few bars of "A Horse with No Name" (here the blatant absence of connection — of any kind — between these two pieces of music has always produced in me a visceral reaction of laughter), and launches into "Papa Was a Rollin' Stone." One man, the younger one with dyed blond hair and a look of studiousness, accepted this aggregation in stride; perfectly logical to him. The older, ponytailed gentleman seemed the unwilling witness to an atrocity. By the time we went from "Papa Was a Rollin' Stone" into "See Me, Feel Me, Touch Me, Heal Me" and then into "Pinball Wizard" (which Sinatra has transmogrified into lyrics about a man who wants his girl to take a urine test before accepting her as the mother of his child: "...The girl for me is pure as what she pees/ A urine test would put my mind at ease"), the man accepted with a kind of punch-drunk amusement "Born to Be Wild" melding into "Born to Run"...only sung with the lyrics from "Close to You" by the Carpenters.

During this medley, Buddy Pastel Jr. launched into a four-minute drum solo. Given the late start, I thought it best the solo be abbreviated. I tried signaling him. At one point his cell phone rang. He picked it up from the kit bag at his side

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and answered, still flailing expertly at his set. It was me, my own T-Mobile handy, begging him to stop. "This isn't a good time," he told me. "Let me get back to you."

The younger blond man seemed to be taking mental notes, only breaking into a smile when the Hose turned the lyrics on Karen Carpenter herself and whether or not on the day she was born the angels got together, etc. Jose sang: "...I don't believe in angels any more than I believe in Santa Claus or sodomy laws...so eat it raw/ I don't wanna be close to dead people." Yes, Hose had won over that young man. In fact, pretty much the entire audience of, say, 60 to 80 folks were applauding heartily. Anyone gnashing their teeth, rending their garments, holding their ears, or being sick escaped me.

Phil's wife Liz, sometimes billed as Topsy Holiday, joins the group for a few songs during the set, and Saturday was no exception. With practiced, angelic weaving, Liz and Phil harmonized on another Sinatra distortion of "You're Gonna Lose That Girl," now "You've Gotta Use That Girl." In a pretty darn good imitation of that Lennon/McCartney/Harrison magic, Hose, Topsy, and Phil crooned wholesomely, something like, "...I will take her out and I will bone her blind."

I can never focus exactly on the lyrics; I tend to crack up and forget what I'm playing. The audience, I could see, had the leisure to listen and rewarded the stage with smiles, laughter, as well as looks of dawning horror, indigestion, and panic. A rewarding spectrum of response altogether. During CSN&Young's "Teach Your Children," now with the added lyrics, "Teach your children well, they'll never tell, you're Michael Jackson...who needs monkeys in your bed when there's little boys instead..." the couple looked not unlike the famous *American Gothic* portrait on stage left as they expertly warbled, "...Take them in your hand in Neverland there's always action..."

Finishing with "O.J.'s Comin'," audience members approached Jose with questions, congratulations, smiles, appreciation. A photographer from the *Troubadour*, Steve Co-vault, introduced himself with a charming grin and indicated he had enjoyed the short show. I thanked him, looking over his shoulder for anyone breaking into a run for the Legion of Decency, the vice squad, or the religious right. Except for some kids playing happily away in the closed-off streets, I saw only fairly entertained adults. Perhaps the others had already bolted in fear and loathing for the nearest authority, any authority. ■



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The Disco Biscuits: House of Blues, Wednesday, July 11, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

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Dennis DeYoung: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 13, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

The Psychedelic Furs: 4th & B, Saturday, July 14, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

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The Beach Boys: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 15, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

No Use for a Name: The Casbah, Sunday, July 15, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego. 619-232-4355.

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The Polyphonic Spree: 'Canes, Friday, July 20, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

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John Hiatt and Shawn Colvin: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 24, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

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The Young Dubliners: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, July 28, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

Hootie & the Blowfish: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 29, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Midnite: WorldBeat Cultural Center, Sunday, July 29, 2100 Park Boulevard, San Diego. 619-230-1190.

Rush: Coors Amphitheatre, Monday, July 30, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Tears for Fears: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 30, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

"Projekt Revolution": Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, July 31, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Midnite: Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, July 31, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

AUGUST

Tim McGraw and Faith Hill: San Diego Sports Arena, Thursday, August 2, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171.

Billy Bob Thornton: House of Blues, Thursday, August 2, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Clay Aiken: Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, August 3, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

Reel Big Fish and Less Than Jake: House of Blues, Friday, August 3, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Vanilla Ice: 'Canes, Friday, August 3, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Musiq: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 3, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Berkley Hart: AcousticMusicSanDiego, Saturday, August 4, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Chris Cornell: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, August 4, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

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Jo Dee Messina: 4th & B, Thursday, August 9, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

Minnie Driver: The Casbah, Friday, August 10, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego. 619-232-4355.

Squeeze: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, August 11, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

Floetry: House of Blues, Saturday, August 11, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 12, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

"Rock the Bells": Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, August 12, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Keb' Mo' and the Robert Cray Band: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 14, and Wednesday, August 15, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Poison: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, August 14, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Hilary Duff: Viejas Concerts at Bayside, Tuesday, August 14, Embarcadero Park South, 619-445-5400.

Colin Hay: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, August 16, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

Dramarama and a Flock of Seagulls: House of Blues, Thursday, August 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Deep Purple: 4th & B, Thursday, August 16, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

Los Lonely Boys: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, August 18, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

The Aggrolites: House of Blues, Saturday, August 18, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

311: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, August 18, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Dave Koz: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Saturday, August 18, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

India.Arie: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 19, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

UB40: Palomar Starlight Theater, Sunday, August 19, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

ZZ Top, the Pretenders, and the Stray Cats: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, August 19, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

The Dave Brubeck Quartet: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 20, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Dweezil Zappa: House of Blues, Tuesday, August 21, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

The Gipsy Kings: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, August 22, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

UB40: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 22, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Diana Krall: Viejas Concerts at Bayside, Wednesday, August 22, Embarcadero Park South, 619-445-5400.

Dr. John: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, August 23, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140.

Macy Gray: 4th & B, Thursday, August 23, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

Crowded House: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 24, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

"Warped Tour 2007": Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, August 24, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Blue October: House of Blues, Friday, August 24, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Asia: 4th & B, Friday, August 24, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

The Asylum Street Spankers: AcousticMusicSanDiego, Friday, August 24, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Marilyn Manson and Slayer: San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, August 25, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171.

Beyonce: Cox Arena, Sunday, August 26, SDSU campus, College Ave. 619-594-0429.

Gogol Bordello: House of Blues, Monday, August 27, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Wilco: Open Air Theatre, Monday, August 27, SDSU campus, College Ave. 619-594-6947.

Lonestar: 4th & B, Wednesday, August 29, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343.

Creedence Clearwater Revisited: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 30, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Randy Travis: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, August 30, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

Heart: Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, August 31, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

Grada: AcousticMusicSanDiego, Friday, August 31, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

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The Kings of Leon: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, September 8, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-6947.

Heart: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 9, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Toby Keith: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 9, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

The Doobie Brothers: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, September 10, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Steve Vai: Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Monday, September 10, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

Foreigner: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 11, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Chicago: Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, September 14, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

Rascal Flatts: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, September 15, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Guster: House of Blues, Sunday, September 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

Pink Martini: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, September 17, and Tuesday, September 18, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

The White Stripes: Viejas Concerts at Bayside, Tuesday, September 18, Embarcadero Park South, 619-445-5400.

The New Pornographers: House of Blues, Tuesday, September 18, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

America: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, September 19, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Clay Walker: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, September 20, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

"Street Scene": Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, September 22, and Sunday, September 23, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161.

Eddie Money: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, September 23, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

Pepe Aguilar: Cox Arena, Sunday, September 23, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0429.

Kenny G: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, September 26, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Trisha Yearwood: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 27, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Marco Antonio Solis: Palomar Starlight Theater, Thursday, September 27, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

Richard Thompson: House of Blues, Thursday, September 27, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583.

The Dave Matthews Band: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, September 28, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600.

Kenny G: Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, September 28, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 28, and Saturday, September 29, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

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The Steve Miller Band: Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, October 5, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580.

Steve Tyrell: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 7, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Styx: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, October 7, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400.

Keali'i Reichel: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, October 18, and Friday, October 19, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

Laurence Juber: AcousticMusicSanDiego, Saturday, October 20, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

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Thursday, September 6 • 7:30

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Eliza Gilkyson: AcousticMusicSanDiego, Sunday, November 18, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

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DECEMBER

Lucy Kaplansky: AcousticMusicSanDiego, Saturday, December 1, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

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Beauty Bar: Fridays, *Feel the Noise*, electronic dance rock beats. 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, Talmadge. 619-516-4746.

Bluefoot Bar & Lounge: Third Saturday of the month, *Diamond Cuts*, hip-hop, old skool, and '80s 80s with DucTape and Trevor Young. 3404 30th Street, North Park. 619-756-7891.

Brass Rail: Third Thursday of the month, *Pussy Galore*, DJ Robin Roth and guests spin indie, electro, and '80s. Second Friday of the month, *Club Fashion Whore*, electro, indie, and Britpop. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. 3796 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-2233.

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Club Montage: Sundays, first floor, *Klub Retro*, nu wave, synth-pop, and new romantic; second floor, *Underworld*, industrial, gothic, and darkwave. 2028 Hancock Street, San Diego. 619-294-9590.

The Flame: Second and fifth Saturday of the month, *Sabbat*, gothic, industrial, and dark '80s with DJs Robin Roth and Adam Atom. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. 3780 Park Boulevard, Hillcrest. 619-295-4163.

Gaslamp Tavern: Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays, DJs Billie Knight and Tech spin hip-hop, '80s, and R&B. 10 p.m. 868 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-3339.

Honey Bee Hive: Wednesdays, *Mixtape Sessions*, underground hip-hop, breakbeat, and downtempo. 9 p.m. to 1 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 Top 40, techno, and '80s. Sundays, *Hot Summer Sundays* featuring guest DJs. Wednesdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop, R&B, and reggaeton. 9 p.m. to 1:15 a.m., high school students and up. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-1271.

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Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *Second Story Burning*. Friday, *Brain Buckit*, rock. Saturday, *Secret Samurai* and *the Professors*, rock. Wednesday, *Tim and the 23's*.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *the Ghost Town Deputies*, *Ophelia Handful*, and *Miss Trixie Devine*, rock. Friday, *Canobliss*, *Rice Rokit*, and *What Went Wrong*, rock. Saturday, *Kush and Blood Fiyah Angels*, reggae. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, classic rock. Tuesday, *the Wylde Bunch* and *Gadfly*, hip-hop. Wednesday, *the Karl Denson Trio*, jazz.

DOWNTOWN

Anthology, 1337 India Street, San Diego. 619-595-0300. Music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Friday and Saturday, *Robert Donnay*. Sunday, Danny Lozada y Su Charanguero De Cuba. Wednesday, *the Royal Crown Revue*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Friday and Saturday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

Borders Books and Music (Gaslamp), 668 Sixth Avenue, San Diego. 619-702-4200. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Terry Matsuoka*, pop.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is rock/indie/alternative/pop unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the Creepy Creeps*, *the Viewmasters*, *Thee Corsairs*, and *Diablo Dimes*. Friday, *This Charming Band*. Saturday, *Vinyl Radio*, *the Fascination*, and *the Black Fuzz*. Sunday, *John Doe*, *Michael Weston King*, and *Dead Rock West*. Monday, *Dr. Dog*, *Delta*

Spirit, and *the Teeth*. Tuesday, *Rocky Votolato* and *Langhorne Slim*. Wednesday, *the Muslims* and *the Roman Spring*.

Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, Balboa Park. 619-294-9590.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Dave Patrone*. Friday, *Yavez*. Saturday, *Primo*. Sunday, *the Archtones*. Monday, *Dave Scott*. Tuesday, *the Shep Meyers Quartet*. Wednesday, *Fuzzy and the Bluesmen* or *Sue Palmer*.

Dick's Last Resort, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Music is rock and roll unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Blue Rockit*. Friday, *Private Domain*. Saturday, *Lady Dottie and the Diamonds*, blues. Sunday, *the Mark and Chris Duo*. Tuesday, *Dregs of Sada*. Wednesday, *Private Domain*, unplugged.

Dublin Square, 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-5818. Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., *Adrienne Nims* and *Raggle Taggle*, Celtic folk.

4th & B, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343.

G5-Georges on Fifth, 835 Fifth Avenue (between E and F Streets), downtown. 619-702-0444. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, *Tom Barabas*, pianist.

Hennessey's Tavern, 708 Fourth Avenue (corner of Fourth and G), Gaslamp. 619-239-9991. Saturday, 10 p.m., *the Band in Black*, rockabilly.

Henry's Pub, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Thursday, *the Brat Pack*. Friday, *Good Times*. Saturday, *Groove Sessions*. Tuesday, *the Stilettoes*, rockabilly. Wednesday, *Lady Dottie and the Diamonds*, blues.

House of Blues, 1055 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-299-2583. Friday, *Page McConnell*, rock. Saturday, *Berlin*, rock. Sunday, *Rocco DeLuca* and *the Burden*, *the Last Goodnight*, and *Sara Bareilles*, indie/alternative. Monday, *Brett Dennen* and *Timmy Curran*. Wednesday, *the Disco Biscuits*, rock.

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*. Saturday, 9:45 p.m., *Crush*, dance/Top 40. 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*, dance/Top 40.

The Laurel Restaurant and Bar, 505 Laurel Street (corner of Fifth and Laurel), downtown. 619-239-2222. Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Donnie Finnell and Company East*, pop jazz standards.

Patrick's II, 428 F Street, downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues/soul unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the 145th Street Deluxe Blues Band*. Friday, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Shelle Blue*, 9 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., *Ronnie Lane and the Texas Twisters*. Saturday, *Michele Lundeen and Blues Streak*. Sunday, *Dave Camp*. Monday, *Big Mo*. Tuesday, *Chet Cannon and the Committee*. Wednesday, *the Blues Invaders*.

Rock Bottom, 401 G Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-7000. Friday and Saturday, live pop/rock/disco/dance.

Sally's Seafood on the Water, at Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego, One Market Place, downtown. 619-232-1234. Saturday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., *Sally's Steel Drum Duo*, calypso.

Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-5979. Club Salsa: Thursday, *Primo*, salsa/Latin jazz. Tuesday, *Walter II y Rumbanay*.

The Shout House, 655 Fourth 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: Thursday and Monday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Peter Prince of Piano*. Tuesday and Wednesday, *Kevin McCully*, piano. Evening entertainment: Thursday and Friday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Fran Loskota*, pop/jazz. Saturday, 7 p.m. to midnight, *Karen Giorgio*, cabaret. Sunday and Monday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Julio De La Huerta*, Latin. Tuesday and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Faith Page*, international/standards.

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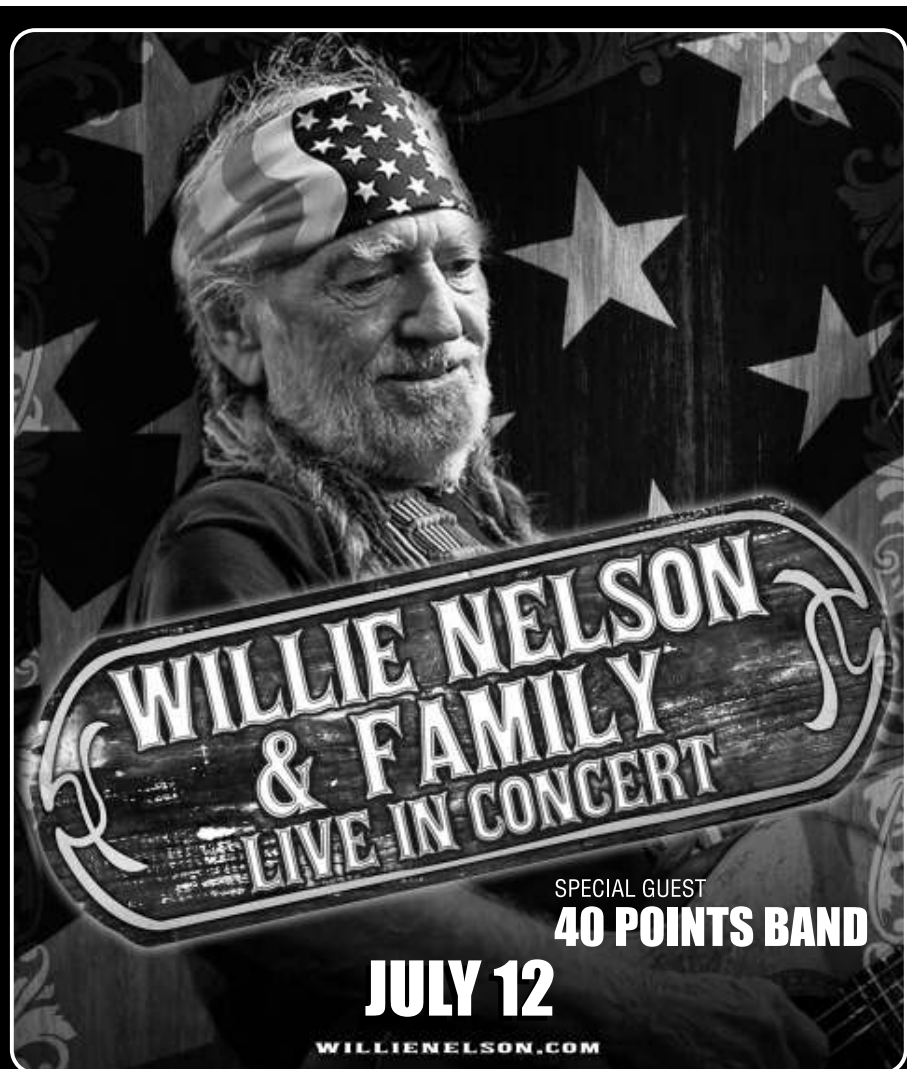
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Borders Books and Music (Mission Valley), 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 p.m., *Tom Boyer*, solo guitar.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is rock/metal/alternative/punk. Friday, *the Textures*, *Axxys*, *Sator Square*, *Kentucky Six Gun*, *Rise to Moon*, and *Daemos*. Saturday, *Wayne "the Train" Hancock*, *Cotton Fever*, and *the Screamin' Yeehaws*. Wednesday, *Tony Da Skitzo*, *Six Inch Man*, and *Opoetik*.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Friday, *In Perfect Agony*, *Wastrels*, and *Discord*. Saturday, *the Continental Kings*. Wednesday, *the Rocket Summer*, *Daphne Loves Derby*, and *Reeve Oliver*.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Cheeky*, rock/alternative.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Private Domain*, classic rock. Friday, 9:30 p.m., *Makai*, dance/disco. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Plato Soul*, 9:30 p.m., *the Redding*

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NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

"Tonight was a goofy show for me," **Brett Dennen** blogs from Boulder, Colorado. "I sang the second verse to 'She's Mine' twice, Randy [the drummer] counted off the wrong song at the beginning of the set, and a drunk guy heckled me all night. He told me to put shoes on because my feet stunk and kept requesting Dave Matthews Band songs. It was a humble evening for sure. I signed some guy's chest. He said he was going to wake up his girlfriend and show her."

Dennen is a troubadour in the old-school sense, with a few albums under his belt and a growing audience. His career moves forward on his voice: it is adenoidal, singular, husky, and of asexual tenor. It

could go either way. It could be a man's or it could be a woman's.

More seasoned fans will hear Dylan woven throughout Dennen's sensibilities ("People walk around pushing back their debts/Wearing paychecks like necklaces and bracelets/Talking 'bout nothing, not thinking 'bout death"), and early Beatles are an undeniable influence. Dennen bends a lyric phrase over the top of a simple pattern in a way that puts things just a little left of rhythmic center and makes his work sound more complicated than it really is. If downloads are the new indication of recording-industry success, Dennen has charted on iTunes, and his songs have also made it onto television shows and commercials.

But who is Brett Dennen? Good question. As noted in an *Austin City Limits* blog, Dennen's bio contains no biographical information. He was born in Northern California in 1979. He has a red mop and a



BRETT DENNEN

round face and looks young for his age. He performs barefoot. He is a middle-class kid with middle-class concerns, and for a younger audience, Dennen's lyrics will provide a sense of discovery, of life and death and poverty and the nine-to-five. Think Jack Johnson, but with a brain.

BRETT DENNEN, House of Blues, Monday, July 9, 7 p.m. 619-299-2583. \$13.

Brothers, original country rock. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., *Stelita's Groove*, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Bradley Leighton*, jazz flutist. Monday, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Chet Cannon*, blues jam. Tuesday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Ruby and the Red Hots*. Wednesday, 9:30 p.m., *Sheila Sondergaard*, acoustic guitar.

The Imperial House, 505 Kalmia Street, San Diego. 619-234-3525. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., *Rick Lyon*, pop standards/Top 40/variety.

JP's Pub, 10436 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Tierrasanta. 858-576-2509. Friday, *the Lil' Efert Band*, classic rock.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Music is rock/alternative/punk/metal. Friday, *Fifty on Their Heels*, *Vinyl Radio*,

and *the Dirty Novels*. Saturday, *Secret Apollo*.

Lestat's Coffee House, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Angela Patua*, *Derek Evans*, and *Tim Mudd*. Friday, 9 p.m., *Patty Blee* and *Chris Lawrence*. Saturday, *Tom Freund* and *Trevor Davis*. Sunday, *Amber Rubarth* and *Joey Ryan*. Wednesday, *Anna Troy* and *the Shambles*.

Lucky Star Nightclub and Ballroom, 3893 54th Street, San Diego. 619-229-8228. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Orquesta Rico Tumbao*, salsa.

Martini's Bar and Grill, 3940 Fourth Avenue, San Diego. 619-293-0232. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Vintage Vegas*, jazz.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, 9 p.m., *Ded Pigeons*, *Ancient Sunrise*, and *DB3*, funk/pop/jazz. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Finback*, *Dead City Outbreak*, and *the Frantic Romantic*, alternative/indie. Monday, 8 p.m., *Mystery Train*, blues. Tuesday, 9 p.m., *Red Flag Warning*, rock. Wednesday, 9 p.m., *the Blackout Party*, rock/blues.

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Moon Dance*, classic rock.

The Prado Restaurant, 1549 El Prado, San Diego. 619-557-9441. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Adrienne Nims* and *Le Jazz Hot*.

Redfox Steakhouse, 2228 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-297-1313.

Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *the Ed Repisi Duo*. Monday and Tuesday, 9 p.m. to 1 p.m., *Shawline Expression*.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Friday and Saturday, *Serious Guise*, classic rock.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is rock/metal/alternative/punk unless otherwise noted. Friday, *Get Back Loretta*, *the Dirty Sweet*, *the Silent Comedy*, *the Burning of Rome*, and *Inberst*. Saturday, *Light This City*, *the Funeral Pyre*, *Antagonist*, *Ends with Enemy*, and *Aphotic Murder*. Sunday, *the Mad Caddies*, *Cobra Skulls*, *Straight Trippin'*, *Unknown Motive*, and *Doctors Never Die*. Monday, *Odd Project*, *Emarosa*, *Sky Eats Airplane*, *In Fear and Faith*, and *Nessarose*. Wednesday, *Motion City Soundtrack*, *Sherwood*, *the Higher*, and *the Forecast*.

South Park Bar and Grill, 1946 Fern Street, San Diego. 619-696-0096. Thursday, *J.J. Lim's Jazz Jam*. Friday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Amelia Browning* and *the John Kopecky Trio*. Saturday, *Mia Jones* and *the Ko Trifecta*, R&B/Top 40/jazz.



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Tio Leo's, 10787 Camino Ruiz, Mira Mesa. 858-695-1461. Saturday, *Side Jobz*, rock.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, zydeco. Friday, *the Fremonts*, blues. Saturday, *the Working Cowboy Band*, country. Wednesday, *the High Society Jazz Band*.

NORTH COUNTY

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *the Love Rangers*, dance.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Music is rock/pop. Thursday, *the English Beat*, *Pato Banton*, and *Social Green*, rock/reggae. Friday, *the English Beat*, *Pato Banton*, and *Skanic*, rock/reggae/ska. Saturday, *Cash'd Out* and *the Palominos*, rockabilly. Sunday, *the Squirrel Nut Zippers* and *Hobex*. Wednesday, *Elijah Emanuel* and *the Revelations*.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Steal Dawn*, 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., *George Svoboda*, classical guitar.

Borders Books and Music (Carlsbad), 1905 Calle Barcelona, Carlsbad. 760-479-0242. Friday, 8 p.m., *Melissa Vaughan*, folk. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Skibbereen*, traditional Irish music.

Borders Books and Music (Carmel Mountain), 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain.

858-618-1814. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Jim Earp*, acoustic.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *the MLC Band*, classic rock.

Cheers, 2475 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-0270. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock. 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., *the Citizen Band*, rock. Friday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Len Rainey* and *the Midnight Players*, blues. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., *Billy Watson*, blues, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Fish and the Seaweeds*, rock. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Mark Lessman*, jazz. Wednesday, *the Rhythm Method*, classic rock.

Cuvee Restaurant, 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Del Mar. 858-259-5878. Monday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Sambajazz*, Brazilian and American jazz.

The Flying Bridge, 1105 North Coast Highway, Oceanside. 760-722-1151. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Z-Bop*, jazz.

Game Time Tavern, 12735 Poway Road, Poway. 858-748-0015. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock.

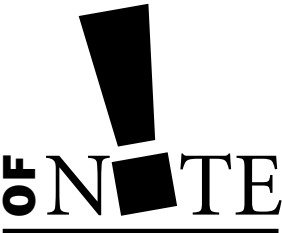
Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Thursday, *the Clachan Boys*, Irish/Celtic/folk. Friday and Saturday, rock and roll.

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. 760-741-7778. Music is rock/metal/hardcore/punk unless otherwise noted. Friday, *Junkies* and *Thieves*. *Sixth Day*, *One Theory*, and *the Lost*. Wednesday, *Burning the Masses*, *His Irate Life*, *Unseen Mechanism*, and *I Declare War*.

Mas Fina Cantina, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock/folk.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont Street, Oceanside. 760-439-



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

When **Band of Horses'** debut album *Everything All the Time* came out last year, the reviews were glowing. And nearly every one of those reviews struggled to describe the ache in singer **Ben Bridwell's** high voice. Critics compared him to Neil Young, the Flaming Lips, Built to Spill, the Shins, My Morning Jacket, even Brian Wilson.

All of them are appropriate, but I think it's more to the point to say that he sounds like indie rock circa *now*. That is, in the post-*Garden State*—soundtrack era. What's more, with their scruffy beards, the members of Band of Horses look the part, too.

The band was formed in Seattle 2004 by Bridwell and Matt Brooke, who had played together in Carissa's Wierd, an act with a lot of talent (though clearly not in the arena of spelling) but which never built its audience past a small, devoted following. Brooke left soon after the release of *Everything All the Time*, but the Horses kept going, and their music seemed destined (if not necessarily designed) to find a bigger audience. A spot opening for Iron and Wine helped, as did some fine performances in smaller clubs. Live, the Horses sound a lot more like a rock band than they do on record. That's a good thing, in some ways, but it also tends to spotlight the fact that most of the songs sound the same. Don't get me wrong: I like



BAND OF HORSES

Everything All the Time. But the band is now working on their second album, and I'm hoping the new Band of Horses will not sound like anyone else.

BAND OF HORSES, 'Canes, Friday, July 6, 8 p.m. 858-488-1780. \$15.

6646. Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the California Rangers*, country.

Molly Malone's, 1270 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-9050. Friday, 9 p.m., *Union Square*, alternative rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Black Beans and Rice*, classic rock/blues.

North Bar Sports and Spirits, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock/folk.

Ocean House, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Friday and Saturday, live rock. Sunday salsa. Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Cradit Union*, swing.

Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizcocho Restaurant: Friday, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., and

Saturday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Jerry Melnick* and *Tom Bishop*, jazz/variety.

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Fifty on Their Heels: The Kensington Club

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The Forecast: Soma



Album: *Why You Headed West* (2006)

Artist: Call Down Fire

Label: self-released

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Band: Brian Thomas (vocals, guitar), Chris Livdahl (guitar, vocals, synthesizer), Britney Sandoval (keyboards, synthesizer, vocals), Dustin Woods (drums), Tony Sandoval (bass)

Website: www.calldownfire.com

Call Down Fire spices their slow, almost folksy tunes with synthesizer moans and electronic blips and bonks. While neither wholly electronic nor

purely analog, the unlikely combination works.

It's easy to hear Call Down Fire's influences. The light piano plinks and soft-rock guitar evoke thoughts of Sigur

The Frantic Romantic: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

The Funeral Pyre: Soma

Get Back Loretta: Soma

The Higher: Soma

His Irate Life: The Jumping Turtle

I Declare War: The Jumping Turtle

In Fear and Faith: Soma

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Jade Shader: Ché Café

Joy Box Kink: Ché Café

The Last Goodnight: House of Blues

Lifelike: Surf N'Saddle

Light This City: Soma

Lonely Mattress Salesman: 710 Beach Club

The Lost: The Jumping Turtle

The Mad Caddies: Soma

The Muslims: The Casbah

The Nessarose: Soma

Odd Project: Soma

One Theory: The Jumping Turtle

Opoetik: Brick By Brick

The Professors: Tiki House

Rós and Radiohead, although Brian Thomas's falsetto vocals ring more of Chris Martin from Coldplay than Radiohead's lead singer Thom Yorke.

The recording quality is terrible. Any crescendo results in hissing, popping, and fuzz. Thomas's voice is maddeningly behind every instrument, causing the lyrics to be almost hidden, but those that can be heard are compelling. From track eight, "J. Alfred": "Let us go then, you and I through these deserted streets/ like a patient etherized, no memory of deceit/ all I want is to be with you."

Call Down Fire is known to be a band that captivates its audiences, and I understand why. In a town where the motto is "Stand onstage



Call Down Fire

and bang them on the head with drums and guitars," Call Down Fire's melodic arrangements and softly creeping compositions stand out.

If you can forgive the distance of the music and the fuzz of the recording, you might find something worthwhile on this disc.

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Cyanide Vogue: Fannie's Nightclub

Damage Inc: 'Canes

Dead Rock West: The Casbah

The Disco Pimps: Dick's Last Resort

John Doe: The Casbah

Dregs of Sada: Dick's Last Resort

Dune Square: Fannie's Nightclub

The Electric Waste Band: Winstons

The English Beat: Belly Up Tavern

Final Warning: The Kraken

Fish and the Seaweeds: Coyote Bar and Grill

The Ghost Town Deputies: Winstons

Wayne "the Train" Hancock: Brick By Brick

Hobex: Belly Up Tavern

The Iron Maidens: 'Canes

Junkies and Thieves: The Jumping Turtle

Kentucky Six Gun: Brick By Brick

Langhorne Slim: The Casbah

The Lil' Efert Band: Don's Cocktail Lounge, JP's Pub

Page McConnell: House of Blues

Mad for Mary: Island Sports and Spirits

The Mark and Chris Duo: Dick's Last Resort

Material Witness: Ocean House

Miss Trixie Devine: Winstons

The MLC Band: Carvers

Moon Dance: Pal Joey's

Motion City Soundtrack: Soma

Ophelia Handfull: Winstons

Private Domain: Humphrey's, Dick's Last Resort

Rare Form: Winstons

Red Flag Warning: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

Red Light Runner: Bar Leucadian

The Rhythm Method: Coyote Bar and Grill

Ron's Garage: Hotel del Coronado

Sator Square: Brick By Brick

Second 2 Last: Fannie's Nightclub

Serious Guise: Second Wind (San Carlos)

Sherwood: Soma

Side Jobz: Tio Leo's (Mira Mesa)

Sixth Day: The Jumping Turtle

The Squirrel Nut Zippers: Belly Up Tavern

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Tigersharks: 710 Beach Club

Union Square: Molly Malone's

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Uptown Groove: Second Wind (Santee)

as i hear it

BY BRIAN CARVER

Artist: Swim Party
Song: "Simplest Ways" (from www.myspace.com/swimparty)
Heard By: Matt LaBarber, Hillcrest



Matt

I liked it. It was not offensive in any way. I don't get why they listed themselves as "death metal" [on their website]. I think it might have been a joke. It's real light. It wasn't anything too different. I'd say, for a second, I thought the guy's voice reminded me of the Shins' [singer]. Indie rock is a broad term for me. That tune in particular had a poppier edge to it. There was some cool production stuff on there, like some instrumentation that wasn't just your standard guitar. They definitely did something in the studio other than just plug in and play. [That would be a good song for] cleaning the house — it doesn't require too much depth.

Artist: Sirhan Sirhan
Song: "Chop Chop" (from www.myspace.com/sirhansirhan)
Heard By: Andy Hall, Mission Hills



Andy

I liked the crunchy guitars. The guitars sounded good. The distorted vocals — the effect on the vocals — sounded a little hokey, I thought. The lyrics coinciding with the bloodstained faces on their website intrigued me. They actually reminded me of an old band back in the days of my youth in Minneapolis called the Murderers. I could see myself flying down the road on my bicycle listening to that [song], going a lot faster than I would if I was listening to the Carpenters.

Artist: Red Octopus
Song: "The Passage" (from www.myspace.com/redoctopusmusic)
Heard By: Jeremy Brown, Hillcrest



Jeremy

It sounds like if you took the instrumental breaks from, like, five [Black] Sabbath songs and put them into one song. It's pretty well produced, high energy, and they took a couple of left turns that I thought were really rad. I would definitely be interested in hearing more or going and checking them out [live]. Anybody that likes Black Sabbath, Judas Priest, or new wave of British heavy metal stuff would probably really like these guys. Their heading [on their website] said "psychedelic/rock," but to me they're a total heavy metal band. I'm a metal fan, so I was pretty stoked on that.

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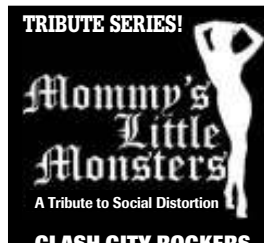
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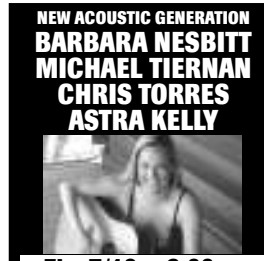
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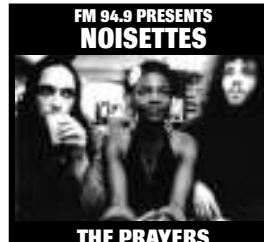
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DIRTY HARRIET

by Josh Board

When my friend Mike told me that he was offered a gig to announce for a San Diego roller derby team, I responded, "San Diego has a roller derby team?"

I had yet to see one of the derbies, but when the San Diego Derby Dolls had an after-game party near the rink in Clairemont, I was there.

I recognized a pizza chef bringing in a load of free pizzas and asked him what the deal was. "I sponsor this team. I have been a roller derby fan since the '60s. In Los Angeles, I used to watch the T-birds. I remember the Texas Outlaws. I think it's a big thing that they've brought this back."

Bonnie, the first player I talked to, told me she started with a team in L.A. She said that she lived in Oceanside at the time, and that it was a long drive to participate. I asked what her family thought of the sport. "I'm an ex-hockey player. I played semi-pro — Long Beach, Canada, and all around San Diego. So, they don't mind this. Right now, I'm still in



'boot camp' paying my dues. I haven't played in a game yet."

"So, your parents haven't seen you in a game?"

"No. And we have closed practices. You can't have friends or boyfriends there."

Her brother is an English teacher in Japan, and he was



Top: San Diego Derby Dolls; Bottom left: Aunt Flo (left) with Hurly Curly; Bottom right: Bonnie D. Stroier (middle) with her brother

but usually only 20 show up."

When I went to grab a piece of pizza, I got to talk with Mike. He'd never broadcast a

ing about Flo, so I sought her out for a chat. I asked her about injuries. "When I first started, I hit the concrete and got a concussion. I needed a new helmet, because when that happens, you compromise it. I have fake teeth, since all of my front ones were knocked out. I have scars. Oh, and parts of my hip have no feeling...and one has a permanent dimple."

As she showed me her teeth, she added, "Oh, yeah, I also have scars from fishnet-

"I was in a bad marriage, and this sport saved me."

amorous with a Japanese woman who he brought to the party.

I talked with another gal in boot camp, and she told me, "We have 40 in the program,

sports event before and was nervous. He didn't seem nervous when he got up for karaoke and screamed out the lyrics rather than sing them.

I heard several people talk-

stocking burns."

I asked about her family, and "Aunt Flo" said, "My brother is at every game, but my parents don't want to see it. I was in a bad marriage, and this sport saved me."

I noticed a few girls who still had their skates on. While everyone else was on the dance floor grooving, a few were skating or, rather, dancing with skates on. I wondered if the bar would be liable if someone fell.

I talked with "Hurly Curly," who told me, "My dad saw his first game tonight. He told me he wasn't sure what was going on, but that I did good out there. He did mention I had a few too many penalties. I told him I got those especially for him."

I suggested that roller derby seemed similar to professional wrestling. Hurly Curly and her teammate told me that it's not like that anymore, that it's a sport, like any other, with rules and not rehearsed the way it was in the '70s.

I asked Curly if she was involved in any other sports.

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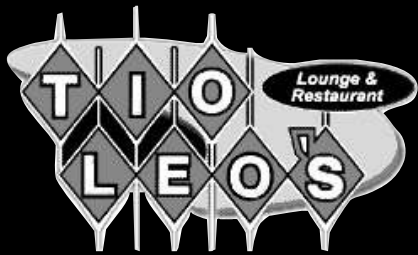
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Crasher

She told me she was into karate and that she ran marathons. "They're just not interactive," she said, "no camaraderie. And, there's no drinking afterwards." With her simple yin-yang tattoo, Curly was the least "inked" on her team.

Mike was sitting with one of the other announcers who wasn't scarfing down pizza like the rest of us. He told me that he was on a diet and that he'd lost over 100 pounds. As he sipped his Diet Coke, I suggested, "You should call Coca-Cola. You could do commercials the way Jared does for Subway."

A referee named Suzie Banshee joined us, and I asked her what a ref does in a roller derby. "We have to know the rules inside and out," she said in her thick Scottish accent. "You don't realize how refs have to follow everything. I

can't take my eyes off the Dolls."

She told me that she was going back to Scotland in three weeks and that her fiancé was away in the service. When I mentioned the Derby Dolls who I'd talked to, she said, "If I could make a career out of this, I would. The girls are all great and real diverse. We have bartenders, accountants, city planners, someone in the Navy..."

I joked that it would be weird to have an accountant with missing teeth.

One of the Dolls approached me and suggested that I talk with Kel. When I asked why, she said because Kel was the crazy one. I found Kel and asked her about her injuries. "I separated my shoulder. And I had a boob put back in." I'm sure I looked confused because she explained that she had breast implants and that complications set in when she came back and skated too soon. As I was scrib-

bling my notes, Kel pulled her top down. I wasn't sure if it was to show me the injury or what. "You aren't receptive when someone flirts with you, are you?" she asked. I wasn't sure how to answer, and she started to dance provocatively. She giggled, mentioned that her husband was at home with the kids, and skated off....

When I talked with Robin, I asked her, "Why don't you have a nickname like everyone else?"

"I'm still in the boot camp...learning the fundamentals and everything." I asked her about injuries and she said, "I caught a wheel in the stomach that caused a blood clot and hematoma. In boot camp, though, they teach you how to fall."

I talked to a woman named Pip who told me that when she's not skating, she's a wardrobe stylist, professional snowboarder, opera singer, tap dancer, and works on movies and TV shows.

When I said to her that I was surprised that more women weren't falling down, since they were drinking with skates on, Bonnie overheard and said, "Hey, I've been having Shirley Temples."

I glanced at the program for the Derby Dolls and saw nicknames like "D. Stoir," "Gail Force," "WMDee," "Dirty Harriet," "P.T. Bruiser," and "Bea Witchied."

I talked with Karma Electra, who I'd met at a previous party. She also invited me to her wedding, which made the news. It was held at the Casbah. I asked Electra what type of padding was used for protection. "We have knee pads, elbow pads, wrist guards, mouth guards, and a helmet." She told me that she also used to play dodgeball with teammate Lizzy Thrasher before they got into roller derby.

Electra said that her grandparents come to every bout. I don't know what surprised me more, that the grandparents were there or that she used the word "bout."

I talked with one of the women who run the team. She said that they are in need of sponsors. She explained that there was no men's league and that if people wanted to watch roller derby, they should go to Skate World in Linda Vista.

As I was heading out the door, someone said to me, "Hey, you crash parties. Well, these girls do some serious crashing. There's blockers, jammers... You should try it. You'll see how hard it is to get through the pack and lap the rink."

"I had a hard enough time circling the lot looking for a parking spot," I responded. ■

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I've always been curious about Azul La Jolla. Although it's one of the Brigantines, other restaurants in this group bespeak a chain of semiprecious metal, rather than the standard dross: Zocalo is tasty fun, and Miguel's Cocina, with its tender Mexican-style seafood, is my favorite place to take visitors with kids. Perched above the La Jolla Cove, Azul is the semiofficial flagship, with the most ambitious menu and a thick, serious wine list. On my current quest for restaurants with great views coupled with food worth eating, its time had come.

The restaurant looks highly appealing. From the handsome tiled-floor entry, looking out to an attractive interior eating patio, you pass through the bar and then the small, open kitchen, where you can gape at a huge, flaming, wood-fired oven. A few steps farther is the carpeted dining room. A full wall of windows looks down to the Cove, where swooping seabirds and miniature kayakers are part of the entertainment. Even the cozy semi-circular banquettes on the raised rear tier of the dining room floor capture the seascape, while window tables have a vertiginous straight-down view. Perhaps those windows are the culprits in the noise level, which forces diners to converse in shouts, adding to the dinnertime din.

The patrons on a weekday evening ranged from chic businesswomen entertaining colleagues to polo-shirted families — the latter a bit surprising once I looked at the prices on the menu (entrées average about \$36), which aren't given on the website's sample menu. It turns out that when kids come in, a kiddie menu is whipped out, and even older youngsters can be accommodated with less-costly dishes like pastas sized especially for them.

The menu changes daily and with the seasons. It's a trifle more conservative in summer, the chef later told me, because tourists are even shyer about strange foods than locals. Seafood dominates the appetizer choices, fittingly, as it's always been a forte of the Brigantines. The best of our starters was a huge, leggy softshell crab, deep-fried in batter to a pleasing crunch, served with sweet fresh corn fritters and avocado slices over a rusty-colored sauce in which Asian chili oil plays an evident part, diffused in something milder.

The Seattle-born chef (his French last name comes from his Louisiana-born father — if his étouffé is on the menu, order it) began his professional life with a French-style cooking apprenticeship in his hometown — in the mode of native-born French chefs (and few American ones), he's an all-rounder whose expertise includes baking. Proof came with the flaky *palmier* pastries stuffed with a luxurious mixture of crab and artichoke heart, accompanied by "spiced lemon butter" — that is, smooth beurre-blanc



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sauce edged at the rim of the plate with a trace of a rusty-orange semi-spicy sauce. "Luscious!" exclaimed one of my companions.

Sea scallop pot stickers offered Asian noodle wrappers stretched around large Atlantic scallops and a few shreds of shiitake, pine nuts, and pork bits in a thin brownish broth with scallion bits and more mushroom shreds. The wrappers were pan fried semicrisp, in genuine pot-sticker mode, but the dough remained sticky; we also felt that the broth lacked the vibrancy of the best Chinese stocks. (As a certifiable Chinese-food maniac, I'm awfully picky when *gwei lo* chefs — including me — attempt Asian flavors.) The scallops inside were large, plump, and tender, but I've been spoiled rotten during the last few weeks by sweet local scallops fresh up the road from Baja. These seemed, in contrast, tired by their transcontinental trek.

Speaking of Baja, a ceviche of lobster, shrimp, bay scallops, thick cucumber slices, and avocado slices was bathed in a lime-juice cure, dotted with fresh chervil sprigs (for a faint anise flavor) and served on a long rectangular plate. The lobster and shrimp were a tad tough, the scallops the sole textural survivors. I couldn't help but compare this austere and stately preparation to Ensenada's riotous street-cart Campeche-style ceviche (with octopus in place of lobster), where exuberant flavors are pumped up by onions, tomatoes, and cilantro. Sorry, but Señora Guadalupe's two-buck tostada has this \$16 version beat by *cien kilomet-*

ros. Keep your lobster, give me life.

By luck, we arrived on a Wednesday, when most wines on Azul's list are half price. I was torn between two favorite whites that were suddenly affordable — a Duckhorn Sauvignon Blanc and a Louis Latour Meursault (for nearly twice the Duckhorn's price). Our waitress, Summer, is also a sommelier, a true pro who unselfishly advised that "a Sauvignon would go better with your appetizers." She was right — the chile oil, batters, and citrus would have stomped all over the subtle Meursault, while the sunny, expansive Duckhorn met them head on. (Upon learning that we'd be sharing our dishes, she brought tablespoons for serving appetizer sauces and then steak knives for everyone. What a paragon!) Sam had brought a lovely Pommard (corkage is a reasonable \$15). Coincidentally, this is one of my favorite red Burgundies (dark, plushy, slightly tannic but mellow — beautifully balanced, compared to some of the crankier regions around Beaune). To honor it, we selected our main courses with the wine in mind.

The standout was "Kyoto-style" wild Alaskan salmon steak, moist-smoked and quick-roasted in the roaring oven on a cedar plank. It was a succulent, flaky, medium-rare, with a woody overlay from the smoking and the cedar. It came with asparagus spears and small Peruvian purple potatoes, which resembled an overhead view of the seal pups in the Children's Pool. But what it *really* came with was that Pommard. Salmon is a species

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that wipes out most whites but canoodles joyously with Pinot Noir.

I enjoyed the playful "Tunisian barbecued lamb," partly because it tasted like something I'd want to cook myself on an ambitious night. The surfaces of the block of loin were a vivid orange from the house-made harissa, a North African spice rub, crisscrossed with black grillmarks. The same aromatic spices painted the plate. The interior was rare as ordered, meaty and juicy. The entrée included a zingy green purée of fresh herbs for dipping, and a "Napoleon" made of flying saucers of crisp filo, set one atop the other and layered with roasted tomatoes, eggplant purée, and lavender feta cheese with an herbal-flowery flavor.

Then — thud. We'd hit Azul on a night when the chef was away at a Brigantine staff wine-tasting, followed by a few days of vacation. (Had I

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returned the next night, it wouldn't have helped.) Two entrées went wrong in his absence. A huge "Iowa pork chop," which we requested "rosy, medium-rare," was browned through — a waste of good pig. (The chef tells me that he directs the line cooks to serve pork to a default of medium-rare, the way we wanted it — so somebody was a very bad boy. But during the summer tourist season, he also tells me to cook everything 5 degrees extra. In this case, it was 35 degrees extra.) It came with a slick of thick, sweet Cumberland sauce made with cranberries and a mound of banana soufflé. When it comes to the oily-sweet heft of banana versus the airiness of fluffed egg white — you can't have both and still maintain enough banana flavor to savor. In this case, the banana won the wrestling match. The soufflé wasn't light, but it was tasty.

And "duck cooked two ways" was a big fib that night, when this menu stalwart went seriously awry. There were four or five — six, max — slices of rosy duck breast strewn around middens of crisp-surfaced mashed potatoes, which concealed in their depths bits of dried-out duck-leg meat, tasting less like duck confit than old quacker leftovers. Around the

edge was a gooey syrup dotted with stewed, sweetly glazed, whole kumquats. It seemed simply perverse. I'm sure this isn't the way it's meant to be.

Alerted by the fine *palmier* pastry in the crab appetizer, we decided it was worth trying some desserts. The ploy paid off handsomely. A strawberry Napoleon consisted of layers of thin, frangible pastry interspersed with ripe chopped berries and mascarpone cream. (It was garnished with a robe of very sweet whipped cream, which only got in the way until we shooed it off.) A nectarine crisp resembled home baking at its best — a crunchy topping over slightly tart fruit slices, the sweetness of the pastry set off by the slight sourness of the nectarines. For a change, dessert was our best course.

How does Azul La Jolla stand in the ranks of "view" restaurants with food worth eating? The daily changing menu makes any meal a bit of a gamble, and the kitchen isn't as finely controlled as at some top destinations with chefs who've been there longer. But the restaurant's heart is in the right place — the most disappointing dishes at our meal were glitches of execution rather than of aspiration. At San Diego's many atrocious scenery-reliant venues, owners know they're serving slop and warn their chefs (or cooks) off trying too hard or (worse yet) spending a lot for good ingredients. Not a problem here.

There's no question but

that the ambition at Azul is to please well-honed palates, to give culinary value along with a visual feast. Food prices are very high, about the same as at next-door California Modern (née George's), but the cooking here is chancier, and Azul is a louder room. On the other hand, it's easier to get a reservation, wine prices are merciful, kids are welcome (not just on holidays), and there's no Armani-suited "Barrage of Bankers" to intimidate you into duding up with fancier clothes than you feel comfortable wearing. Plus, the cooking is more adventurous (usually an asset, but see "gamble," above). I would definitely go back for a second try — not necessarily tomorrow, but in the off-season, when there ain't nobody here but us locals.

ABOUT THE CHEF

At age 14, chef Orion Balliet (now aged 34) took a part-time dishwashing job at Gerard's, a famed local French restaurant in his hometown, Seattle. The chef was Gerard Perot, a member of the elite Relais Gourmands and a disciple of the renowned Paul Bocuse. Balliet worked hard and was promoted from sink duty to something like a classic French cooking apprenticeship, and in the process he caught cooking fever. "I didn't even know that I was interested in cooking, but once I started cooking a little bit, I discovered that I really liked it.

"I've had a lot of luck in my

life. I was working at the Hilton in L.A., and one of my mentors there, Eric Wolf, told me I needed to go to culinary school. It just happened that my mom sold her house then and remarried her current husband. With the influx of money from the house, she asked me if I wanted to go to school, so that enabled me to go to California Culinary Academy in San Francisco." While studying, he worked under celeb chef Jeremiah Tower (in his crumbling final years) at Stars and Stars Cafe in San Francisco, where Tower's reliable chefs de cuisine taught Balliet a great deal more. His mentor in L.A. had also advised him to travel as much as possible, so he and his then-girlfriend (another culinary school student) spent time in Thailand and Indonesia savoring the cuisines, and he also took a cooking course in Venice.

By 1994, at the age of 21, Orion graduated and immediately got a job as executive chef at the Fisherman Bar and Grill in North Beach. After a brief run-in with a newly paroled Mafia capo who'd just bought the controlling interest in the restaurant, he discreetly departed for Dallas's renowned Cafe Pacific, then took it easy for a while with a sous-chef job in Truckee — the first time since he started cooking professionally that he had the leisure to enjoy life. "I was always the guy who was too busy cooking to go to a party. So

from there I went on a European excursion with my girlfriend at the time, eating at all these little holes-in-the-wall, and when I came back, I had a new, reinvigorated passion for what I wanted to do."

He became executive chef of the four-star Bellevue Club back in Washington State. From there, he went to work at Napa's Villagio Inn and Spa until the Brigantine recruited him to take over the kitchen at Azul La Jolla. With the departure of the chain's executive chef, Balliet now influences the menus of all the Brigantines. He is largely free to purchase produce, fish, and other goods according to his own judgment — hence, the sweet corn from serious-chef mainstay Specialty Produce, rather than one of the less quality-oriented restaurant supply sources.

Orion is a fan of the "molecular gastronomy" now being pioneered in Barcelona, but even more influential on his cooking has been the Japanese kaiseki idea — the emotional and aesthetic response to the changing seasons, reflected in a seasonal menu. But a "tasting menu" (a kaiseki equivalent) proved impractical for Azul's tiny kitchen and isn't offered routinely, although such menus come in to play at special-event dinners. "For me, kaiseki is more about presenting a moment — the cuisine is about your feelings about what the moment should entail. The influences are mundane. You see

colors on the way to work, then you use spices to create paints on the plate to produce emblems of things that you might see on the way in to work."

Incidental notes: First, an abashed apology for using the term "Paki" (re Jaynes). It's true that I had no idea it was a slur. My last time in London (long ago), the "hipoisie" (film, rock, and reggae critics, Anglo and Jamaican) were flinging the term around casually, usually attached to the word "restaurant." The absolutely brilliant "Indian" restaurant nearest my Clapham B&B, my main source of nourishment for ten days, was run by a Pakistani (not Bangladeshi) family. But perhaps I should have been less trusting in bohemian values. Soon after, a bunch of my SF friends decamped for Austin's music scene. During a brief visit, hearing the Texas hipoisie referring to local Latinos as "messkins," I nixed moving there myself. And on a sadder note: a belated farewell to the delightful Tom Fat (owner of Fat City and China Camp). He's remembered publicly as a Galahad for the Asian-Pacific community, but I remember him as the most charming interviewee ever — the epitome of the warm, self-mocking Cantonese sense of humor. He was a delicious person to know, and he should have lived 200 years to keep spreading his light and wit wherever he went. ■



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My Shallow Heart

At least half the menu's devoted to the sacred ritual: breaking the overnight fast.

Hmm. Ho hum. *Drrrt. Drrrt.* Fingers drumming on the countertop. Been waiting five minutes. Only one other customer sitting at the counter. Was it something I said? No, 'cause I ain't said hardly nuttin' yet. Just want to get my day going with cawfee and some breakfast. Actually, I have the coffee, but now I want to eat.

"Can you see any milk?" says this older lady, Mila. She's come up to the counter from her booth. "I asked for milk and they never came back."

We agree the service ain't exactly hopping here, but I decide to hang on in, mainly because Sam, back at the pawnshop where I, uh, was transacting some business, said he'd had a couple of "darned good" breakfasts here. 'Course I shouldn't be doing this. It was hard enough to scrape together the \$25 to keep the Fender Stratocaster stored with Sam and Ron for another four months.

But Sam hit my weak spot when he mentioned skillet. Love those sizzling fajita-ish things with eggs and melted cheese and peppers and mushrooms and home fries. And when I got up to F and Broadway, I saw the sign saying "Big Skillet Breakfasts, \$5.99," and that was it. This is right across the road from Manna, the Korean place where I had a pretty good breakfast last year. And Manna's still advertising \$2.99 breakfasts. But then I saw these guys are, too, except it's available strictly 7:00-9:00 a.m., Monday-Friday.

I give Mila some of my little plastic milk tubs and go back to drumming my fingers. I check the place out, and it's quite nice and new looking, with blue-and-maroon booths, bright green tiles lining the kitchen walls, and blue-and-white

Padres-Miller Lite flags fluttering over our heads. Four silent flat-screen TVs hang on the wall above the counter — you can see and read closed captions across the top of the screen. The pony-tailed guy next to me has just asked for CNN.

So Iraq explodes silently above us while KSON wails out cowboy ditties around us.

One of the waitresses stands filling sweetener packs into bowls. "Uh, any chance of ordering a skillet breakfast before global warming puts Chula Vista underwater?" Okay, I don't say the "global warming" part.

"This is the other waitress's area," she says. Great.

So, not the most promising start. And I wanna like this restaurant, bad, because they do what's on top of my wish list: all-day breakfasts. At least half the menu's devoted to the sacred ritual: breaking the overnight fast. And, no question, they have some gutsy-sounding fast-breakers here. Like "Big Daddy's," three eggs with bacon or sausage, plus hash browns, and toast or pancakes for \$6.49. Or chicken-fried steak with two eggs, potatoes, and choice of toast or pancakes. That goes for \$8.79. And they do a bunch of omelets, such as the hot link (\$6.99), the machaca (\$7.89), and the build-your-own that starts with cheese at \$6.69. Each item you add costs 79 cents.

But I came for skillet. And we're looking at nine or ten of them. The window-advertised \$5.99 special has egg, potatoes, and jalapeño cheese. But an extra inserted page in the menu has the really interesting ones. The "Chula Vista" skillet breakfast has three chicken taquitos on scrambled eggs, with bell peppers, avocado, diced tomatoes, onions, melted Monterey Jack and cheddar over country potatoes. That's \$7.99.

There's a "Nashville" that's diced country sausage, eggs, "country brown" potatoes, and gravy (\$7.89). The "New Orleans" (\$7.89) features Creole-grilled chicken and Cajun chipotle, the "El Paso" (\$8.99) comes stacked with spicy shredded beef and crispy tortilla strips, and the "Louisiana" is built around spicy hotlinks sausage (\$7.99).

"Decided?" It's Heather, the other waitress. After all this twitching, I'd better have my act together.

"Louisiana," I say.

Only because I'm looking at it right then, but boy, so glad I ordered it.

It comes with buttered toast around a skillet bulging with home fries, eggs, red and green bell peppers, all breaking through the ooze of hot cheese. Then, on top, like scattered meteorites, these angry red chunks of spicy sausage. The taste's all tang, cheese, egg, herby spices. I think of asking for Cholula sauce to heat it up but don't. Why mess with the zings of the bell peppers and the spicy sausage's subtleties?

And now I decide, deep in my shallow heart, to forgive them. Besides, I want to know if Marcos is "Big Daddy." Marcos is a pretty hefty guy who seems to be orchestrating things behind the counter now. "Oh no," he says. "Big Daddy is the owner. He's a businessman, and he's bi-ig."

Huh. I'm wondering: big-powerful, big-hefty, both?

They have lunches too, and I see they're running a couple of \$3.99 lunch specials (Monday-Friday, midday-4:00 p.m.): BLT and



Marcos

fries, or a BBQ chicken. Dinners range from \$7-\$14 bucks. Fish and chips is \$6.99, T-bone steak is \$13.99.

But hey, right at this moment all that's academic. I'm waddling out of here. Now the open question is, next time I'm back, which is it gonna be? Mighty Manna or Big Daddy? Big Daddy, probably — long as I have the time. ■

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Grape Landscape

“The ethos,” says Norby, “was to blend in and respect nature, be part of it.”

Peder Norby and his wife Julie wanted an estate home — something large-scale (3500 square feet, plus a guest house), something customized (retractable, accordion-style walls, something worthy of the Scandinavian custom of house-naming (they went with Heron’s House after twice finding the birds on the Carlsbad lot they chose for a building site). But they also wanted something community-friendly (they positioned the house to maintain one neighbor’s view of the lagoon), something unostentatious (long lines and deep earth tones), and most importantly, something tied integrally to the surrounding landscape.

“The ethos,” says Norby, “was to blend in and respect nature, be part of it.” To that end, “we’re trying to pull in native plantings from the hillside,” and they’re giving over a fair portion of their yard space, not to grass, but to grapevines. “Two of them are *Vitis Californica*, which make terrible wine but wonderful foliage. They’re going to be espaliers going up over the house’s deck elements.” (Not to suggest that the decision to plant vines was any kind of designer’s afterthought — “Hey, honey, you know what’s low-water *and* attractive?” The Norbys knew they wanted to plant a vineyard, to the point where getting a south-facing hillside exposure was a priority in site selection. “My wife and I are both

wine drinkers,” says Norby, “and it was, like, ‘Can we do it?’ ” During site inspection, they added a pH reading to the soil examination, and once they start getting fruit, they’ll send plant samples to UC Davis for evaluation.)

The rest of the roughly 130 vines — planted earlier this year — are mostly Sangiovese, with a little Cab and Cab Franc thrown in for good measure. “It’s the basic recipe for a Super-Tuscan,” Norby says, “so I’ll be doing some straight Sangiovese, plus some blends. And I’ll be making

a rosé,” bleeding off some of the juice during fermentation to increase the concentration of what remains.

Norby planted Sangiovese — specifically, the Brunello clone of that grape — because he likes to drink it. Also because Italian varietals are the specialty of his neighbor Pete Anderson, who lives three blocks away. “I was lurking on several websites,” recalls Norby, “and one of them was for the San Diego Amateur Winemaking Society. I read where Lum Eisenman is the mentor for winemaking, and Pete Anderson is the mentor for grape-growing.” The builders were ready to start pouring concrete for the patios and sidewalks, “so I figured I’d better e-mail Pete.” Anderson had been watching the house go up and was happy to share the lessons learned from seven years of grape-growing in a coastal climate.

Crush

MATTHEW LICKONA

What that means, first and foremost, is powdery mildew, which thrives in the relatively moist and temperate clime of Carlsbad. Not for nothing are there rosebushes planted alongside the vineyard — roses show mildew first, acting as canaries in the coal mine for the vines. The wide row spacings are designed to allow for plenty of air circulation, which helps to keep things dry. Happily, Norby’s first year has been a mild one for powdery mildew, and so far, he’s been able to fight off the white dust with an organic oil spray.

Second is the matter of herbaceousness, which can plague grapes that don’t get a lot of high-heat ripening. “Orfila in Escondido has that wonderful draped canopy effect with their vines — one shoot-positioning wire and the vines just draping over. That’s a really good strategy when you’re dealing with 100-degree weather,” to protect the grapes from sunburn. But in Carlsbad, you want all the sun exposure you can get, “so we’re just going to hedge-prune.”

Norby also joined Anderson and his fellow amateur winemakers in buying fruit from hither and yon, so as to get a little experience before he starts vinifying his own fruit. “I’ll clean the driveway and the buckets, just do whatever I can to hang around and learn. They’re really helpful in sharing what they know.” So far, he’s working mostly with Anderson’s equipment, but the guest-house garage is eventually going to serve as a winemaking facility, and once it’s time for the finished wine to age, it’ll get pumped into the barrels down in the semisunken wine cellar. (Norby favors miniature 15- and 30-gallon barrels for maximum flexibility when it comes to blending and varietals.)

The end result, he hopes, will be about 1000



bottles a year of Heron’s Flight wine. Between personal consumption, friends, family, and charity, he doesn’t anticipate any trouble in getting rid of it. And that is enough. “This is not Phase One,” he assures me. “We’re not thinking, ‘This is just the beginning.’ If I can find a few acres around here, I won’t rule it out, but to be a home wine-maker is just fine.”

Of course, that doesn’t mean that someone else won’t try for something bigger. “In my opinion, what we’re doing, what Pete’s doing, is kind of a little pilot project, to see if we can get a good bottle of wine,” he says (even as he acknowledges his status as a newcomer). “I think it’s the backyard guys that are going to prove or disprove whether you can do wine in San Diego County on a commercial basis.” He mentions Twin Oaks Valley Vineyards, and also “people like Lance and Julie Gillette from Encinitas. They have something like 24 Viognier vines, and they won their division at the fair. We’re drinking wine now from when Pete’s wines were four years old, and the wine is pretty darn good. He just won a double gold up at the Orange County Fair. The grape quality is

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going to be there, I think — the question for commercial viability will be pest management and disease management.” He notes that a couple of small commercial growers in Fallbrook are buying (or have bought) land in Temecula, so as to allow for increased volume.

And of course, “the whole tripwire event for Props D and E here in Carlsbad was when Robert Goldstein tried to buy 40 acres for a vineyard.” When Carl-tas — the development arm of the land’s owners — declined, saying that another developer already had an interest in the property, Goldstein went digging. Suddenly, “What Happens to the Land” became a hot political issue. The fallout — from a viticultural perspective, at least — is that “now you have some of these land guys thinking, ‘Grapes? Can you do that here?’ They’re a little bit interested.” So is Norby. “The whole idea that you have to be in Napa or Sonoma to make quality wine has been blown up, I think. Julie and I drive up to Paso Robles probably four or five times a year, and as you get north of Santa Barbara, you see strawberries in the flatlands and grapes on the hillsides. We’re growing some pretty damn good strawberries in Carlsbad, and we used to grow a lot of grapes down here.” ■

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The Grill 10920 Roselle Street, Suite 104, Sorrento Valley, 858-587-7940. Sorrento Valley is where you commute to work, not to live, so forget warm neighborhood eateries. At first glance, the Grill is what you'd expect — standard strip mall, bare-bones furnishings, office-lunch oriented. But the Greek owners give it character with generous but cheap breakfast dishes like the Mediterranean omelet and lunch specials such as the luscious Philly cheese steak. And they're flexible. Want bacon, sausage, and ham in your breakfast pita? They'll do all three, same price as with a single meat. Breakfast and lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — E.B.

LA JOLLA

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ities. Downstairs dinner only; upstairs lunch and dinner daily. Downstairs expensive to very expensive; Café and Terrace moderate. — N.W.

Zenbu 7660 Fay Avenue (at Kline Street), La Jolla, 858-454-4540. It was a natural for fisherman-restaurateur Matt Rimel to open a sushi bar/fish house, featuring sparkling fresh catch, much of it from his own boats. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls, which can be lunkish. Don't miss the sashimi of live local *uni* (sea urchin) served on its shell most weekends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood, sometimes in almost goofily elaborate preparations. No reservations; 30-minute wait likely on weekends. Sushi bar is up a short staircase; dining room and patio tables are wheelchair accessible. Several vegetarian choices. Full bar, good sake list. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — N.W.

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

China Max 4698 Convoy Street (at Engineer), Kearny Mesa, 858-650-3333. The decor is plain and bright, the sound level loud, but this is a major resource for authentic Hong Kong cooking — creative and multiregional, filtered through the refined wizardry of the genuine Cantonese style. The seafood aswim in the live tanks includes such delicacies as black cod (bony but wonderfully sweet), Dungeness crab, and (if you've got the money) abalone — but even inexpensive, homey dishes (e.g., wonton soup, crabmeat cakes) sing with flavor. Call ahead for reservations to avoid a wait at the door. A Pan-Asian community

throngs here, for good reason. Lunch weekdays, dinner seven days. Inexpensive to exorbitant but mainly moderate. — N.W.

IKEA Restaurant & Cafe 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley, 619-283-6166, ext.1200. Central shrine for San Diego's 10,000 Swedes, so they say. They come to taste open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, and meatballs again. This restaurant inside Sweden's wildly successful "home interiors" chain is a great intro to Swedish tastes. The food's more sensible than exciting, of course. But healthy — beef and pork for the meatballs are guaranteed hormone-free. You eat the meatballs with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Seafood is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon) are always on. And if you want to be disgustingly healthy, chew on their fresh vegetable plate (raw carrot sticks, cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms). All for a song. The only health hazard: hordes of babies and kids romping in the restaurant's mother-friendly play area. Inexpensive. — E.B.

Seoul B.B.Q. 4344 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-505-8700. This Korean restaurant means sitting before a sizzling cast-iron grill, sipping hot sake, the smell of grilled beef, grilled onions, and fresh garlic in the air. Try the "Korean B.B.Q." marinated short ribs (*tong galbi*) or thick marbled slices of sirloin (beef *gwi*). You'll enjoy all the accompanying dishes that make the meal, like crunchy seaweed salads, radishes in garlicky tomato sauce, slow-cooked potatoes with soy sauce and jalapeño pepper. Feeling adventurous? Go for the goat meat hot pot or Korean steak tartare (*yukhoe*). This is sensual, elemental, hairy-chested food. Lunch and dinner six days, closed Sunday. — M.N.

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THE BEACHES

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Hancock St. Cafe 3354 Hancock Street, Loma Portal, 619-296-2060. If you spot Marilyn, Elvis, and Lady Liberty waving at you from the sidewalk, you're here. They are life-size fiberglass look-alikes, but Mario is real, and his restaurant is a living shrine to jazz pianist Herbie Hancock. Mario has pianos, guitars, and drums inside — even a little stage where you're often welcome to perform. The food? Italian home cooking. Mario is from New York and knows his pasta. You can usually expect a good-value special, like spaghetti and meatballs. Sometimes he'll even throw in a bottle of red wine. Here among the little factories and auto shops of Loma Portal may be San Diego's most popping cultural phenomenon. Worth investigating, even if you just want to eat. Open daily, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B.

The Third Corner Wine Shop and Bistro 2265 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-223-2700. Ed Moore's casual, loosey-goosey spot is first of all a wine shop selling most global bottlings for just

20% over wholesale. It's \$5 to pop the cork there if you plunk down at a table among the racks to enjoy casual bistro-style food designed to go with wine. You can snack on goat cheese salad, smoked duck salad, a cheese plate or a pâté plate, or get serious with braised short ribs or duck confit surprisingly paired with spicy Nawlins red beans and rice. No reservations accepted, so best to go at off-hours or you'll wait for a table. Comfortable lounge with fireplace for sipping. Full bar. No corkage charge after 11 p.m., when restaurant staffers drop in for after-work noshing. Lunch and dinner until 1 a.m.; closed Monday. Low-moderate. — N.W.

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Chicken Pie Shop of San Diego 2633 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-295-0156. How much do people love this place? Count the chickens lining the walls — ceramic, wood, beaded, painted, even feathered. Hundreds. They're gifts from generations of customers. Now, as in the 1930s when it started up, the basic chicken pie comes filled with big chunks of chicken meat, doused with white gravy and accompanied by mashed potatoes, veggies, coleslaw, a roll, and dessert — like the delicious pineapple pie available Mondays — all for one really low price. The menu also offers fried chicken, burgers and steaks, but 90 percent of customers still order that same old chicken pie. Seven days. Cash only. Inexpensive. — E.B.

Huffman's Bar-B-Que 5039 Imperial Avenue (at Euclid), Chollas View, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammad Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman's fabulous Southern soul food. Try their gravy-smothered fried chicken served with collard greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread, or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sand-

wich and half-pound rib tips. Open daily, lunch and dinner, to 11 p.m. weekdays, 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B.

Krakatoa 1128 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-230-0272. This used to be an abandoned property. Now the swamp-green clapboard house is the coolest, if (reportedly) ghost-ridden, coffee-eatery hang-outery in Golden Hill. Its garden is lush and tropical, and on its wooden deck laptops unfold, essays get written, relationships get worked out. The menu is light, the names heavy: the breakfast sandwich (scrambled eggs, cheese, fruit) is the Wonchi (an Ethiopian caldera); the roast turkey sandwich with ham, cream cheese, and cranberry sauce is the Ubebebe (a dormant volcano in Death Valley); the Amboy (a Mojave Desert volcano) is a peanut butter, honey, banana, cinnamon, and bacon sandwich. Open 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Sundays till 6 p.m.). Inexpensive. — E.B.

EAST COUNTY & COLLEGE AREA

Antonio's Hacienda 700 North Johnson Avenue, El Cajon, 619-442-9827. If the decor hasn't been updated from its original 1960s-fabulous Old California Spanish, it's because there's been no need. The enormous dark-wood chandeliers, the padded-leather wooden chairs, the chainsaw-weathered wood beams — all top-shelf and aging well. Families abound, reveling in the guitar trio and the exposed kitchen station — such atmosphere! And the flavors are user-friendly, sweetness muting the spice in the salsa and the Ranchero sauce. The Camarones Tequila is a little more exciting; the sweetness of its bacon-wrapped shrimp gets a fine counter from the bitter liqueur in the marinade. Excellent Enchiladas Suizas: pale, mush-tender shredded chicken wrapped in tortillas and doused with good, tangy green sauce. Lunch and dinner daily. Sunday only, champagne brunch and separate buffet, each from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Inexpensive to low moderate. — A.M.

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There's no good argument to be made for the current system of privatized health care in the United States. Upward of 40 million Americans have no health insurance, and many of those who do face stiff premiums, out-of-control drug prices, gaps in coverage for preexisting conditions and "experimental" treatments, and messy tangles of bureaucratic red tape. It's a joke to call it a "system" at all, but the few defending the status quo have thus far been powerful enough to maintain it, thanks to hefty political contributions and scare campaigns that make socialized medicine look like a diabolical communist plot. All of which makes *Sicko*, the new documentary by professional rabble-rouser Michael Moore, perhaps the closest he'll ever come to broad consensus. Though Moore remains a polarizing figure — as much to leftists ambivalent about his tactics as rightists who object to him for more obvious reasons — he has a gift (yes, it's a gift) for reducing complex issues to bite-sized ideological nuggets. And the ones *Sicko* offers are, by and large, pretty tasty.

The usual Moore mélange of factoids, anecdotes, and stunts, *Sicko* states up front that it isn't really about

the many uninsured Americans, it's about those suffering under the coverage they have, particularly from HMOs. Puncturing the myth that the U.S. offers the best health care in the world — it's actually 38th, just ahead of Slovenia, and virtually the only industrialized nation to not support

universal care — the film opens with testimony from average, middle-class Americans who have weathered needless tragedy. It expands from there, continually returning to these heartrending stories but also exploring superior health-care systems in Britain, France, Canada, and, most notoriously, Cuba, where Moore carts a group of 9/11 rescue workers. (A typical exchange: Moore: "So how much are you paying for [this incredibly expensive procedure]?" Patient: "Nothing." Moore: "Really? Wow!")

The problem with *Sicko* — one endemic to Moore documentaries in general — is that it never confronts any challenges to its position, which can make it seem like the crudest sort of agitprop. *Somebody* has to pay for all this free coverage, after all, and it wouldn't necessarily weaken Moore's case to be honest about the higher tax burden or admit that national health-



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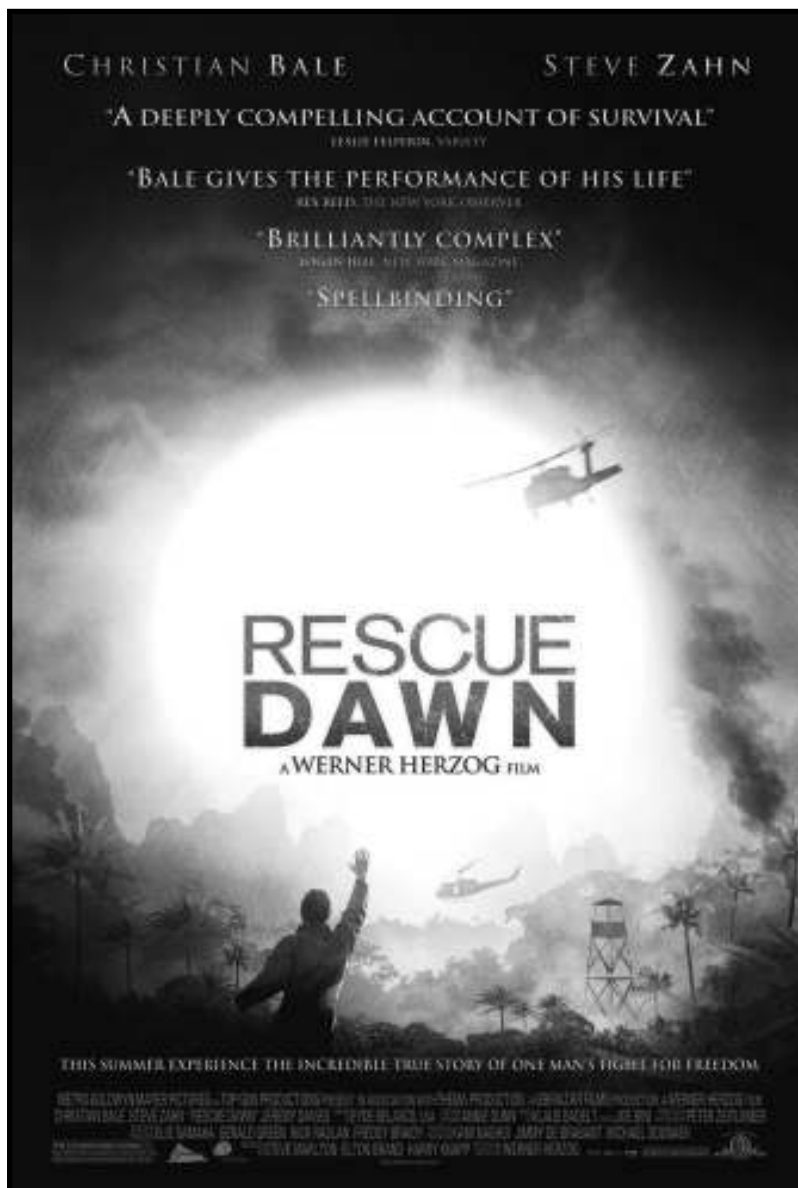
care systems, even the best ones, have their own hassles and red tape. Still, few citizens in France or Britain would likely opt to rescind their universal coverage for a system more like America's, no matter their place on the political spectrum. Here's an issue that transcends politics and speaks to basic human need and collective responsibility; perhaps we need

Moore's cudgel to make the case bluntly.

— Scott Tobias
A.V. Club Rating: B

The original *Die Hard* set the template for nearly every action movie that followed, but it also presented some problems, especially for the three sequels: Filmmakers try-

ing to make something bigger and more exciting immediately had to abandon the compactness and efficiency that made the first film so special. In the process, Bruce Willis's earthy blue-collar cop has evolved from a resourceful little "fly in the ointment" into a steely, indestructible superhero with about as much in common with mere mortals as Angelina



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MOVIES

Jolie. The fourth entry in the *Die Hard* series, *Live Free or Die Hard*, pushes Willis's die-hardiness to ever more ludicrous extremes, pitting him against helicopters, flying cars, an F-35, and even a sexy computer geek/ninja. His body withstands far more abuse than it did in *Die Hard*, yet none of the scrapes and bruises he sustains are as wince-inducing as the image of his younger self in the first film, padding across broken glass with bare feet. He was human back in 1988; now he's the Terminator.

Still, Willis's tough-guy attitude and Andy Rooney-esque perspective on the new remains intact, and *Live Free* milks it for all it's worth. An analog man in a digital world, Willis would probably have trouble checking his e-mail, yet he's forced to square off against a team of cyber-terrorists intent on bringing the country to its knees. Assigned to bring computer hacker Justin Long in for questioning,

Willis comes under fire from a group of thugs who want to sever Long's link to their master plan. Led by sniveling bad guy Timothy Olyphant, these cyber-terrorists use sophisticated viruses to cripple the nation's financial markets and infrastructure. For his part, Willis prods Long to do whatever hacking is necessary for him to reach Olyphant and give him the old-fashioned ass-whomping he deserves.

With the reins handed over to director Len Wiseman, the perpetrator of the *Underworld* movies, *Live Free* forfeits two-fisted machismo for wild special effects, which is exactly the sort of technology-first attitude that Willis's character would abhor. Nothing remotely plausible happens, but that isn't an issue — really, plausibility was left behind at least two movies ago — and the film is a swifter thrill machine than most, with each set piece working strenuously to top the one before. Willis does everything short of donning a cape and reversing time by orbiting the Earth at light speed, and the air of cheerful ridiculousness recalls Luc Besson-produced action films like *Transporter 2* or *Distric B13*. One thing's for certain: The

everyman from *Die Hard* isn't "one of us" anymore.

— Scott Tobias
A.V. Club Rating: C+ ■

MOVIE LISTINGS

Duncan Shepherd is on summer leave; he returns in the fall. Capsule reviews are by J.R. Jones, and Jonathan Rosenbaum, reprinted by permission from the Chicago Reader.

Black Book — Paul Verhoeven's triumphant 2006 return to Dutch cinema after 20 years of Hollywood releases (*Total Recall*, *Basic Instinct*, *Starship Troopers*) is commercial moviemaking of the highest order, superbly mounted and paced. Its story of a sexy Jewish singer (Carice Van Houten) who poses as a Nazi for the Dutch resistance during World War II is based on 40 years of research and 20 years of script development with cowriter Gerard Soeteman (*Soldier of Orange*). Like much of Verhoeven's best work, it's shamelessly melodramatic, but in its dark moral complexities it puts *Schindler's List* to shame. Van Houten and Sebastian Koch (*The Lives of Others*) are only two of the standouts in an exceptional cast. In English and subtitled Dutch, German, and Hebrew. — J.R.

Broken English — A single thirtysomething (Parker Posey) meets an eccentric Frenchman (Melvil Poupaud); directed by Zoe Cassavetes.

DOA: Dead or Alive — Martial arts action based on the video game franchise. With Jaime Pressly and Holly Valance; directed by Corey Yuen.

Eagle vs. Shark — Comedy chronicling the romance of two oddballs. With Loren Horsley and Jemaine Clement; directed by Taika Waititi.

Evan Almighty — In this farcical sequel to *Bruce Almighty* (2003), God is still a janitor played by Morgan Freeman, but the Buffalo newscaster played by Jim Carrey is now a Buffalo newscaster-turned-congressman played by *The 40-Year-Old Virgin*'s Steve Carell. As soon as the hero arrives with his family in a Virginia suburb to "change the world," God orders him to build an ark and then sends loads of animals in pairs after him until he obeys. Freeman's God is a mix of Old and New Testament, with a dash of both sexism and sitcom; Carell's Noah is a political fool, but that only proves he's honest and sincere. This is idiotic, but it's so good-natured I didn't mind. Directed by Tom Shadyac from a script by Steve Oedekerk (Joel Coen

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Fido — Zombies are domesticated as workers and pets in this horror-comedy. With Carrie-Anne Moss and Billy Connolly; directed by Andrew Currie.

1408 — An author of paranormal guidebooks (John Cusack) checks into a notorious Manhattan hotel room whose guests never survive the night. Adapted from a Stephen King story, this trite but watchable chiller plays like a scaled-down version of *The Shining*, with Cusack driven over the edge by hallucinations of his abusive father and dead daughter. Back in the '80s, adaptations of King's fiction were the cutting edge in Hollywood horror; now, in the age of *Saw* and *Hostel*, they seem like old-fashioned comfort food, something for parents to enjoy while their kids are in the next theater digging the torture and evisceration. Mikael Hafstrom directed, and Samuel L. Jackson has a fine old time as the boogety-boogety hotel manager. — *J.R.J.*

Evening — Susan Minot adapts her own novel with the help of Michael Cunningham (*The Hours*) about a dying woman (Vanessa Redgrave) coming to terms with her two daughters (Natasha Richardson and Toni Collette) and memories of her youth in the '50s (where she's played by Claire Danes). Despite the show-offy cast, it took me a while to warm to these people and their self-consciously idyllic settings — as well as to the slick direction of former cinematographer Lajos Koltai — but I was eventually won over. With Meryl Streep, Glenn Close, Patrick Wilson, and Hugh Dancy.

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix — The fifth installment in the series, starring Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, and Emma Watson; directed by David Yates.

Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade — Steven Spielberg's mechanical, soulless 1989 follow-up to *Raiders of the Lost Ark* and *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*. The fast pace and force-fed wisecracks are as seamless as ever, but rarely has audience laughter sounded as hollow. Jeffrey Boam wrote the script, based on an original story by executive producer George Lucas and Menno Meyjes, which concentrates on the relationship between Indiana (Harrison Ford) and his medievalist father (Sean Connery) as they search for the Holy Grail. (The action occurs both before and after the events of the two earlier Indiana Jones pictures.) Christianity, Nazism, Arthurian legend, antiquity, the third world, and women in general all serve as ballast and backdrop to the uneasy affection between a grown boy and his neglectful dad. Also on hand are River Phoenix as the young Indy, John Rhys-Davies, Alison Doody, Julian Glover, Denholm Elliott, and a lot of actors dressed up as Nazis. — *J.R.*

License to Wed — Newly engaged couple (John Krasinski and Mandy Moore) undergo a marriage-prep course with a pushy minister (Robin Williams). Ken Kwapis directed.

Live Free or Die Hard — Reviewed this issue. Starring Bruce Willis, Timothy Olyphant, Justin Long, and Maggie Q; directed by Len Wiseman.

The Lives of Others — I spent only an afternoon in East Germany before the

Berlin Wall fell, but the fearful silence in public places left a lingering impression. The reasons behind it are explored by writer-director Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck in his accomplished first feature, about the Stasi, the country's secret police, which had a staff of over 90,000, plus countless informers, and spied on friend and foe alike. The fictional story here, set between 1984 and 1991, focuses on the investigation of a popular and patriotic playwright (Sebastian Koch); that the captain assigned to his case (touchingly played by Ulrich Muehe) is mainly sympathetic and

working surreptitiously on the playwright's behalf only makes this more disturbing. With Martina Gedeck (*Mostly Martha*). In German with subtitles. — *J.R.*

A Mighty Heart — Mariane Pearl's 2003 memoir about the terrorist kidnapping and murder of her husband, *Wall Street Journal* reporter Daniel Pearl, is ideal material for a suspense film, and this docudrama manages to be gripping even though the outcome is no mystery. Closely adapted by John Orloff, the movie functions as a police procedural, with the journalist's pregnant

wife (Angelina Jolie) and a team of U.S. and Pakistani officials struggling to navigate the Islamic underground of Karachi as they search for Pearl. But Orloff also captures the book's human drama, as Mariane tries to remain hopeful in a steadily darkening situation, and its international sweep, as the rescuers are frustrated by tensions between Pakistan, India, and the West. Director Michael Winterbottom is known for his war-zone dramas (*Welcome to Sarajevo*, *In This World*), and his crisp documentary style enhances the emotionally charged story. — *J.R.J.*

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10:45 Sat.-Sun. (10:50, 2:00) 4:55, 7:45, 10:45;
License to Wed (PG-13) Fri. (10:25, 12:45,
3:00, 5:15) 7:40, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (10:25, 12:45,
3:00) 5:15, 7:40, 10:15; **Live Free or Die Hard**
(PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20a.m.) Fri. (1:05, 2:15,
4:10, 5:10) 7:10, 8:10, 9:00, 10:20, 11:00 Sat.-
Sun. (1:05, 2:15, 4:10) 5:10, 7:10, 8:10, 9:00,
10:20, 11:00; **Nancy Drew** (PG) Fri.-Sun.
(10:10); **Ocean's Thirteen** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.
(12:30, 3:25) 6:45, 9:40; **Pirates of the**
Caribbean: At World's End (PG-13) Fri.-
Sun. (11:10, 2:55) 6:25, 9:55; **Ratatouille** (G)
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(10:30, 12:05, 1:10, 2:45, 3:55) 5:30, 6:50, 9:35;
Shrek the Third (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:05); **Sicko**
(PG-13) Fri. (10:45, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00
Sat.-Sun. (10:45, 1:45) 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; **Spide-**
der-Man 3 (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:40); **Surf's**
Up (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:20, 3:05); **Transformers**
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5:20, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 10:35, 11:05, 11:35 Sun.
(10:15, 11:00, 12:25, 1:2

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(PG-13)

MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18

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Mission Valley 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)
Evan Almighty (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 12:45,
3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Evening** (PG-13) Fri.-
Sun. (10:15, 1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; **Knocked**
Up (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:30) 4:45, 7:45; **Live Free**
or Die Hard (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 1:15)
4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **Ocean's Thirteen** (PG-13)
Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 10:45; **Ratatouille** (G) Fri.-
Sun. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30;
Sicko (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:45) 4:45,
7:30, 10:30; **Transformers** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.
(10:00, 1:15) 4:30, 7:45, 10:45

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
Evan Almighty (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:30) 12:15,
2:00, 2:45, 4:35, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10 Sun. 12:15,
2:00, 2:45, 4:35, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10; **Evening**
(PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:45) 1:35, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00
Sun. 1:35, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00; **Fantastic Four:**
Rise of the Silver Surfer (PG) Fri.-Sun.
(10:10) 12:35, 3:00, 5:25, 7:55, 10:20; **1408**
(PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:45) 2:25, 4:50, 7:20, 9:55,
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Knocked Up (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:25) 1:20, 4:30,
7:30, 10:35 Sun. 1:20, 4:30, 7:30, 10:35; **Li-**
cense to Wed (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:50) 2:20,
3:15, 4:40, 5:35, 7:10, 8:05, 9:45, 10:30; **Live**
Free or Die Hard (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:15)
12:05, 1:35, 3:05, 4:05, 4:45, 6:20, 7:05, 7:50,
9:35, 10:20, 11:05 Sun. (11:05) 12:05, 1:35,
3:05, 4:05, 4:45, 6:20, 7:05, 7:50, 9:35, 10:20;
Nancy Drew (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:20) 12:45;
Ocean's Thirteen (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:05)
1:05, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00; **Pirates of the**
Caribbean: At World's End (PG-13) Fri.-
Sun. 3:25, 7:00, 10:45; **Ratatouille** (G) Fri.-Sat.
(10:30, 11:15) 1:25, 2:15, 4:25, 5:05, 7:15, 8:00,
10:05, 10:50 Fri.-Sat. 12:40, 3:40, 6:30, 9:20,
12:05 Sun. 12:40, 3:40, 6:30, 9:20 Sun. (10:30,
11:15) 1:25, 2:15, 4:25, 5:05, 7:15, 8:00, 10:05;
Shrek the Third (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:20) 1:40;
Sicko (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:10) 2:10, 5:15, 7:25,
8:10, 10:25, 11:00 Sun. (11:10) 2:10, 5:15, 7:25,
8:10, 10:25; **Surf's Up** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00)
1:10; **Transformers** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:00)

12:10, 12:50, 1:30, 3:30, 4:15, 4:55, 6:55, 7:35,
8:15, 10:15, 10:55, 11:35 Sun. (10:00) 12:10,
12:50, 1:30, 3:30, 4:15, 4:55, 6:55, 7:35, 8:15,
10:15

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
Evan Almighty (PG) Fri. (2:50) 5:15, 7:45
Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:15, 7:45; **Fantastic**
Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer (PG) Fri.
(2:40) 5:10, 7:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 2:40) 5:10,
7:30; **1408** (PG-13) Fri. (2:45) 5:25, 7:50 Sat.-
Sun. (12:10, 2:45) 5:25, 7:50; **Live Free or Die**
Hard (PG-13) Fri. (2:30) 5:20, 8:25 Sat.-Sun.
(11:40, 2:30) 5:20, 8:25; **Ratatouille** (G) Fri.
(2:15) 5:00, 7:40 Sat.-Sun. (11:30, 2:15) 5:00,
7:40; **Transformers** (PG-13) Fri. (2:35) 5:35,
8:30 Sat.-Sun. (11:35, 2:35) 5:35, 8:30

Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)
Fido (R) Fri. 5:10, 7:20, 9:30 Sat.-Sun. 3:00,
5:10, 7:20, 9:30

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3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)
Broken English (PG-13) Fri. 1:20, 4:20, 7:05,
10:00 Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 1:20, 4:20, 7:05, 10:00;
Eagle vs. Shark (R) Fri. 1:35, 4:30, 7:30, 9:50
Sat.-Sun. 11:10, 1:35, 4:30, 7:30, 9:50; **La Vie**
en Rose (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 12:55, 3:50, 6:45,
9:40; **Once** (R) Fri. 4:55, 10:05 Sat.-Sun. 11:25,
4:55, 10:05; **Paris, Je T'Aime** (R) Fri. 1:30,
4:15, 7:00, 9:45 Sat.-Sun. 10:45, 1:30, 4:15,
7:00, 9:45; **Waitress** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 1:40,
7:10

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
Coral Reef Adventure (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:05);
2:00 Sat.-Sun. 2:00, 6:00; **Dinosaurs Alive!** (Not
Rated) Fri. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 8:00 Sat.-
Sun. 10:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00;
Everest (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00; **Island of the**
Sharks (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00; **The Alps: Gi-**
ants of Nature (No Rated) Fri. 12:00, 4:00,
9:00 Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 4:00, 8:00

San Diego Natural History Museum

1788 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-232-3821)
Ocean Oasis (Not Rated) Fri. 10:00 am

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Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
Evan Almighty (PG); **Evening** (PG-13); **Fan-**
tastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer (PG); **1408**
(PG-13); **Knocked Up** (R); **License to**
Wed (PG-13); **Live Free or Die Hard**
(PG-13); **Nancy Drew** (PG); **Ocean's Thir-**
teen (PG-13); **Pirates of the Caribbean: At**
World's End (PG-13); **Ratatouille** (G); **Shrek**
the Third (PG); **Surf's Up** (PG); **Transfor-**
mers (PG-13

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RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road
Evan Almighty (PG); **Fantastic Four: Rise of**
the Silver Surfer (PG); **1408** (PG-13);
Knocked Up (R); **License to Wed** (PG-13) ;
Live Free or Die Hard (PG-13); **Nancy Drew**
(PG); **Ocean's Thirteen** (PG-13); **Pirates of**
the Caribbean: At World's End (PG-13);
Ratatouille (G); **Shrek the Third** (PG); **Surf's**
Up (PG); **Transformers** (PG-13)

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)
Evan Almighty (PG); **Fantastic Four: Rise of**
the Silver Surfer (PG); **Live Free or Die Hard**
(PG-13); **Ocean's Thirteen** (PG-13); **Trans-**
formers (PG-13)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)
Evan Almighty (PG); **Fantastic Four: Rise of**
the Silver Surfer (PG); **1408: License to**
Wed (PG-13); **Live Free or Die Hard**
(PG-13); **Ratatouille** (G); **Transformers**
(PG-13)

Palm Promenade 24

770 Denmery Road (858-558-2262)

Evan Almighty; Evening (PG-13); **Fantastic**
Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer (PG); **1408**
(PG-13); **Knocked Up** (R); **License to Wed**
(PG-13); **Live Free or Die Hard** (PG-13);
Nancy Drew (PG); **Ocean's Thirteen**
(PG-13); **Pirates of the Caribbean: At**
World's End (PG-13); **Ratatouille** (G); **Shrek**
the Third (PG); **Sicko** (PG-13); **Surf's Up**
(PG); **Transformers** (PG-13)

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street (619-216-4707)
Evan Almighty (PG); **Fantastic Four: Rise of**
the Silver Surfer (PG) ; **1408** (PG-13);
Knocked Up (R); **License to Wed** (PG-13);
Live Free or Die Hard (PG-13); **A Mighty**
Heart (R); **Nancy Drew** (PG) ; **Ocean's Thir-**
teen (PG-13); **Pirates of the Caribbean: At**
World's End (PG-13); **Ratatouille** (G); **Shrek**
the Third (PG); **Surf's Up** (PG); **Transfor-**
mers (PG-13)

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Mr. Brooks — The title hero (Kevin Costner), a successful and beloved executive, husband, and father, is secretly addicted to committing gratuitous murders and voices his inner doubts to an alter ego (William Hurt) while being tracked by a similarly compulsive millionaire cop (Demi Moore). When he forgets to close the blinds before killing a couple, a voyeur (Dane Cook) spots him and blackmails him, demanding to be brought along on the next caper. This is one of those slick, violent, ridiculous Hollywood jobs that makes little sense as a story, a comment on life, or a depiction of characters, but is moderately enjoyable in its spinning of movie conventions. There's even a good De Palma-style fake shock ending. Bruce A. Evans directed a script he wrote with Raynold Gideon. — *J.R.*

Nancy Drew — A good half century has passed since I've read any Nancy Drew mysteries, an endless series that's been appearing since 1930, and frankly I wasn't expecting Andrew Fleming's 'Scope movie, written with Tiffany Paulsen, to stir up many memories of them. But this is a loving, uncondescending tribute to the novels' sweetness and hokeyness and an excellent piece of genre filmmaking. Nancy (Emma Roberts) accompanies her geeky dad (Tate Donovan) to Hollywood, where they rent the former mansion of a late movie star who's died mysteriously, and the girl sleuth solves the case. The postmodernist evocations of the past (roughly the '50s through the '80s) are a charming mishmash, delivered with wit and style. With Josh Flitter and Barry Bostwick. — *J.R.*

Once — In the opening scene of John Carney's engaging indie, a Dublin busker (Glen Hansard of the Frames) hands his guitar to a passerby and gives chase to the wastrel who's snatched his guitar case and change, but when he finally collars the culprit, he lets him keep the money. That sort of humanity infuses the movie, a low-budget and leisurely plotted DV project in which the singer, a poor vacuum-cleaner repairman, falls in love with a young Czech immigrant (Markéta Irglová) who plays the piano and

helps him put together a band for a demo session. The songs don't advance the narrative lyrically so much as follow the two characters' uncertain relationship through the slow realization of their themes; in particular a scene in which they first jam together in the back room of a music store is a gem. — *J.R.*

Paris, Je T'Aime — Most features composed of sketches by different filmmakers are wildly uneven. This one is consistently mediocre, albeit pleasant and watchable. It helps that none of the episodes runs longer than five or six minutes. Many of the most famous areas of Paris — the Latin Quarter, the Champs-Élysées — are omitted, but Olivier Assayas, Gurinda Chadha, Sylvain Chomet, Joel and Ethan Coen, Wes Craven, Alfonso Cuarón, Gérard Depardieu, Christopher Doyle, Vincenzo Natali, Alexander Payne, Bruno Podalydès, Walter Salles and Daniela Thomas, Nobuhiro Suwa, Tom Tykwer, and Gus Van Sant, among others, do pretty well with their chosen parts of the city. In English and subtitled French. — *J.R.*

Ratatouille — Brad Bird's second collaboration with Pixar is more ambitious and meditative than his Oscar-winning *The Incredibles*. "Anyone can cook" is just one of the lessons of this superbly rendered CGI animation about a young rat (voiced by Patton Oswalt) who longs to work in the Paris restaurant made famous by his late idol (Brad Garrett). The novice rodent chef transcends his clan's prejudices by teaming surreptitiously with a human, an inept scullery boy (Lou Romano) the rat coaches to gastronomic acclaim. Cooking tips abound, and the Proustian moment a snooty food writer (Peter O'Toole) enjoys is a corker. With the voices of Ian Holm, Brian Dennehy, and Janeane Garofalo.

Sicko — Reviewed this issue. Directed by Michael Moore.

Transformers — Shia LaBeouf stars in this sequel to the action movie based on the

SEEN ON
DVD

JACQUELYN DANIELL
English major, Biola University

If you are looking for something artistic this summer, *The Fountain* will not disappoint. Darren Aronofsky's latest film is the story of a man's quest to save the life of the woman he loves. The story is brought to life through three different scenarios: a doctor's frantic attempt to find a cure to save his dying wife; a Spanish conquistador's search for the tree of life; and a Zen-style tale of a future man's endeavor to reach the Mayan underworld and be reborn. *The Fountain* is more than a story; it is an artistic exploration of humankind's attempts to conquer death. The three tales intersect in ways that are difficult to understand, but therein lies the true beauty of the film — life and love must be experienced, not understood.

THE FOUNTAIN (USA) 2006,
Warner Home Video
List price: \$27.95

AMBER HOFFMAN
Arts and entertainment editor,
Point Loma Nazarene
University's *The Point Weekly*

Mysterious Skin is a complex coming-of-age story that follows two teenage boys in the aftermath of a childhood trauma. The experience affects each boy differently: one becomes obsessed with UFOs while the other becomes a gay hustler. *Mysterious Skin* is unflinching in its realism, and the dramatic conclusion is as heartbreaking as it is hopeful.

Filmmaker Eric Steel and his crew filmed San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge from dawn to dusk for an entire year with the intention of capturing on film the individuals who choose to end their lives at the bridge. This haunting documentary attempts to humanize the more than two dozen individuals who jumped from the bridge in 2004. *The Bridge* includes interviews with friends and family of jumpers, witnesses, and even a jump survivor. The film raises but does not necessarily answer serious questions about suicide, mental illness, and civic responsibility.

MYSTERIOUS SKIN (USA) 2004,
Strand Releasing
List price: \$24.99

THE BRIDGE (England/USA)
2006, Koch Lorber
List price: \$26.98

DANIEL P. PAGE
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Point Loma Nazarene University

Sadly, films are often considered only as good as they are profitable. Francis Coppola's *One from the Heart* grossed less than a million, leaving Coppola in debt for millions. Forced to work at the mercy of studios to pay it off, he saw his professional freedom forever changed. The truest tragedy is that *One from the Heart* is groundbreaking and gorgeous, easily his most artistic, visually striking work.

Jean-Pierre Jeunet crafted his masterpiece *The City of Lost Children* with his partner in crime Marc Caro after their acclaimed *Delicatessen*. Equipped with newly acquired notoriety and funding, they constructed a haunting yet whimsical fairytale. Stunning yet understated sets, strange and beautiful inventions, and quirky wide-angled cinematography create a unique and lovely tale. But it only grossed a tenth of its production costs. Jeunet would have to wait six years to get the box-office recognition he deserved with his breakthrough *Amélie*.

ONE FROM THE HEART (USA)
1982,
Fantoma/American Zoetrope
List price: \$29.98

LA CITE DES ENFANTS
PERDUS/THE CITY OF LOST
CHILDREN (France) 1995,
Sony Pictures
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camp mortification: the heroine grows up in Grandma's brothel, sings on the streets, gets discovered by an entrepreneur (Gérard Depardieu no less), loses or gets snatched away from loved ones, becomes dependent on drink and drugs. Director-cowriter Olivier Dahan lamentably leapfrogs past most of the German occupation, when Piaf was a courageous member of the resistance. With Sylvie Testud and Emmanuelle Seigner. In French with subtitles. — *J.R.*

Waitress — The late Adrienne Shelly, best known for her roles in *Sleep With Me* and Hal Hartley's *Trust* and *The Unbelievable Truth*, wrote and directed half a dozen films, three of them features, but this tangy, resourceful comedy drama is the first I've seen. Keri Russell plays a gifted pie baker and abused housewife who waits tables at a diner along with two romantically frustrated coworkers (Cheryl Hines and Shelly) and unexpectedly finds herself pregnant. The film isn't averse to reaching for Hollywood fantasies, but there's a lot of what seems to be hard-earned wisdom here about women in bad marriages. The men tend to be either idealized (hunky Nathan Fillion, patriarchal Andy Griffith) or monstrously geeky (Jeremy Sisto and Eddie Jemison), and Shelly clearly had fun with all of these caricatures. — *J.R.*

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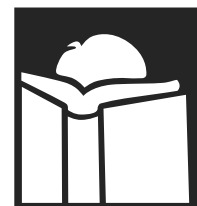
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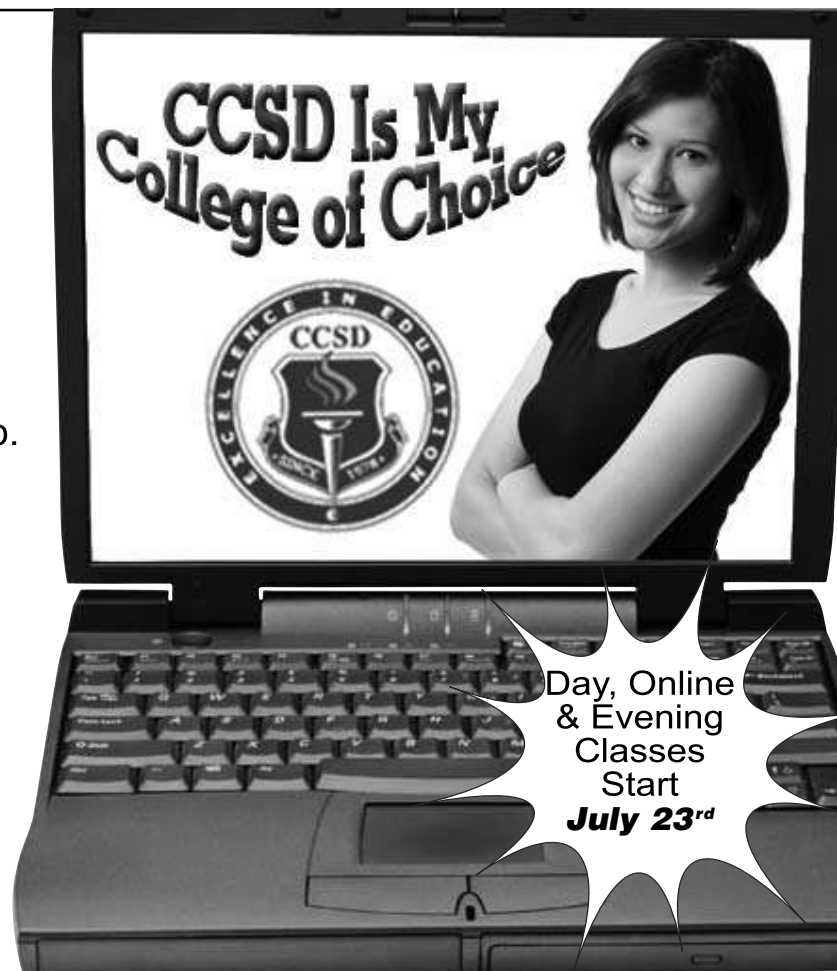
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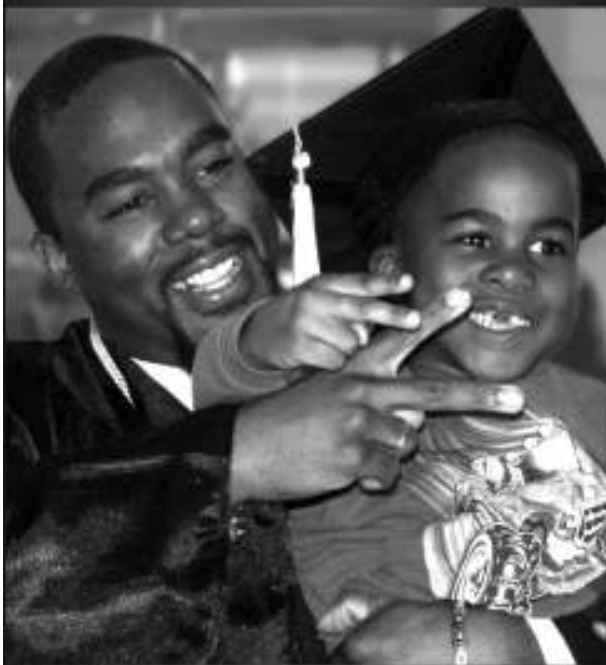
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Well, I used to be told I looked like Barbra Streisand. That was a long time ago, before I had surgery. It bothered me a little bit. The only person lately I've been told I look a little like is that woman from *Sex and the City*. I can't remember her name, though.



Steve Bakerink
Business Owner
Poway

Oh, yeah, there's been a lot of people. I get Sam Elliot. When I had a full beard, I got Kris Kristofferson fairly often. I was also told I looked like Weird Al Yankovic. That was when I had different hair and big glasses.



Anna West
Student
Mira Mesa

I was told once that I looked like Jane, from the Disney cartoon of *Tarzan*. When I was in the sixth grade, I used to hear that I looked like Anastasia. I wasn't wearing any out-fits or anything that made me look more like them. And I certainly didn't see it. It seems like it's always a cartoon or animated character, never a real person, that I remind someone of.



Beth Bennett
Marketing
Solana Beach

I have been told I look like Lindsay Lohan and Karen Allen the most. I've also heard Jennifer Connelly. I didn't mind that at all. I've heard Demi Moore and Margot Kidder, who was Lois Lane. That's cool. I wouldn't mind a little of that Superman action.



Mike Bomura
Marketing and Promotions
Temecula

Well, ever since *American Idol* came out, I always hear I look like Ryan Seacrest. I've heard I look like the guy from *The Fast and the Furious*. I used to get Brad and Leonardo, when their movies were out and I'm wearing sunglasses.

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by laying the front seat down, sticking the nose under the dash, and the tail of the board sits on the rear seatback.

"You could get an eight-foot board in there. Anything bigger, and I have

to use [roof racks]."

Roloff, 22, has been surfing for the past 11 years.

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Across

- 1. As evidenced by this puzzle, a word in many pop song titles
- 7. Labor pain?
- 11. Early hrs.
- 14. Its currency is the kwanza
- 15. Approximately
- 16. Fond du _____, Wisc.
- 17. Emperor under Pope Innocent III
- 18. Twosome
- 19. Suffix with sched-
- 20. Jump-starting org.
- 22. With 1-Across, he's told to "bring me a dream" in a 1954 hit
- 24. With 1-Across, he "spoke with tears of 15 years of how his dog and him traveled about" in a 1971 hit
- 29. What Mikey has but Mickey doesn't
- 30. Nursing school subj.
- 31. Building add-on
- 32. 2007 Jake Gyllenhaal thriller
- 33. 45 half
- 35. Gawks at
- 37. With 1-Across, he's told to "play a song for me" in a 1965 hit
- 42. Frequently
- 43. Update, as an atlas
- 45. Dancer Nureyev
- 49. Spy org.
- 51. Isle near Scotland
- 52. Saudi's neighbor
- 53. With 1-Across, he's told "I must tell you what my heart knows is true" in a 1956 hit
- 55. With 1-Across, he's asked "Please tell us why you had to hide away for so long" in a 1978 hit
- 57. Geometry suffix
- 58. Writer Fleming
- 59. Get better
- 61. King of "Jerry Maguire"
- 66. Kook
- 67. Within: Prefix
- 68. Rubbed out
- 69. Thoroughfares: Abbr.
- 70. Whom bouncers might bounce
- 71. With 1-Across, he's told "Domo arigato" in a 1983 hit

Down

- 1. 1972 Nixon host
- 2. Bankbook abbr.
- 3. Bilko, e.g.: Abbr.
- 4. Also
- 5. Name in 2000 news
- 6. Bring ruin on
- 7. Drench
- 8. Boorish
- 9. Shortest-named continent

- 10. Unlucky one
- 11. They're produced by degrees
- 12. Spanish province or its wine
- 13. Picturesque
- 21. No-holds-barred
- 23. Cabinet div.
- 24. Coll. degrees
- 25. "Put a lid _____!"
- 26. Mrs. Will Smith
- 27. "Lemme _____!"
- 28. "El Espolio" artist
- 32. Meditative discipline
- 34. Does away with
- 36. Interior layer
- 38. Wrong
- 39. Israel's Golda
- 40. "I _____ the opinion ..."
- 41. When doubled, an old sitcom goodbye
- 44. Buddy
- 45. Colorful chirpers
- 46. German mark
- 47. Intimidates
- 48. Its root is itself
- 50. Quite the fan
- 53. Gunfighter Earp
- 54. Juan's January
- 56. Gambling game
- 60. Part of UCLA
- 62. Shoot the breeze
- 63. Personal ad abbr.
- 64. Entangler for an angler
- 65. Brouhaha

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- 6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- 7. One entry per person.

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Solution to and winners of the Reader Puzzle for 6/28/07.

There were 142 entrants. The winners are:

- 1. Reid Weigle, *Chula Vista*
- 2. Ashley Gunn, *El Cajon*
- 3. Olivia Cheselske, *San Diego*
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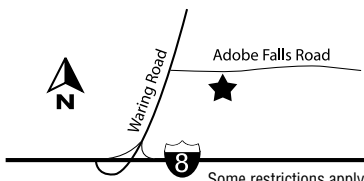
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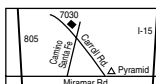
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— After several reports of grizzly bears intimidating people near Alaska’s Russian River, the state Department of Fish and Game recently gave several usual-suspect bears makeovers, using ordinary hair dye in bright colors (yellow, green, orange, blue) to make it easier for people to identify the specific bears that are menacing them. Environmentalists were critical, objecting to turning pristine wilderness into a gaudy, “punk”-colored park. Animal-rights activists, too, suggested that colored bears might find socializing difficult (but a bear researcher quoted by the *Anchorage Daily News* discounted that fear, based on a previous, similar project).

The Continuing Crisis

— On one fateful day in 2003 in Sikeston, Mo., according to Holly Adams, she had sex at different times with Raymon and Richard Miller, who are identical twins and who did not know about each other’s encounter. Adams became pregnant, but both Millers deny paternity despite, of course, an identical DNA match for each brother (with both claiming that it must have been the other). Adams

has named Raymon the father, and a court must decide paternity and child support just like courts did before DNA testing was developed.

— Police in Rapid City, S.D., stopped a car at about 1 a.m. on June 5 and found the female-looking driver to be intoxicated and, at 18, too young to drink. They also found that the passenger was local alderman Tom Johnson, who called the driver his “helper” at his middle-of-the-night task of personally putting up yard signs for his mayoral campaign. According to the *Rapid City Journal*, Johnson continually referred to the driver as a woman, but police later learned that the driver was a man dressed as a woman, which Johnson claimed he was shocked to find out.

The 38th Time Was Not a Charm

— (1) In June, Indian farmer Shiv Charan Yadav, 73, failed his high school gateway exams (normally given at age 15) for the 38th time, and what’s worse, he had vowed the first time not to marry until he passes; he said he would immediately start studying for number 39. (2) In May, the San Antonio (Texas) Independent School District announced that Elizabeth Rojas had been

fired as principal of Smith Elementary school after failing for the 38th time the required state educators’ test.

Nature Calling

— About 100 people were able to escape the perhaps-fatal effects of a sinkhole that collapsed under their one-story apartment house in eastern Sarawak, Borneo, in April, only because Renjis Empati, 57, had arisen in the middle of the night to go to the communal toilet. He noticed the ground moving and awakened all the residents. — Pardon Me: (1) Helen Gallo, 61, charged with shoplifting in Cape Coral, Fla., in April, told police she was forced to bypass the slow check-out line because her irritable bowel syndrome was acting up. (2) Cedar Rapids, Iowa, TV station photographer Gerry Edwards was fired in March for unprofessional conduct because a November funeral he was covering lasted so long that he had to urinate outdoors in an area that was visible to funeral guests.

Least Competent Criminals

— Can’t Stop Ourselves: Sheriff’s deputies in

Hilmar, Calif., arrested Tasha Silva, 30, in April and charged her with stealing a deputy’s pickup truck, but her boyfriend and co-suspect, Marcus Schulze, fled. According to the sheriff’s office, the couple drove away, thought they were in the clear, and stopped to have sex in the truck. They left the engine idling, and the truck ran out of gas before they were finished. When deputies spotted the truck, the couple had to flee on foot, and only Schulze escaped.

Cultural Diversity

— In Congo, which has lost an estimated 4 million people in the civil wars of the past decade and where many must get by on about 30 cents a day, “gangs” of designer-clothes-wearing men periodically square off against each other in preening contests in the streets of Kinshasa to prove that Versace and Gucci look better on them than on others. The “cloth cults” of Congo are said to have been around since the 1970s.

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Thirty Years Ago

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—PRESS PASSES: "BREAKING UP IS HARD TO DO,"

Paul Krueger, July 7, 1977

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Tribune editor Neil Morgan and *Newsline* publisher Larry Remer are slugging it out on the pages of their respective journals, championing opposing sentiments in the case of Municipal Court Judge Lewis Wenzell. While the *Tribune* demanded Wenzell's recall for soliciting prostitutes, Remer questioned whether the postage-paid petitions that accompanied the *Tribune's* editorial was an independent campaign expenditure (it is), and asked *Newsline* readers to mail in coupons for a "Recall Morgan" drive.

—THE INSIDE STORY, Paul Krueger, July 8, 1982

Twenty Years Ago

RICHARD. The reason I'm so comfortable

with making decisions is because I'm willing to take responsibility for the outcome. That's where you and I differ.

SANDEE, sorry we missed in the *Reader*. It's been six long years, soon we'll be together, can't wait. Tony.

SCREAMER, I look forward to the day that we will meet out of work. The possibilities are endless. How about breakfast? Best Friend.

—CLASSIFIEDS, July 9, 1987

Fifteen Years Ago

The characteristic Tijuana opener, as ubiquitous as "What up, Cuz?" or "Happenin', Homes?" across in bangerland, is ¿Que onda, güey? *La onda* means "wave" in the sense of "vibrations" and is hippie talk left over from the '60s but is still ubiquitous among the hip. ¿Que onda? is "What's the vibes?" or "good people," *mala onda* is "something else" or "too much." But the grittier greeting would be ¿Que transas? which has the sense of "What's the deal?"

—CITY LIGHTS: "WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW CHINALOA FROM SHINOLA," Linton Robinson, July 9, 1992

Ten Years Ago

I bought a pig because I wasn't ready for children. I wanted something small and helpless

but something that wouldn't require college or "quality time." I figured if the pig didn't work out, we could always have dinner. That's not an option with children.

They don't tell you a lot of things when you buy a miniature pig. They don't mention anything about rooting. A simple word like "root" doesn't encompass the total interest that pigs devote to the earth. A novice like me might think pigs only root in France when looking for truffles. And I did research before I bought this pig. (My husband made me.) There I was with the encyclopedias, taking down notes about how to prepare their favorite foods, but nowhere do I have any scribbled account that mentions rooting. And now, with half the linoleum gone from our kitchen, it seems it might have been an important point to note.

—"IF I HAD A SLEDGEHAMMER FOR A NOSE, WHAT HAVOC WOULD I WREAK?" Jennifer Ball, July 3, 1997

Five Years Ago

Flash back for a moment to 1980. It's early morning in Laos. Montry Sengsouriya's life is on the line. "We started out before the sun rose, because the mists were still rising from the river. We headed for the middle of the Mekong, to make it look as though we were



San Diego Reader, July 3, 1997

going fishing. We hit a good patch of mist. The boatman turned 90 degrees left and raced for the Thai side. We were lucky. Nobody spotted us. There were no shouts. No shots. Nobody knew I had gone."

Except his mom, dad, brothers, and sisters. Twenty-one years later, Montry has made it to — and in — America: qualified as a mechanical engineer, made microchips for a high-tech firm (which downsized), and then started El Cajon's lone Thai restaurant.

—TIN FORK: "LAO MOO" Ed Bedford, July 3, 2002

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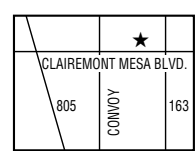
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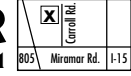
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POST DATE: June 27, 2007

POST TITLE: Frankie Goes to Australia, Part 2: Negotiating the Fraternal Order

The first time I set foot in a bike store alongside my loyal cycling buddy, Jeremy, I knew something along the gender line was very wrong. While Jeremy could walk into a store and ask for “that hard thing you put on your head,” and be met with “ah, so you’ve heard of helmets. Welcome, my brother, to the Fraternal Order of the Men Who Spin. Ooh-ha-ha,” I could walk into the same store asking for an assessment of Campagnolo versus Shimano front derailleurs for bikes with a granny chainring and be met with “uh-huh, yes, we DO have princess lights for cruisers. I think they’re somewhere in the back, in our ‘pansy’ section.” One time, while shopping for a saddle that didn’t feel as though it was designed specifically to mangle unsuspecting women’s butts by an angry butt-hating misogynist, I was forced, by the lack of any women working in these stores, to ask the guy helping me what his girlfriend rides. His response: “she rides what I tell her to ride.”

Hmph. I need to have a little chat with your girlfriend. I also need to have a little chat with your boss about the total uselessness of his staff when they say things to me like, “I’ve ridden all these girls’ saddles, and this one is definitely better for your butt.” As if your sit

bones know what my sit bones need on a 60-mile ride. Lots of things about girl bodies and boy bodies are the same — but pelvic structure ain’t one of them. And when it comes to throwing down a hundred bucks on a piece of equipment that will end up being a very close friend of mine, I would really just like to talk to another girl about it. Not to mention the somewhat degrading sensation of having a guy ask me the last time I had my butt measured and would I like him to do it for me...

My point is this: cycling is one more arena in the world of sports where women must throw some elbows in order to get the kind of recognition and support they need to be great athletes — or even just weekend warriors, out there taking over road shoulders one pink saddle and ponytail at a time. Men cyclists seem to be very aware that theirs is a well-insulated world, where they can hang out in skin-tight clothes, sip lattes, shave their legs, and say “France” with an accent (just so

long as it’s prompted by “the Tour de”) with no social impunity. When there are no chicks around, this must feel like a boys-will-be-spandexed-and-shaven-boys fantasyland. When you put us into the picture, however, said boys seem to



need to defend cycling’s more metrosexual habits with a hefty helping of condescending paternalism.

Let I be accused of being an unconstructive critic, I feel I should point the Fraternal Order in a more helpful direction. So, here are two simple tips for making cycling the Switzerland of the gender wars: 1. Hire women in your shops so that I can stop enquiring after

shopboys’ girlfriends and wives. 2. When there just aren’t any women around to help me pick out new shammies or the right length crank, give me the best, paternalism-free advice you can.

And (not a requirement, merely a personal favor), stop buying all our gear in freaking pink.

POST DATE: June 25, 2007

POST TITLE: Frankie Goes to Australia, Part 1

Six months ago, I applied for a leave of absence from my doctoral program, bought a plane ticket to Australia, disassembled my road bike, and stuffed my backpack full of maps, panniers, energy goo, and Lycra. Having reached the outer limits of my patience with graduate school, my throbbing brain and I concocted a plan: to travel the east coast of Australia. On my bike.

At the time I made this...interesting decision, I was hardly what you would call a hard-core roadie — I was more like a cycling neophyte, someone who had only recently made the transition from

workout shorts to actual padded spandex, and who originally christened her bike “Frenchie” under the gross misapprehension that Lemond was a French bike maker (the bike has since been renamed “Frankie” — remember that, it’ll be important later).

I rode 656 miles, from Byron Bay to Sydney. Afterwards, as I lay in a bunk bed in a Sydney hostel and considered my road-weary bike — which felt, at that point, like an extension of the lower half of my body — something profound clunked into place in my brain: the ride, all 656 miles of it, had been the easy part. I’d gotten past the hard part without pedaling a single Australian mile (kilometer, whatever). Well before that airline conveyor belt in LAX had slurped up my boxed-up bike, I had actualized a fantasy of becoming a fresh version of myself. Somehow, in the process of filing for legal separation from my university and slinging enough lattes to power Las Vegas and pay for my plane ticket, I had accomplished everything I had needed to save my own life from its inertia. As it turned out, the plan itself did the hard work for me.

Everything from there on out had been icing on my cake.

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"WOULD YOU GET OFF THE PHONE?" my dad yelled.

"I'm setting my watch. Give me a minute."

"It's close enough."

"No, it isn't."

I wanted to synch my Batman watch with the infallible voice of time, the electronic lady from "popcorn." In my hometown, you could dial p-o-p-c-o-r-n (767-2676) and hear a robotic, stop-jerk woman read the time. Her voice was a combination of the "Shall we play a game?" computer from War Games and a kindly telephone operator. I imagined her as a Tandy TRS-80 with a beehive hairdo and an ear-phone headset.

"The...time...is...11...38...and...15...seconds."

It was important that my watch be exactly right because I was the only one with a timepiece. If we were to carry out military actions in the creek down the street, accurate time measurement would be crucial. But, also, I liked her. Before I knew what attraction was, before hormones turned me into a slaving beast, I knew the computerized time lady's voice was the voice of my future wife. Maybe I would be a robot, too, by the time I was old enough to settle down.

I'd listen, holding the button on the side of my watch until it bore a white, tubular, indentation into the pink tip of my index finger. I waited to release the silver switch at the exact moment she said, "11...39," no seconds, the very top of the minute, and Batman would beep his approval for our upcoming missions.

A quick bike ride past the Episcopal Church and across Sunset Avenue intersection put me at the ditch where Steven and Timmy were waiting with hunks of charcoal from their fireplace. We'd charcoal our faces for camouflage, unsheathe the wooden swords from our green belts, and draw the plastic pistols from our pockets. Prisoners of war were rescued, lives won and lost on the ivy-covered banks of that stream.

Later that night, while my dad was distracted with *The Dukes of Hazzard*, I'd sneak back to the white telephone on the kitchen wall, dial the rotary slowly and quietly, and twist my finger in the ringed cord while she spoke to me in numbers.

"The...time...is...8...25...and..." First love.

WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, JULY 5

THE SCORPION KING

USA 9:00 A.M.

Isn't it a little early for The Rock's eyebrow and loin-clothed glutes to be gallivanting about in the desert stabbing things? Let's have some coffee and listen to radio news for a little bit, then we'll get into the half-naked swordplay. Huh. What a coincidence. *Half-Naked Swordplay* was the name of the first movie I was in. It was an art film. I was in college.

BIG BROTHER 8

CBS 8:00 P.M.

Seven and a half too many. Although, I do like that Asian woman who hosts the show. Not that she's entertaining in any way, I'd just like to see her try to introduce guests and cut to commercial while I was giving her a lapdance the whole time. "Uh. Uh. You like that? Put the dollar in my garter. C'mon!"

FRIDAY, JULY 6

STANDOFF

FOX 9:00 P.M.

This show is about a hostage negotiator who talks down hot situations. A better show would be "Change Machine Standoff," where I yell, "This damn thing ate my dollar and I still have wet clothes in the dryer!" Each episode ends with me tugging on the coin-return handle and banging my head against the digital readout display. Then your television set would magically produce cake. That's why it would be a better show. Everyone loves cake.

SATURDAY, JULY 7

BOSLEY: HAIR LOSS ANSWERS

DISCOVERY 7:00 A.M.

What was the question? Unless it's coming out in thick, mangy patches on parts of your body other than your head, the reason behind hair loss is pretty straightforward. You're becoming your father. Get some black dress socks, khaki

shorts, and a lawn mower. Drink Miller out of a bottle and practice saying things like, "Yep, looks like it's going to be a hot one." It's inevitable. Don't fight it. Cultivate an odor of wet trash.

LIVE EARTH: THE CONCERTS FOR A CLIMATE IN CRISIS

NBC 8:00 P.M.

Scheduled performances include Madonna, Sheryl Crow, Fall Out Boy, Enrique Iglesias, and the Red Hot Chili Peppers. My counter theory to the accepted reason behind global warming is that it is caused by the inflated egos of our super rich and famous. When Madonna and Sheryl Crow fight over the last bottle of Evian backstage, this concert may launch us into the next catastrophic weather event. If Fall Out Boy and the Red Hot Chili Peppers have to pass each other in the hall, Hurricane Katrina will look like the puff of breath from a Girl Scout blowing a dandelion.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

DOUBLE IMPACT

KUSI 8:00 P.M.

Jean Claude Van Damme plays his own evil twin. In real life Jean Claude's twin isn't evil, but he is a perfect opposite to the yowling martial arts movie star. He speaks the Queen's English, collects cheeses and coffees from his world travels, practices Shakespeare lines into a digital recorder until he has them right. Enjoys knitting shawls. Wouldn't think of kicking someone in the jaw unless it were for, oh, I don't know, emergency first aid purposes or something. Doesn't enjoy "sweaty" activities.

MONDAY, JULY 8

RACHEL RAY

ABC 9:00 A.M.

I would like my own "hints and tips around the home" show. The problem with that is I like to get drunk early in the morning and play pranks on people. Waves of hate letters would come rolling in after I told everyone, "Remember, butter your iron for easy gliding over those wrinkled shirts" and "To get your cat down off the couch, kick it in the ass. It's okay, they like it."

TUESDAY, JULY 9

DEL SUR: THE BEST NEW COMMUNITY IN AMERICA

FOX 8:00 P.M.



Standoff

What about the rich cultural tapestry that is North Park? We have everything from tacos to burritos. Our music ranges from norteño to mariachi, and the flags of every state, from Baja to Nayarit, fly in the windows of every apartment and low-rider pickup. You couldn't ask for a better place to live. Wait. I've recently grown a mustache and it makes me say crazy things. I'm not sure if this is how I really feel or if, as my therapist says, "It's the mustache talking."

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING: THE PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE

PBS 8:00 P.M.

Synchronized Snoozer: The Pursuit of Boring. Actually, since this includes women in bathing suits, this is the raciest show ever broadcast on PBS. Never mind that they're wearing one-pieces, nose plugs, and shower caps, run with this, PBS. Run with it and maybe your long reign of horrible sucking will come to an end. Or you can go back to whining about your lack of funds and a marathon of "British Tea Time with Little Lord Fartface." Up to you.

THURSDAY, JULY 11

BRING IT ON

FAMILY 7:00 P.M.

My directorial debut will be a project I call *Bring It on Seven: Fight Club for Girls, Electric Boogaloo, Now What?!* Starring Elisha Cuthbert, Brad Pitt, and Joey Fatone. UFC Superstar, Randy Couture, will stand in the middle of a ring and punch the living daylights out of pack of attacking cheerleaders. Then they'll hug out their differences and have a picnic. With kittens. And a unicorn. I'm looking for "broad appeal," more than creative and artistic credibility. Fun for the whole family, that sort of thing.

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CADILLAC, 1988, good shape, engine rebuilt 2003, low miles, paperwork. Only problem is driver's side window stuck down and not registered. \$1500. Ernie, 619-572-2734; 619-390-9477.

CHEVY MALIBU, 2003. Silver, 65,000 miles. Excellent condition, cruise control, AM/FM CD player. Automatic transmis-

sion. Blue Book is \$7500. Selling for only \$6000, 858-208-7652.

CHRYSLER NEW YORKER, 1990 Fifth Avenue, Cross Edition interior and exterior, fully loaded, power, cruise, white with blue leather interior, clean V-6 3.3, \$1500. 619-417-4385.

FORD CONTOUR GL, 1997, 4 door, low miles, automatic, air conditioning, power steering, brakes, windows, locks, tilt, cruise, stereo/cassette, premium wheels, must sell, \$2975. 619-838-0779.

HONDA ACCORD LX, Sedan, 2000. 109,000 miles. 2.3L VTEC engine. Automatic, air conditioning. Second owner. Moving across country, need get rid of ASAP. \$8400. 619-850-9297.

HONDA CIVIC LX, Sedan, 2003. 4 door, beige metallic, 27,000 miles. Automatic, power, AM/FM/CD stereo, air conditioning, excellent condition. One owner \$13,999, 858-792-5380.

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HYUNDAI SONATA GLS, 2005. V6, silver 4 door, excellent condition. 24,000 miles, manufacturer warranty, loaded, moonroof. Blue Book value \$14,250. Asking \$10,750/best. 619-461-0766.

INFINITI G35, 2003 sports sedan, all options, automatic, black, black interior, 3.5L, V-6, no problems, CD, moonroof, tilt, air bags, 20" wheels, clean, \$19,900. 858-220-5022.

JAGUAR XJ6, 1994, 4 door, champagne gold, garage kept, second owner, 86,000 original miles, all receipts since new, excellent condition, \$5600/best offer. 760-749-6619; 760-751-2227.

JEEP GRAND WAGONEER, 1988. V-8, 4 wheel drive. Automatic transmission, white with brown wood grain type, trim, as is. \$1800, 619-472-5136.

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LEXUS IS300 SPORTCROSS, 2002, rare model, exactly 70K miles, excellent condition, power everything, navigation, CD changer, silver with black interior, suede, fast, fun, \$16,950. 858-454-1918.

LIMO, Lincoln Dabryan Coach 1999. (Privately owned) for sale. Stretch, seats 6 comfortably. Excellent mechanical condition, exterior shines. New tires, high miles. \$12,000. 858-414-1122.

MERCEDES 450 SEL, 1977. V-8, out of car, block, loose parts, fuel injection, A/C compressor, fan, rear engine adapter \$200 cash, 858-578-8968.

MERCEDES-BENZ 350 SL, 1983 Roadster convertible, butterscotch color, matching leather seats, both hard and soft tops, 121K miles, no accidents, excellent condition, \$10,000. 858-243-1460.

MERCEDES-BENZ C220, 1995, 4 door, garage kept, all receipts since new, 113,000 freeway miles, green exterior, tan interior, excellent condition, \$5200/best offer. 760-749-6619; 760-751-2227.

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MERCURY SABLE WAGON, 1997, 3.0L, V6, fully equipped, cassette, roof rack, 3rd seat, runs, looks, and drives excellently, \$3150. Owner will help finance. 619-896-0779.

MGZB MAGNETTE, 1958, 4 door sedan, 4 speed, 1500cc, red. See at magnette.org. \$2000, 619-697-8073.

MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE, 1990. 5 speed, power windows, air conditioning, CD player, custom wheels, red color. \$2250. 619-366-4640.

NISSAN 350Z TOURING, 2006, 14,500 miles, coupe, silver, gray interior, 6-speed manual, leather, extended warranty, theft recovery, all standard features plus many extras. \$25,900/best. 760-500-2665.

NISSAN ALTIMA, 1996. Runs great, 4 cylinder gets 30mpg. Body in excellent condition. Power everything, CD player, AM/FM radio. Only 87,000 miles, \$3200. 619-251-8948

NISSAN SENTRA GXE, 2001, 5-speed manual transmission, 4 door, air conditioning, power steering/brakes, champagne exterior, beige interior, CD player, 140K miles, \$4900/best. 858-688-9060.

PONTIAC GRAND AM, 1995. Moving before 8/01/07, make an offer! New brakes. Registered. 152,000 miles. Blue book \$1800, but will accept any reasonable offers, 619-729-8319.

SUBARU OUTBACK WAGON, 1997, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, 4-wheel drive, power steering/windows, air conditioning, stereo, \$2650/best. 760-703-0363.

TOYOTA CAMRY SE, 1992, very reliable, clean title, new tires, detachable CD, cruise, good gas mileage, passes smog, clean interior, nonsmoker, new radiator, \$1999. 619-729-8987.

TOYOTA COROLLA, 1986. Automatic, AC, power steering, 4 door, 149,000 miles. Runs good, body and interior excellent \$980, 619-200-8578.

VW BUG, 1967, all stock, blown engine, no rust, perfect for restoration, \$1200/best. 619-287-0942.

VW JETTA, 2001. Dark green, beige interior, 1.8L turbo engine, automatic. VIN#3VWSD69M71M092273. CD, speaker system, A/C, \$9200/best. Moving, cannot take with us. Call anytime 619-402-6621.

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By John Brizzolara

Though I have owned and used a computer since 1983, I am like a man who owns a perfectly fine V-8 engine automobile and uses it only to listen to the radio — that is to say, I use my computer as a typewriter. And just as I have never taken a photograph with my telephone, I have never used my computer to listen to the radio. Until this morning. I punched in the name Jeff Beck just for kicks and found an entire radio station for Beck fans.

No doubt, plenty of guitar aficionados or just music fans or, of course, computer buffs will know all about this feature; but figure, I had to ask my girlfriend yesterday who Lindsay Lohan and Nicole Richie are. They seem to be the most famous people in the world and I had no idea.

I am hoping, with diminishing hope as each hour passes, that there are enough computer retards like me still out there to form a sympathetic readership for this wide-eyed piece. Otherwise this will certainly read like an infant enraptured as he examines his feet, toes, and fingers — in my case, a toddler who should have registered this stuff and moved on a long time ago.

I was blindly navigating my way through music sites, idiotically trying to click on even the date and time in the

corner of the monitor as if it might be some sort of time machine. (Hey, I wonder if I can find “Dance the Night Away” by Cream. Let’s see, that was maybe 1968...) So I click on 2007 a couple of times, as if this makes any sense at all. I wish I could say I was kidding. All I can say about that lapse in even low animal cunning was that I hadn’t yet had coffee.

Oddly enough, I found the song in pretty short order through some link relating to guitar music. Within moments I was actually listening to this nearly 40-year-old record. Pure dumb luck, surely; but I wonder what the odds really are? I bet they are fair (taking me as an example and not this one incident) that an individual can approach a current-model computer knowing as little as it is possible to know in this culture about them and within an hour obtain reasonable satisfaction, i.e., some question or task the subject had in mind for the machine. Probably in much less than an hour.

So there I am listening to this song for the first time in at least 35 years, maybe longer, and I am, like Proust with his madeleine, instantly transported. I was walking through a sculpture garden in Lake Forest, Illinois, on a drizzly spring day in April of ’68. I am wearing frilly cuffs and collar, what Seinfeld called a “puffy shirt,” only mine is kind of purple. I am wearing Levi’s bell bottoms, my hair is just over my ears, but my sideburns are past the bottom of my earlobes and are about to get me kicked out of senior class. I am with a girl named Barbara. She lives in a trailer park in Lake Villa, Illinois, and has never seen lavish surroundings like this. Neither have I. (This is the home of the man who owned controlling interest in Morton salt, I believe, whose son was a fan of our band.) This sculpture garden had actual phony Greek ruins scattered around. I had dropped acid with Barbara the night before and set free the woman residing beneath that callow, corn-fed, and ingenuous sensuality. Later, I had to get a shot and was given the nickname “Spot” for several weeks by bandmates.

This was a true memory left unsummoned for decades and unlocked by some happy combination of cyberlink and synapse I may never find my way back to. (By the way, I had heard Eric Clapton had recently made some disparaging remark about songs like this that Cream had performed and how unhappy he was with them — I have to disagree. They may just be the musical equivalent



of my puffy shirt, but they had their place and time.)

I did find Jeff Beck stuff, of course, all over the place, including some very patchy, badly edited old Yardbirds things that are worthwhile to me only in that they revealed Beck experimenting with alternately deranged and then tasteful and unsuspected riffs that may have preceded Randy Rhoads doing Vivaldi by ten years. Footnote stuff, I suppose, for the rock academic.

This kind of experience goes a long way to converting me from a kind of Luddite on the subject of dot.com dementia to someone — and only Homer Simpson springs immediately to mind, after Mo, the bartender, removed a crayon that had been lodged in Homer’s brain for years — who looks around himself with a semblance of wonder once again and says with awe, “What an age we live in!”

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