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## No shushing in this library

Grace Carroll is the kind of girl you'd trust for a scoop on the San Diego scene. She's pretty, blonde, smart. She tends bar in one of La Jolla's hottest restaurants, where the clientele isn't much older than the twentysomething chef, who may have been the first here to foist celery foam on culinary early-adopters.

"I can't believe you haven't been."

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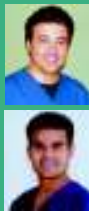
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## BREAKING NEWS

**Big Blues** It's been a very good San Diego election cycle for **Linden Blue**, proprietor with his brother **Neal** of General Atomics, the La Jolla defense contractor responsible for the Predator unmanned aerial vehicle and other nifty implements of 21st-century warfare. A loyal member of the GOP, Blue backed the successful reelection bid of San Diego



Linden Blue

mayor **Jerry Sanders**, as well as the entire Republican slate for city council and city attorney. Why Blue — who gives huge sums to congressional campaigns — is so interested in local politics has been a mystery, since his main customer at General Atomics is the federal government. Maybe the fact that he dates **Ronne Froman**, the ex-rear admiral and former top aide to Sanders, has something to do with it. In any case, neither he nor Neal seems to have real estate interests here, aside from their big GA campus on Torrey Pines Mesa.

But it's another story in the high-end Colorado ski town of Telluride, where the brothers, originally from Denver, own 572 acres on the so-called Valley Floor, between the main highway, 145, and the San Miguel River. The property, pristine meadowland that clings to soaring mountains at the end of the valley, is just outside town limits. The Blues bought the land in 1983 and sought to build a hotel, golf course, 22 houses — each at least 8000 square feet — and a shopping mall there. The mammoth proposal set off a decades-long fight with townspeople.



Ronne Froman

In 1993, Telluride voters approved creating an open-space fund to buy the property, and in 2002, the electorate voted to condemn the land. Two years ago, the town rejected a settlement to preserve 90 percent of the property in exchange for letting the Blues develop the rest. In the meantime, the Republican state legislature, friendly to the Blues, passed a law that barred "home rule" towns such as Telluride from condemning property outside their limits for open space. Using that statute, the Blues took Telluride to court, but a state appeals panel subsequently ruled that the law was unconstitutional. The Blues appealed, and last week the Colorado Supreme Court issued the presumably final word: voting 6-1, justices said the town could take the property.

The Blues declined to talk to reporters, but if the brothers were piqued by the court's decision, they could take solace from the fact that they will be picking up a check for \$50 million once the condemnation closes. Only \$25 million is coming from the town. The rest will be paid by a wealthy group of neighbors called Friends of Telluride. Actress **Daryl Hannah** is a member.

**Fly like an Egyptian** La Jolla's Blue brothers aren't the only locals in the business of making unmanned aerial vehicles. In fact, San Diego is such a hotbed of UAV development that last week it hosted the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International's "Unmanned Systems North America 2008" conference. And one visiting journalist pulled a bit of the curtain from the traditionally stealthy business of automated war making. "Taking a pre-AUVSI-show tour through Northrop Grumman's



UAV lab in Rancho Bernardo, California, we come across what looks like a stealthy cruise missile with 'Allah is Great' stenciled on the nose. Wait, what?" wrote *Aviation Week's* **Bill Sweetman**.

"It's actually a Model 324 Scarab reconnaissance UAV, a unique truck-mobile, jet-powered system that Teledyne Ryan designed back in the 1980s for Egypt, which still uses them and periodically returns them to California for maintenance and upgrades."

**Updates** Former *Union-Tribune* enterprise reporting editor **Susan White** has departed the paper and is now in New York working as an editor for a new foundation-funded website that debuted last week, promising to deliver in-depth reporting of the national scene. Dubbed *ProPublica.org*, the operation boasts "the largest news staff in American journalism devoted solely to investigative reporting, with roughly 25 fulltime reporters and editors."

Another recent San Diego addition to *ProPublica's* talent bank: **Joaquin Sapien**, an ex-writer for the Washington, D.C.-based Center for Public Integrity who earlier this year landed briefly here as biotech correspondent for *Voice of San Diego* nonprofit news site. ... The financial disclosure statement of presumptive GOP presidential nominee **John McCain** values "Residential Property, La Jolla, CA," owned by the senator and wife



Cindy McCain

**Cindy**, at greater than \$1 million. No other details are provided.

— Matt Potter

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## Greed, Gambling Society

By Don Bauder

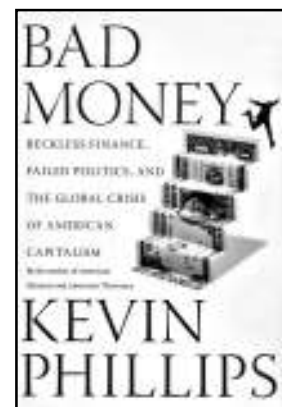
**F**rom superior product engineering to reckless financial engineering: that's how America has declined from a society

that makes goods to one that shuffles money around — obsessively gambling with excessive debt. This is the gist of two new books that have recently been on the *New York Times* best-seller list: *Bad Money: Reckless Finance, Failed Politics, and the Global Crisis of American Capitalism*, by Kevin Phillips, and *The Trillion Dollar Meltdown: Easy Money, High Rollers, and the Great Credit Crash*, by Charles R. Morris.

Since last fall, the federal government and Federal Reserve have thrown hundreds of billions of dollars at the U.S. economy and the credit markets, largely to bail out financial institutions that are too deeply in debt. These two books will help you understand where your tax money

is going and why you are suffering from an anemic dollar and high inflation.

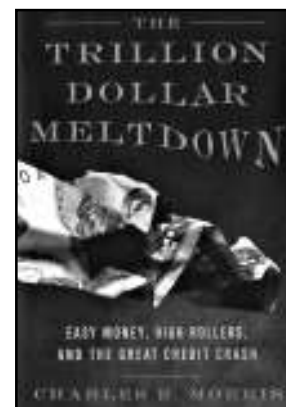
I asked four San Diego market pros about the books' gloomy conclusions and got



some interesting opinions. They agree the authors make good points but disagree with some of the findings.

Phillips points out that in the last 30 years, the percentage of the U.S. economy devoted to finance has doubled to 20, while the percentage devoted to manufacturing has halved to 13. We now have "Wall Street socialism," he says. The money changers say

they love free markets, but actually, corporate giants, including those on Wall Street, work hand in glove with the federal government in a mercantilist arrangement to avoid the discipline of truly free markets. The Federal Reserve was bailing out Bear Stearns customers — other Wall Street firms — when it put up \$29 billion so JPMorgan Chase could buy Bear hurriedly before Asian stock markets opened. Stocks have risen moderately since that March caper. Of course they have: the Federal Reserve has told Wall Street to



continue gambling with borrowed money. If it stumbles, taxpayers will pick up the tab.

The Federal Reserve even has a Plunge Protection Team that arranges an artificial manipulation of stocks when they tumble hard, according to Phillips. Also, the government understates the inflation rate; this permits the Federal Reserve to print money

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## Neal Obermeyer





## This Never Happens in Fallbrook

By Catherine Cranston

**G**iovanni Cornejo had his head under the hood of a car when he first heard the commotion. He looked up and saw a woman at the Shell station across the street trying to hold a man upright.

"I heard a frantic screaming," he says.

"The guy was falling down. She was trying to hold him up on his feet." At first Cornejo thought it was a prank, especially since no one at the busy station was helping the frantic woman. She ran toward people pumping gas. She "sounded angry" as she yelled for help, Cornejo says.

Cornejo called to his fiancée, Celine Weiler, who

happened. She said, 'He's been stabbed.'

"He was lying on the ground by his SUV. His T-shirt was totally blood-stained. I knelt down beside him and put both hands on the wound." Weiler says she took a sweatshirt lying next to the man, wadded it up, and applied pressure to his blood-soaked chest.

But Weiler says she saw "both eyes rolled back in his head," and she could hear gurgling sounds, as though he couldn't breathe. "I was pretty

Then a female store clerk walked over, saying she had called 911.

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department crime report states the call came in on May 14, 2008, a Wednesday afternoon, at 17:17:00 (5:17 p.m.); the reporting deputy was Ray Abdou. The stabbing victim is listed as William Baker Jr. Records show his home address as Olive Avenue, only three streets from the stabbing scene.

Sheriff's deputy Sergeant David Martinez says that employees of the Shell station at 936 East Mission Road in Fallbrook made the 911 call, responding to "independent witnesses doing business at the store, who went inside to report the stabbing," which apparently happened in the driveway area of the gasoline station.

Inside the station's convenience store, customers and counter personnel can view at least nine screens showing live video surveillance of the property. However, the assault occurred during a busy time at this refueling spot on the main thoroughfare of downtown Fallbrook.

Employees of the Shell station declined to comment for this story.

Sergeant Martinez estimated that the patrol car carrying Deputy Mayne arrived at the scene within a "couple minutes" after police received the call. The backup car carrying Deputies Abdou and Crowley arrived shortly thereafter.

"I would estimate maybe about eight minutes a patrol car came up," Weiler says, adding that time moved slowly. She says the patrol car "came quickly," tires screeching. The officer jumped from the vehicle, immediately went to his trunk, and put on gloves. Weiler says the deputy knelt down, checked vitals, and took over applying CPR. He asked Weiler "to stay to answer some questions."

The public information officer for the North County Fire Protection District, John Buchanan, says the Fallbrook fire station got the dispatch call at the same time the police did, and paramedics were dispatched.

The victim was pronounced dead at 5:35 p.m.



Shell station at 936 East Mission Road, Fallbrook

Buchanan says his records show the victim suffered one stab wound, two inches off center, to the left side of the chest.

Sergeant Martinez says that witnesses at the Shell station, including the victim's girlfriend, described a man and a woman fleeing the scene in a gray Honda Civic. One witness was able to provide a partial license plate number to deputies, who broadcasted a BOLO, "be on the lookout," to all deputies in the area.

replied, "It was a guy and his girlfriend in a gray Honda Civic." Weiler says, "To me, the impression I got, they were strangers."

In these early moments, law enforcement suspected the situation was a botched carjacking, Sergeant Martinez says. There were conflicting reports at first, he says, as to whether the attacker and victim knew each other.

Sheriff's deputy Peter Alvarado and his canine partner Quando were in a marked

siren, but the Honda failed to stop. The pursuit made for a strange chase on the clogged single-lane road, with the fleeing suspects, a female driving and a male on the passenger side, traveling south toward Oceanside. After crossing into the city of Oceanside, the car pulled over; then the male suspect fled on foot.

Sergeant Martinez describes the male suspect as white, with tattoos and shaved blond hair. He says that Quando "made contact with the suspect, and the deputy apprehended him. The female suspect was detained when backup units arrived."

Carmina Bunnell, the alleged driver of the getaway vehicle, was questioned by authorities, but she was found to be "very cooperative," according to Sergeant Martinez, and was later released.

Travis Sean Hopkins was arrested and held on charges of murder in the first degree and robbery. It is alleged that he robbed William Baker Jr. of his backpack, stabbed him, then fled the scene.

Hopkins, born April 26, 1983, has a court record. Current court documents regarding Hopkins refer to "juvenile adjudications."

The first adult convictions appear in the public record in December 2001, when Hopkins was 18 years old; these are

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Cornejo's car lot on East Mission Road, Fallbrook

was inside the office of his used-car lot. Weiler came outside. The man had slumped to the ground, and the woman was slapping his face. Cornejo still judged the situation to be a prank, or maybe the man was drunk or had had a seizure.

But Weiler did not hesitate. She ran across Mission Road.

"Can you help me?" the frantic woman asked. The woman was trying to put the unconscious man into a Jeep. "He was just completely limp," Weiler says. "She was trying to pick him up. I think she was in shock. I asked her what

sure he didn't have much life left in him. There wasn't much of a pulse at all when I got there."

People began to come over, and the women asked for help. No one replied. No one helped. "She was trying to give him mouth-to-mouth," says Weiler. "But I could hear the blood gurgling." One of the bystanders suggested putting the victim onto his side to clear his air passages. The two women rolled him over, "and that was when all the blood came out of his mouth," Weiler says. "He was pretty much drowning in his own blood."



Celine Weiler and Giovanni Cornejo

Weiler says the victim's girlfriend told her, "Someone tried to jack our car!" Weiler asked, "Who?" The woman

cruiser on Highway 76, south of Fallbrook, when Alvarado saw a gray Honda Civic. He turned on his red lights and

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## Greed, gambling

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at a prodigious pace, thus propping up stocks. Phillips notes that some call former Fed chairman Alan Greenspan a “serial bubbler” — when the stock market bubble burst in 2000–2002, Greenspan lowered short-term interest rates to 1 percent to get a housing bubble going. Now Ben Bernanke has pushed short-term rates down to 2 percent. Look out for another bubble.

In the mid-1980s, public and private debt was 135 percent of the total economy. Now it's a record 335 percent. The major villains are bewilderingly complex derivatives — all \$500 trillion-plus of them sloshing around the world. The derivatives are essentially unregulated — in fact, many go unrecorded. Indeed, the reckless financial engineer-

ing is based on the University of Chicago/Austrian School belief that government regulation inhibits the economy. In the 1980s, that laissez-faire mentality took over from the Keynesian, pro-oversight approach that had been dominant since the 1930s.

Morris believes the Chicago/Austrian School is in its last throes among economists; even financial executives are calling for reregulation. (When their own money is at stake, they want to know where it is.) Wall Street's obsession with exotic mathematicized instruments is at the root of the turmoil. These derivatives could implode. Like Phillips, Morris heaps contumely on Greenspan's attempts to prop up the stock market, the excessive money and credit creation since the mid-1980s, and the wealth and income imbalance (for example, the

richest 1 percent control 51 percent of the money in the stock market).

“It's hard to swallow when a guy makes 50 million bucks because he laid off 1000 employees and boosted profits by buying back his company's stock,” says E. James Welsh of Welsh Money Management in Carlsbad. “That money should be used for research and development.” But boards of directors approve such shenanigans because of “the good old boy network. There is an old saying: ‘Don't confuse brains with a bull market.’ ”

Welsh agrees with the authors that excessive debt creation will cause problems. Between 1975 and 2000, credit grew faster than the economy by 2.4 percent a year. Between 2000 and 2007, annual credit growth was 3.7 percent higher than economic growth. “I don't think we can see that

kind of debt creation in the next 10 to 15 years,” says Welsh. “The economy will grow more slowly. There is less cash flow to service that debt.”

The Chicago/Austrian free market approach may be sinking for now, says Bob Snigaroff, president and chief investment officer of Denali Advisors, money managers. “Somebody said that we are all Chicago School on the way up and Keynesians on the way down,” says Snigaroff. “We all get exuberant when times are good, and there is a tendency for institutions and individuals to stretch the limit. Then we do need the occasional recession to keep everybody honest. That is the period we are in now.”

Arthur Lipper III of Del Mar, a veteran of Wall Street and international investing, is a believer in the free market. If there is such a thing as a Plunge Protection Team, it

only works on the short term. “Any government meddling is distorting and frequently only postpones the natural direction of the markets,” says Lipper. “Given a choice between government regulation and free markets, I'd opt for free markets, as they are inherently self-correcting.”

But that doesn't mean Lipper is against government oversight. Financial institutions trading complex instruments, and “using money other than their own, should have minimum capital requirements,” he says. He finds it deplorable that big banks have hidden derivatives off balance sheet, thus having inadequate reserves. “Making financial institution directors and senior executives personally liable for losses would curb speculation,” he says. He also notes that investment banks have become far too deeply in debt. “Greed-based competitive

pressures to report ever-increasing profits was seen as justification for increasing leverage. It is and was misguided.”

La Jolla-based Richard Russell, author of the newsletter *Dow Theory Letters*, has been writing his investment advisory since 1958, longer than anyone in the business. Russell is often a doom-and-gloomer who would agree with the findings of Phillips and Morris. In fact, he does agree on many points: “The government is lying. The inflation figure is probably 7 to 10 percent,” he says. On May 14, the government said annual inflation is running at 3.9 percent. Russell agrees that public and private debt are too high: “There is no question. The whole country is over-leveraged.” However, he doesn't think there is a Plunge Protection Team. “The Federal Reserve provides market pro-

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## Greed, gambling

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tection, but there is no blatant manipulation."

Russell believes this is a bull market. "Eventually the whole thing will topple over" because of the factors cited by Phillips and Morris. "But it's a question of timing. These are bear arguments now, but they are bear arguments too soon." ■

## Never in Fallbrook

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listed as California Penal Codes 245(a)(1), assault with a deadly weapon likely to produce great bodily injury; and 1192.7(c)(8), indicating that the assault conviction would count on Hopkins's record as a strike under the Three Strikes law.

In November 2003, Hopkins was arrested and charged with possessing and being under the influence of heroin. He pled guilty to one charge of possession, a felony. Probation was granted on January 23, 2004. Five months later, on June 29, 2004, probation was revoked due to violation of the conditions of probation, and a bench warrant was issued.

The superior court in Vista also has files with the name of the victim, William Baker Jr. These date back to 2004. Baker's most recent legal troubles are listed in a felony complaint filed on September 7, 2006, when Baker was charged with possessing heroin, a hypodermic needle and syringe, and drug paraphernalia. On September 19, 2006, he signed a no contest plea to felony possession of heroin.

Law enforcement officials recovered the backpack allegedly stolen from Baker. Sergeant Martinez declined to reveal if the backpack con-

tained heroin or drugs. According to the sergeant, Hopkins would not say if he knew the stabbing victim or if he and Baker had arranged to meet that afternoon at the Shell station.

Hopkins's first appearance in court on charges of murder and robbery was on Friday, May 16, two days after the alleged murder. Jack Campbell from the Public Defender's Office had been assigned as Hopkins's lawyer. Looking alert if not downright defiant, Hopkins appeared taller and heavier in court than the five feet nine inches and 160 pounds that sheriff's records give as his description.

On May 29, at a readiness hearing, Hopkins appeared more contrite and humbled.

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When deputies brought him into the courtroom, dressed in a bright orange jail jumpsuit and shackled at the waist and wrists, he made a kiss toward three people who described themselves as "friends and family."

"It's really, really sad that something like that would happen in Fallbrook," says Celine Weiler, the Good Samaritan. "It's really a peaceful place. It's really a family-oriented community."

It's ten days after the stabbing. Weiler is sitting in the modest office of her fiancée's car lot. Heavy gray storm clouds move in over

us, unusually threatening weather for May. Later, funnel clouds and hail will be reported in neighboring Temecula, and the green avocado groves of Fallbrook's farming community will bend and sway under thrashing wind and rain.

Weiler says a sheriff's deputy told her and Cornejo there was nothing they could have done to save Baker's life. The wound was too severe.

Another readiness hearing is scheduled for June 23, and a preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 7. Hopkins is being held in lieu of \$5 million bail. ■

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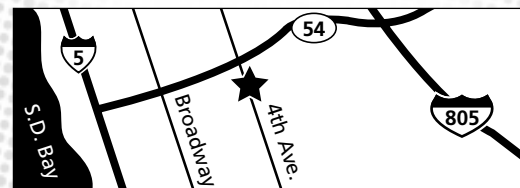
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### Where Was Mom?

I just had a comment about that article about Jadean, the girl that got killed in the car accident ("There's Been an Accident," Cover Story, June 5). It really pisses me off about parents these days who don't accept responsibility for their own actions. Yeah, that kid who's 26 had no business screwing around with 15-, 16-year-old girls. He's pretty sick. But the mother, if she was a little bit more involved in her daughter's life, actively, as she was once she was killed, maybe she would have never been with that 26-year-old boy to begin with. But instead, no, she was drunk at some other woman's house instead of being with her kid and getting into her kid's business, like taking the journal and reading it. Should have been more involved. You know, the truth generally lies somewhere in the middle between both extremes.

Josh

### No Punched Ticket

Re "A Cool Elective You Can't Get Out Of," "City Lights," June 5.

The driver for many of the anti-military, anti-JROTC people is that they didn't get their ticket punched in the U.S. military!

Gerald Dobbs  
San Diego

### Just Like The Rape Of The Northwest

Responding to the May 29 Reader article on the Sunrise Powerlink proposal ("Will These Keep the Lights On?"): I'll never forget the destruction of the natural world that I witnessed as a Forest Service employee during the timber-harvesting era in the Pacific Northwest.

Retired now, in the San Diego backcountry, I oppose

the Powerlink proposal, one reason being that clear-cutting will be difficult to avoid where oak woodland obstructs the route. Then road building: there will be maintenance roads, and not a few.

David Hogan's comment in the article, "Sunrise would require the cutting of probably thousands of mature oak trees," is no exaggeration.

At the PUC hearing in Borrego Springs on May 12, Powerlink supporters wore green, showing a lack of education concerning what will be involved in building a power line of this size. They are misguided, unaware of the extent of the damage implied by such a proposal.

Wreaking such havoc would negate any benefits derived from future renewable sites in the desert.

Standing below one of the backcountry slopes slated for a possible corridor, I remembered the Northwest and recalled the sadness, a sadness which many of us experienced; a sadness these "green" people at Monday's hearing know nothing about, and neither does the governor, whose background is acting, not that of someone who worked where entire forests had been removed from the face of the earth — myself.

Greg Courson  
Wynola Springs

### Comments from Reader Website

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### Cover Story

**Published June 11**

*Posted by AHester on June 13, 8:10 a.m.*

What an awesome write-up!

Allen Fisher is truly an inspiration to everyone, not just the newbies. He leads by example and that is what true character should be.

### Feature Story

**Published June 11**

*Posted by towelheaded-cameljockey on June 13, 3:46 p.m.*

It's good to hear he decided not to follow through with the suit. People always want to put blame on someone for things which are not necessarily human error.

### Cover Story

**Published June 4**

*Posted by BigJ on June 9, 6:49 a.m.*

Although I agree with most of the story written by Ms. Thrasher, I did have a few issues with some of the missing and important pieces. I feel sorry for your loss, very much so. I have yet to know what such a loss could possibly feel like. The issue I have with the story is that very little was said about her daughter and what she knew of her reputation at school. Nobody deserves to die for wanting to have some fun, but to paint your daughter as an innocent, is not really telling us everything.

Having said that, I know exactly what it can be like when the local police be it the sheriff or whomever, can seem to protect the person totally in the wrong. Why didn't the police investigate any of this? Why was a 26 yr old man not responsible for a minor taking off her seat belt? When Joe Blow citizen gets pulled over, we are responsible and nobody has died in those situations. I also have a problem with the local Ramona law enforcement's desire to protect Doug Garcia. Why do cops always seem to only believe the first story and not the whole story? Is Doug Garcia's family a big deal in Ramona? Why did law enforcement look the other way on all of the stories of underage girls he had dated? Dude, not only do you have a possible manslaughter charge go unpunished, but the possible possession of controlled substances AND statutory rape charges. Sounds to me like typical Ramona "Towny" b.s.

Furthermore, the icing on the cake is when Mr. Garcia pays someone to serve the restraining order on the anniversary of Staci's daughter's death. What? Dude, Doug Garcia, do you know what Karma is? That's the most horrible thing I have ever heard of.

### Cover Story

**Published May 28**

*Posted by paul on May 28, 2:13 p.m.*

consider the testimony of Barry Butler, a PhD expert in Stirling solar tech-

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BY MATTHEW ALICE

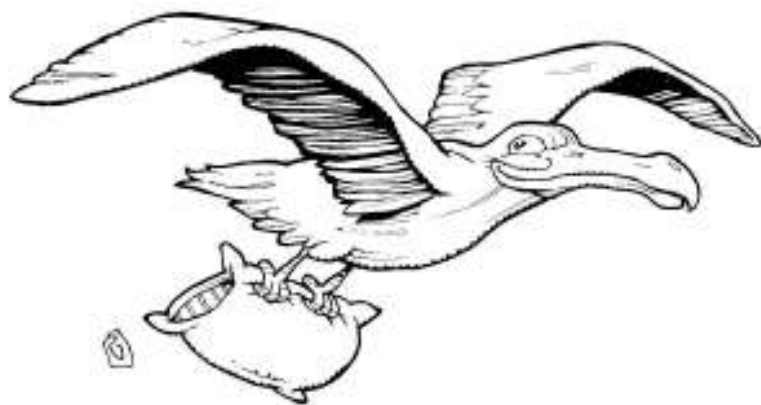


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*Heymatt:*

*I have read many a time that albatross spend most of their lives out over the ocean and never come ashore. Well, I guess they have to come ashore to lay their eggs. If an albatross spends most of its life over the ocean, where the hell does it sleep? It certainly can't fall asleep in the air, gliding around, can it?*

— Bob, telephonically

You might need eight solid every night, but not an albatross. They're Xtremes of the bird world in many ways. Snoozing is one of them. But so is flying, size, reproduction, and on and on. They don't "sleep" on the wing, but traveling thousands of miles or several days without resting doesn't wear them out very much, so sleep isn't an urgent necessity.

Unlike all other birds (except the swift), the albatross is designed for soaring — gliding — not wing flapping. They have very underdeveloped flapping muscles but very special soaring muscles. First of all, the largest albatross has a wingspan of 11 to 12 feet. Huge, compared to body size. The smallest species has a 6-foot span. And at the bird's "shoulder," where the wing meets the body, is a special locking tendon that holds the wings outspread without any effort on the bird's part. Scientific studies have shown that a soaring albatross has about the same heart rate as a resting albatross.

So how does an albatross motivate if it doesn't flap its wings? It relies on its extreme sensitivity to air currents coming off ocean waves and other sea-level currents. They are such efficient soars that they can take maximum advantage of air-current energy. For instance, they gain altitude from certain updrafts that come from the front of a wave. Once aloft, they have a 22:1 glide ratio; the bird moves forward 22 feet for every foot of altitude lost.

So when does an albatross sleep? When it's not at its nesting site, it naps while resting on the water. At least that's science's best guess. They long thought the birds must sleep on the wing, since they're aloft for so many hours. There's a small faction that thinks an albatross sleeps the same way dolphins do, one brain hemisphere at a time, always keeping part of the brain alert for danger. The jury's still out, but it's 11 to 1 in favor of the sleep-on-the-water theory.

They have plenty of time to sleep when they're at the nesting site. At best, they lay one egg once a year. More likely every two or three years. (The eggs weigh anywhere from 1 to 22 pounds, depending on species.) Parents incubate it for about two months. The chicks mature slowly and spend years at the nesting site. They might not reproduce until they're preteens or even teenagers. No surprise, with such a low reproduction rate, albatrosses are threatened. They can't overcome the problem of overfishing, which has reduced their food supply; floating ocean trash; fishing nets; and other man-made things.

*Matthew Alice:*

*What can I get if I eat my own boogers? Not somebody else's. My mother said I can get sick from it.*

— Joshua, via email

Hi, Joshua. Most doctors, including our own staff quack, Dr. Doctor, would say Mom's right on. Boogers are made up of germs and bacteria that your nose hairs and nose goo have filtered out of the air, so if you swallow them, you run the risk of illness. After all, the whole idea of boogers is to keep bad stuff out of your body. Most snot-encrusted nose bugs are dead, but some might still be living.

There is one infamous doctor in Austria who thinks outside the booger box. He sees nose goo as a potential vaccine against diseases. He claims we'd all be healthier and happier if we spent more hours digging away than eating what we come up with. Sez the doc, expose our bodies to the germs and we'll develop an immunity to the diseases. He doesn't have a large professional following. But he does have all the earmarks of a mythical figure, batted from blog to blog around the Internet as a real doctor, when it might be a made-up story, for all we can tell.

Either way, eating boogers carries some risk. You actually are in most danger from too-enthusiastic nasal excavation. It's very possible for you to break the skin inside your nose and introduce infection from your germy hands. Infections in the nasal area are some of the most likely to spread to the brain.

Grandma demands equal time here. She's our etiquette master, and she says what your mom is really saying is, "Stop picking your nose! It's a disgusting habit that no one should do in public, and I don't want the neighbors thinking that I let you do that. I'll be humiliated!" So maybe you should do what King Tut did. The ancient Egyptian was so pampered, he had on his staff a personal nose picker. At least that's what the archaeologists say.

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## Sui Generis

**G**reg Budney is curator at Macaulay Library of Natural Sounds (Cornell University). Among birders, this is authentic fame, as good as it gets. He's been working at the library since 1980. Budney's job is like no other — flying to Hawaii to record the last two ʻālaʻā (Hawaiian crow) living in the wild. The landowner gave him one day to work. And then the recording expedition to South America and so on, 28 years of it.

Budney, 51, is married and has one young son. He stands under six feet, has a wrestler's build, clean-shaven, and blond hair. I ask about his gear.

"Mostly digital gear, these days," Budney says. "It's lighter. Longer run times. You're not constrained by the length of the media. You can get a card that holds eight hours. There's no more running out of tape. Microphones are pretty much the same, although some techniques have changed. New types of stereo."

I ask, "How about range? Can you record farther away from the bird?"

Budney says, "The same distance. The trick is knowing how to operate your equipment. And it depends on what you're trying to record, how loud the sound is, and what the environment is like. One of the reasons we go to a place like this [Yuba Pass, Sierra County] is that it's relatively quiet. Not all that quiet, but relatively quiet. If you stand outside with a pair of headphones on and listen through a microphone, you're going to hear noise, everywhere."

"I've noticed, on your website [[bna.birds.cornell.edu/bna](http://bna.birds.cornell.edu/bna)], there are birds pictured with no sounds attached."

"Some of the sounds we're after on North American birds aren't sounds one commonly hears," Budney says. "You might hear it once every few years. If you're well prepared and conditions are right, you'll stand a better chance of getting it."

Make your luck. "Say, you figure this bird is typically found in Eastern Manitoba in the spring, so you go there. Once you're in place, how do you determine how long you'll wait for the sound you want?"

Budney laughs. "Usually the budget determines how long I'm going to wait. Right now, we have a team up in the Canadian Arctic working on a species that is poorly represented. You can imagine not that many people go to the Arctic to record."

"You need bird sounds of every male, female,

juvenile, mating, calling, alarm..."

"Right," Budney says. "Adult, juvenile contact calls. There are some vocalizations given by adults, but you don't hear them often. Some species aren't that numerous. Last year, we made the first recordings for the archive of the gray-headed chickadee. It's a species that's also found in Siberia. I believe there is one other recording by a Canadian recordist. Now, we have some *excellent* stereophonic gray-headed chickadee. That was an endeavor. There are only one or two good locations in Alaska to record this."

I want his job. "How many places in the world do what you do?"

"There are not many places devoted to recording and archiving bird sounds. Of our scale, there is really only one other archive in the world. We have 175,000 individual specimens, individual birds or flocks of birds. And the closest collection, I believe, is the British Library's wildlife section."

"How big?"

"About 150,000 recordings."

"It must get lonely when you want to stop by the neighborhood pub and talk shop?"

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PLACES OF WORSHIP REVIEWED

**Denomination:** National Baptist

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**Founded locally:** 1963

**Senior pastor:** Timothy J. Winters

**Congregation size:** 2500

**Staff size:** about 30

**Sunday school enrollment:** about 200

**Annual budget:** n/a

**Weekly giving:** n/a

**Singles program:** yes

**Dress:** some casual, mostly semiformal to formal

**Diversity:** mostly African American

**Length of reviewed service:** 2 hours

**Website:** bayviewbc.org

It was Father's Day on Sunday, and fathers got at least three rounds of shouts and applause at Bayview Baptist Church — grandfathers and great-grandfathers, too. (At least five of the latter were in attendance.) "This is the day that the Lord has made," said Pastor Winters, "and this is our day, in the sense that the Lord is still calling fathers to be fathers."

"Amen, yes!" came the responses from the congregation.

"Like this bad dude over here in the Bible who said, 'As for me...'"

"Uh-huh — that's right!"

"His name was Joshua, and he said, 'As for me and my house, we gonna serve the Lord!'"

But the bigger deal could be read on the front of the many black T-shirts strewn among the Sunday finery of hats and dresses: NuGen Ministry; Happy 35th Anniversary Pastor & Sister Winters; June 15, 2008. (NuGen was an outreach to "the smartest generation we've ever produced — the only problem is, a lot of them don't know God. We've got a great history and heritage we need to pass on." The slogan on the back of the shirts: "I wish I had a hot church...up in here!") "The third Sunday in June," recalled Winters, "was the day I preached my first sermon at the Bayview Church. 'You have traveled around this mountain...'"

The congregation finished: "Long enough!" "...turn you north." That was the text. Some of y'all ain't turned yet! I was young and handsome, and I still had all my hair. Look what Bayview did to me!"

Much laughter followed, but there was maybe some truth behind the joke. Before the offering, the NuGen singers sang, "If I can make it, I know that you can, you can" (a more complicated arrangement than the Praise Team call-and-response anthems that opened the service — "I Will Praise Him," "I Feel the Presence of the Lord in the Room"). "I need to hear that," commented Winters. "How many of you need to hear that? I'm gonna help you make it, and you help me make it, and we're going to make it"

The offering had been moved into the middle of the service, "to remind us of how

critical offering is in worship. We worship You with these gifts. This is the biggest financial crunch in our young experience...but let's not forget that God is still presiding — even over our financial status. God is tougher than tough times. The first thing you want to cut back on is God, but keep Him in focus as the president over your financial affairs." ("Don't forget to remember where all your blessings come from," sang the NuGen singers.)

"We've been hit really hard," continued Winters. "We're about 35 percent off of what we normally receive." Winters encouraged carpooling to church; he encouraged extra donations and more consistent giving. He prayed for those afflicted by economic trouble and even planned to host a Wednesday-night presentation on an in-home telemarketing business. "I'm skeptical," he assured the congregation, "but we can't just sit back and do nothing. God is in our midst; we know what You can do. Confirm for somebody today that You are in charge of their financial affairs."

The Reverend Terry Brooks took up the theme of a church in tribulation in his sermon: "The Church with a Blank Check." He read from Revelation 3 — a message to the church in Philadelphia, which had used what little strength it had and had remained faithful. "He says, 'I have set before you an open door.' He's giving us access to unlimited possibilities, and I can encourage my pastor with the same words that Jesus wrote to the church in Philadelphia... Whenever a man of God steps out in faith, it's the job of the enemy to make him think he's made a mistake.... But, thank God we have a man of God that has stick-with-it-ness! Just because you haven't arrived does not mean you're not on your way! You've got to have faith to walk when you can't see your way! I thank God for a pastor who can say, 'Even when

you're taking the heat, don't let God take a back seat!' He said, 'I will make you a pillar!' Long after we're all gone, they'll still be speaking the name of Timothy J. Winters!" Again and again, Brooks's preaching rose to a crescendo; again and again, the shouts from the congregation drowned him out: "All right, all right!" "That's good!" "Come on!"

What happens when we die?

"According to the Scriptures," said Winters, "we who have accepted Christ as our savior are taken to be with the Lord — absent from the body, present with the Lord — to await the resurrection. Unbelievers, the Scripture says, go to a place called Hades. After the judgment, their final resting place is called the Lake of Fire."

— Matthew Lickona



TIMOTHY J. WINTERS

**Bayview Baptist Church**  
**Encanto**  
★★½

### Sermon

content .....★★  
delivery .....★★★

**Liturgy**.....★★½

### Music

congregational .....★★  
band .....★★★

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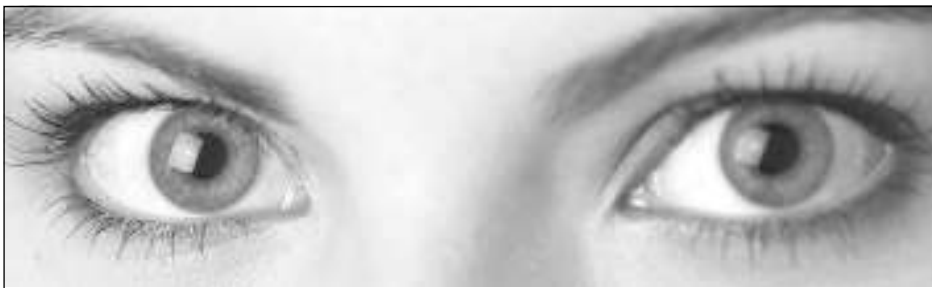


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—EVE KELLY

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"We're a small company," said Tom Franks, Director of Comfort Coach RV in Oceanside (760-554-7390; [rvrentalssandiego.com](http://rvrentalssandiego.com)).

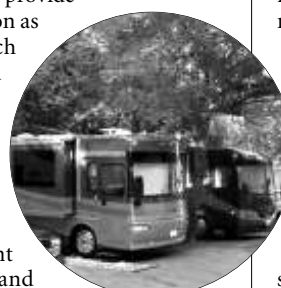
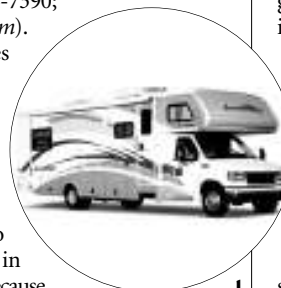
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Franks said, "We carry both Class A and Class C. The Class C is the most popular family coach. It's made on a van chassis and drives like a van. There's a bed above the driver's head and a queen-sized bed in the bedroom, and the sofa folds into a double bed, so it can sleep up to eight." The Class A slept six people, but Franks suggested that it was a step up. "It's a bus-style coach, so you sit up above the traffic and enjoy a great view. It will have more slide-outs, so you'll have more living space."

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Cost varies by coach, but Franks provided some estimates. "We generally require a three-day-minimum rental. A Class A will run \$200 to \$250 a night, depending on whether it's low or high season. Class C might run you \$139 to \$225 a night. Class A luxury models cost between \$280 and \$345. Rental guests get 100 miles free per rental night and four hours of generator use. After that, it's \$.40 a mile and \$4 per hour of generator use." Linens and kitchen equipment are provided by the renter, but



"We don't give free miles per day because we don't believe there's such a thing as free out there."

they are available for a fee if needed. Finally, Franks noted that the RV must be returned with its fuel and propane tanks full, and there is a sanitation tank cleaning fee of \$50 to \$125. Also, renters are required to get an insurance binder from their own insurance company or they can purchase insurance "on a daily basis for about \$20 a day."

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I checked out a 24-foot Class C Jam-boree, which ran \$139 per night with a three-night minimum, plus \$.29 per mile for the first 100 miles, with the price-per-mile increasing after that. Then there was a \$1.50 state licensing fee, a \$100 fuel deposit, a \$500 security deposit, and a \$62 Aloha Provision Package fee — toilet tissue, fresh water, final exterior wash, and initial chemical treatment on the holding tank. Extras included unlimited generator use (\$6 per night), portable TV/DVD units (\$5 per night), bicycle rack (\$3 per night), and a dish-and-sheet package (\$139 per trip). Moving up a notch, a 33-foot Class A Southwind Double Slide is \$199 per night. All the other costs were the same, except that the Aloha package ran \$82.

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by Barbarella

## Mac Down

*The poets have been mysteriously silent on the subject of cheese.*

— G.K. Chesterton

It was not an invitation — it was a challenge. It didn't say "Mac and Cheese Party," it said, "Mac and Cheese Off." According to the notice, this was a "mac off/mac down," which meant we really had to bring it.

Unlike me, David is not a competitive person. He gets no pleasure from feeling better than anyone else; he wasn't in this for the glory. He is, however, a perfectionist. Whether adjusting the lighting in our home prior to a friend's visit or selecting the ideal tone for one of his photographic creations, David does not desist in his

efforts until he has convinced himself that he has done his very best. For the perpetually impatient (i.e., me), such dedication can be crazy-making. But as much as I huff and puff while my partner is attending to details, I am often delighted with the fruits of his labor.

Once we'd officially accepted the cheese challenge by RSVP-ing, we set about researching recipes. After typing "mac cheese contest winner" into Google, David came across

the link for the national Tillamook Macaroni & Cheese Recipe Contest. He reviewed ingredients and procedures; I gauged each recipe's potential by keeping track of which images of the finished product inspired the most salivation. The process worked — in the end, we had both narrowed it down to the same two recipes. Because we assumed a good portion of the 20-odd challengers were sifting through the same batch of contest winners, David and I decided to take the best bits of the two recipes we liked and then tweak the combo in our own way to avoid any possibility of committing the ultimate party faux pas — bringing the same dish as someone else.

Despite my being about as adept at cooking as I am at quantum physics, I decided I wanted to assist my man in his cheesy

undertaking. In my attempt to open the carton of heavy whipping cream, I'd mangled the top so much that David had to rip it open from the other side. While David handled the shredding of four kinds of cheeses, I managed to get a small carton of whole milk open. While David diced onions, minced garlic, shelled shrimp, chopped jalapenos, and rendered fat from imported Hungarian bacon until it was dense and crispy, I measured half a teaspoon each of salt and pepper. We were a team.

We'd been instructed to deliver our creative contribution hot, so as soon as David had whisked the heavy glass baking dish from the oven, we were on the road. He'd set the molten mac on a metal tray so that it wouldn't melt through his thighs as he held it on his lap in the car. After parking, I laughed at the comical sight of David running across the busy urban street wearing giant red chili pepper oven mitts and carrying a steaming casserole.

Shortly after entering the contemporary loft-style building that had been designed and decorated by our artist and architect hosts, David and I were handed a ginger beer cocktail in a glass that had been rimmed with Pop Rocks. David placed our contest entry in the oven, along with three others, to keep it warm until the moment of tasting. We enjoyed conversation with other guests until a dozen or so of the competitors' best had been placed side by side on a long counter, at which point our hostess

explained the rules.

Beside each dish was a small bowl, into which guests were to drop either a gold-painted piece of bowtie pasta or a black-painted macaroni shell. Every person received three gold, one black, and was told to choose three favorites and one least favorite. At the end of the night, there would not only be a winner — there would also be a loser.

David and I were astonished that no one else had come across any of the recipes we'd reviewed during our research. Each dish was an original take on the classic comfort food. Some had even named their creations. The "Hot Bastard" lived up to its spicy moniker, and the "Mock and Cheese" surprised and delighted with its bold absence of macaroni and its inclusion of Ritz crackers and chunks of sweet pineapple. One plate contained salmon, another mushrooms, and many had some kind of crunchy breadcrumb topping. Because most stuck to rigatoni or elbow macaroni, the wagon wheel pasta quickly grabbed a visual edge. One woman brought a "deconstructed" mac and cheese; we were invited to skewer large pieces of rigatoni on long, thin forks and dip them into the liquid cheese bubbling in a fondue pot. My favorite was the hot dog wrapped in bacon and sprinkled with Kraft macaroni and cheese. It tasted like my childhood, only better. David's favorite, the "Mac and Cheesecake," offered the best of both worlds with real macaroni in rapturous

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homemade cheesecake and a crust made from vanilla wafers.

A few more dishes arrived, and as the evening wore on, gold and black macaroni were deposited in favor or aversion. I considered dropping a black shell in the bowl next to the salmon mac and cheese because I don't much care for fish, but then that didn't seem fair. In the end, I broke the rules and pocketed the condemnatory shell. David, however, had no problem picking a loser. Clearly, he wasn't alone — but for one ironic gold piece of pasta, the bowl beside a submission I had overlooked was filled entirely with black.

I was on the verge of slipping into a cheese coma when Ame, our hostess, called the room of 30 or so guests to attention and announced it was time to reveal the winners. But first, the loser. Ame grabbed what appeared to be a plastic Gatorade bottle, only the orangey-yellow liquid inside was oddly opaque. She held it up for all to see. The label read, "Mac and Cheeseade."

People cheered and laughed; a few groaned. Though it was the most postmodern and avant-garde of all the cheese-inspired entries, it was also the only one to trigger my gag reflex. I was not alone.

Just as I was thinking of how nasty it would be to sip the stuff, Ame declared that before the loser could claim her consolation prize, everyone sitting on the sofas surrounding the coffee table had to take a swig of the ghastly goo (which, we were told, was made using the powder packets from two boxes of Kraft Macaroni and Cheese and some kind of liquid that was rumored to be alcohol, though no one seemed quite sure). David was quick to stand before the bottle reached the couch upon which we sat. The blood vessels in my brain must have been clogged with cheese, because the next thing I knew, the bottle was in my hands and, in an uncharacteristic show of solidarity, I was taking a little sip.

Noting the look on my face, a combination of baby-eating-broccoli and

woman-encountering-dead-body, Gretchen gave me a bottle of ginger beer; in return, I passed her the unholy concoction. Like children swapping spit or blood to become symbolic siblings, everyone sitting obeyed Ame and touched their lips to the Mac and Cheeseade. When the ritual had been completed, the mad scientist behind the emetic potion was awarded several boxes of Kraft Macaroni & Cheese and made to sit on a whoopee cushion.

Everyone cheered as the fourth, third, and second places were awarded dried macaroni and glitter-decorated "medals." With hands and voices, people simulated a drum roll, and Ame solemnly raised the kindergarten-style medalion for the winner. Before this night, my idea of a good mac 'n' cheese had been Velveeta shells or Kraft's thick and creamy. As Ame approached me with the first-place medalion and an iridescent bag

containing fine cheese and sparkling wine, I couldn't help but feel proud. Sure, all I did was measure a few things and stir in the shrimp, but I had helped create something that people liked.

Okay, so it had nothing to do with that. I'd rather stub my toe than touch raw food. Sure, I take pleasure in bringing joy to others, but the real reason I was happy was because I was on the winning team. I jumped up with Queen's "We Are the Champions" playing in my head, and accepted my award with a teary heartfelt speech. Then I popped open the sparkling wine and shared the spoils with my vanquished opponents. Meanwhile, David, content that he had done his best, simply smiled, allowing me to bask in the glory. ■

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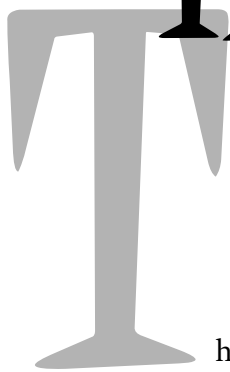
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# No shushing in this library



his insider tip we get with our sauvignon blanc is not about a club, microbrew pub, or boutique. It's a library. The Mission Valley Branch of the San Diego Public Library.

Last year more than half of all Americans visited a library at least once, according to a new report by the Pew Internet and American Life Project. But the real kicker is this: the age group most likely to use a library is none other than Carroll's tech-savvy, wired-from-the-womb Generation Y (18 to 30 years old).

An informal survey of San Diego State University undergraduates in Katie Hughes's writing and composition classes offers a variety of nonacademic ways Gen Y students use libraries: from sleeping to playing computer games, from checking out Oprah-recommended novels for "recreational reading" to researching databases for music. One student enthuses, "It seems easier to meet girls at the library than at frat parties!" And another, "When I go to the library to study, 'cruising' is always expected."

Out at Chili's for lunch, I spot a guy who looks like a skater, Howard Dunson, 25, reading a newspaper at the bar. I ask him about libraries. He answers that reading and browsing city libraries — Linda Vista and Mission Valley — are "hobbies" of his; librarygoing is his "leisure." An older sister turned him on to libraries when they were kids. "Reading keeps you on track," Dunson says. "I look for what catches my eye. Other languages. Math. A book on car engines. Last time I was there, I picked up a book on the human brain and learned a bunch on it that's cool."

Any doubt that Gen Y is the cohort careening Miss Daisy's bookmobile down the information superhighway is dispelled when I check out new libraries across the county, specifically the one in Encinitas, which opened in February.

*Two girls share a chair, a mouse, and the giggles.*

Getting this library built was a community soap opera: on the city books for ten years, construction costs double original budget, fractious city council meetings, revenue juggling, bloggers who said it wasn't green enough.

But finished, this library is worth a road trip.

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Public library staffs are getting makeovers too. Younger librarians are more "high-tech information sleuths" than traditional bookworms, declares *U.S. News and World Report*, which named "librarian" as one of the top careers of 2008.

You can spot the hip-

sters behind the checkout desks. Chances are they're working on or got their graduate degree online from San José State, which has the largest library and information science program in the world. The program relies almost exclusively on distance learning, attracting 2200 online students from 12 different countries.

"There's a more relaxed feeling in libraries now," says Cathy Straitiff, a 28-year veteran school librarian and the driving force behind San Diego Academy's new media center/library, the most popular gathering place on campus. "Librarians are being taught to make a friendly place and not *shh-shh-shh*."

Here in the City of San Diego, there's a definite library scene. In the last six years, three cruise-worthy branch libraries opened — in Mission Valley, Serra Mesa, and UTC — while ground



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was broken for a fourth in Logan Heights, to be six times larger than the old library, currently one of the city's smallest at 3967 square feet. The new two-story branch will feature a computer lab with 35 computers for classes or students, 31 public-

access computers, "Centro Cultural" community galleria/exhibit area, a preschooler learning center, and the city's largest Spanish-language film, book, and music collections.

The mayor's office claims that last year more

than six million individuals visited city libraries. Twenty-seven percent of these visitors (1.6 million) went high-speed via library computers. A thousand San Diegans learned to read or read in English courtesy of the library's free literacy program, READ/San Diego. And last year, all 1.3 million of us official San Diegans, including Mayor Sanders, rapper Lil' Wayne, and the San Diego Chargers, were invited to read the same book when the library inaugurated a citywide book club, One Book, One San Diego.

San Diego's current library budget is \$38,362,037. In the proposed budget for fiscal year 2009, which begins July 1, it drops to \$35,315,605. That's roughly 3 percent of the City's general fund, the bulk of which (61 percent) is derived from property, sales, and hotel occupancy taxes. There is

little state or federal assistance for public libraries.

Of the City pie, the Library Department scores less than half the funding that Park and Rec gets.

Which comes down to this: per capita, the City spends about \$28.95 per San Diegan on libraries, the same level of munificent library spending found in Americus, Kansas, or Aztec, New Mexico. (In comparison, the City of Carlsbad spends almost \$100 per citizen on libraries; San Francisco, \$72.81.)

The 2008 budget stated that there were no library capital improvements (remodeling, new construction) scheduled in San Diego this past fiscal year because of "the city's inability to enter the public bond market." However, funding for the new Logan Heights Branch Library comes from "a \$5.25 million state library grant, with additional support from

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the First 5 Commission of San Diego County, developer fees, and federal funding,” according to “Check Us Out,” an official publication of the San Diego Public Library and its foundation.

Overall, not bad for a nonessential services department in a city struggling to stay solvent in a state whose public libraries rank 44th nationwide.

When asked how San Diego libraries manage to do all they do, a top library administrator speaking off-record says, “Creativity.”

### I Love Libraries

I’m way ahead of the current generation. For me, libraries always have been, as they were for author William Styron, “my private club, my

sanctuary, the place of my salvation.”

Styron waited out his call to the front lines of WWII in the Duke University library, and of that time, he wrote, “...reading in the library I was sheltered from the world and from the evil winds of the future; no harm could come to me there.” My sanctuary was the Carnegie library of downtown Tyler, Texas, where I found shelter from my father, the evil wind of my childhood. My mother would drop me off to spend Saturday afternoons on my own in the cool, dignified, and safe quiet. I’d do homework, read, or just discover stuff. Like the time I figured out I could find real photos of the murdered people — the Clutter family — in the novel



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I was reading, Truman Capote’s *In Cold Blood*, by looking them up in a back issue of *Life* magazine. This was a startling find: real people in the pages of a novel!

I wrote my master’s

thesis in the main library of Mr. Jefferson’s University of Virginia. Derailed in the Appalachian Mountains by marriage, I helped my husband and other community leaders start a library in our

remote coal-mining town, Richlands, Virginia. My marriage ended, but the library thrived. I still check its progress online.

When I had money, I used libraries less. But always, when I moved somewhere new, which I did often, I’d use the nearest library as a kind of ballast, to orient myself in a strange place. That’s how I ended up at the North Clairemont Branch Library.

From my home, the North Clairemont library is a pleasant 15-minute walk down shaded side streets. It’s no library rock star. Just one of the work-horse branches of the San Diego Public Library system, not the biggest or smallest, newest or oldest. Built in 1962, it’s a mostly flat box painted a clownish combo of turquoise

and orange.

The library sits modestly back from the curb. Driving by, you may miss it. Yet, stop and look, and you’ll see it’s a small jewel, sporting the best aspects of its zippy modernist design, which is amazing since the North Clairemont library has survived two fires, including one in 1980 that gutted it.

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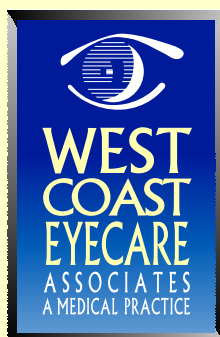
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Inside, the North Clairemont Branch Library is what you'd expect. Books, computers, fluorescent lights, institutional furniture, industrial carpet, copy machine. A bulletin board reminds us that it's the Year of the Rat or National Poetry Month. We don't have art like the new libraries, which have benefited from the largesse of the city's Commission for Arts and

Culture. We do have a large glass display case featuring the personal collections of North Clairemonters; in past months, Zak Hinkley's Rubik's Cubes or the ceramic pansies of Charlotte Eastland.

What's overhead is less expected. Like a glassy swell at dawn, the wavy cantilevered ceiling floats over (and past) roofline windows, which give off soft, indirect light on two sides. These '50s

design elements offer respite in the multipurpose space.

Over the years I've recognized maybe four or five faces who seem to be on permanent staff, although it's not uncommon to be served by an ultra-officious outside librarian, sent from the Central Library to help out in a pinch. These outsiders don't seem as fun as our regular librarians, most of whom are the kind of women who,

besides being professional, also wear toe rings and tuck flowers in their hair or streak it green for St. Patrick's Day.

It feels odd to hang out here as much as I do and not know for sure who the regular staff is. Ironically, this information and all other levels of service — collections size, circulation, patronage numbers, and budget — is information unavailable at the library. It's not available for any San Diego branch library, nor is a general idea of how financial decisions are

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For one thing, there's the noise.

This joint is jumping. Morning, noon, and night. Full parking lot, checkout lines six folks deep, Laundromat-style waits for the computers. It's like the entire American public library scene compressed into a single room not much larger than a Starbucks.

Library patron and city bus driver Ron Wilkerson, 50, wouldn't have it any other way. He plots

his daily route to take his breaks at the North Clairemont library, parking his bus at the terminal across the street. Wilkerson started hanging out in libraries to stay out of trouble when he was a kid. But as libraries go, North Clairemont is special, he says, because it's "more energetic, more family."

These days I spot so many regulars and run into so many people I know that trips to North Clairemont library feel like stopping by my neighborhood bar — with, of course, the added benefit of being able to leave sober and with a copy of *The Letters of John Keats*, volume one (Harvard University Press 1958).

So, for instance, when I see my neighbor and surf buddy Terry Goldsmith over at the computer bank, I really must go over and say hey.

And if my fiancé Steve is with me, then he has to say hey too, which of course leads to a bit of a chat. Back in the day, we might have whispered nervously, waiting for the lady librarian with a mustache to bust us. Now, not to speak seems rude.

If you were to stand in the middle of the North Clairemont library and take a slow 360, a typical afternoon might look and sound like this:

Start with my friend Terry on computer number one. (Hey, Terry!) Sitting next to him, a La Jolla-look blonde, classy gold jewelry clanking, is word processing like crazy. (Trying to beat the clock? Computers time out in one hour. No exceptions.) Across from Terry is a black man in dreadlocks.

Next to Dreadlocks, a librarian helps an agitated woman, who looks as if she bombed banks in the '60s, remove the Internet filter so she can access a blocked website. (Love to see what that is.)

Waiting their turn, two young gentlemen with shaved heads and sleeve tattoos explain the computer queuing system to a stooped, elderly woman who has trouble hearing.

Emery Greene, 10, keeps his excitement tamped down to library level as he plays games on one of the library's two kid-friendly computers. (A treat his mom Rosie is allowing since these computers are faster than theirs at home.) Next to Emery, two girls share a chair, a mouse, and the giggles.

To their left, a small children's area claims the northeast corner of the library. A little kid runs out of it shrieking full blast, "I found Nemo! I found Nemo!"

"I found Nemo!" He runs past the library tables where three Gen Y representatives — Robert, Scott, and Ishani — grab Wi-Fi for their laptops. Robert is surfing sailing



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websites. Scott is job hunting. Ishani, an SDSU graduate student, does homework.

They don't seem to notice Nemo Boy or the fun and games leaking over from Lynette Toma's table. Toma is a speech therapist contracted by city charter schools and one of the growing number of independent contractors using public library space as workplace. She meets her homeschooled student clients at their neighborhood libraries, the only downside being other children wanting to join in her instructional games.

"I found Nemo!" Nemo Boy almost collides with a Chinese man reading the *Union-Tri-*

*bune* by the large window in the northwest corner. A few humble rows of magazines and newspapers designate this as a reading zone, except when it's cleared for special events.

There's Mulapi Enjani, head down, working hard at a carrel. Enjani comes across town by bus from his home on El Cajon Boulevard, often here when the doors open, to work on his high school diploma through Urban Corps of San Diego County. "It's safer here," says Enjani. "No violence and no trouble-makers." (Ah, Mulapi, someday I need to tell you the history of this place.)

Over in the stacks, a tall, thin man in glasses (a

guybrarian?) shelves books, while Sharon Thomerson, North Clairemont Branch manager, steers a lady patron past Juana, a nanny, who browses English-language audiotapes. "Excuse me," Thomerson murmurs, in a perfectly modulated librarian voice.

*It's standing room only. "The most exciting event we've had!"*

"Excuse me," Thomerson says again, stepping in front of Vencion, a strapping young man with a large backpack. He's working the stacks like a pro, under the watchful eye of Yvonne Staub. She and Vencion come by bus

twice a week as part of his community-based instruction at Del Sol Academy.

At the checkout desk, Linda, the pretty librarian who looks like Emmylou Harris, calmly assists a line of patrons. Charter School of San Diego student Todd

Karen Larsen shop for movies.

They're joking with another man, a stranger, pretending to fight over the same DVD. The three laugh, some of the loudest, most engaging laughter you may ever hear in a library.

"Go on. Take it. That old baseball movie." Wilkerson grins. "Seen it a hundred times."

"You ever see *The Old Man and the Sea*?" Larsen asks the stranger. "It's Ernest Hemingway."

Big laughter from Wilkerson. "Yeah, well, she thinks she's a fisherwoman. So when we asked them for it, they had it delivered from another library and then sent us the notice it was here to be picked up.

Where else can you get that? It's a killer deal."

## My First Social Outing at a Library

I often think, when the life of this little library swirls around me, that the gates of the fortress of knowledge — that "sanctuary" of William Styron's and my past — have been stormed by the masses. But young Todd Gross disagrees. "Relaxing" is how he describes North Clairemont. For him, it's a place where "the weight of the world just drops from your shoulders."

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From the beginning, public libraries, even the smallest, were social places, with space dedicated to public gathering, events, and programs. Boston Public Library was built with a palatial central courtyard and sculpture garden, which drew fashionable promenaders from the day it opened.

I had always taken my libraries straight up. Books, research, a few videos. But here I am, on

a recent Saturday afternoon, at a "Local Author Event," my first official social outing at a library. The oak tables are pushed back, and 50 folding chairs fill a quarter of North Clairemont library's precious space.

Kellen, 5, and his mom, Jane, kneel on the floor near the front. Kellen may have been suckered in by the promise of a free raffle ticket, but just minutes into the program, he's as captivated by Debra Lee Baldwin and her table full of show-and-tell plants as we grown-ups are, many of whom arrived early, clutching Baldwin's book.

It's standing room only. "The most exciting event we've had!" branch manager Sharon Thomerson gushes, as she introduces author Baldwin. Excitement suffuses Thomerson's ordinarily careful face, as if, looking out at the full house, she's just seen the Future of Libraries.

Baldwin takes the microphone and works it — and the library patrons — like a pro. She's just back from a short book tour, and her book, *Designing with Succulents*, she tells us, is one of Amazon's best-selling garden books of 2007, into its third printing and soon to be translated into French. Yet here she is doing a book gig, not at Barnes and Noble or Warwick's, but in the North Clairemont Branch Library. "A free event, and we're giving away free plants! When does that ever happen?" Baldwin's amplified voice is as loud as a cheerleader's.

Never mind that after the event Baldwin is selling her book (\$30) and an exclusive *Succulent Plant Palette and Landscaping Guide* on CD-ROM (\$20). It is a free event and she is giving away free plants, kindly donated by plant nursery Daylily Hill, which also gets plenty of plugs

throughout the lecture. No one seems to care one jot that this event is an opportunity for Baldwin to sell stuff within taxpayer-provided meeting space.

This event, nevertheless, nails all four points of the San Diego Public Library "Mission Statement," a succinct directive built on an acrostic, a bit of literary whimsy.

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Fifty people gathered on a Saturday afternoon with no other connection than their curiosity. Men, women, a gay couple, Kellen. Asian, white, black, Latino. Friends, strangers, and neighbors. Strangers feeling safe enough to speak to strangers. One man recognizes a guy that he'd met in a horticulture workshop at Mesa College, and they shake hands like old friends.

Everyone cheers the first

winner of the plant raffle, a single woman whom no one seems to know personally.

Last year there were more than 7000 events and classes hosted by the San Diego Public Library system, including feng shui, tax preparation, yoga for babies, meditation, knitting, opera, computer, drumming, gardening, Tibetan medicine, Michelangelo's poetry, and U.S. citizenship. There are free music concerts, free tutoring, and homework help. Movie nights include free showings of first-run international independent and documentary films, as well as classic films in Spanish and English.

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downer about library events can be not knowing about them. When I mentioned the Baldwin "Author Event" to my friend Janet Evans, she was disappointed to have missed it. She had just bought *Designing with Succulents*. Katie Hughes, professor of rhetoric and writing at SDSU, where *Three Cups of Tea* is the all-campus summer reading assignment, had never heard of the San Diego Public Library's One Book, One San Diego program, which featured *Three Cups of Tea* earlier this year, nor had she

heard that its author, Greg Mortenson, had been in town to speak.

Keeping up with what's happening at your local branch is as easy as reading posters pasted on the front door or picking up flyers from the check-out desk. For events at other libraries, you can check calendars in local publications and online. The San Diego Public Library website has a calendar, searchable by location, branch, date, or kind of event. You also can subscribe to the *Library Connection*, an e-newsletter that promotes the

cream of the crop, such as the "Author Event" in March featuring Pulitzer Prize-winner Tracy Kidder at the Central Library. (Unlike Debra Lee Baldwin, Kidder donated proceeds from event sales of his book, *Mountains Beyond Mountains*, to the library.)

As an online tool, the San Diego library website is less than cool. Even with its new "Online Catalog," it's gray as June gloom and as user-friendly as the Library of Congress. Finding, ordering, and renewing materials online are great

resources, but the links and procedures on the library website can be confusing until you master them.

This curse of information density is nothing new. You may remember your first trip to the library and facing that vast warehouse of stockpiled information manned by alternately reticent and bossy librarians, fluent in Dewey decimal, microfiche, card catalog, and periodicals index. One of the SDSU students I surveyed simply responded, "I've never felt comfortable in

libraries."

But here today, at North Clairemont library's "Author Event," the gates of the fortress of knowledge have been stormed. This is library as fun zone, and branch manager Thomerson is anything but reticent as she plays Vanna White to Baldwin's Pat Sajak, parading succulents through the *ooohing, aahing* crowd.

While the amplified author tells the story of a San Diego homeowner who claimed her house was saved from the recent wildfires by its succulent

garden, North Clairemont patrons browse the stacks, read, and work at the computer bank. No one seems put out by our noise. And conversely, no one seems to worry about interrupting our event. For an hour, we manage to coexist peacefully in our separate and various pursuits of information.

How cool is that?

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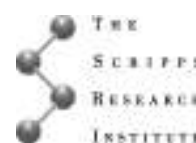
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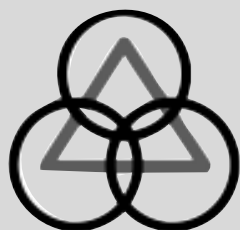
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## Worry Too Much?

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You may qualify for a no-charge medical research study to test an investigational medication for the treatment of anxiety. All inquiries are confidential and no insurance is requested. Study-related evaluations, blood test, study-related pills and exams are at no cost and you will be compensated for visit, travel and expenses.

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ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW

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- HAVE HAD SYMPTOMS FOR GREATER THAN 2 MONTHS

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## Do you or someone you love suffer from Alzheimer's Disease?

If you are:

- Male or female between 50 and 85 years of age
- Fluently read and speak English
- In good general health

**You may be eligible to participate in a clinical research trial for an investigational new medication.**

Participants will receive at no cost:

- Study-related exams • Investigational drug
- Compensation for travel-related costs to attend study visits

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# Do you or someone you know suffer from Bipolar Disorder and have symptoms of mania?

If you are:

- Male or female between 18 and 65 years of age
- Currently on a mood stabilizer or an antipsychotic
- Duration of mania is greater than one week
- In good general health

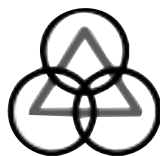
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- Investigational drug
- Compensation for time and travel

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choose their plant prizes. Due to cuts, the library closes at 2:30 on Saturdays, visibly one of the busiest days of the week, and it's now 2:25. Baldwin looks up from her book signing and invites those who haven't yet won to please help themselves to the plant cuttings from her garden still left on the table.

When he leaves, Kellen clutches two little green parasols of aeonium and four *Where's Waldo* books. We grown-ups clutch our day's prizes just as tightly. Walking out together, into the afternoon sun, admiring each other's new plants, it almost feels as though we should head out together for a beer. The two guys who met

years ago in the horticulture class make plans to visit each other's gardens.

With doors finally locked, library staff put away chairs and move heavy tables back into place. Gardening books laid out for browsing before the event, now wallflowers after the dance, are stacked for reshelfing on Monday.

Library events are meant to make people check out stuff. That's because circulation — the total number of books, CDs, DVDs, videos checked out in a year — is the library bottom line. It's the one number libraries use to prove their worth. (That would be 7.1 million items a year for the San Diego Public Library.) It's a

good year if circulation rises, bad if circulation dips.

"The public library is well liked. It has a positive image in the community, but a lot of people who think 'library' think only of books," says Joe Matthews. "But everybody coming into the library doesn't use the library the same way, and that's one of the problems in relying on a single measure of goodness, like circulation."

Matthews is a library consultant, the author of several books on library management, an online library sciences instructor for San José State, and a Carlsbad public library patron.

"The public library is the most heavily used

## RESEARCH STUDIES

### Research participants needed for a study of families with Schizophrenia

**Has one of your family members been diagnosed with Schizophrenia?**

Medical researchers at UCSD are conducting a clinical research study to evaluate whether an investigational medication alters patterns of brain activity in relatives of individuals with schizophrenia. The study drug is taken once, and is compared to the effects of a placebo.

Participants must be male, at least 18 years of age, and have a brother, sister, parent or child with schizophrenia who is available to be interviewed. Certain medical conditions or medications may make you ineligible for this study.

Medical and psychological evaluations will be conducted at no cost. Eligible relatives will receive compensation up to \$1300 for their time. Family members with schizophrenia will also be compensated for their interview time.

**For more information, please call: 619-543-2096 • UCSD Department of Psychiatry**

### Are You Living with the Daily Challenges of Type 1 Diabetes?

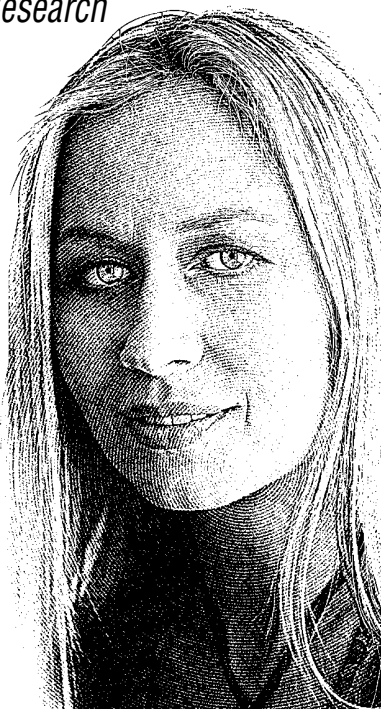
*The Profil Institute for Clinical Research is committed to help find a way for people with diabetes to lead a more healthy life.*

*Volunteers may now participate in a research study to test an investigational insulin.*

**To qualify, you must be:**

- Age 18 to 65, with Type 1 Diabetes
- A non-smoker for at least 6 months

Volunteers may be compensated up to \$2,000 for time and travel. 4 overnight stays will be required during this study.



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For more information, call  
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### Heavy drinkers not seeking treatment

Investigators at The Scripps Research Institute are currently seeking volunteers who consider themselves to be heavy drinkers and do not have any desire to stop drinking.

The purpose of the research is to learn the most effective way of studying predictors of relapse or a return to drinking.

Earn compensation for completing 4 study visits that take place over 3 weeks.

This study **does** involve taking a medication or placebo for one week.

To find out if you qualify for study participation, please call Marni at 858-784-7867 or visit our website at: [www.pearsoncenter.org](http://www.pearsoncenter.org) for more information.







## Are you a Good Sleeper between 21 & 50 years of age?

If so, you may qualify to participate in a research study at our sleep lab.

This study involves no drug therapy; instead, the study tests an investigational noninvasive device. The duration of the study will be approximately 2 weeks, including 3 visits to the sleep lab.

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

Qualified volunteers will be compensated up to \$450 depending on your level of involvement in the study. If interested, please call.



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Toll-free 800-571-1188  
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## I Sleep, I Wake Up, I Sleep, I Wake Up...

Having trouble staying asleep? A new research study of an experimental medication may help put you to sleep.

You must:

- Be 18-65 years old
- Be in good general health
- Wake up multiple times during a typical night's sleep

Qualified participants receive at no charge:

- Study-related experimental medication
- Study-related test

You may be compensated for your time and travel



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## Anxiety

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We now know it can...**

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

If you are between the ages of 18 and 50, you may qualify to take part in a research study of an investigational medication for Generalized Anxiety Disorder.

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

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

- You receive up to \$400 for your time and travel.
- You receive no-cost study-related medication and study-related medical care.
- No reports are made to employers, schools, or insurance companies.



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## Going again... and again... and again..... Is **OVERACTIVE BLADDER** your problem?

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To possibly qualify:

- Male or female, 18 years or older
- 8 or more voids and at least 1 episode of urgency per day

Participants may receive at no cost all study-related:

- Examinations and consultation by a board-certified physician
  - Labs, EKG, and all study medications
  - Compensation for your time and travel

Interested, call:  
619-521-2841

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public amenity in any community, bar none," says Matthews. "Research also shows that when there's a downturn in the economy, public library usage goes up. Yet because it's an easy target for funding decision makers, libraries are often the first place to be cut to help balance the budget."

Matthews wants to see libraries step up their fiscal self-defense. He advocates a concept from Harvard Business School called the "Balanced Scorecard," which measures library performance in four areas: "finances, customer satisfaction, operations, and organizational readiness." According to Matthews, the research results, like a school report card, can

provide clear information a library can use to plan its future, demonstrate fiscal responsibility, and better communicate how it benefits the community.

He partnered with public libraries across the country (including Carls-

bad and Chula Vista) in a pilot program made possible by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Out of this, Matthews developed a "Balanced Scorecard" workbook for libraries, which he will present next week at the American Library Association

annual conference in Anaheim. When Matthews talks libraries, he generally means whole systems like the San Diego Public Library or community libraries like Carlsbad, which receives money directly from the City of

*Mayor Sanders has announced that he's cutting 22 library personnel.*

Carlsbad, as well as county library funds. But when I ask him about the management of, say, a library like North Clairemont, which is a local branch of a large city system, he becomes more reticent. He admits that branch libraries tend not to be "transparent." When

### RESEARCH STUDIES

## MEDICAL RESEARCH STUDY

**Taylor Research, Inc.** is looking for people who are 18 years or older who are suffering from kidney disease and may also be suffering from anemia. Qualified participants will receive \$100 at the conclusion of the group. Absolutely no sales are involved; we're interested only in your opinions.

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**TROUBLE STAYING ASLEEP?**

Do you feel rested when you wake up? If not, you may qualify to participate in a research study for adults who experience problems sleeping throughout the night.

#### Qualified Participants Must Be:

- between 18 and 65 years of age

#### Qualified Participants Will Receive:

- All study-related care, exams and study drug at no charge
- Compensation for time and effort



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**DO YOU EXPERIENCE THE PAIN THAT FOLLOWS SHINGLES?**

This pain is known as Post-Herpetic Neuralgia, or PHN.

If you have PHN and you're at least 18, you may want to participate in a research study of an investigational pain medication.

#### Qualified Participants Must:

- Be 18 and older
- Have had shingles in the past 5 years
- Have had PHN pain for at least the past 6 months

#### Qualified Participants Receive:

- Compensation up to \$350 for time and travel
- Study-related care, exams and study drug at no charge

## Are you currently diagnosed with **Bipolar Disorder** and receiving treatment with **Lithium or Depakote?**

Do you currently have a combination of the following symptoms?

- Unusual periods of "highs" and "lows" • Racing thoughts
- Poor attention span • Irritability • Excessive involvement in activities
- Unusually elevated mood • Changes in appetite • Rapid thoughts

You may qualify to try an investigational medication while participating in a research study and be reimbursed \$50 for your screening visit if screening and continuing the study as an outpatient, \$50 for each inpatient hospitalization day you are in the study (excluding day of hospital discharge and any stabilization days) and \$100 for each outpatient visit (excluding screening visit). Total reimbursement will not exceed \$1400.

Call 858-566-8222 for more information.  
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# GOT KNEE PAIN?

*Don't take osteoarthritis sitting down.*

You may qualify to participate in a research study testing an investigational medication for pain relief of osteoarthritis of the knee.



## To qualify, you must:

- ✦ Be age 50 or older
- ✦ Have been diagnosed with osteoarthritis of the knee
- ✦ Have been taking pain medication for osteoarthritis for at least six weeks

Benefits include study-related care and lab tests, plus compensation for time and travel.

## Contact us to find out if you qualify:

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San Diego, CA 92123

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

**858-277-7177**



# INSOMNIA



**Do you or a loved-one  
have trouble sleeping?**



If you or a loved one are between the ages of 18 and 64 and have had trouble sleeping for 3 months or more, you may qualify for a 7-week research study of an investigational new drug's effects on sleep disturbances. Qualifying applicants will receive the study drug or placebo (sugar pill) and all study-related medical treatments at no cost, as well as compensation for time and travel.

## Participants must:

- Be in good health
- Be between the ages of 18 and 64
- Have a history of primary insomnia for at least 3 months

For more information, please contact:

JoAnna Williams, CRC  
Dr. Steven Drosman  
619-260-0010

## Do you constantly worry? Every day?

### Do you:

- Feel nervous, tense or "on edge" most of the time?
- Have trouble sitting still or find it impossible to simply relax?
- Between 18 and 65 years of age? • In overall good health?

If you answered yes to all of these questions, you may be eligible for our investigational drug research study. If you qualify and choose to participate, you will receive physician consultations, study-related medical examinations, laboratory evaluations and follow-up visits at no charge and you may receive study medication. Health insurance is not required and compensation for time and travel is provided.

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## Alzheimer's Disease

**FEELING HOPELESS? A new investigational medication is available as part of a research study.**

### Are you or someone you love:

- Suffering from mild to moderate Alzheimer's Disease?
- Taking Aricept®, Exelon®, Razadyne®, or Reminyl® for the treatment of Alzheimer's Disease?
- Between 55 and 90 years of age? • In overall good health? • Not living in a nursing home?

**Affiliated Research Institute is conducting a research study on Alzheimer's Disease.**

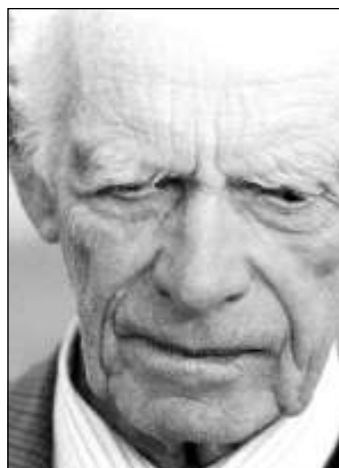
### Qualified participants will receive at no cost:

- Study medication • Medical evaluation by a board-certified medical doctor • Laboratory tests
- Supervised care by medical professionals as it relates to the study
- Compensation for time and travel • Health insurance is not required

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## Is your current Schizophrenia medication not working?

### Are you:

- Currently taking one of the following: Seroquel, Zyprexa or Risperdal for the treatment of Schizophrenia?
- Currently smoking at least 10 cigarettes per day? • Between 18 and 55 years of age?

If you answered yes to all of these questions, you may be eligible for our investigational drug research study. If you qualify and choose to participate, you will receive physician consultations, study-related medical examinations, laboratory evaluations and follow-up visits at no charge. You may receive study medication to be used in addition to the Schizophrenia medication you are currently taking. Health insurance is not required and compensation for time and travel is provided.

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## Not sleeping?

### Are you:

- Having trouble falling asleep?
- Having trouble staying asleep through the night?
- Between 18 and 64 years of age? • In overall good health?

If you answered yes to all of these questions, you may be eligible for our investigational drug research study. If you qualify and choose to participate, you may receive study medication and you will receive physician consultations, study-related medical examinations, laboratory evaluations and follow-up visits at no charge. Health insurance is not required and compensation for time and travel is provided.

If you are interested in learning more about this study, please contact:

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## Are you living in the shadow of bipolar depression?

### We're working to bring future treatment options to light.

As a person with bipolar I, you know what it's like to live with the darkness of depression. So you may want to know about this clinical research study examining an investigational drug for bipolar depression compared to a placebo, an inactive substance, when used in combination with a mood stabilizer, if:

- You are at least 18 years old • You have a history of at least one bipolar manic or mixed episode
- You have been diagnosed with bipolar I and are currently experiencing a depressive episode

Participation may last up to 12 weeks, and includes study-related care and monitoring from specialists in bipolar I, access to a mood stabilizer, and potential access to investigational medication, all at no cost.

If you are interested in learning more about this study, please contact:

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# Got Migraines??

## Is Fioricet or Fiorinal...Not Enough??

Are migraine headaches interrupting your life...and medication, like Fioricet or Fiorinal, used in the past just not working? Consider this research study comparing an investigational oral medication and a presently marketed treatment for migraine headaches.

To qualify:

- Male or female, 18-65 years of age
- Have a history of diagnosed migraines with at least one episode per month
- Taken Fioricet or Fiorinal for at least one migraine recently

Participants receive at no cost:

- Examination by a board-certified physician
- All study-related medication
- Compensation for your time and travel

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# Did You Overdo It?

## Lower Back Strain, Sprain or Back Spasms?

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I ask why, Matthews hesitates, then answers, "If there was a concerted demand to show accountability, I suspect [branch] libraries would be responsive. By and large it's kind of viewed as management's prerogative, and the public's just not interested in that nitty-gritty operational detail of the library."

I guess he's right. Over a glass of wine one night, when I mention to a neighbor friend that I am writing a story on the North Clairemont Branch Library but having trouble getting anyone official to talk to me about library funding, she gasps and says, "Oh, no! They're cutting our hours again! They're closing our library!" I assure her that

this isn't true, or at least as far as I know.

The staff I ask either don't know or won't tell me how funding comes to their branch libraries or, for instance, who grants their raises. Sharon Thomerson refers me to the Library Department's senior public information officer, Marion Moss Hubbard. But after checking with the mayor's office, Moss Hubbard, who is herself an author and co-owner of Heroic Journey Consulting, a San Diego company that "works with individuals and organizations to help them make sense of their 'experience fragments,'" says she will not speak to me, nor am I permitted to speak to any city library employee. I also

have no luck with Friends of the Library, the volunteer organization that supports public libraries with private fund-raising.

When it comes to library fact-finding, the San Diego City Council doesn't fare much better, as I learned from Clairemont's councilmember Donna Frye. She tells me that she and other councilmembers repeatedly have asked Mayor Sanders's office for simple, one-page summaries of service levels at each branch library, to no avail. Without this information — budgets, collections size, circulation, patronage numbers, and staff sizes — it's impossible for citizens or city council members to know the status of individual libraries, what's getting cut, or how the city library budget is divvied up between administration, the 35 branches, and the Central Library.

"You can't correct the issues you're never told exist," Frye says.

My neighbor's fears turn out to be justified. On April 8 Mayor Sanders announces his proposed 2009 budget, cutting over \$3 million from the Library Department and 22 library personnel. But which 22 and where? We won't know

### RESEARCH STUDIES

## Healthy Volunteers

are needed for a vaccine research study. Call us to find out the details & to see if you qualify.

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# Healthy?

Generations of men and women have helped in the development of new medical advancements for those who need it most. You could help too.

To qualify for this research study, you must be:

- Age 20 or older
- Able to commit to a one-day visit (including screening) involving about 3 hours at Covance and a blood draw

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There is no medication involved in this study.

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Hospital

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# Do You Have Type 2 Diabetes and are Not Using Insulin?

*Volunteers are needed for a research study of an investigational medication conducted by Profil Institute for Clinical Research*

To qualify, you must be:

- 18-65 years of age
- Managing your Type 2 Diabetes with only diet and exercise, or metformin.
- (If female) post-menopausal or surgically sterile.

You may be compensated up to \$3,675 for time and travel. This study may be up to nine weeks, and some overnight stays are required.

For more information, call  
**619-409-1244**

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# Do you have psoriasis?

If you are age 18 or older and have moderate to severe psoriasis, you may be eligible to participate in a new research study testing an experimental drug for psoriasis. Please call or e-mail MedDerm Associates to see if you qualify.

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### If you suffer from:

- ❖ Migraines
- ❖ Skin Infections
- ❖ Community Acquired Pneumonia
- ❖ Fibromyalgia
- ❖ Diabetes, Type 2
- ❖ C. difficile-associated Diarrhea
- ❖ Iron Deficiency Anemia

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## Do You Suffer from Excessive Shyness?

Have you experienced intense fear of being embarrassed or evaluated negatively by others in a variety of social and performance situations such as:



Meeting new people?  
Talking in front of a group?  
Going to parties?



Interacting with those you are attracted to?  
Dealing with authority figures?  
Eating or writing in front of others?

You may be eligible for a research study at UCSD Department of Psychiatry.

If you are 18 years of age or older, and are interested in this research program, please call:

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or e-mail: [veryshy@ucsd.edu](mailto:veryshy@ucsd.edu)

until they're gone.

"What specific factors they use in order to determine how those decisions are made is a great question. I wish I could answer that for you," Frye says, followed by a chagrinned chuckle.

She also says that she and other councilmembers have had trouble getting librarians and branch managers within their districts to speak up about their libraries' needs. Last year, it was a patron who informed Frye that the Clairemont and North Clairemont branch libraries had not one children's librarian between them. Frye promptly sent off a memo, and the squeaky wheel was oiled. The two libraries were granted a shared children's librarian, to create, schedule, and supervise children's programs and collections.

Why are librarians afraid to speak up? My friend Rick Fox, a librarian at the Hewlett-Woodmere Public Library in Nassau County, New York, says that library people are just that way, whether by temperament or training. They're public servants, he says. Purveyors of information, not opinion. Polite but not personal. Never attention-seeking. He tells me to consult the American Library Association's Code of Ethics.

But when I do, I find Article II, which states, "We uphold the princi-

ples of intellectual freedom and resist all efforts to censor library resources." Mightn't information concerning a branch library's levels of service — say, for instance, a list of permanent staff — be considered a resource?

### Story Time with Miss Trish

I choose to wash my library-funding blues away with a strong dose of Miss Trish.

Miss Trish is the North Clairemont story lady. Her devotees come from all over the city, half an hour early, to get a front-row seat. On Thursday mornings, by 10:25, the library sounds like curtain time at a Disney musical. Tiny bodies logjam the floor. The periphery is a stroller parking lot.

The story timers are moms, grandmothers, aunts, babysitters, dads, boyfriends, and, of course, children, of every color and energy level. Everybody seems really happy to see each other.

Simon Jones, a dad, and Maya, his poppet in green tights, know a lot of Miss Trish's story timers from playing in nearby Gershwin Park. That's where Ramdai, who babysits Karina, heard about Miss Trish from Casey and Channing's mom, Carina. Melissa brought her friend Colette, who's shopped other library story times

around San Diego.

"How do you start reading if you can't get excited about books?" asks Colette, a cute mom who is originally from South Africa. "There are some story times we've been to that are very strict. You can't go past a certain area. You have to be quiet, or you have to leave. Which is what I love about Miss Trish. She doesn't freak out when the kids walk up to the story table."

No, she does not.

No, Miss Trish dances the hokey-pokey. And when she reads a train story, she wears an engineer's hat and a bandanna around her neck and cues the dad who blows the wooden whistle that sounds just like the 3:10 to Yuma. Miss Trish's story time, like her sing-along, is 100 percent interactive. "This train is yellow!" the kids shout out. "That train is red!" And yet, during the stories, there are moments of complete thralldom, when you can hear an empty sippy cup drop.

Otherwise it's a literacy hoedown. We follow directions, sit still and listen, answer questions about the text, learn a new song with lyrics written on a blackboard, and sing with gusto old favorites (which I'm told are also sung a jillion times at home).

Even the grown-ups learn a thing or two from Miss Trish, aka Patricia Hinkley, Clairemont Town Council president, library staffer, book lover, and mother of Rubik's Cube collector Zak.

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"I used to just grab the book, read it, and say, 'Okay, now it's time to go to sleep,'" says Rachel Jimenez, Lesly's mom. "Now I become part of the story, asking questions when we read, about the author, about what the middle of the story says, about the end."

Too soon the fun is over, and a slew of strollers lines up to check out books and videos.

"It's important for us parents to be here," Jimenez says, happy that her husband, Juan Carlos Gomez, was able to accompany her and Lesly on a rare day off from work. "When they grow up they'll remember this."

That's what the library's counting on. In her new book for library professionals, *The Thriving Library: Successful Strategies for Challenging Times* (025.1974/BLOCK), Marylaine Block makes it clear that children are the Future of Libraries. "That's where the population is," Block writes, also noting that "services for children are strongly supported by taxpayers" and that when children come to libraries, they bring an "entourage" — parents, babysitters, siblings, and friends. "Once kids are in the door, librarians can work on their ultimate goal: to entice kids into reading."

Luz Culp, who as Señora C leads the bilingual story time on Tuesdays, is proof this strategy works. She grew up in North Clairemont, spending her free time at the library, always participating in the summer reading program. "So I could get that blue star!" Culp says. Now she's on the library staff, while pursuing her library science degree online from San José State.

Another lifelong patron, Madison High School clerk Mary Trombley hung out at North Clairemont library in the 1970s. "You know how, in the summer,

when you thought, 'I can't play barefoot another day outside in the sprinkler?'" Trombley recalls fondly, "It was always 'We could go to the library!'"

There weren't books at home, and her parents wouldn't let her have a library card, so Trombley and her friends rode their bikes to North Clairemont to read. She laughs,

remembering, "*The Mouse and the Motorcycle!* The best book ever written!"

Trombley raised her sons at North Clairemont Branch Library. She tiled

two bathrooms and slip-covered furniture using how-to library books. And she still browses the stacks for fun. The only thing different about the library almost 40 years

later, she says, is that the computers are where the card catalogs used to be; otherwise it's "all just the same."

Except, of course, it isn't.

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Almost nothing divides people on the subject of today's libraries more than the public computers. For some of us, computers haven't just changed the library landscape. They're Conan the Barbarian, conquering hero pillaging our dusty village of books. We fear computers are a sign that books (and maybe libraries themselves) will have no place in the New Age.

Ask others, and you'll likely hear a disparaging remark about "free Internet cafés" in a tone that suggests that libraries offering public computers might as well throw in TV, beer, and peanuts.

Ask computer patrons, and you mostly hear that the computers are "fine." North Clairemont has eight computers (four that adults can use for one hour and two they can use 15 minutes, plus two computers for

children). The connection is Road Runner broadband. No signup or library card necessary. Not a bad deal in a world that increasingly assumes everyone has access to the Internet for job applications, email, and sale prices.


How the debate plays out at North Clairemont is most evident in the overworked staff, who seem to regard the computers as tantamount to the changing table in the restroom. Necessary, but somebody else's job. As posted, rule number one is "Patrons are expected to use computers without Library Staff Assistance." Sure enough, when I finish my first session and am not sure how to leave the computer ready for the next patron, I ask a staff person, who has no idea.

Every time I've heard patrons request pages they've printed (at 15


cents a page), there have been problems. One man whose print job had not come through was told to try a different branch with better computer facilities. Todd Gross, who uses library computers daily for school assignments, emails them "to someone else's house to print it out for free" or sends work straight to his teachers.

Look at patrons at a computer bank, and again, you see the Future of Libraries. The only thing this diverse group shares is the driven look of someone who's being timed. ("Exceeding posted time will result in suspension or revocation of Internet privileges at this branch.") On the other hand, the communal queue system is amazingly zen. People obey the rules and calmly wait their turn. There may be unpleasantness over the computers, but I've never

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seen it.

However, there are computer developments that everyone agrees on. The Netflix-style system allows patrons to order online from San Diego's three-million-item collection to be delivered to any branch, free. Also, patrons can register for notifications to come by email when items have arrived and when materials are due.

Two things, however, I won't be ordering online anytime soon are downloadable ebooks (to be read on computer or on devices like Amazon's Kindle) or audio-ebooks (which can be transferred to an iPod or mp3 player). I prefer my books the old-fashioned way.

Steve Jobs, Apple CEO, has no use for the Kindle either, but for a different reason. He sees no future in electronic books, commercial or otherwise. "The fact is

people don't read any-more," he pronounced this past January.

Who am I to argue with the man who knows more about us than we do? Except for this niggling little math problem: If nationwide, public library attendance figures are up, and 2008 Pew Internet and American Life research shows that library users are more likely to be 18 to 30 years of age and have high-speed Internet at home or work, then what are all these people coming to the North Clairemont Branch Library for?

"Books," says Todd Gross. "I'd rather read a book than watch TV any day."

"Books," says Sharon Graham, who admits to checking out books by the box load.

"Books," says Wendy Dick, a La Jolla mom who frequents North Clairemont when it has the

books she or her children want.

"Books," say Brian and Alba Pierini, a young Clairemont couple landscaping their first home with California native plants, guided by research from library books and hikes to the desert, accompanied by James Lightner's *San Diego County Native Plants* (580.97949).

"Sports books," says Mulapi Enjani, who learned to use a library from his middle school teacher when he and his family emigrated from Rwanda and he wanted "to learn English faster."

One day in North Clairemont I watch a girl, maybe ten years old but small for her age, wander between the tall bookshelves of the adult section. Her red T-shirt is stretched out, her hair not recently washed. She came in with a man who might be her father and a

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boy who might be her brother. The boy went straight to the computers, the man to a reading chair where he's fallen asleep, but the girl runs her little hand along book spines, studying them intently, pulling out a book, thumbing through it, putting it back, pulling out the next book and the next, all the way down the aisle.

How well I know the feeling! My life has been changed by the most random library books. Books I never knew I needed until I stumbled on them, aimlessly browsing. Books like *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Jams, Jellies, and Preserves* (641.852) or *The Joy of Laziness* (613/AXT).

I doubt "aimless browsing" is quantifiable data on Joe Matthews's "Balanced Scorecard for Libraries." In the end, believing in any kind of future for public libraries might be a toughie if you don't hang out in one as often as the Gen Y'ers and I do. To get it, you may have to live it.

Which probably doesn't include Encinitas deputy mayor James Bond, who was less than enthusiastic about the building of his community's elegant new library, calling it a potential "dinosaur" and saying that "in ten years, nobody will be making a trip to the library. We will be looking at a PalmPilot or a computer at home."

Or Ross Dawson, the trend forecaster paid huge sums of money by the likes of Pepsi and AT&T, who predicts the death of public libraries in 2019, along with butchers, free parking, and unfenced beaches.

Or the San Diego Library Commissioners who voted not to rebuild North Clairemont library after it had been gutted by fire in 1980.

Nineteen eighty was a rough year for the North Clairemont library. It was broken into 12 times in ten months, and

during the day, patrons and staff were afraid of the gangs of teenagers who milled outside. Late one October night, the library was broken into again and this time set

ablaze. The building was saved, but everything inside was destroyed or damaged.

The burned library sat for three months, a boarded-up, shut-down

sign of Clairemont's failure as a community. Insurance money was delayed. The City was noncommittal.

In December, determined to rebuild their

library, Lee McComber and a group of citizens formed the Friends of North Clairemont Book Brigade. When the library commissioners voted not to rebuild, the brigade

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wrote letters to the local papers, keeping the spirit of the library alive. Finally, 11 months after the fire, North Clairemont Branch Library opened its doors, “rebuilt so attentively to original plans that at first it even had the same inadequate number of light switches,” reported the *Ramona Sentinel*. It took four more years of community fund-raising to replace the collections.

After almost 30 years, I couldn’t find anyone who remembered the fire or how the library had been saved. There’s no commemorative plaque at the library. Only a scrapbook history, archived in a plastic three-ring binder full of yellowed newspaper clippings and faded color photographs.

There is a saying, a kind of Mexican nursery rhyme, I learned at the library from Señora C, when she reads aloud. On the last word of a story, as the book is slowly closed, on cue together, children, grown-ups, and Señora C say cheerily, “*Y colorín colorado este cuento se ha acabado.*”

It means that a story may finish, but it never truly ends.

What would the book brigaders think of their library now? Of the computers and noise? Of Miss Trish? They wouldn’t blink an eye at the City’s shenanigans. One thing for sure: they’d be darned amused to find out that North Clairemont is showing a little high style in its dotage. This past March, the Save Our Heritage Organisation (SOHO) held a meeting to discuss the city’s most important, and possibly threatened, modernist buildings.

“The North Clairemont Library is among our favorites,” says Keith York, SOHO member and moderator of *ModernSanDiego.com*. San Diego architect Robert Platt’s design “communicates like a billboard,

attracting onlookers and passersby to investigate what’s inside,” he says, singling out the unique “diamond-shaped fascia” that runs across the library’s front. According to York, the North Claire-

mont Branch Library is “among the few and best examples of Googie architecture” left in San Diego.

Googie?  
I do some online searches but finally strike

gold at the library. There I find the definitive text, *Googie: Fifties Coffee Shop Architecture* by Alan Hess (725.71), and learn that Googie was an architectural style born in Los Angeles, created to stop

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Colorful and zany, Googie buildings were wildly popular in the 1940s to mid-1960s, in part because they symbolized the Southern California good life. They

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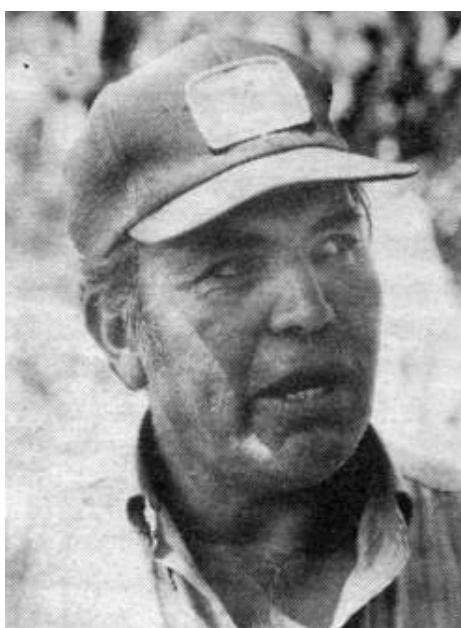
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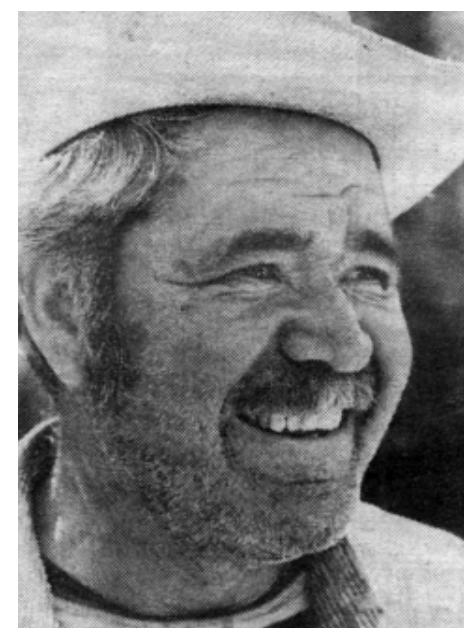


*Juan Margerum*

A tall, blond-haired young man sat on a log before a small fire this cool and still February night in the Santo Tomás Valley, some 30 miles south of Ensenada. He had joined my friend and me at our campsite in a small clearing, surrounded by the large, dark forms of a grove of old oak trees. Overhead, a blanket of stars shined clearly against a black, moonless sky. The trickling sounds of a nearby stream droned hypnotically in the background, broken only by the chirp of a bird or the sharp yelp of a coyote. His name was Byron Birch and this isolated and serene valley was his home.

Almost two years ago, when he was 18 years old, Birch had left his home and family in Orange County in search of a simpler life among the Mexican peasants and farmers who live and work along the Rio Santo Tomás, which is usually not much more than a small stream as it winds through the valley on its way to the Pacific. Today he is well known and well liked among the people who live in the area, and he lives as they do — laboring in the fields, hunting, farming, and subsisting primarily on frijoles and tortillas.

My friend and I, who had come to the valley for a weekend of camping, had left word earlier in the day with some of Birch's Mexican friends that we were interested in speaking with him, and we indicated where we would be camped. That same night, without warning, he approached silently out of the dark as we were preparing our dinner on a Coleman stove — a lavish stew. His sudden greeting had startled us, but Birch quickly introduced himself and put us at ease with his gentle and friendly manner. He wore light-colored corduroy pants, a plain blue Mexi-



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can shirt, and moccasin-style shoes. With his curly hair, bronzed face, and sturdy physique, he appeared more to be the archetypal Southern California surfer than peasant farmer. And as a matter of fact, he was a surfer, living in Laguna Beach with his father and contemplating enrollment in college when he decided that "I wanted to live an artistic life. I was interested in happiness through artistic expression and I felt that an unstructured society was very supportive of this. In work, I was more concerned with sensual rather than material rewards. I thought it would be possible for me to go to Mexico, be an artist, find a home on the riverside [of Rio Santo Tomás], grow my own food, and live harmoniously with the people."

As he recalled these thoughts, Birch leaned in toward our small campfire, which provided little warmth against a night chill that didn't seem to affect him, despite his being coatless. He then placed a Mexican bread roll, a *bolillo*, directly on the fire's red coals. Periodically during our conversation he would pick up the hot, par-

tially singed roll, take a good bite out of it, and place it back on the fire. This he did without a trace of self-consciousness, as if this peasant custom, and others he's acquired, had been a part of his upbringing. My friend and I offered him something more substantial from our dinner, but he politely refused.

As Byron Birch explained his journey from middle-class suburbia to rural Mexico, his story took on shadings of a pilgrimage, a transformation of the spirit as well as of landscape. He had been to the Santo Tomás Valley, he said, a year or so prior to his decision to make it his home. He'd gone along with several high school friends to surf the coast of northern Baja, and in the course of the trip, they had passed into the valley. They headed down a dirt road leading to the ocean, but because of the severe flooding that year, 1980, they couldn't get through. "I was interested in the valley because of the river," Birch told us. "I suppose I might have gone elsewhere, but this seemed like a practical choice. The houses around here [includ-

ing some one-room, abandoned adobe structures] were spread far apart, and I wanted to live by myself on the side of a river. I had peaceful thoughts about this place."

Anyone who has ever visited the valley, particularly the sylvan region toward the sea, will understand Birch's attraction to the area. After passing the lower littoral of Todos Santos Bay and Punta Banda, just below Ensenada, Mexico's Highway 1 winds through hilly countryside, past some small ranches, for about 15 miles. Then, at a sharp turn preceded by a road sign warning *curva peligrosa*, the expansive Santo Tomás Valley, perhaps 1000 feet below, dramatically comes into view. The vista from this precipitous bluff, looking south, allows a panorama of the great arroyo as it extends some three or four miles across to another steep mountain border. At the base of this lies the quiet village of Santo Tomás, little more than a store and some scattered adobes. To the east, the valley stretches for roughly ten miles before the hilly boundaries merge into the Sierra de Juárez mountain range.

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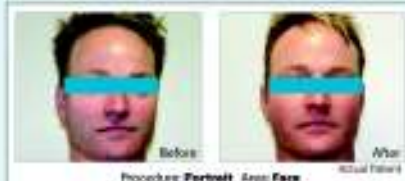
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Smith's efforts to construct a vacation dream home in Baja, enlisting the help of the Almighty and of the delightful Mr. Gomez. (Birch is acquainted with Sr. Romulo Gomez, as well as with every other Mexican in the western part of the valley, and Birch reported to us that Gomez's oceanfront general store at La Bocana was destroyed by the high tides and crashing surf of the recent winter storms.)

Driving westward down this dirt road, one first passes

a cooperative farm known as the Ejido Ajusco, where a wide assortment of crops are grown, including lemons, chilies, olives, jojoba shrubs (the oil of which is used as a lubricant in machine parts and computers), wheat, beans, melons, corn, alfalfa, and barley. Cows, pigs, and other livestock are also raised here, but several hundred head of cattle were sold recently to permit greater use of the land for farming, according to Birch.

Beyond the fields and pastures of the Ejido Ajusco, which are lush green at this time of year, lie clusters of oak and sycamore, stitched together by meandering streams. The dirt road then leads to the ruins—two crumbling walls that now are surrounded by pasture land of the Misión de Santo Tomás de Aquino, built in the 1790s by Dominican Father Juan José Lorient. Farther along, a stream weaves back and forth across the road, occasionally making travel difficult for normal passenger vehicles, though the traverse today is luxuriously easy compared to the winters between 1978 and 1980, when torrential rains transformed the Santo Tomás creekbed into a raging, destructive river several hundred feet wide. As the

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road continues westward down the valley, the mountainous walls on either side begin to close in so that the valley floor is less than a mile wide, and the trees began to thicken. It is among these shady groves and by the cool stream that Byron Birch decided to live.

In September of 1981, without a word to his family (his father is a commodities broker in Newport Beach, his mother an executive with a construction company in Monterey, and his sister a political science student at Berkeley), Birch set out from home with exactly nine dollars in his pocket. He told us, "I came down as naturally as I could—on foot." He walked, barefoot, all the way from Laguna Beach

to Santo Tomás, mostly along the beach, covering a distance of roughly 200 miles. As for provisions on the trip, he took with him very little, and furthermore, he stopped at a Calimax market in Tijuana and spent all of his money on seeds he planned to plant in the valley.

By the time he had reached the tiny village of Chapultepec, between Ensenada and the farming center of Maneadero, he was, he recalled with characteristic understatement, "getting hungry, so I went to the little church in the village and asked them for some food. They offered me meat, but I was a vegetarian at the time, so I didn't eat with them. Then they gave me a

hundred pesos." (At that time, about four dollars.)

He finally did walk his way to Santo Tomás, and though he avoids making a point of the fact, the Mexican residents there recall that Birch was almost starving when they found him. "I came down to live off the soil," he recounted, "but I soon realized, however, that that was irrational. I wasn't worried too much about rationality—such as a house, money, those rational forms—but it wasn't going to work because it took too long for me to grow my food." Fortunately for Birch, it wasn't long before he fell into the company of the Margerum brothers, Juan and Pancho, middle-aged residents

of the valley whose father, a German American, had moved to Santo Tomás more than 50 years ago and had married a Mexican woman.

"I heard there was somebody living in an empty house up the road," recalled Juan Margerum in fluent, unaccented English, "so I went up there to find out who it was. I found this kid digging in the ground with his hands, planting seeds." Juan asked him when he'd last eaten, and Birch said it had been about a week since his last full meal. With that, Juan immediately took him home to the Margerum household. As Juan smiled at the retelling of this first encounter with Birch, his brother Pancho raised a rifle, sighted down

the barrel, and—*pow*—pulled off a round. The bullet missed its target, one of several Superior and Dos Equis beer cans and Ron Rico rum bottles carefully placed on rocks about 60 feet away, alongside the edge of the stream. The sound of the shot echoed across the narrow valley. My friend and I were speaking with Juan while standing in front of Pancho's home, along with several family friends and relatives. The home was actually nothing more than a shack, a doorless adobe with a dirt floor. But this impromptu gathering on a sunny Saturday afternoon was an open and friendly one, and my friend and I had been made to feel welcome the moment we drove up.

We had stopped by Pancho's house on our way to our campsite in hope of leaving word with someone that we wished to meet with the gringo Byron Birch. No sooner had we gotten out of our car than Juan had walked up and, smiling, introduced himself. He is an open-faced, gregarious man, 40 years old, of medium stature and with thick, salt-and-pepper hair. Only recently have he and his wife Alicia returned to his birthplace to raise cattle and hunt—this after having lived in Tijuana for many years. Between the *crack* of the rifle and the occasional ting of a bullet finding its mark in a beer can, Juan related his story of discovering Birch.

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Juan and Pancho took in the young American and a familial bond was forged at once. Birch stayed in Juan's home for a while, and it wasn't long before Juan was saying, "He's my adopted son!" though there never were any legal formalities. For Birch's part, it wasn't long before he was introducing himself to the people of the valley as Byron Margerum (for decades a surname of some importance around Santo Tomás). When Birch recalls those early, hungry days in the valley, his affection for the brothers Margerum is his most prominent memory. He told us of Pancho's saying, in abbreviated English, "You come here, boy. You eat, you be strong." And Pancho himself, with obvious fondness, says of Birch, "Is a good boy, *good* boy."

Unlike his smooth, city-smart brother, Pancho knows only the Santo Tomás Valley. "I live here all my life. I born here," he said proudly. He is a large man, more than six feet

tall, with a barrel chest and a belly to match. His greatest skill is as a hunter and hunting guide, though he is also an accomplished drinker, and some say that his steady diet of alcohol has taken the edge off his sharpshooter's eye. Birch claimed, however, that Pancho's aim is still true, and that judgment was based on experience, Birch having often accompanied Pancho and his hounds on hunting expeditions (Birch doesn't shoot at anything but comes along for company). Quail, dove, rabbits, and plenty of deer are the principal prey. On these outings across the rugged terrain, Pancho wears big brown boots, a cap that covers his graying hair, and flappy green fatigues with pockets around his waist for shotgun shells; the outfit gives Pancho the vague look of some motley foot soldier and brings to mind the well-known image of another Pancho, revered in Mexican history.

Pancho is very big-hearted and very good-natured. At the sight of a *compañero*, he will

cry out, "My friend! My friend!" and follow this with a zesty *abrazo*, a bear hug. Just as quickly as Pancho can burst forth with affection, however, he can succumb to sorrowful tears, such as at the mention of a departed friend or loved one. His genuine friendliness, though, is known throughout the valley, and is the more pronounced when someone offers him something to drink — preferably distilled spirits, though a cold beer will do. My friend and I had only the cold beer to offer that Saturday afternoon at Pancho's house, and though he was disappointed we didn't have anything stronger, his great charm lent the gift of a beer a celebratory air. We could see quickly why Birch held Pancho's friendship dearly. (Pancho's adobe is very close to an abandoned structure, made of cement, that Birch eventually decided to call home.)

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them where he was and what he'd done. He's reluctant to discuss any of this in much detail, but his father, a friendly man and a concerned and loving parent, was willing to supply some details over the phone from Newport Beach. Mr. Birch first had a friend of his, a comandante with the highway patrol in Ensenada, locate his son. The officer reported that Byron was indeed in Santo Tomás and soon found that he was getting along fine and was well liked by the people of the valley. Nevertheless, his father came after him, took him back to Orange County, and had him examined by a medical

doctor and a psychotherapist. There followed a brief period of time in which the wayward son reluctantly underwent hospitalization, but soon enough he had made his way back to Santo Tomás.

His father decided that the peaceful environment there might not be such a bad thing for Byron, and subsequently did not interfere with his son's activities. Moreover, he expressed deep gratitude to Juan and Pancho Margerum for their caring for his son. The elder Birch, however, is hopeful that his son will return soon to go to college. He has visited Byron almost monthly,

bringing with him food and other supplies, and in turn has received letters from Santo Tomás.

Given his complete immersion in Mexican culture, it's not so surprising that young Birch learned Spanish fairly quickly, and he speaks the language quite easily now, having at his command an impressive vocabulary that includes much esoteric agricultural and botanical terminology. He has been somewhat less successful, he admits, acquiring the skills of a farmer. Still, whenever the subject of our conversation turned to farming, Birch's voice suddenly filled

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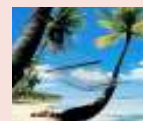
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with enthusiasm. As we sat around our campfire, several hours after my friend and I had met with Pancho and Juan, Birch told us, "I got all kinds of seeds! I planted beans, watermelons, rice, corn, cantaloupes..." and numerous other vegetables and fruit, rattled off in a list so quickly their names slipped past my memory. His problem was not so much the actual cultivation of these crops but rather in protecting them from the peripatetic cows, chickens, and

pigs of nearby farms. (As if to underscore the voraciousness of the local livestock population, a couple of pigs came bustling into our campsite as we spoke; they grunted and squealed loudly and threatened to topple the stew we were cooking on our Coleman. A few anxious shouts and they scurried off in another direction.)

Though over the months Birch was able to feed himself — through his own efforts and also through the generos-

ity of the Margerums — he soon found that he had underestimated his need for steady employment. In January of this year he was able to find a job as a laborer in the fields and orchards of the privately owned Rancho de los Dolores, half a mile or so opposite the highway turn-off to La Bocana. The rancho's large white houses and barn, shaded by dozens of towering palms and eucalyptus, stand out as landmarks in the otherwise arid landscape of the eastern portion

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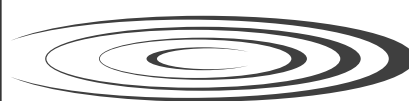
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Birch is one of 15 pruners employed by the rancho; there are also several drivers for the farm's five tractors, an administrator, a mechanic, a secretary, "and a couple of drunks," according to Birch, who quickly added that the drunks are not on the payroll. His status as

an undocumented alien, an illegal worker in Mexico, has caused him some genuine concern. "The boss told me I needn't worry, but I'm going to Ensenada soon to get the right papers," he said, as if reminding himself to do so.

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tourists, Birch has read widely. Besides Voltaire, Hemingway, and Mark Twain (*Huckleberry Finn* is his favorite book), he's become familiar with *Burpee's Seed Catalogue*, *The Sunset Western Garden Book*, *Darwin and His Flowers*, *A Grape Handbook*, and the *U.S. Government Gardening Guide*. He has also read numerous Mexican cowboy adventure stories and sentimental romance books, and in addition has made it about halfway through José López Portillo's 700-page *Genesis and Theory of the Modern State*, in Spanish.

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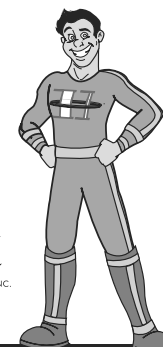
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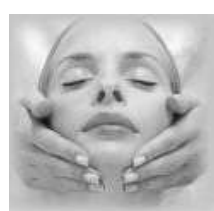
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geography of the region intimately, having learned the paths of the many streams flowing into the valley, the nature of the water tables that feed the streams, and other features of the land.

This knowledge of the Santo Tomás area will undoubtedly serve him well in his future plans, which include more serious farming, perhaps on the Ejido Ajusco. "I'm just a peasant worker now," he said, "but I'm thinking of returning to school this fall to study agriculture, economics, and chemistry. I'm interested in things like soil pH, temperature zones, alfalfa, avocados..."

If Birch returns to school, it will be in California. But as we poked at the embers glowing in the fire, surrounded by pristine wilderness, contemporary American culture seemed as distant as the Milky Way that glittered above in the dome of blackness. I asked him about the shock of returning to the modern world, and after a long pause that was filled up with the sound of water trickling

downstream, he said, "Now that I've had a chance to be free, the thought of going back to paved roads, to sex magazines, to cars, to movies...it doesn't bother me so much."

*Postscript:* After living for about two years in the Santo Tomás Valley, Byron Birch returned to Orange County where he attended college. Today he is a journeyman electrician, and presently is working in Wyoming on a natural gas project. Many of his coworkers are of Mexican background, and Byron speaks Spanish with them on the job. He is married and has a young daughter. Though he has remained a Southern Californian, he owns a small ranch in Wyoming. Through the years he has kept up with his friends in Santo Tomás, visiting many times, most recently last October. Pancho passed away several years ago, but Juan still lives in the valley. ■

— Michael Waterman

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nology who concluded:

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*Posted by paul on May 28, 2:31 p.m.*

\$1.5 billion in solar panels at \$3.5/watt listed by SCE would install 428 megawatts of capacity onto San Diego rooftops. Why in the world are we the worst in the state when it comes to SDG&E encouraging solar panels, when we are in the best geographical position in the state to use them?

Between state and federal incentive programs, long-term leases on panels

and the savings in not buying new power plants, another 500 megawatts could easily be installed. That would add close to 1,000 megawatts of power right where it is needed without a single new power plant being built and without using any additional fuel to run them for the next 20-30 years.

Consider also what the existing SDG&E powerlines in the backcountry have cost us by starting huge fires burning thousands of homes. There was a 100+ acre fire in Penasquitos canyon last month that started under power lines very near where the Sunrise Powerlink is proposed to terminate. I never heard a peep on what caused the fire other than "it started under power lines on a hot and windy day". I am guessing that if there was another cause of the fire, SDG&E would have let us know.

*Posted by mshames on May 28, 8:36 p.m.*

Here's the latest scoop on SDG&E's profits from this project: if the project is approved by the Public Utilities Commission, SDG&E stands to reap \$1.3203 billion. Because of the nature of FERC rate-making, that \$1.32 billion is strongly front-loaded. More than half of the \$1.32 billion profit to SDG&E shareholders occurs in the first 8122 years of the project's 58 year life, from mid-2011 through the end of 2019.

So you do the math... does SDG&E walk away from the largest, most lucrative project that it is has ever built? Not a chance.

Check out the UCAN web page ([www.ucan.org](http://www.ucan.org)) on May 30th and you'll see how this project is a huge money-loser, isn't needed to keep the lights on and only about 25% of the line's capacity will be used to bring renewable power into San Diego... all based upon SDG&E's own numbers!)

*Posted by seahorse on May 31, 7:29 p.m.*

Wow. This article really opened my eyes.

The opposition has done such a poor job of bringing this to light. They have bumper stickers that say save Anza Borego. That doesn't really help people know how much of a scam this. A lot of people simply don't care or think it is a necessary loss and do think the opposition is just about enviro nuts.

How about sending the message that this is the next Enron scam. A lot of politicians have supported this, maybe it is time to start knocking on their doors and getting them to change their position. Don't start with the Governor, start with the locals and work up.

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# Trail Doggies

## Hikes for the Four-Footed

If your dog cannot be commanded with 'come' and 'stay' 100 percent of the time, you should probably not have your dog on a trail," says Allen Riedel, author and hiking enthusiast. "Most places in San Diego, you have to have your dog on a leash." On Wednesday, June 25, Riedel will be at Adventure 16 to discuss his book, *Best Hikes with Dogs: Southern California*. Riedel has one medium-sized dog — a schnauzer mutt — and one small dog, a Jack Russell/Chihuahua mix.

"When I had them in their best shape I would take them out five days a week on a trail behind my house [in Riverside] for 3 miles and 1000 feet of elevation gain," Riedel says. "[Then] we could go on a 35-mile hike, and they would be running circles around me at the end of the day. Of course, as soon as we'd get in the car, they would lay down and crash."

Riedel prefers to take his dogs hiking in places that don't require leashes, but he says such locations "are getting fewer and fewer." He thinks lack of etiquette on the part of dog walkers might be contributing to the increasing number of "No Dogs Allowed" signs he encounters. For example, not enough hikers take responsibility for their dogs' messes. "People really need to dig a cat hole, or they need to bring along bags to clean up after their pets."

Riedel stresses that owners must always have a leash on hand, even when hiking trails that do not require dogs to be on a

leash. "Some people are terrified of dogs — even the thought of a dog coming up to them and sniffing them is horrifying," he says. "I've seen people with their dogs off the leash, and the dog will jump on someone, and even when that person is deathly afraid of dogs, the owner's, like, 'Oh, well, that's just my puppy.'"

Riedel encourages trekkers with canines to go out of their way to assure dog-free hikers that the dog poses no threat. "When people show up on the trail, I leash [my dogs] immediately," says Riedel. "Then I say, 'I'm sorry, don't worry, they're totally harmless.' We have to be ambassadors if we have our pets out there."

Riedel allows his dogs to drink from nearly any water source, which is a hot-button issue among some dog owners. "Some people are horrified when I say that," says Riedel. "Dogs can get giardia, an intestinal parasite that causes not-very-pleasant stuff to come out both ends. They get it from stagnant water with cattle feces. Giardia is the reason why [authorities] tell humans not to drink water from wherever. Some pet owners are pretty extreme, bringing bottled water for their dogs. When I go hiking, I drink water out of the tap, and that's what my dogs get too. If they find a stream, it's fair game. People are, like, 'Oh my God! What if it gets giardia?' I say, 'Well, then I'll take it to the vet.' I love my dogs, but I'm not a pet extremist. Things can happen."

Riedel advises owners to properly condition their dog before taking on a big hike. Dogs should walk on pavement for at least 30 minutes a day, five to seven days a week,

before embarking on any trail that is "over three miles in length and with any rockiness in the trail description." Iron Mountain in Poway, for example — at 5.75 miles with "some rocks" — would not be a good choice for a novice hound.

"If you have your dogs laying around on carpet all day long, when they get out on hard dirt, rocks, and gravel, they are going to cut themselves up. They'll get cracked or bleeding pads," explains Riedel. Some pet stores sell booties (which, Riedel explains, are "made from some new nylon, plastic-y, NASA material") for dogs to wear. "If your dog gets cracked or bleeding pads, you're going to be carrying your dog out."

Riedel recommends the Sunset Trail in the Laguna Mountain Recreation Area (between Cuyamaca State Park and Anza-Borrego Desert) for well-trained, beginner-level dogs. This trail is one of the few for which leashes are not required, and, as Riedel writes in his book, "This is a beginning hike that almost any dog should be able to accomplish, even if they are used to laying on the sofa all day long."

According to Riedel, national and state parks are notoriously unwelcoming of dogs. The Cabrillo National Monument has one small area, the Cabrillo Tide Pools, in which

dogs are allowed on leash. In his book, Riedel offers a useful tip for dog owners bringing their pups to Cabrillo: "You may get strange looks and even verbal jostles from some people along the way because you clearly pass a sign when you enter the monument that says, 'All pets must remain in vehicles.' Just kindly point them to the visitor brochure that shows where dogs are allowed."

— Barbarella

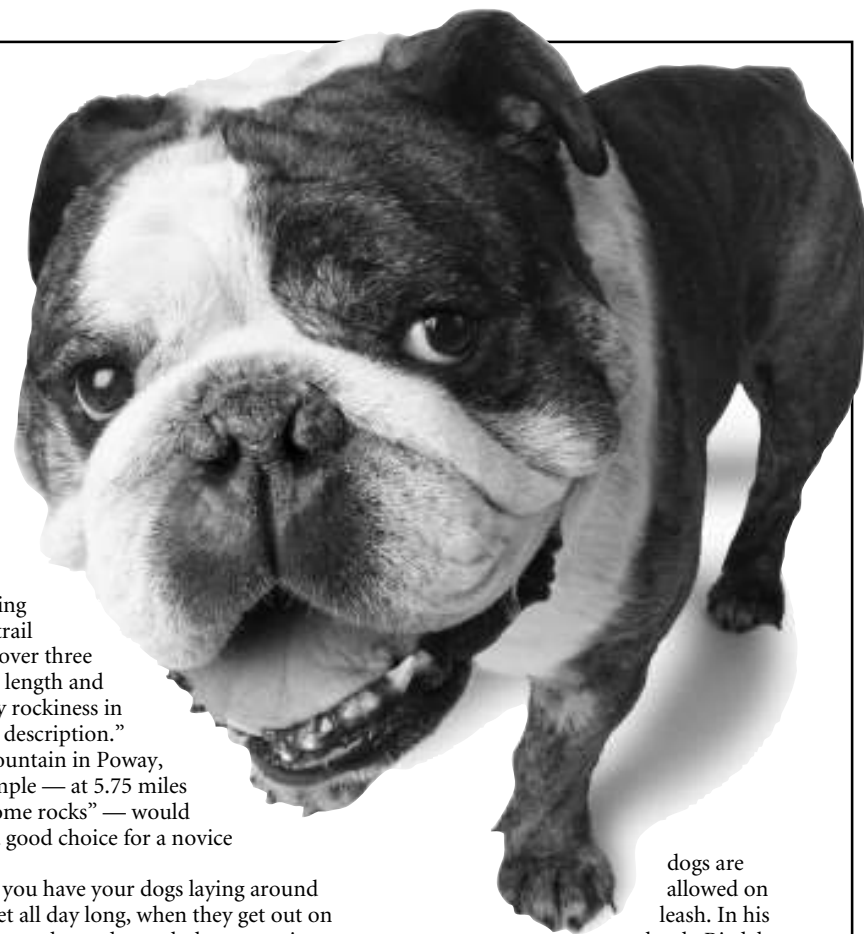
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**"Peace Invocation** Performance" Dancer, teacher, choreographer Ramaa Bharadvaj performs for Performing Arts Series (10 a.m.). Dance followed by global altar peace and prosperity workshop (11:30 a.m.), vegetarian appetizer buffet (12:30 p.m.). Reservations: 619-723-8291. Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.; \$15. Hilltop Center for Spiritual Living, 331 East Elder Street. (FALLBROOK)

**Belly Dance Showcase** Rajiin and Sadaf Restaurant host performances every Friday. No cover. 619-338-0008. Fridays, 8 p.m.; through Friday, June 27, 2008, Sadaf — Downtown, 828 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

**Belly-Dance Showcase** Marissa, Annamarie, Dilek, and Sabrina Fox perform to live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble. 619-688-9845. Thursday, June 19, 8 p.m.; \$5. Claire de Lune, 2906 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

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**America 1900** PBS documentary traces this pivotal year for the country. 619-236-5821. Tuesday, June 24, 2 p.m.; San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Everything's Cool** "Environmental Issues" series gets underway with film screening, followed by discussion with co-director and co-producer Daniel B. Gold. "Local experts will be on hand to discuss green solutions." 858-626-2000. Saturday, June 21, 6 p.m.; National University, 9388 Lightwave Avenue. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Journeys with George** Alexandra Pelosi's documentary was shot with a digital camera, chronicling drama behind scenes of controversial 2000 election. 619-282-0437. Tuesday, June 24, 7 p.m.; Lestat's Coffee House, 3343 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Digital Stories Screening** Screening of "an eclectic collection of stories, including stories of Japanese internment, enemy aliens, stories of love, stories of loss," more. 619-230-1938. Monday, June 23, 6 p.m.; Chula Vista Civic Center Library, 365 F Street. (CHULA VISTA)

**Knights Who Say Nee!** What more needs to be said? Enjoy *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* during Stone late-night movie series. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, and "get comfy." 760-471-4999. Wednesday, June 25, 9 p.m.; ages 21 and up. Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, 1999 Citracado Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**Take in a "Cheeky Confection"** Lebanese director Nadine Labaki's 2007 film *Caramel* screens in Arabic and French with English subtitles for Film Forum. 619-236-5800. Monday, June 23, 6:30 p.m.; San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

## FOR KIDS

**"Once Upon a Tide"** New modern-day fairy tale journey, a ten-minute film about importance of ocean, screens during family day activities. Learn how to "break the spell and save the ocean, and ourselves" through hands-on family activities and interactions with Scripps scientists who study ocean's health. Included in regular admission. 858-534-FISH. Saturday, June 21, 11 a.m.; Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

**"Tinkering"** It's topic for family science day; participants "make a free science experiment" to take home. Included in regular admission. 619-238-1233. Saturday, June 21, noon; \$6-\$8. Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Pico's Pail** Old-Fashioned Kite-Flying Puppeteers continue run through Sunday, June 22. Enjoy *Cinderella* when Puppet Express and Weaver's Tales perform June 25-29. Curtain rises at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday-Friday; 11 a.m., 1 and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. 619-544-9203. Thursday, June 19, 10 a.m.; Friday, June 20, 10 a.m.; Saturday, June 21, 11

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a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, June 25, 10 a.m.; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

IN PERSON

**“It Is Great to Be Different”** Multi-part production including the play *One Eye, Two Eyes, Three Eyes*, based on an old Russian fable, “performed by a talented group of actors with developmental challenges.” There will be singing, Greek dancing, tae kwon do demonstration, folk dancers, presented by Pioneers Club in community hall. Donation. 858-481-3998. Thursday, June 19, 7 p.m.; \$8. St. James Catholic Church, 625 South Nardo Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

**“Peace Through Music”** Eclectic Collective hosts concert by Jewish educator, musician Zeji Ozeri; Israeli, Mexican, and Ethiopian music; dance from different regions; guest vocalists. How does the Jewish Diaspora affect Jewish culture and music around the world? 858-362-1348. Sunday, June 22, 7:30 p.m.; \$12. David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**“Pyros y Pyasos”** Technomania Circus presents burlesque dancers and “Cabaret Flambe,” vaudeville, variety acts, performance art, Circus Bacchus guest stars from Flagstaff. Also on tap: “an unusual techno-directive by StreetShowKeith.” Warm clothing recommended. 619-231-1950. Saturday, June 21, 8 p.m.; \$15. Ages 18 and up. The Center for

Amusing Arts, 2438 Commercial Street. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

**“Speakeasy 1920s”** Chronos Theatre Group celebrates 1920s with staged readings, live music, and visual art from that period. 619-615-8928. Wednesday, June 25, 7 p.m.; \$10. The Hole Bar, 2820 Lytton Street. (POINT LOMA)

**Fur Shui** Local author Paula Brown talks about her new book during mutt mingle. 858-755-3647. Thursday, June 19, 3 p.m.; Muttropolis Solana Beach, 227 South Cedros Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

**In Justice** Former U.S. Attorney David Iglesias discusses his book, examining the Bush administration’s “drive to politicize the justice department.” 858-454-0347. Wednesday, June 25, 7:30 p.m.; Warwick’s Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**The Broken Window** Jeffery Deaver signs and discusses his latest in Lincoln Rhyme series. 858-454-0347. Friday, June 20, 1 p.m.; Warwick’s Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Beyond the Myth!** David Rensin discusses, signs *All for a Few Perfect Waves: The Audacious Life and Legend of Rebel Surfer Miki Dora*. 858-454-0347. Tuesday, June 24, 7:30 p.m.; Warwick’s Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Dog Days** Author Allen Riedel (*Best Hikes with Dogs: Southern California*) discusses tips, gear needed for safe hiking with your canine. 619-283-2374. Wednesday, June 25, 7 p.m.; Adventure 16 Mission Valley, 4620 Alvarado Canyon Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

OUT & ABOUT

JOURNEYS WITH GEORGE

Film documenting 2000 presidential election. Lestat’s Coffee House, Normal Heights, Tuesday, June 24.

(SEE FILM)



**Jump Start Your Emotional Chemistry!** Julia Ross discusses and signs her books, *The Mood Cure* and *The Diet Cure*. Wheat-and gluten-free hors d’oeuvres provided. 858-454-3338. Tuesday, June 24, 7 p.m.; Advanced Body Care Center, 7777 Fay Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Mannerly (Mutt) Mingling** Charlotte Reed, author of *The Miss Fido Manners Complete Book of Dog Etiquette: The Definitive Guide to Manners for Pets and Their People*, discusses her book during mutt mingle on Thursday. Free.

Reed plans pet etiquette workshop on Saturday. \$50 fee includes copy of Reed’s book. Registration: 858-459-9663. Thursday, June 19, 5 p.m.; Saturday, June 21, 1 p.m.; Muttropolis La Jolla, 7755 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**More Deaver** Jeffery Deaver signs and discusses latest in his Lincoln Rhyme series, *The Broken Window*. 858-268-4747. Friday, June 20, 7 p.m.; Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Suite 302. (CLAIREMONT)

LECTURES

**“Georgia on My Mind: Research in the Southeast States”** Pat Hall addresses North San Diego County Genealogical Society. Nonmembers welcome. 760-630-5720. Tuesday, June 24, 10 a.m.; Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

**“Guatemala: The Mayan World”** Travel photographer Jim

Cline presents illustrated lecture for Sierra Club. 619-585-3773, 619-299-1743. Friday, June 20, 7:30 p.m.; Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Cleveland Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**“Insight Seminar: Romeo and Juliet”** Artists from all phases of production process meet with patrons in “lively exchange of ideas and insights” to enhance the theatergoing experience. Seminar concludes with informal champagne reception. 619-23-GLOBE. Monday, June 23, 6:30 p.m.; \$3-\$5. The Old Globe Theatre, 1363 Old Globe Way. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Irrigation Design for Water-Wise Gardens”** Don Schultz presents design principles for overhead sprinklers and drip irrigation

for “Water-Wise” series. Reservations: 619-660-0614 x10. Saturday, June 21, 12:30 p.m.; \$15-\$25. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (CUYAMACA COLLEGE)

**“MFA 08”** Annual exhibition of work by graduating master of fine art students from department of visual arts at UCSD continues through July 6. Exhibiting artists lead guided tours of show with sculpture, interactive media, film/video, photography, installation. RSVP: 858-534-2107. Saturdays, 2 p.m.; through Saturday, July 5, 2008, University Art Gallery at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**“Spiritual Enlightenment and Emotional Realities”** Steve Posner, author of *Spiritual Delights and Delusions*, plans talk. Open to all faiths and beliefs. 619-640-2020. Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.; Shiloh Spiritual Center, 4635-B Mission Gorge Place. (MISSION VALLEY)

**“The Story of a Holocaust Survivor”** Gussie Zaks, holocaust survivor, discusses her experiences when San Diego Association for Rational Inquiry gathers. 619-421-5844. Sunday, June 22, 7 p.m.; Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Cleveland Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**“Writing in Community”** City Heights poet Jim Moreno and UPACA Center host poetry workshop for beginning or mature poets. Participants will watch the video *Voices in Wartime*, then write and read a poem. Moreno is author of *Dancing in Dissent*. 619-285-9737. Saturday, June 21, 3 p.m.; \$2-\$5. Urban Performing Arts and Creative Arts Center, 6875 El Cajon Boulevard. (COLLEGE AREA)



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## LOCAL EVENTS

**(Rare) Care and Feeding** Learn “How to Take Care of Rare Fruit Trees” when California Rare Fruit Growers host ongoing “Rare Fruit Introductory Class” in room 104. Classes offer opportunity to learn to grow fruit varieties including jujube, capulin cherry, raisin tree, pitahaya, longan, jaboticaba, tropical guava, passion fruit, wax jambu, ice cream bean. 619-261-3610. Wednesday, June 25, 6 p.m.; Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Bayfront Future** What will Chula Vista Bayfront look like in future? Leslie Wade of Gaylord and Allison Rolfe of Pacifica Residential plan presentation on the 300-foot-tall, 2000-room hotel and 1500 condominiums their companies plan when Southwest Chula Vista Civic Association gathers. Simultaneous translation to Spanish provided. 619-425-5771. Monday, June 23, 6:45 p.m.; MAAC Char-

ter School, 1385 Third Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

**Beginning and Refresher Genealogy Class** Course offered by North San Diego County Genealogical Society and Carlsbad City Library continues on Monday evenings through June 23. Optional tours of genealogy division of Carlsbad Cole Library on June 30 and July 7. Attend any or all sessions. Materials provided. Non-members welcome. 760-757-0528. Mondays, 7 p.m.; through Monday, July 7, 2008, Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

**First Aid for Dogs and Cats** American Red Cross class covers treatments for pet emergencies including choking, shock, poisoning, and broken bones. Required reservations: 619-243-3424. Saturday, June 21, 1 p.m.; \$55. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

**Public Service Journalism** “Watchdog reporter” Danielle Cervantes of *San Diego Union-Tribune* speaks for San Diego Writers/Editors Guild; expect “hand-

## OUT & ABOUT

### FUR SHUI

Local author Paula Brown talks about her book at Muttropolis in Solana Beach, Thursday, June 19.

(SEE IN PERSON)



outs outlining a wealth of source information.” Doors open at 6:30 p.m., program at 7 p.m. 760-471-5323. Monday, June 23, 6:30 p.m.; Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Cleveland Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**Smelly Marsh?** Learn all about “Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria in California’s Coastal Wetlands” and the so-called “superbugs” the Tijuana River delivers during Tijuana Estuary Speaker Series talk. 619-575-3613. Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; Tijuana Estuary Visitors’ Center, 301 Caspian Way. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

**Tribal Belly-Dance and Drumming Class** Middle-Eastern drum-

ming class taught by Frank Lazzaro (6-7 p.m.), followed by tribal fusion belly-dance class taught by Sabrina Fox with live drummers (7-8 p.m.). \$12 per class. 760-703-1487. Mondays, 6 p.m.; through Monday, June 30, 2008, \$12. WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

## OUTDOORS

**Cobbled Shorelines** are greeting some beachgoers early this summer season, as in past years. North County beaches tend to suf-

fer most, as the natural sand replenishment in the area is disrupted by dams blocking the flow of sediment down the larger streams and rivers. Some sand scooped up from dredging operations is being moved onto the beaches to mitigate this problem. South County’s beaches fare better. The widest beach of all, Coronado, is protected from sand loss by the jutting Point Loma peninsula; it catches some sand drifting on currents northward from the mouth of the Tijuana River.

**Colorful Foliage** along San Diego’s coastline lingers, despite the lack of rainfall and warmer, drier days. In the older, landscaped neighborhoods of Coronado, Point Loma, Pacific Beach, and La Jolla you’ll find oleander and hi-

biscus blooming in many shades, and colorful bougainvillea creeping over garden walls. Look for the magnificent clusters of red flowers adorning the crowns of the flame eucalyptus (red-flowering gum) trees.

**Magnolia**, the southern-U.S.-native commonly planted as a decorative street tree in many of San Diego’s older neighborhoods, continues to bloom this month. Its grandiose description in some botanical books as the “queen of the flowering broadleaf evergreens,” accurately gauges its oversize, white, pleasant-smelling flowers.

**Summer Solstice**, the time when the sun reaches its northernmost point in the sky, occurs this year at 4:59 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time on Friday, June 20. This fact should not be lost on anyone who might like to throw a TGIF summer-solstice party at quitting time that day. The summer solstice not only marks the beginning of summer for the Northern Hemisphere; it also means that the daylight hours are maximized. San Diegans now enjoy approximately 14 hours of daylight, in contrast to the meager ten hours or so we experience in December. Anytime this week or next, try checking your shadow at 12:50 p.m. (the local daylight time in San Diego currently equivalent to astronomical noon). The sun is then only 10° south of the straight-up direction and casts near-vertical shadows. A lesser-known consequence of the summer solstice is that our twilight periods are longer than usual. Evening and morning twilight periods are now lasting more than 90 minutes.

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**Explore the East Village** Also find the Urban Art Trail, ballpark district, and enjoy detours for historic tidbits during Urban Safari walking tour led by Patty Fares. Reservations: 619-944-9255. Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; \$10. Pan-nikin Coffee and Tea — downtown, 675 G Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Hoots and Howls!** Listen for sounds of night hunters — bats, owls, coyotes — on trail guide-led twilight walk. Reservations required: 619-668-2748. Saturday, June 21, 7:15 p.m.; Kumeyaay Lake Camp-ground entry station, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

**Is It Snow?** Walk with trail guide past blankets of snowy-white buckwheat blooms. 619-668-3281. Saturday, June 21, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday, June 25, 9:30 a.m.; Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

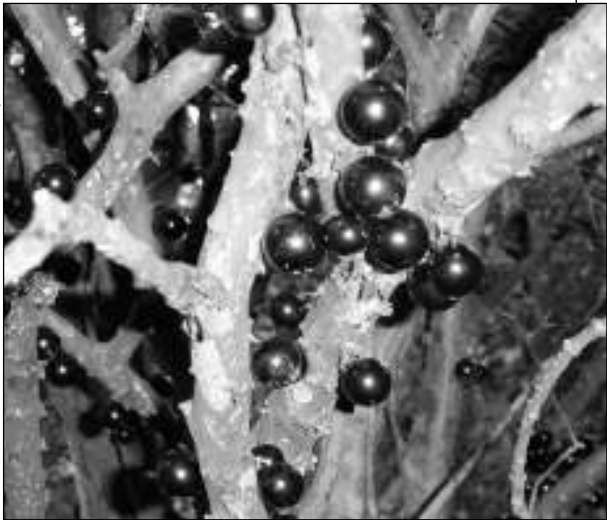
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### JABOTICABA TREE

Care and feeding of rare fruit trees, Balboa Park, Wednesday, June 25.

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exploration of the central valley of the ranch on Jack Creek Meadow Loop via Sage. 760-839-4680. Saturday, June 21, 8 a.m.; Daley Ranch, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

### Rediscover Old Escondido

**West** Walking tour led by Escondido History Center, starting at southeast corner of Grand and Broadway. 760-743-8207. Tuesday, June 24, 6 p.m.; Draper's and Damon's, 101 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

**Set Out for Silverwood** Open visitation day. Special topic hikes at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Learn "a little history" during hike with focus on geology, evidence of previous occupants. 619-682-7200. Sundays, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.; through Sunday, July 27, 2008, Silverwood Sanctuary, 13003 Wildcat Canyon Road. (LAKESIDE)

**Tree Time** Offshoot Tours offers hour-long guided tour highlight-

ing various Balboa Park trees. 619-235-1122. Saturday, June 21; Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

## SOUTH OF THE BORDER

**"Edipo Güey"** Spanish-language comedy by Mario Cantú Toscano based on tragedy by Sophocles, with modern language, in Foro Experimental. 011-52-646-173-4307 and 011-52-646-173-4308. Friday, June 20, 8 p.m.; \$5-\$10. Centro Estatal de las Artes, Boulevard Costero and Avenida Club Rotario. (BAJA)

**"La Reina de su Casa"** Comic monologue by Carlos Niebla. 011-52-664-684-0908. Sunday, June 22, 6 p.m.; \$10. Casa de la Cultura de Tijuana, Avenida Paris #5, in Colonia Altamira. (BAJA)

**El Espejo Intoxicado** Discussion of new book by Martha Nélida Ruiz with presenters Julio César González and Christian Calderón. 011-52-664-687-9636. Thursday, June 19, 7 p.m.; Centro Cultural Tijuana, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street. (BAJA)

**Lucybell** Rock concert. 619-734-2333. Friday, June 20, 9 p.m.; Box Underground at El Foro, on Avenida Revolución. (BAJA)

**Mainly Mozart Binacional** Enjoy works by Mozart and Strauss, with oboe soloist Nathan Hughes. 011-52-664-687-9636. Friday, June 20, 8 p.m.; \$35. Centro Cultural Tijuana, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street. (BAJA)

**Readings** Actress Lilia Aragón in performance. 011-52-664-687-9636. Tuesday, June 24, 7 p.m.; Centro Cultural Tijuana, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street. (BAJA)

**Summer Surfing Tournament** Nearly 100 surfers from Baja California and Baja California Sur expected to compete in tournament at Playa Tres Marias in El Sauzal. Times, details: 011-52-646-119-8247. Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.; Playa Tres Marias in El Sauzal, 1.5 miles south of Ensenada toll gate. (BAJA)

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**"Inaugural Exhibition, Part II"** Opening reception for Satellite Ensemble's exhibit of work by Susy Bielak, Leigh Cole, Nico Herbst, Zac Monday, and Claire Zitzow. Exhibit of sculptures, paintings, photographs, videos, drawings, more, continues through Monday, June 23. 619-543-0933. Friday, June 20, 7 p.m.; the Kava Lounge, 2812 Kettner Boulevard. (LITTLE ITALY)

**"Summer of Sports"** San Diego County Fair runs June 14-July 6. Numerous competitions and exhibits, including fine arts, livestock, children's art, gems, minerals, home arts; fun zone with rides, games; commercial exhibits; food; contests (bubblegum blowing, pie eating); many concerts. Closed Mondays, June 23. 858-793-5555 or 858-755-1161. Thursdays, 10 a.m.; Fridays, 10 a.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 10 a.m.; Mondays, 10 a.m.; Tuesdays, 10 a.m.; Wednesdays, 10 a.m.; through Sunday, July 6, 2008, Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**"Urban Blight to Urban Bright"** San Diego Architectural Foundation hosts tours of historic Gaslamp Quarter. Learn about area's architectural evolution from 1880s dirt streets and saloons to current restorations and adaptive reuse projects. Tours begin at Arts Tix kiosk. 619-232-1385. Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; \$8-\$15. Horton Square, 225 Broadway. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Vigilucci's Jazz at the Museum"** Blue Largo plays jazz and blues. Evening begins with preconcert reception featuring Vigilucci's hors d'oeuvres, wine. View the exhibitions "Masterpieces of San Diego Painting: Fifty Works from Fifty Years, 1900-1950" and "Ancient Marks: The Sacred Origins of Tattoos and Body Marking." 760-435-3720. Thursday, June 19, 7 p.m.; \$10-\$15. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

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The multiuse trails of Marshall Canyon Regional Park (for hikers, mountain bikers, and equestrians) thread through Marshall and Live Oak canyons in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains. The inner recesses of both canyons are smothered by a leafy canopy of live oak, sycamore, and alder trees. In some areas luminescent curtains of poison oak and wild grape cling to the trees, while carpets of blackberry vines and vinca (an ornamental ground cover gone wild) coat the stream banks. Steep, chaparral-covered slopes, dotted here and there with planted pines and eucalyptus, round out the scene.

On the intricate, figure-eight route described here you'll explore parts of both canyons and pay a visit to a shady picnic spot. Many shorter routes are possible, as well as a longer extension, which could take you farther east into the recently opened, adjoining Claremont Hills Regional Park.



Marshall Canyon Trail

Begin at the equestrian parking area on Golden Hills Road, one mile east of Wheeler Avenue in La Verne. (You can also get there by driving north on Esperanza Drive from Base Line Road.) After only a few steps, you're enveloped in a shade-dappled milieu — Marshall Canyon. Bear left at the first split at 0.1 mile. You'll return to this point later on the fork to the right.

In a little while, you leave Marshall Canyon's shady creek bed and climb to the perimeter of a fenced nursery (0.7 mile) atop the low ridge that divides Marshall and Live Oak canyons. You contour into the latter, where you hook up with a trail coming up along its bottom. Continue upstream to another trail junction (1.2 miles). Stay right and go another 0.1 mile to yet another junction. Take the equestrian trail on the left, ignoring the dirt road that curves right up the hillside. After gaining a sweaty 400 vertical feet on switchbacks you reach a dirt road atop a ridge-running firebreak (1.7 miles, 2220 feet elevation) offering rare, clear-day vistas extending all the way to downtown L.A.'s skyscrapers.

Turn left, continue on the firebreak 0.2 mile, and then veer sharply left on a trail that takes you back down into the shady depths of Live Oak Canyon (2.2 miles). Swing right at the bottom (remaining on the trail) and continue uphill 0.4 mile to a dirt road. Turn left and follow the road 200 yards down to the picnic area (2.8 miles), which sits in a shady draw at the head of Live Oak Canyon. From the picnic area, keep descending along the dirt road, which at this point follows Live Oak Canyon's mostly sun-exposed northside slope. About .25 mile below, don't miss the pleasant trail that conveniently shortcuts a couple of curves in the road. On the road again you pass above the point where you turned uphill a mile earlier. Farther ahead, at 3.7 miles, you leave the road and veer left on a path going down a shallow draw. This soon hooks up with the trail through Live Oak Canyon. Retrace your earlier steps

for 0.2 mile, then fork left, remaining in Live Oak Canyon. A murmuring stream swishes through here most of the year. At 4.5 miles, the trail abruptly switches back and climbs to an open flat with two large water tanks. Pass to the left of the first, to the right of the second, and pick up the path that descends into Marshall Canyon. You arrive back at the first split you encountered, and just

beyond, your starting point. 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.

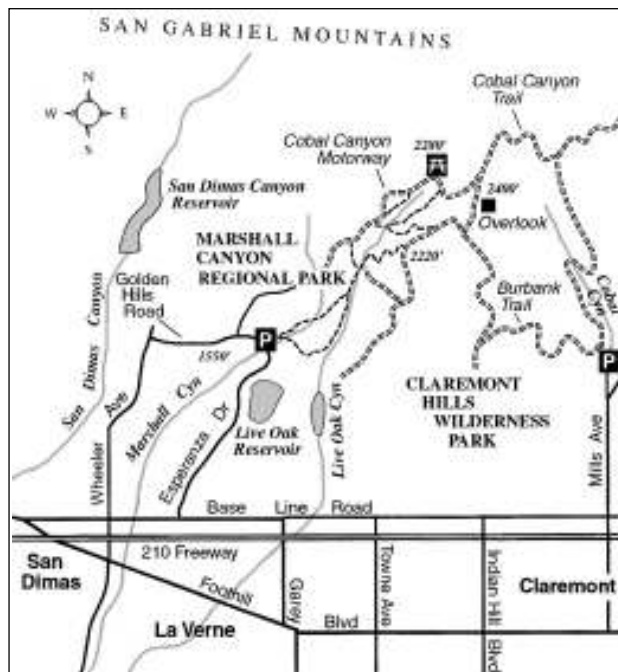
### MARSHALL CANYON REGIONAL PARK

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publishers, people associated with literary world. Among the famous: Samuel Clemens, Jack London and his wife Charmian London, Ray Bradbury, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Herbert C. Hoover. 619-236-5807. Thursdays, 1:30 p.m.; Fridays, 1:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 1:30 p.m.; Mondays, 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m.; Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.; through Tuesday, September 2, 2008, San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Big Ray's Classic Car and Cycle Show** San Diego Auto Swap features classics, hot rods, cycles, high-performance vehicles on display (in

conjunction with Kobey's Swap Meet). Vehicles on display and for sale, along with "acres of parts and accessories." 858-484-9342. Sunday, June 22, 7 a.m.; San Diego Sports Arena, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

**Crazy for Cupcakes** Les Dames d'Escoffier International plan cupcake fun. Demonstrated recipes include pink velvet cupcakes with fudge cream cheese frosting, Boston cream cupcakes, more than eight others. Donation benefits Culinary Arts Program, Tomorrow Project. Reservations: 858-825-9979. Sunday, June 22, 1 p.m.;

\$30-\$35. Macy's Mission Valley Home Store, 1555 Camino de la Reina. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Dr. Sketchy's Anti-Art School** Bring your drawing implements for sketching of model Melissa as "Naughty Marie" Antoinette. Drink, draw, compete in "silly contests." Donation. 619-756-7891. Saturday, June 21, 3 p.m.; \$10. Ages 21 and up. Bluefoot Bar and Lounge, 3404 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Find Your Inner Drummer!** LifeWorks Spiritual Center hosts summer solstice celebration with

guided imagery, drumming with Melinda Rodriguez Trio, "magical spiritual messages." Details: 760-815-9462. Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.; Carlsbad Senior Center, 799 Pine Avenue. (CARLSBAD)

**Gem Faire** Nearly 100 manufacturers, wholesalers, importers offer jewelry, gems, beads, crystals, silver, minerals. Weekend pass: \$5. 760-390-3599. Friday, June 20, noon; Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.; \$5. Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino Del Rio South. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Gödel's Incompleteness** Theorems Said theorems are "of considerable importance to the philosophy of mathematics." Explore with P&R Discussion Group. 619-370-1027. Thursday, June 19, 7 p.m.; the Other Side Coffee House, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Hall of Flames** Cajon Classic Cruise season continues. Wednesdays through September 24. 619-401-8858. Wednesday, June 25, 5 p.m.; Prescott Promenade, 211 1/2 East Main Street. (EL CAJON)

**Harvest Fair** Celebrate 100 years of the Model T during antique engine and tractor show with blacksmith and wheelwright demonstrations, antique equipment parade (daily, 1 p.m.), vintage skills, food, music, displays of antique cars and steam engines. Live music by Bayou Brothers (June 21, 2-4 p.m.) and J.D. Crawford (June 22, 2-4 p.m.). 760-941-1791. Saturday, June 21, 9 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 9 a.m.; Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. (VISTA)

**House of Sweden** Lawn program with dance, music, cultural costumes at International Cottages. 619-234-0739. Sunday, June 22, 2 p.m.; House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

**International Gourd Art Festival** Gourd art exhibits, gourd crafting area, gourd art competition, live entertainment, demonstrations, classes, more. 760-728-4588. Saturday, June 21, 9 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 9 a.m.; Welburn Gourd Farm in De Luz Canyon, 40635 De Luz Road. (FALLBROOK)

**Lavender Is Blooming** Visit Lavender Fields, where *Hidcote* and *Grosso* are being harvested and yellow lavender is being distilled. Fresh lavender bundles: \$9 each. This is the last year the fields will be open to public. 760-742-1489. Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.; the Lavender Fields, 12460 Keys Creek Road. (VALLEY CENTER)

**Meet "New Americans"!** New museum — opening Saturday, June 21 — celebrates contributions of America's diverse immigrant population. Opening exhibits are "Becoming American: Teenagers and Immigration, Photographs by Barbara Beirne" and "A Contemporary Story: Perspectives by Immigrant and Refugee Artists." Beirne plans gallery talk as part of opening celebration (1:30 p.m.). 619-255-8908. Saturday, June 21, 11 a.m.; New Americans Museum in NTC Promenade, 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 102. (POINT LOMA)

**Plant Yourself** San Diego Master Gardeners plant sale in Casa del Prado room 101. Experts on hand to offer advice. 858-694-2860. Sat-

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**Psychic Fair and Metaphysical Conference** Lectures, tarot, palmistry, numerology, other psychic arts featured. Admission is free; \$20 per reading. 619-298-3422. Saturday, June 21, noon; Sunday, June 22, noon; Alexandra's Bookstore, 3545 Midway Drive, Suite G. (POINT LOMA)

**Rods and Woodies Classic Car Show** Cruise night series begins with "eclectic mix of classic cars" displayed along Coast Highway 101 by hosts from Little Guys Street Rods Car Club. Music by Morning Glass. 760-943-1950. Thursday, June 19, 5:30 p.m.; Encinitas Smog, 682 South Coast Highway 101. (ENCINITAS)

**Stamp-Collecting Show** Stamp and cover dealers offer their wares. 619-218-7835. Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road. (KEARNY MESA)

**Summer Solstice 2008** Wine and ale tasting, food from over 20 restaurants on offer. Reservations: 858-755-1179. Thursday, June 19, 5 p.m.; \$40-\$50. Powerhouse Community Center, 1658 Coast Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Taste of Adams Avenue** Over 20 restaurants, pubs, eateries offer samples of their culinary creations. Self-guided tour, or use Old Town Trolleys. 619-282-7329. Sunday, June 22, 11 a.m.; \$20-\$25. Adams Avenue, at 34th Street and Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Ticket to Tecate** Pacific Southwest Railway Museum train excursion to Tecate, Mexico. Optional lunch and one-hour Tecate Brewery tour, or side tour to Tanama Vineyard after arriving in Tecate. 619-465-7776. Saturday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.; \$23-\$43. Campo Depot, State Highway 94 & Forrest Gate Road. (INLAND BORDER TOWNS)

**Traditional Tea Ceremony** Urasenke tea instructor assistants present demonstrations. Learn history of tea ceremony, learn how to serve tea in a traditional way. Included in garden admission. 619-232-2780. Saturday, June 21, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.; Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

**Wakeboard Rail Jam Party** Seaforth Boat Rentals celebrates completion of renovation with professional wakeboarders, live music, fishing seminars, demos, contests, sailboat rides, vendor booths, more. 619-223-1681. Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.; Seaforth Boat Rentals, 1641 Quivira Road. (PACIFIC BEACH)

SPORTS

**"Go Skateboarding Day"** Tum Yeto Inc. teams with Overload for this year's event, promising "everything from skating to dunk tanking." Some professional riders will be on hand. 619-232-7523 x122. Saturday, June 21, noon; Chula Vista Skate Park, 1301 Oleander Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

**Bonita Road Runners** Group hosts 24th annual 5k run walk, 1k kids' fun run. Race-day registration: 6 a.m. 619-585-1803. Saturday, June 21, 6 a.m.; \$10-\$35. Rohr Park, 4548 Sweetwater Road. (BONITA)

**Elfin Forest Bicycle Ride** San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders head out for 65-mile ride up the coast and back via Highway 56 bike path. 858-277-7499. Sunday, June 22, 8:45 a.m.; Doyle Park, 8175 Regents Road. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

**Fernando Gutierrez Cup** Polo matches hosted by San Diego Polo Club. Preliminary matches at 1:30 p.m., feature match at 3

p.m. Parking: \$5. 858-750-6841. Sunday, June 22, 1:30 p.m.; \$10-\$25. San Diego Polo Club, 14555 El Camino Real. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

**Garibaldi, Lobster, Octopuses, Oh My!** Snorkel in La Jolla Cove during outing hosted by Birch Aquarium-Museum. Reservations: 858-534-7336. Sunday, June 22, 8 a.m.; \$30. Ages 10 and up. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

**Iron Girl Del Mar Women's 10K and 5K** Race starts and finishes on fairgrounds; the courses move out of the fairgrounds and use Pacific Coast Highway for an "out and back course." Race-day registration: 6-7:15 a.m. 727-942-4767 x232. Sunday, June 22, 7:30 a.m.; \$35-\$50. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Mt. Helix and Beyond** Thirty-mile bicycle adventure with Knickerbikers up to Mt. Helix, out to El Cajon over Singing Hills, through Rancho San Diego, over to Casa de Oro, back to shop. Bring money for lunch at Sunrise Deli. 619-741-7169. Sunday, June 22, 8:15 a.m.; Ye Olde Bicycle Place and Cafe, 6792 University Avenue. (LA MESA)

**No Brakes, No Gears!** Tuesday night bicycle racing season continues with racing in many categories. Free for spectators. 619-573-4953. Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.; through Tuesday, September 30, 2008, San Diego Velodrome, 2221 Morley Field Drive. (BALBOA PARK)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

**Padres Baseball** Detroit Tigers arrive for interleague games against San Diego Padres, June 20-22. Interleague games continue with visit by Minnesota Twins, June 24-26. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5000, 877-374-2784. Friday, June 20, 7:05 p.m.; Saturday, June 21, 7:05 p.m.; Sunday, June 22, 1:05 p.m.; Tuesday, June 24, 7:05 p.m.; Wednesday, June 25, 7:05 p.m.; \$8-\$57. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

**Plantation Walking Horse Show** Horse show. 760-728-3362. Saturday, June 21, 8 a.m.; Sunday, June 22; Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

**Surf and Sun Andalusian Horse Show** Horse show. 805-448-3027. Saturday, June 21, 8 a.m.; Sunday, June 22, 8 a.m.; Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

**U.S. Open Elite Taekwondo Championship Tournament** Competition with judging in form and sparring in Oceanside pier amphitheater. 760-724-5659. Saturday, June 21, 9 a.m.; Oceanside Pier, Mission Ave and Pacific St. (OCEANSIDE)

**Velocity Summer Series 2008** These paintball events are “tailored strictly for beginner players,” with five divisions of competition. Sign-ups: 7 a.m.; captains’ meeting: 7:30 a.m.; play

begins at 8 a.m. 619-871-8504. Saturday, June 21, 8 a.m.; Velocity Paintball Park, 1350 Warnock Drive. (RAMONA)

## MUSEUMS

**Bonita Museum and Cultural Center** Celebrate “The History of Baseball” during exhibit continuing through Saturday, August 2. Exhibition examines history from 1936 to the present, with look at Pacific Coast League, San Diego Padres, Cooperstown Hall of Fame with Tony Gwynn, sculptures by Mark Martensen, Sweetwater Little League, more.

The museum highlights the history of the Sweetwater Valley from the mid-1800s, with historical photographs; artifacts, tools, and farming implements; the district’s 1953 fire engine; and bound copies back to the 1930s of the *Chula Vista Star News*. 619-267-5141. 4355 Bonita Road, 619-267-5141. (BONITA)

**Campo Railroad Museum** Campo Railroad Museum, showcasing more than 130 years of American railroad history and technology through static and operating exhibits, the museum includes cabooses, steam and diesel locomotives, track motorcars, 1880s “Jim Crow” segregated passenger cars. Interpretive 1.5-hour train rides offered each weekend (11 a.m., 2:30 p.m.) over portion of the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway. 31123-1/2 Highway 94, 619-465-7776. (INLAND BORDER TOWNS)

**Chinese Historical Society and Museum** For centuries,

## OUT & ABOUT

### HOOTS AND HOWLS!

Listen to the night hunters, Kumeyaay Lake Campground, San Carlos, Saturday, June 21.

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Chinese and Japanese artists have used intricate seals carved with their names in ancient script to authenticate paintings and calligraphy. “The Charm of Woodcut Seals and Chinese Calligraphy by Tseng-Yao (Terry) Sun” — continuing through July — showcases enlarged leisure seals carved into wood, making the traditionally diminutive art more accessible to public.

See artifacts from San Diego’s Chinese and Chinese-American history, culture, and art. Current museum artifacts include a 1920s warlord’s bed, exhibits on Chinese footbinding and Chinese-American veterans. The museum is in a building originally built in 1927 for the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the building is an Asian garden with koi pond and waterfall. 404 Third Avenue, 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

### Chula Vista Heritage Museum

The museum features glimpses of Chula Vista’s past; exhibits feature lemon packing crate labels, photographs of downtown Chula Vista, doors and adobe blocks from the original *Star* newspaper building, and relics from the Otay Watch Company. 360 Third Avenue, 619-427-8092. (CHULA VISTA)

**Creation Museum** A museum contrasting the evolution and creation world views. 10946 Woodside Avenue North, 619-448-0900. (SANTEE)

**Gemological Institute of America Museum** Permanent exhibits include displays depicting science and art of gemstones and history, lore and cultural significance of jewelry. Reservations are required. 5345 Armada Drive, 800-421-7250. (CARLSBAD)

**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. 321 North Broadway, 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

**House of Pacific Relations** International Cottages are open every Sunday, noon-4 p.m., presenting history and traditions of 30 ethnic groups. On fourth Tuesday of each month, *Children Around the World* videos screened in Hall of Nations, select cottages open. 2125 Park Boulevard, 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

**J.A. Cooley Museum** An eclectic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an “Industrial Product Collection,” with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, “some classics and a concept car.” 4233 Park Boulevard, 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

**Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park** Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park, old adobe buildings were once vacation retreat and working rancho of actor Leo Carrillo. Tours on Saturdays (11 a.m., 1 p.m.) and Sundays (noon, 2 p.m.). 6200 Flying Leo Carrillo Lane, 760-476-1042. (CARLSBAD)

**Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum** Housed in a historic building, the museum features five permanent galleries with artifacts, uniforms, vehicles, weapons, and photographs depicting Marine Corps history. The museum is located in Build-

ing 26 at MCRD, just inside Gate 4, off Pacific Highway. Witherby Street and Hancock Street, 619-524-6038. (DOWNTOWN)

**Marston House Museum** Historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, emphasizing simplicity, function, and natural materials. 3525 Seventh Avenue, 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

**Museum of San Diego History** “Place of Promise: Stories of San Diego” lets visitors “literally walk on San Diego”; a map of county extends from wall to wall across the floor. Also featured in ongoing exhibit are two large 1930s murals by artist Charles Reiffel and a 1910 San Diego streetcar. Stories of San Diego are interpreted through images, artifacts, oral histories from society’s collection. The museum is located in the Casa de Balboa building. 1649 El Prado, 619-232-6203. (BALBOA PARK)

**Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove** “The Sonka Brothers General Store” is recreation of store said to have “kick-started the post-agricultural economy of Lemon Grove.” Exhibit includes post office, array of domestic and farm artifacts, photographs, furnishings.

“Domestic Life in Lemon Grove: 1915” showcases furnishings, clothing, and artifacts from Lemon Grove ranches and homes, along with photographs of early residents and historic

buildings. “The Parson’s Study” is a permanent Arts and Crafts installation with rolltop desk, 155 English organ, an Edison Amberola and library of cylindrical recordings. All exhibits continue through June. 3185 Olive Street, 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center** “Listen Here! Making Sense of Sound,” allows visitors to experience the nature of sound, how human beings perceive sound, and the act of listening through exhibits, activities, demonstrations.

“Tinkering,” opening on Saturday, June 21, features more than 20 hands-on exhibits bringing out “your inner inventor” with pulleys, computer circuits, turntables, wind tunnels, more. In the “Tinkering Studio,” kids transform household items into catapults, robots, spectrometers, more. Closes June 7, 2009.

Ongoing exhibitions include “Origins in Space: Spin-Offs in Science and Technology,” “So WATT! An Illuminating Look at Energy,” “Aging for All Ages,” “Kid City” (for preschoolers), “TryScience!” “Escape from Dino Island” is theme for motion simulator ride. Films are shown daily in the IMAX theater. 1875 El Prado, 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Air and Space Museum** 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.

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The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. 2001 Pan American Plaza, 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Archaeological Center** “A Letter from the Ocean Hotel: Victorian Lady Traveler’s Adventures in San Diego, 1888” includes glassware, dishes, bottles, personal items dating from late 1880s that were excavated from a block in East Village area downtown in 2002.

The museum is dedicated to “curation of archaeological projects and sharing them with the public.” 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road, 760-291-0370. (ESCONDIDO)

**San Diego Automotive Museum** “Motocross America: The Early Years,” continuing through Wednesday, June 25, showcases history of motocross, traces evolution of the sport with memorabilia and over 60 off-road machines owned and raced by legends of the sport. A BMW R-1200 GS Adventure bike is on display in lobby. “Hall of Heroes”

pays tribute to decades of American racing champions.

More than 80 automobiles and motorcycles from horseless carriages to future prototypes are included in the museum’s permanent collection. Find the museum near the Starlight Bowl. 2080 Pan American Plaza, 619-231-2886. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Hall of Champions** Ongoing exhibits include “Bird Watching — Tony Hawk in Flight,” “Surfing in San Diego,” exhibits of baseball card art, fencing, local rugby history. The museum is dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement. 2131 Pan American Plaza, 619-234-2544. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Maritime Museum** “The War through Steichen’s Eyes — Combat Photography in the Pacific 1943-45” features 50 photographs produced by Edward Steichen and photographers under his supervision; many famous images of World War II featured. Additional photographs, documents, artifacts chronicle the life of this accomplished photographer. Through July.

“San Diego’s Navy,” based upon book by same name written by Bruce Linder, is said to be “the only comprehensive exhibit depicting the extraordinary contribution the Navy has made to the history of the San Diego region.”

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Also open for touring: a B-39 Soviet attack submarine, among the largest conventionally powered submarines ever built. This Project 641/Foxtrot class diesel-electric submarine was designed to track U.S. and NATO warships throughout the Earth’s oceans. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, complete research library. 1306 North Harbor Drive, 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

**San Diego Museum of Man** “People, Prints, and Politics: China 1920-1980” features work by Chinese artist and scholar Xian Rang Yong from Shandong Province. Yong utilizes Chinese art of woodblock printing to create compelling portraits, landscapes, depictions of cultural activities, political posters. Closes Sunday, October 19.

“Gods and Gold: Ancient Treasures From Mexico to Peru” showcases museum’s collections of Mexican, Central American, and South American archaeological objects. Rare gold and jewelry, exotic figurines, intricate stonework, and pottery from the ancient world are on display, as well as a crystal skull, on loan from a private collector.

“Art and Expression: The Legacy of Our Collections” highlights 17 key collections, relates stories of the collectors, how collections came to museum, their

significance in preserving history of past generations. Objects include pottery, baskets, beadwork, jewelry, woodcarving, folk art, katsinas, bone and ivory implements, shields, textiles.

In “Artists Speak: Contemporary Art from Ghana and Zimbabwe,” museum has partnered with artists from Ghana and Zimbabwe to showcase paintings and sculpture by accomplished African artists.

Permanent anthropology exhibit “Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution” features “more than a hundred touchable replicas of early humans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine).” 1350 El Prado, 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

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tween Grape Street and Broadway. Harbor Drive, 619-200-7417. (DOWNTOWN)

**San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park** Commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. Narrated slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. Self-guided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road, 760-737-2201. (ESCONDIDO)

**Valley Center History Museum** The museum features an educational exhibition centered around a California grizzly bear, described as “the only one on view in San Diego.” Also on exhibit: model of an 1862 settler’s cabin, collection of Indian baskets, and aerospace display. 29200 Cole Grade Road, 760-749-2993. (VALLEY CENTER)

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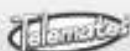
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# Vaporous Volumes

*"Fear is the great chain which binds women and prevents their development."*

A silk thread seams together the Irish poet William Butler Yeats, the tarot, feminism, and Alfred Stieglitz, the photographer whose impresario activities in the early 20th Century promoted American modernism and the careers of Charles Demuth, Charles Sheeler, Stuart Davis, and other innovative painters. The thread is Pamela Colman Smith, an illustrator who in 1907 had the first one-woman show at Stieglitz's 291 Gallery in New York. Stieglitz cooked up many theories about art and sexual consciousness. Attracted by what he felt was a child's unsullied and uncompromised awareness, he was partial to art like Colman Smith's, whose illustrations have a fey, cozy simplicity that suggested to Stieglitz a child's "pure" vision of things. When Colman Smith met Yeats, himself caught up in the late 19th-century Celtic revival and the rediscovery of Irish folk tales, he introduced her to the Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn, a society that studied the occult. Colman Smith, in turn, designed a set of tarot cards in the decorative knights-and-maidens style of Pre-Raphaelitism, cards so often reproduced that they're now recognizable to all of us.

You can sample Colman Smith's art and see the exemplar of that tarot deck at *Georgia O'Keeffe and the Women of the Stieglitz Circle*, an exhibition currently at the San Diego Museum of Art that features women promoted by Stieglitz. Quite apart from their quality as artists, they figured in his vision of the feminine in art and life that crystallized finally in his relationship with O'Keeffe, whose work he began sponsoring in 1916 and whom he married in 1924. The exhibition restores to our awareness artists who, though celebrated and adventurous in their time, have been eclipsed by the deep shadows thrown by the power couple. The progression of women in his life annotates Stieglitz's changing view of the feminine in modern art and his own photographic practice.

In 1902, he headed the Photo-Secession movement, a group of American photographers who were pulling photography away from its record-keeping, information-heavy enslavement

to nature and toward pictorialism, the manipulating of negatives to imitate painting, especially the mizzly, opaque effects of James McNeill Whistler. The Photo-Secessionists depicted the material world as something weightless, elided, dreamy. Gertrude Käsebier, the most celebrated female pictorialist of the early 1900s and one of Stieglitz's first finds, handled halftones and vaporous volumes

in a way that infused her pictures with refined mystery. Her subject was womanhood, specifically the woman as a self-determining but powerfully maternal creature, and her work attracted Stieglitz because at the time his notion of the feminine, as he later mentioned in a letter, concentrated on "the womb of our mother, where we are quiet and without responsibility and protected." When his photographic and psychological views began to change around 1910, when he rejected pictorialism in favor of a harder-edged, naturalistic, straight photography, and his feminine ideal turned from the nurturing, protective mother type toward the woman-child that O'Keeffe would come to represent, he and Käsebier inevitably parted ways.

In a probing catalog essay accompanying the exhibition, Kathleen Pyne describes this new woman-child model as "a complex creation possessed of an adult sexuality, yet energized by innocence, 'clean,' as Stieglitz liked to say, of the guilt and secretiveness of bourgeois femininity." If Stieglitz's notions sound patronizing and naïve, we have to remember that artists, male and female alike, were trying to dissolve obsolescent conventions and create new ways of thinking about art and sexuality. Stieglitz read Freud and "sexologists" such as Havelock Ellis and Edward Carpenter, and he wanted to introduce their investigations of sexuality, gender, and the unconscious into the space where art was made.

The woman whose imagery and personal independence advanced Stieglitz's ideas, and whose work, along with O'Keeffe's, is the most compelling in the exhibition, is Anne Brigman, an Oakland artist who brought a western wildness and independence to the citified hothouse aesthetics of Stieglitz's circle. I know a sexually vital



The Sketch, 1903, Gertrude Käsebier

## Georgia O'Keeffe and the Women of the Stieglitz Circle

San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, Balboa Park  
Through Sunday, September 28. For additional information, call 619-232-7931.

middle-aged woman who says her strongest erotic feeling is for the natural order: she can experience a sustained, nearly climactic thrill just by sitting against a California live oak or standing in a grove of redwoods. Brigman visualized that feeling, an unboundaried Artemis-like bonding with the natural order that sometimes looks like struggle or strife. Brigman's photos don't have the playfulness of Colman Smith's pictures, the voluptuary splashiness of O'Keeffe's paintings, or the stateliness of Katherine Nash Rhoades's work (another of Stieglitz's "projects"), but she's the boldest, most self-exposed and confessional of them all, and her photographs present a woman's inner life in stark, raw, but harmonious images.

Her *Minor, the Pain of All the World* is a modernist veronica. A woman's oval face, nearly submerged in bituminous shadow, looks like a composite of several species of sorrow. Brigman sees the feminine as a depository for the knowledge of suffering. (She went through an agonizing di-

vorice and was emotionally torn up by her desire to express female sexuality as experienced not by the male imagination but by her own self.) In 1906 she began making nudes posed against natural settings in the Sierras, though "against" isn't quite the word. Her models — herself, her sister, a friend — appear as fleshy grafts on trees, bending to the shape of a juniper or cedar that itself has been shaped by wind. Brigman's *Via Dolorosa* is the most striking object in the exhibition. Sitting on a juniper's twisted roots, her body surrenders itself to the tree's striated, contorted, unpretty musculature. It's an image of troubled desire. And in *The Dying Cedar*, where she strikes a "Grecian," Isadora Duncan pose, her raised plaintive arms rhyme with the tree's rising boughs, torment and ecstasy rushing indistinguishably one through another. In 1913, after she and Stieglitz parted ways, she made a statement about womanhood that's really a declaration of feminist poetics: "Fear is the great chain which binds women and prevents their develop-

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Portrait of Carol Nye Rhoades, 1915, Katherine Nash Rhoades

ment, and fear is the apparently big thing which has no real foundation in life. Cast fear out of the lives of women and they can and will take their place in the scheme of mankind and in the plan of the universe as the absolute equal of man.”

From 1912 to 1916, Stieglitz mounted four exhibitions of children’s art at his 291 Gallery (so named after its address on Fifth Avenue) that reflected his increasing attraction to a new model of the feminine: the child-woman. O’Keeffe served as his prototype, and the SDMA exhibition includes his most famous photographs of her. Much more interesting than Stieglitz’s specimen photos, though, are O’Keeffe’s own

pictures. Her iconic imagery, the billowing labial flower petals that swell through the picture space with an almost palpable blend of fleshiness and airiness, and the abstract landscapes with their hot reds and glassy blues racing or jagging across a horizontal pitch, are exhibited close to the earlier, “girlish” work that so attracted Stieglitz.

O’Keeffe had taught elementary school and believed



Red Canna, 1919, Georgia O’Keeffe

that children’s frontal attack and boldness of line and color were a pure intuitive expressiveness, an unself-conscious streaming of perception and feeling. She developed in a very short time from a primitivist to the Georgia O’Keeffe whose performances elicit spectators’ *oohs* and *aahs*. In 1915 and 1916, she produced drawings and watercolors of abstract landscapes saturated in atmospheric; they owe something

to the work of artists Stieglitz was exhibiting, to Rodin’s delicate washes of nudes and dancers and Arthur Dove’s auroral semiabstractions. O’Keeffe’s signature forms — vulval, tissued, aerated — were already settling into place. But in 1917 she also made an intentionally crude picture of a yellow house sided by two out-of-ratio sunflowers. It’s an homage to the children’s art she admired but also the state-

ment of a pictorial blatancy she never wanted to give up, never would give up, even as her art became technically more refined and her theme of the sexuality of the natural order more elaborated. The house picture shares its wall with the most pleasure-giving thing in the show, a thinned-out watercolor of a red canna lily that floats on the paper as a rash, unmediated flush of sexual desire. ■

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## GALLERIES

**“Ties”** Opening reception for display of encaustic paintings by Robert Treat, joined in exhibition by Gary Galligan and his “Screen Paintings.” Closes Saturday, August 2. 619-231-3900. Simayspace at Art Academy of San Diego (840

G Street). 6 p.m., Thursday, June 19. (DOWNTOWN)

**“Summer Solstice”** Opening reception for exhibition of work by Fernando Botero, Lynn Chadwick, Henry Moore, Armando Robero, Jose Maria Sicilia, Wayne Thiebaud. RSVP: 858-454-3691. Closes Saturday, July 26. Tasende Gallery (820 Prospect Street). 6 p.m., Friday, June 20. (LA JOLLA)

**“Capturing the Cosmos: A Personal Journey”** Opening reception for exhibition by noted sky photographer Dennis Mammana. View Mammana’s collection of images celebrating his four decades of capturing the cosmos from locations all over planet through Sunday, August 3. 760-231-0103. Oceanside Photo and Telescope Underground Photographic Gallery (918 Mission Avenue). 6 p.m., Saturday, June 21. (OCEANSIDE)

**Fujiko Isomura Solo Exhibition** Meet the artist during reception. Work by this artist “combines iconic images from both Japan and America.” Through Thursday, July 3. 619-462-5760. Gallery La Mesa (8808 La Mesa Boulevard). 3 p.m., Saturday, June 21. (LA MESA)

**“Plein Air XIII: Gettin’ Out There”** Thirteenth annual plein air landscape painting exhibition opens with reception for artists. The term plein air refers to a painting painted outdoors on location. See the works by 15 artists — including James Hubbell, Annie Dover, Stan Goudey, Ken Roberts, Stan Sowinski — through Sunday, August 10. 760-765-1676. Santa Ysabel Art Gallery (30352 Highway 78c). 4 p.m., Saturday, June 21. (JULIAN)

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IMAGE: From Right CW: Georgia O’Keeffe, *Pink Tulip*, 1926, oil on canvas, 36 x 30 inches. The Baltimore Museum of Art, bequest of Mabel Garrison Siemmons, in memory of her husband Georgia Siemmons. © Georgia O’Keeffe Museum. / Pamela Colman Smith, *The Wave*, 1903, watercolor on paper, 10 1/4 x 17 3/4 inches. The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, gift of Mrs. Sidney N. Heller. / Georgia Engelhard, *Jack in the Pulpit*, c. 1927, oil on canvas. Private Collection, Courtesy Gerald Peters Gallery. / Anne Brigman, *The Breeze*, 1918 (negative, ca. 1910), gelatin silver print, 24.8 x 19.7 cm. The Art Institute of Chicago, Julien Levy Collection; Gift of Jean Levy and the Estate of Julien Levy (1988.157.11), reproduction © The Art Institute of Chicago.

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## ART

### ART MUSEUMS

**California Center for the Arts, Escondido Museum** 340 North Escondido Boulevard, 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

**Mingei International Museum** “Hungarian Folk Magic — The Art of Joseph Domjan” includes several of this master woodblock printer’s pieces, along with objects from other cultures of the folklore images Domjan often portrayed. “Exhibition is an expression of the power of art to endure war, politics, and disaster and to rise, phoenix-like, from the ashes.” Closes Sunday, October 5.

“Forms in Wood and Fiber: Southern California New Work” features work of six distinguished San Diego wood artists and many California Fibers members. “Both fresh perspectives on traditional forms and cutting-edge contemporary expressions will be included in works of superior design and craftsmanship.” Participating artists include Wendy Maruyama, Russ Filbeck, Patrick Edwards, Del Cover, Brett Hesser, and Gene Blickenstaff. Closes Sunday, January 4.

“American Viewing Stones: Natural Art in an Asian Tradition.” Chinese connoisseurs began using large stones to decorate gardens, courtyards during the Han Dynasty (206 B.C.-A.D. 220); “Scholar’s Rocks” is English name most commonly used for these items. American viewing stone collecting began with first- and second-generation Japanese-Ameri-

cans who continued traditions of bonsai and suiseki.

The “Chinese Woodblock Prints in the Style of the Ten Bamboo Studio” are likely from a 19th-Century edition of Treatise on Calligraphy and Painting of the Ten Bamboo Studio. Prints are noteworthy for technique of printing using multiple blocks. Both exhibits are ongoing. 1439 El Prado, 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

**Mingei International Museum — North County** More than 50 items are included in “Artful Armadillos,” on display through Sunday, September 7. The pieces are created from materials including wood, ceramics, metal, and shells, from collection of Katarina Real-Cate.

“Art of Play: Kinetic Toys of the World” — closing Sunday, June 29 — features objects that move when manipulated. See kites from many countries, pull- and push-toys, antique mechanical banks, puppets, wooden toys. 155 West Grand Avenue, 760-735-3355. (ESCONDIDO)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown** “Maya Lin: Systematic Landscapes” features recent sculptures, drawings, large-scale installations exploring “landscape as both form and content, as well as the role technology plays in visualizing and transforming our world.” Exhibition centers on three large-scale installations; each puts viewer into “a distinctive relationship to the scale and shape of the land.” Also featured are a series of sculptures based on water volumes of inland seas, large drawings of landforms and river sheds, and images of Lin’s recent earthworks and architectural projects. Through June.

“Cerca Series: Nina Katchadourian” and “Cerca Series: Joshua Mosley” presents video works created in the past three years.

Katchadourian exhibits the multi-channel works *Accent Elimination* (2005) and *Zoo* (2007); Mosley’s mixed-media installation combines computer animation, stop-motion animation, digital sound, sculpture, the artist’s music and dialogue. On view through Sunday, July 6.

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

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla** “Evasive Signs: Bruce Nauman Works with Light” is said to focus “on Nauman’s neons and light-room installations created over the first two decades of his career (1965-1985).” On view through Sunday, August 31, exhibition presents provocative body of work in which artist grapples with questions of how perception is shaped by light and space.

Selections from “Skeet McAuley: The Garden of Golf” showcases six large-scale photographs of golf course landscapes in San Diego region. McAuley has used photography to study the relationship between today’s consumer-driven culture and the natural environment. Closes Sunday, June 22. 700 Prospect Street, 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Museum of Photographic Arts** “Flesh: The Portraiture of Gary Schneider,” continuing through Sunday, September 14, includes *John in Sixteen Parts*, a set of black-and-white fragments of Schneider’s partner’s face seen through time. Also included: *Genetic Self-Portrait*, an installation utilizing medical-imaging techniques to depict his own body from the inside out; and *Heads and Nudes*, where the South African artist uses exposures of up to three hours to explore and transform the flesh of friends and family.

“Picturing the Process” focuses on “an evolution of the early history of photography.” Exhibition including photographic works ranging in date from mid-19th to early 20th Century closes Sunday, July 6.

In “Humanitas: Images of India by Fredric Roberts,” the artist pictures people in India, Myanmar, Cambodia, Bhutan, Thailand, China as they go about their lives, selling water or herding camels. Through Sunday, September 7. 1649 El Prado, 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

**Oceanside Museum of Art** “Masterpieces of San Diego Painting: Fifty Works from Fifty Years, 1900-1950” focuses on “museum’s mission to promote and foster an appreciation for the art and artists of the San Diego region.” Guest curator Bram Dijkstra assembled selection of paintings from private collections and museums including celebrated “plein air” painters such as Maurice Braun, Charles Fries, and Charles Reiffel, as well as neo-surrealist Ethel Greene and accomplished group of early modernists including Belle Baranceanu. Closes Sunday, June 29.

“Ancient Marks: The Sacred Origins of Tattoos and Body Marking” features over 100 black and white photographs by documentary photographer Chris Rainier reflecting “humanity’s efforts to forge identity, beauty, storytelling, and sacred beliefs.” Closes Sunday, August 24. 704 Pier View Way, 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

**San Diego Museum of Art** Touring exhibition “Georgia O’Keeffe and the Women of the Stieglitz Circle” boasts more than 80 pieces, including work by O’Keeffe, Gertrude Käsebier, Pamela Colman Smith, Anne Brigman, and Katharine Rhoades. These artists were “interested in redefining the identity of the modern

woman and explored the changing themes of femininity in modernism.” On view through Sunday, September 28.

“Inside the Wave: Six San Diego/Tijuana Artists Construct Social Art,” closing on Sunday, June 22, features six artists from San Diego/Tijuana region working within alternative cultures to produce thought-provoking works engaging issues of everyday life and materialism. Artists bulbo, Brian Dick, Adriene Jenik, particle group, Zlatan Vukosavljevic, and Allison Weise produce works including sculptures made of found industrial objects, photographs, documentary videos, and interactive digital media. 1450 El Prado, 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

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Lisa Cella explores “the art of performance making” on Saturday (10 a.m.). Composers and performers in dialogue (2-4 p.m.). “Music of a New Century, Part II” concert presented (7 p.m.). 858-454-5872. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street), noon, Thursday, June 19. (LA JOLLA)

### Mainly Mozart Festival 2008

Nathan Hughes (oboe) joins Mainly Mozart Festival Orchestra to play selections by Debussy, Brahms, Strauss, and Mozart on Thursday, June 19.

Pianists Jeremy Denk and Adam Neiman take on Mozart, Strauss, Lutoslawski, Berg, Rachmaninov on Friday, June 20.

Festival concludes with selections by Mozart and Strauss performed by Mainly Mozart Festival Orchestra and conductor David Atherton on Saturday, June 21. Reservations: 619-239-0100 x2. Balboa Theatre (854 Fourth Avenue), 8 p.m., Thursday, June 19. (DOWNTOWN)

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### Death of the Zombie

"I heard from one of our customers that the Zombie Lounge was going to be for sale," says Chris Heaney,

bands there. It's like having someone play in your living room; I don't have room to put up a stage."

After July 1, the Zombie Lounge will be known as the Radio Room. Though Zombie talent buyer Ziggy will continue to book the bands, Heaney has had plenty of experience.

as the Squirrel Nut Zippers, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, and Blue Öyster Cult.

Heaney says he wants the Radio Room to be a local venue that will attract touring bands.

"I want to have a really good sound system so that after [touring bands] play here to 50 people they will leave with a good taste in their mouth and want to play here again."

Heaney will give four Kadan bartenders the opportunity to have a stake in bar ownership at the Radio Room.

"We set up a venture-capital account at Kadan where dedicated employees could invest \$200 a month. I got the idea from the Antique Grove Café across the street. It gives me an opportunity to take bartenders to the next level. Bartenders usually don't care about retirement accounts."

Heaney and Hall bought the Spirit Club and renamed it Brick by Brick in 1994. He says he left five years later because Hall moved to Florida "...and I didn't want to deal with the [third] partner."

— Ken Leighton

### Take Note, High-Five Idiots

Steve Weinberger wants to keep you from embarrassing yourself at the next concert. In his new book *No Air Guitar Allowed*, Weinberger runs down nearly every humiliating move and bad rock stereotype that can be found in San Diego's dingiest rock club and largest venue. He does his best to keep ticket buyers from becoming the Wasted Guy, the Bro-Magnon, That Bitch (which always leads to a girl fight), a High-Five Idiot, or a Make-Out Couple.

"Number one, I'm the biggest geek in the book; I've made all these concert fouls myself," Weinberger says, and he's not kidding because what music fan would admit to being half of a Make-Out Couple at a 1990 Richard Marx concert? In the book, Weinberger describes being mesmerized by Marx's mullet and "tourniquet-tight acid-washed jeans."

While *No Air Guitar Allowed* is great at triggering readers' concert memories, the best parts of the book are

the "This Magic Moment" sidebars, in which he describes his run-ins and embarrassing moments while reviewing concerts. In the sections scattered throughout the book, he addresses the Cure's Robert Smith's makeup, uses Kip Winger as a haircut model, ponders who would see Foreigner

returning to the rock arena for the first time in 20 years to stay away from marijuana; yesterday's dried-out doobie doesn't have the potency of today's sticky, green chronic, he warns, so one puff could send the token on a "Carlos Castaneda-style vision quest."

He also advises the kids to appreciate parents who will fight traffic to haul them to a show and more than likely pay for their ticket.

— Larry Harmon

### It Started with Karaoke in Krakow

"As a singer, I sound like Elvis Presley, no matter how hard I try not to," says James Kruk, who disbanded his former group Fake Booby Judy and became, for a time, one of Poland's top Elvis impersonators.

"The Elvis show happened from a karaoke contest in Krakow [around 2004]," says Kruk, who was teaching English in Poland at the time. "I went up on stage and the crowd went crazy, like I was really Elvis. They made me sing every Elvis CD they had, and the crowd loved it. I was shocked! I won the karaoke contest that night.... The prize was some

# blurt

the inside track

owner/operator of the Kadan in North Park. Heaney is now the principal owner of the Zombie Lounge on El Cajon Boulevard.

"I get calls every day from bands who want to play Kadan. But I don't like having

RADIO ROOM TO WELCOME THE UNDEAD?

In the early '90s, along with copromoter Tim Hall, Heaney presented local

artists such as Lucy's Fur Coat, Jewel, and Bad Radio (including Eddie Vedder) and national acts such

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HIS BAD... "PAUL STANLEY" WEINBERGER (LEFT)

without a date, notes Rush's ability to draw 19,000 dudes and 5 chicks, and discloses why he'll never again be able to listen to Billy Squier's "Stroke Me."

Weinberger, who has more than 30 years of ticket stubs under his belt and is now a father, has advice for both adults and kids, including "how to deal with the pit." He cautions those

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Russian champagne.”

Though popular, Kruk says Poles didn't pay much for his Elvis act.

“The most I got was 200 Polish zloty for a 45-minute gig. That was around \$70 U.S. Now, it's worth something



KING KRUK

like \$120.”

Before settling in San Diego with his Polish-born wife, Kruk spent two years touring the U.S. as Elvis in Steve Martin's stage play *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, about Albert Einstein meeting Pablo Picasso in a bar before they become famous.

“Elvis shows up as a time-traveling deus ex machina, to juxtapose the impact of fame and genius. I was paid \$1500 a week, plus \$600 weekly per diem for food and hotels.”

Comedian Steve Martin authored the play but didn't appear in it. “He was around for rehearsals and for some shows, though,” says Kruk. “He had the cast over for dinner when the tour stopped

in L.A., which was cool. Some cast were swooning and telling him his greatest movies. I told him mine was *The Muppet Movie*. He was not amused.”

— Jay Allen Sanford

**You Rock...No, You Don't...Yes, You Do** For about five years, singer-guitarist Joe Rathburn has played on the outdoor patio at the Tin Fish restaurant and bar at the foot of Fifth Avenue. When nearby Petco Park opened, Padres fans would walk by and see him play original tunes and “tropical rock” covers of Marley, Buffett, and Belafonte.

“Each night, a quarter of [Petco's] attendance walks by. I estimate 750,000 people see me over the course of the season. I've played nearly every home game since 2003.”

But his steady gig ended June 2.

“A couple of weeks ago, somebody from vice showed up and started taking pictures of me playing. I didn't know he was from the neighborhood code enforcement department. I joked with him that he'd have to send me some photos, and he said, ‘Yeah, all right, sure’ with a smirk on his face. Then he started talking with the owners, and that's when I knew there was going to be trouble.”

Tin Fish didn't have a proper license to host outdoor entertainment on its patio.

“Nobody ever complained, and now this year somebody complained.... I found out it would be at least 12 months before they could possibly get a permit. This falls under the purview of the CCDC [Centre City Development Corporation]. They don't want anybody in the Gaslamp with an outdoor sidewalk café to have live

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entertainment. But the Tin Fish's main patio section is really not a sidewalk café. It's more like a big patio....

“I have spent hours speaking with various agencies, including the CCDC and the code enforcement department.



RATHBURN RUNS AROUND

They all said, ‘There is nothing we can do’ when we know there is something they can do.... The owners of the Tin Fish talked to the mayor.”

On June 8, Rathburn says he got good news from CCDC junior planner Lorena Cordova.

“She said she had spoken

with her supervisor, Brad Richter, and he said that the area we were performing in is not subject to conditions of the neighborhood use permit.”

On June 10, Rathburn says Tin Fish owner Jerry Levy called him with the worst news.

“The cops told them the only way they would grant Tin Fish an entertainment permit is if we took [live music] inside. If you've ever been to Tin Fish, you know that is impossible [because of its size].”

On June 11, the situation changed again.

“I called [SDPD] Lt. Kevin Ammon and explained my case all over again. We were at a stalemate. I said, ‘Thank you very much, and we'll just have to keep trying.’ Then, 20 minutes later he called back and said, ‘What we're going to do is allow you to play tonight and we're sending someone down to assess the situation.’ To my surprise, he showed up in person. He talked to the owners. The owners...said he signed off on the issue and I had my job back.”

— Ken Leighton

**Divine Dough** Because money from both major and

indie labels is drying up, bands have had to get creative to raise funds. Eve Selis offered six “levels of participation” to help fund the recording of her new album *Angels and Eagles*.



EVE SELIS KEEPS IT LEGAL

With a \$15 donation (the “Cherub” level), patrons received a prerelease copy of the album; \$2000 donations from “Archangels” earned them ten CDs, eight tickets to a “VIP Party,” eight T-shirts, and tickets to the May 31 release concert.

Archangels were also invited to record a vocal part for the album. According to Selis, 54 donors helped contribute to the album's

recording, with three Archangels among them. In total, over \$10,000 was sent in by fans.

“Donations took about a month to trickle in,” says Selis. “They seemed to show up at just the right time, when we needed to pay a guest musician or the studio bill.” Selis and her band head to Norway July 5 to begin a three-week tour of Europe.

“In the past we would borrow money from fans and then take the next two years paying everyone off,” says Selis. “Then when it was time to record a new CD, we'd start all over. With donations, that allows us to use money from sales to help promote, tour, and try to get radio airplay.”

Selis says she will likely use this method of funding for any future releases. Having allowed non-bandmembers to contribute backing vocals, would she be open to having someone play guitar in exchange for a donation?

“Heck, we would have considered anything as long as it was legal.”

— Bart Mendoza

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## This Week In Music

### Thursday 19

Montreal sextet **Islands** drift into all-ages Epicentre tonight. Islands is fronted by ex-Unicorn Nick Diamonds and picks up where that art-pop troupe left off, turning Unicorns' quirk on its ear for dancehall beats and calypso



ISLANDS AT EPICENTRE

rhythms. Islands are out to tout the release of new Anti Records disc *Arm's Way*, a critical challenge after their excellent debut *Return to the Sea*. L.A. hit hip-hopper **AWOL One** in support. With Irish indies **Crayonsmith** and Saddle Creek's post-punk electronicat **Broken Spindles** that's a hot ticket, kids.... Seattle swamp-rock trio the **Blakes** will be touring the world this summer behind their s/t debut. They'll be supporting the reanimated Brian Jonestown Massacre. Catch their garage-guit boogie at Casbah tonight before Anton poisons the well. L.A. rockers **Broken West** and local hook-happy cats the **Feelings Mutual** open. Feelings Mutual is due to drop an e.p. Check the takes on their Space — little 'Mats in their brew.... Round town: Tower Bar's got the **Sess**, **Xerox**, and **Coat Hanger**.... **Bumbklaat** and **Citizen Fish** swim into the Ché.... **Indigo Girls** strum-n-hum for Humphrey's.... And urban cowboy **Dwight Yoakam** rides the Fairgrounds.

### Friday 20

Athens country skunks **Drive-By Truckers** stop at Belly Up Friday night. Though not a ton of love from the record-buying public, the Truckers deliver live as seen by the steady string of sellout dates and festival spots. Their latest, *Brighter than Creation's Dark*, is another crit-hit full of "Southern gothic rock".... From the lighter



DRIVE-BY TRUCKERS AT BELLY UP

side of the South, pop poster boy Rhett Miller's **Old 97's** visit House of Blues. The 97's are touring behind new original collection *Blame It on Gravity*, their first in four years. The dash of hometown hero Buddy Holly appears to be jumpstarting the alt-country crew after Miller's solo sidestep. **Hays Carl** and **I Love Math** on the bill.... Bluesman **James Cotton** sits in at Anthology. The harp player turns 73 next week. After-supper sets by local indie kids **Transfer**, **Apes of Wrath**, and **Old Man Hands**.... Else: Zach Rogue and Oakland soft-alt act **Rogue Wave** open for Portland pop stars **Death Cab for Cutie** at SDSU.... **Vision of a Dying World**, **Crocodiles**, and **Mermaid** fill a bill at Ché Café.... West Coast rapper and Grammy nominee the **Game** plays 4th&B.... L.A. alt-pop sextet **Sea Wolf** attacks Casbah.... Nu-wavers **Static Static** dial in at Bar Pink Elephant.... Pop rockers **Get Back Loretta** and the **Modlins** have an appointment at Beauty Bar.... While Whistle Stop props a book release for **Troy Johnson's Family Outing**. Live sets by piano poppers **Joanie Mendenhall** and **Angela Correa**.

### Saturday 21

"Rock concert" pianist **Scott D. Davis** will pound the ivories in tribute to his favorite heavy metal band, Metallica. Davis promises you *will* bang your head. Check the takes on Davis's *Pianotarium* and catch it live at Piano SD Recital Hall in Mission Valley.... New Jersey sons the **Smitherens** visit their '80s college-rock hits ("Blood and Roses," "Behind the Wall of Sleep," "A Girl Like You") on Anthology. Though DiNizio and co. haven't released anything original in ten years, last month the quartet dropped *Live at the Court: Greatest Hits and More*.... Hard rockin' locals **Long and Short of It**, **Archons**,

**Cabron**, and **Browntown West** take the Casbah stage.... **Baja Bugs** serve up refried Beatles at Pink Elephant.... Soul sister **Lady Dottie** does a week-ender at Tower Bar.... And Escondido punks **Tiltwheel** wobble in to Ken Club with **Fasination** and **Birdzilla**. It's someone called Bearpaw's birthday. Go get him one.

### Sunday 22

With a rebel yell! Ex-Gen X singer **Billy Idol** comes to town for a couple shows this week. The 52-year-old hit maker is touring behind his best-of box *Idolize Yourself*. (I know.) Anyway, the peroxide prince of punk will pump his fist at 4th&B Sunday night and out at Valley View on Monday.... Local fave **Eve Selis** and



BILLY IDOL AT 4TH&B

band will drop an Americana set on Anthology Sunday night. The country chanteuse is off to Europe this summer, so catch her while you can.

### Monday 23

Brooklyn's fun punks **Oxford Collapse** play Casbah's Anti-Monday meet-up. The Collapse will follow up last year's crit-hit debut *Remember the Night* with *Bits*, due to drop in August. The trio's on tour with Scottish odd poppers **Frightened Rabbit**. With West Coast "vaude-villains" **Austin James Band**, this looks like the bill of the week.... Grammy nominee **Bebel Gilberto** will jazz up Belly Up with *Bossa Nova*. She shares the Solana Beach stage with L.A.'s psych-pop sextet **West Indian Girl**.... Seattle seven-piece **Grand Hallway** delivers *Noise for the Needy* to Bar Pink Elephant. The fringe folkies split the bill with Brooklyn acousticat **Drew Victor**. Sleepy affair for the North Park place.... Tucson twosome **Bobby Likes Rock N Roll** set up at Beauty Bar. The

"electroacoustic folk pop" kids play with Canadian art-rock troupe the **Albertans**.

### Tuesday 24

It's tinnitus night at Casbah as Japanese noise-rock trio **Boris** kick out the jams from their latest, *Smile*. Have a listen, as the disc epitomizes the psych-rockers' metal-edged mayhem. Miami metal heads **Torche** and Beantown punks **Clouds** set the stage.... Athens roots-rock jam band **Widespread Panic** hits San Diego Civic Theater. They're out to tout their tenth in ten years, *Free Somehow*.... Australian alt-pop trio the **Beautiful Girls** strut their stuff at Belly Up. The vox and chops on last year's *Ziggurats* hits reggae vibes. BTW, the Girls are three hairy dudes.

### Wednesday 25

DYI diehard **Ani DiFranco** will deliver her punk'd folk to Humphrey's by the Bay Wednesday night. DiFranco has never signed to a major, running her own recording joint, Righteous Babe Records, on which she's released 19 discs in her 20-year career and garnered a



ANI DIFRANCO AT HUMPHREY'S

Grammy for Best Recording Package for 2004's *Evolve*. Look for her latest, *Red Letter Year*, this summer. In the mean, check out the *Live in Babeland* DVD for a show pre-view.... NYC pop song-smith **Ingrid Michaelson** tours *Girls and Boys* through House of

Blues. Local musician, SDMA winner **Greg Laswell** opens. Laswell runs 20 Inch Records, working with Michaelson, Anya Marina, and Minnie Driver.... Surf's up at Belly Up, where surf-rockers **Gary Hoey** and **Top Dog** split the bill.... SanDago psych-rock act **A Scribe Amidst the Lions** do the CD release thing for their latest, *Sunken Cities*, at Casbah. Appropriately enough, **Pen and Ink** support the Scribes.

— Barnaby Monk

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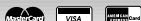
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*“They were all hammered and talking about all the DUIs they got out of by being a cop.”*

Nautical Disaster plays bluesy pop with a dose of ’80s new wave to keep things club-worthy. The three-piece rose from the ashes of the Daffodils, who split in July 2006.

“Everything was going great,” says singer-bassist Jaye Furlonger, who has a master’s degree in history and works as an architectural historian. “We were playing the Casbah every other month, we’d just recorded a great demo, and we had a live radio broadcast lined up on 94.9 in a month’s time. Then our singer-guitarist decided that he just wasn’t having any fun anymore.” Along with fellow Daffodil Beezeley and occasional cohort Grimis Apparatus (who trade off on drums, guitar, and vocals), Furlonger formed Nautical Disaster.

“We hope to inspire a return to that brand of rock that bares its soul, gets drunk, and passes out on your couch,” says Furlonger. “Only to make you delicious coffee in the morning.”

The group’s pirate-themed debut album, *Sevens*, features tales torn from *Cap’n Rehab’s Diary of Debauchery*: Songs concern psychotic love, botched potential, late-night misdeeds, serial-killer stalkers, Napoleonic undead, time travel, drinking debts, and — says Furlonger — “a long, sad, drunken train ride that you hope to God never ends.”

## WHAT’S IN YOUR MUSIC PLAYER?

Jaye Furlonger:

1. The MC5, *Kick Out the Jams*: “A hard-rocking, high-energy band with infectious grooves playing classic Detroit rock.”
2. Art Brut, *Bang Bang Rock & Roll*: “Awesome British band with punk influences, witty lyrics, and

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3. Beehive and the Barracudas: “My favorite local band — plays dark punk and soul, with excellent musicianship and a raw, stripped-down sound.”

Beezeley:

1. Dan Sartain, *Dan Sartain vs. the Serpientes*: “A bad-ass musician on a bad-ass label, Swami Records.”

2. Spoon, *Gimme Fiction*: “Britt Daniel and company are pretty damn near perfect.”

Grimis Apparatus:

“Right now there’s a Vice Records mix CD mixed by Flosstradomas: It has the Black Lips, the Panthers, a couple of Charlotte Gainsbourg tracks from her new CD, and of course Interpol.”

## DESERT-ISLAND DVD?

Furlonger: “*Digi*, a documentary about the dual careers of the Brian Jonestown Massacre and the Dandy Warhols. It’s fascinating and can be watched and enjoyed over and over again.”

Beezeley: “If I could only choose one, it’d have to be *Buffy the Vampire Slayer — Collector’s Edition*, a complete manual on how to function in this modern world.”

Apparatus: “Well, if I’m alone on this island, I really wouldn’t care about the movies. Unless I can cherry-pick from a boxed set, like *Star Wars*, episodes two through six.”

## BAND YOU’D MOST LIKE TO SEE REUNITE?

Furlonger: “None. Bands break up for a reason. Any bands I might ever have wanted to see reunited I already have, like X and Blondie, who both still put on amazing shows.”



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Nautical Disaster

Beezeley: “Red Red Meat. But I’ll still play Tim Rutili’s solo project Califone any day of the week.”

Apparatus: “The Misfits. Glenn Danzig, get your head out of your ass and make it happen.”

## LETTERMAN OR LENO?

Furlonger: “They seem like nice men, but Leno is totally unfunny, and I have better things to do than watch either of them. They’re a little boring, and I don’t really care about the guests they have on their shows. Except maybe, very occasionally, some of the bands.”

Beezeley: “Neither. Way past my bedtime.”

Apparatus: “Kimmel has better live music acts than either of them.”

## WORST COVER SONG?

Beezeley: “‘I Shot the Sheriff’ by Bob Marley, as covered by Eric Clapton. No one really believes

ol’ Slowhand could shoot anyone, do they?”

Apparatus: “At the Drive-In did ‘This Night Has Opened My Eyes’ by the Smiths. I love ATDI, but that song....”

## FAVORITE CARTOON?

Beezeley: “*Foster’s Home for Imaginary Friends* has awesome songs, a cool design, and neat monsters.”

Apparatus: “I’m a *Tom and Jerry* guy, mixed with a little *He-Man*, *Voltron*, *Thundercats*, and a dash of *Aqua Teen Hunger Force*.”

## WORST LOCAL GIG?

Furlonger: “Beezeley’s old drum kit used to fall apart during shows when we were in the *Daffodils*.”

Apparatus: “I DJ’d a private party for a bunch of cops. They were all hammered and talking about all the DUIs they got out of by being a cop.” ■

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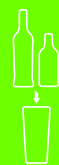
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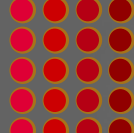
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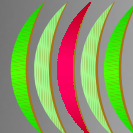
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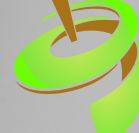
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Sunday, 9 p.m. — The Lost. Punk/rock/pop.

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Wednesday, 8 p.m. — Gone to Oblivion and Counter Launch. With After School Special and Livid Virus. Alternative rock/metal. \$10.

**Canes:** 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780.  
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Saturday, 8:30 p.m. — The Long & Short of It. With Cabron, Archons, and Browntown West. Punk/hardcore. \$5.  
Monday, 8:30 p.m. — Frightened Rabbit and Oxford Collapse. With the Austin James Band. Pop/folk/indie. \$8.  
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**Lyceum Theatre:** 79 Horton  
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*Thursday*, 9 p.m. — Gonzology.  
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*Saturday*, 9 p.m. — Mystique.  
Jazz/funk/R&B.  
*Monday*, 8 p.m. — Steve Brewer. A  
one-man band.  
*Tuesday*, 8 p.m. — Jackson & Jesus.  
*Wednesday*, 8 p.m. — The Taylor  
Harvey Band. Bluegrass/rock.

**Molly Malone's:** 1270 Main  
Street, Ramona, 760-789-9050.  
*Friday*, 9 p.m. — The Hype.  
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*Saturday*, 9 p.m. — Metal Brigade.  
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and Detonated. Rock/punk/metal.

**Open Air Theatre at** 5500  
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*Friday*, 7:30 p.m. — Death Cab for  
Cutie. With Rogue Wave. Indie  
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**Pala Casino:** 35008 Pala  
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**Salt Creek Park Recreation  
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*Sunday*, 5 p.m. — Cool Fever. Blues  
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series. 619-585-5682.

**San Diego Civic Theatre:** 1100  
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570-1100.  
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Panic. Rock/blues. \$37.

**The Sky Box Sports Grill:**  
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**Soma:** 3350 Sports Arena  
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and Eric Hutchinson. With Justin  
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*Friday*, 7 p.m. — The Almost and  
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Army of Me. Alternative/pop/indie.  
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*Saturday*, 7 p.m. — Somato  
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The poster features a large, close-up portrait of Carrie Underwood on the right side, looking over her shoulder with a slight smile. She has long, wavy blonde hair and is wearing a gold, sequined, sleeveless top. The background is a warm, golden-yellow color with abstract, swirling patterns. In the center, the text "carrie underwood" is written in a large, elegant, cursive font. Below it, "CARNIVAL RIDE TOUR" is written in a bold, sans-serif font. Further down, "WITH SPECIAL GUEST" is written in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font. Below that, the band name "HITLER & THE ALPHAS" is displayed in a stylized, blocky font with a decorative border. At the bottom of the poster, there is a photograph of the four band members of Hitler & the Alphas. They are standing in a row, looking towards the camera. The band consists of three men and one woman. The man on the far left is wearing a black shirt. The woman next to him is wearing a black top. The woman in the center is wearing a bright pink shirt. The man on the far right is wearing a black shirt. At the bottom of the poster, the text "SAN DIEGO SPORTS ARENA • NOVEMBER 8" is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below that, "ON SALE SATURDAY 10AM!" is written in a bold, sans-serif font. Further down, "TICKETS ONLINE AT TICKETMASTER.COM • (619) 220-TIXS" is written in a bold, sans-serif font. Below that, "ALL TICKETMASTER OUTLETS • SPORTS ARENA BOX OFFICE" is written in a bold, sans-serif font. At the bottom, "BUY TICKETS AT AEGLIVE.COM" is written in a bold, sans-serif font. In the bottom left corner, there is a logo for "AEG LIVE". In the bottom center, there is a logo for "Early Entry Honda Dealers". In the bottom right corner, there is a logo for "vitaminwater" with the text "PRESENTED BY" to its left.

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Silent Armada, Dresden’s Burning, and Goodnight Caulfield. Indie rock/pop/electro. \$8.  
*Sunday*, 6 p.m. — The Human Abstract and Eyes Set to Kill. With a Shattered Hope, in Fear & Faith, and Endure the Fall. Hardcore. \$10.  
*Tuesday*, 7 p.m. — The Mad Caddies. With the Skank Agents and Evil Petting Zoo. Ska/punk. \$12.

**Spreckels Organ Pavilion:** 2211 Pan American Road, Balboa Park.  
*Thursday*, 6:15 p.m. — The Corvelles. Motown music for Twilight in the Park summer concert series. 619-239-0512.  
*Tuesday*, 6:15 p.m. — Jazz Xpress. Twilight in the Park summer concert series continues. 619-239-0512.  
*Wednesday*, 6:15 p.m. — Rey Vinole. Swing music for Twilight in the Park summer concert series. 619-239-0512.

**St. James Catholic Church:** 625 South Nardo Avenue, Solana Beach.  
*Thursday*, 7 p.m. — “It Is Great to Be Different.” Multi-part production including the play *One Eye, Two Eyes, Three Eyes*, based on an old Russian fable, “performed by a talented group of actors with developmental challenges.” There will be singing, Greek dancing, tae kwon do demonstration, folk dancers, presented by Pioneers Club in community hall. Donation. 858-481-3998. \$8.  
**Stagecoach Park:** 3420 Camino De Los Coches, Carlsbad.  
*Friday*, 6 p.m. — The Debbie Davies Band. TGIF Jazz in the

Parks begins with contemporary blues. 760-434-2904.  
**Theatrx:** 155 East Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-735-2491.  
*Friday*, 7:45 p.m. — Hoodoo Blues. Blues. 760-809-4499. \$10.

**Thornton’s Irish Pub and Grill:** 1221 Broadway, El Cajon, 619-447-5665.  
*Friday*, 8 p.m. — Hugh Gaskins & the G String Daddies. Blues/soul/rockabilly.  
*Saturday*, 8 p.m. — Hear No Evil. Alternative.

**Tiki House:** 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9734.  
*Friday* — Secret Samurai and the Tomorrow Men. With the Mighty Surf Lords. Surf.  
*Saturday* — The Nards. Americana/pop/classic rock.

**U-31:** 3112 University Avenue, North Park, 619-584-4188.  
*Wednesday*, 7:30 p.m. — Kirsten Price. CD-release show. Alternative/soul. \$5.

**Valley View Casino:** 16300 Nyemii Pass Road, Valley Center, 866-843-9946.  
*Thursday*, 7 p.m. — Street Heart. Covers/standards/classic rock.  
*Friday*, 9 p.m. — Innovation. Covers/standards.  
*Friday*, 4 p.m. — The Fabulous Pelicans. Covers/standards.  
*Saturday*, 9 p.m. — Crush. Covers/standards.  
*Monday*, 8 p.m. — Billy Idol. Alternative rock.  
*Monday*, 6:30 p.m. — Metro. Covers ’80s rock.

**Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park:** 5005 Willows Road, Alpine, 619-445-5400.  
*Sunday*, 4 p.m. — Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak. Blues/funk/rock.  
**Winstons:** 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6822.

# NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Montreal’s Unicorns had good songs, but they were one of those indie pop acts that gets by mostly on goofy charm. Their cheap-sounding instruments, unpolished playing, and silly onstage puppet shows were part of their appeal, and the whole act was appealing enough that they actually hit the Top 40 in Canada. Still, after the Unicorns broke up, few people expected the band’s **Jaime Thompson** and **Nick Thorburn** to go on to something as musically adventurous as their next project, **Islands**.  
The new band’s 2006 debut *Return to the Sea* was a high-spirited and eclectic mix of sounds and styles from a large pool of

players. It was warmly received by fans and critics, and it seemed that Islands was headed for big things. But by the time the band’s second album, *Arm’s Way*, was released last month, Thompson had left Islands, and Thorburn’s musical ambitions had run away with him.

*Arm’s Way* is full of catchy vocal hooks and impressive arrangements, but it’s so packed with ideas that by the time you get to the abrupt change from punky indie pop to Latin dance in “J’Aime Vous Voir Quitter,” you’re exhausted. And that’s just the third song.

To be sure, it’s better to have too many ideas than not enough. But *Arm’s Way* blurs the line between hypercreativity and madness. Though Thorburn’s voice sounds almost unbearably upbeat, he’s singing about blood and guts and car crashes in



ISLANDS

almost every song. “The capillaries of the community/ are hemorrhaging on everything,” he sings at one point, sounding like a lunatic on a city street. Let’s hope he reconnects with his old goofy charm soon.

**ISLANDS, Epicentre, Thursday, June 19, 8:30 p.m. 858-271-4000.**

*Friday* — Gadfly. CD-release show with Warsaw. Rock/ska/dub.  
*Saturday* — Pink Floyd. A tribute to Pink Floyd.

## UPCOMING SHOWS

**4th & B:** 345 B Street, Downtown, 619-231-4343.  
*June 28* — Montecristo.  
*June 30* — Gilberto Gil & Broadband Band.  
*September 16* — Nick Cave & the Bad Seeds.  
**710 Beach Club:** 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-

7844.  
*June 27* — 3 Against 1.  
*June 28* — Mower.  
**Acoustic/MusicSanDiego:** 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights, 619-303-8176.  
*June 27* — Roy Zimmerman.  
*July 11* — Chad & Jeremy.  
*July 16* — John Keawe.  
*July 27* — Peter Lang.  
*August 2* — Belinda Gail and Curly Musgrave.  
*August 9* — Jim Kveskin.  
*September 21* — Willy Porter.  
*October 4* — Eric Andersen.  
*October 5* — David LaFlamme and It’s a Beautiful Day.  
*October 25* — Eliza Gilkyson.

*November 9* — Ellis Paul.  
*November 28* — Tom Russell.  
**Anthology:** 1337 India Street, Little Italy, 619-595-0300.  
*June 26, June 27, June 28* — Keiko Matsui.  
*June 29* — Cab 4.  
*July 1* — Rockola.  
*July 2* — Les Dudek.  
*July 3, July 4, July 5* — Ottmar Liebert and Luna Negra.  
*July 6* — The Azar Lawrence Quartet.  
*July 8* — Anthony Jackson.  
*July 8* — Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra.  
*July 12* — Howard Jones.  
*July 13* — The Steely Damned.  
*July 15* — The Mike Clark Band.

*July 18, July 19* — Rita Coolidge.  
*July 20* — Rory Block.  
*July 23* — Rachel Price.  
*July 25* — Lee Rocker.  
*July 26* — Sophie Millman.  
*July 30, July 31* — Arturo Sandoval.  
*August 1, August 2* — Stanley Jordan.  
*August 3* — Carrie Rodriguez.  
*August 6* — Dabe Toure.  
*August 9* — Larry Carlton.  
*August 19* — Bridget Brigitte, Cynthia Hammond, Steven Ybarra.  
*August 20, August 21, August 22, August 23* — Steve Tyrell.  
*August 24* — Steve Forbert.  
*August 26* — John Cruz.  
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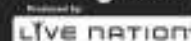
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### Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:

1008 Wall Street, La Jolla, 858-454-5872.  
June 28 — The Kendra Shank Quartet.  
July 18 — The Frank Potenza Organ Trio.  
July 31 — Farrell Family Jazz.

**Avo Playhouse:** 303 Main Street, Vista, 760-724-2110.  
July 11 — Ferron/Bitch Concert.

**Beauty Bar:** 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, Kensington-Talmadge, 619-516-4746.  
July 7 — My Education.

**Belly Up Tavern:** 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.  
June 26 — The Album Leaf.  
June 27 — Reggae nights.  
June 28 — Atomic Punks.  
June 29 — Dilated Peoples, Aceyalone, 88-Keys.  
June 30 — Abigail Washburn & the Sparrow Quartet.  
July 2 — Common Sense and the Devastators.  
July 4 — Don Carlos.  
July 5 — The Cured and I-90.  
July 6, July 7 — Israel Vibration and Outlaw Nation.  
July 8 — Teddy Thompson.  
July 9 — Escalera and Stripes & Lines.  
July 10 — Ayo and La Tanya Lockett.  
July 11 — Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations.  
July 12 — Stepping Feet.  
July 13 — Hieroglyphics.  
July 15 — The Duke Spirit and Republic of Letters.  
July 16 — Metal Snake.  
July 17 — The Night Marchers.  
July 18 — Rub-A-Dub Friday.

July 19 — 40 Oz. to Freedom and Social Green.  
July 20 — Leon Russell.  
July 22 — Warrior King and Reggae Angels.  
July 23 — The Muslims.  
July 24 — Venice.  
July 25 — Rub-A-Dub Friday.  
July 26 — Dread Zeppelin.  
July 30 — Kut U Up and Get Your Death On.  
August 1 — Rub-A-Dub Friday.  
August 3 — Bryan Adams.  
August 7 — Immortal Technique.  
August 8, August 15, August 22 — Rub-A-Dub Friday.  
August 24 — Joshua Radin.  
August 28 — Patty Griffin.  
August 29 — Rub-A-Dub Friday.  
September 4 — Amos Lee.  
September 8 — Lee “Scratch” Perry.  
September 12 — The Pine Mountain Logs.  
September 23 — Railroad Earth.  
September 24 — Okkervil River.  
September 25 — Bootsy Collins.  
September 28 — Greg Brown.  
September 30 — Johnny Winter.  
October 4 — The Tommy Castro Band and Magic Dick.  
October 8 — Lotus.  
October 23 — The Presidents of the United States of America.  
October 24 — Stereolab and Monade.  
October 30 — Cowboy Mouth.

**Birch Aquarium at Scripps:** 2300 Expedition Way, La Jolla, 619-534-FISH.  
July 16 — Eric Hutchinson.  
August 20 — Shawn Mullins.  
September 17 — Sarah Borges and the Broken Singles.

**Birch North Park Theatre:** 2891 University Ave, North Park, 619-239-8836.  
August 2 — Mark O’Connor’s Appalachia Waltz Trio.  
October 18 — Gaelic Storm.

**Bird Park:** 28th and Thorn Streets, North Park.

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

The **Smithereens** spent the first few years of their career developing a formula and the next two decades touring behind it. Some have correctly identified the celestial hierarchy of their harmonies as a postcard to the Byrds; I can almost hear Roger McGuinn singing on “A Girl Like You.” With their best days behind them and no major hits on the horizon, the Smithereens continue to tour the country based on the momentum of the solid-gold foundation that they laid via platinum album sales and their superb arena performances of days past. They hail from the strength-in-numbers middle class, and the people they sing about could be anybody: “My girl, she’s extraordinary/ My girl, she’s

different from the rest/ She is truth combined with fiction/ A lovely contradiction/ But you’ll only see the part of her she wants you to see.” Sweet, simple melodies, uncluttered by deep thoughts.

Even though the volume of their live performances can approach that of a small nuclear explosion, the Smithereens are among the most inoffensive rock bands I have ever heard. Their cover of the euphemistic “I Want to Hold Your Hand” reactivates not one bit of that old Beatles magic. It is a competent cover that reeks of wholesomeness, and when the Smithereens sing it you believe the song is really about wanting to hold a girl’s hand.

But sometimes — and maybe I’m reading too much into this — the Smithereens will craft a lyric or two that hints at a darker reality. “Woke up on a groovy Tuesday/ Even my



SMITHEREENS

hangover’s fine/ Woke up on a groovy Tuesday/ Hung my mind out on the line.” Based on that alone I want to take them out and buy them rounds of drinks — just to see what might come of it.

**SMITHEREENS, Anthology, Saturday, June 21, 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. 619-595-0300. \$38 to \$45.**

July 5 — A Scribe amidst the Lions.  
July 19 — D.A. and the Hitmen.  
August 2 — Gato Papacitos.  
August 16 — The Hayriders.

**The Bitter End:** 770 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-338-9300.  
June 26 — Deliverance Machine.  
June 29 — Sea Swallow.

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buenos Avenue, Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.  
June 27 — The Toledo Show.  
June 28 — Wrong Again and Inhale.  
June 29 — Downtown Brown and Magdalene.

**Calavera Hills Park:** 2997 Glasgow Drive, Carlsbad.

August 8 — Oliver Mtukudzi and Black Spirit.  
August 15 — Luna Llena.  
August 22 — Steve Lucky and the Rhumba Bums.

**Canes:** 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780.  
June 26 — U-Roy and Cornell Campbell.  
June 27 — Metal Snake.  
June 28 — Iron Maidens.  
June 29 — Frontyard.  
July 2 — Guava Belly and Wasting June.  
July 3 — Cash’d Out.  
July 4 — Split Finger and High Tide.  
July 5 — Pivit and Agent 51.

July 6 — Project: Out of Bounds and Steel Foundation.  
July 9 — Candy Asylum and Flight or Fight.  
July 10 — Canobliss and Six Reasons.  
July 11 — Paul Fuga and Stranger.  
July 12 — Tainted Love.  
July 13 — Love & Groove.  
July 16 — Likewise and Roxy Blue.  
July 17 — Freedom Sessions.  
July 18 — Dead Prez.  
July 19 — Kingspade and Mower.  
July 20 — T-Irie Dread.  
July 20 — Wolf Parade.  
July 24 — Freedom Sessions.  
July 25 — Junior Reid and the Reggae Angels.  
July 26 — Wild Child.

July 27 — Kapakahi.  
July 30 — Mean Dinosaur, Irieside, Inhale.  
August 2 — Dead Man’s Party.  
August 3 — Tomorrow’s Bad Seeds.  
August 7 — Agent Orange and Critical Me.  
August 10 — Split Finger.  
August 15 — Lights, Jumping Jack Flash, Springsteen.  
August 17 — Project: Out of Bounds.  
August 22 — Katchafire.  
August 24 — Roots Vision.  
August 28 — The Melvins and Big Business.  
August 29 — Stranger.  
August 31 — Atomic Punks.

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*June 26* — Grand Archives and Sera Cahoone.  
*June 27* — Fleet Foxes and the Dutchess & the Duke.  
*June 28* — Reeve Oliver and A.M. Vibe.  
*June 29* — The Napoleon Complex and a Beautiful Noise.  
*June 30* — Swim Party and the Henry Clay People.  
*July 1* — The Modey Lemon and the Muslims.  
*July 2* — We Are Scientists.  
*July 4* — The Constantines and Modern Rifles.  
*July 5* — The Creepy Creeps and Batar-Zan.  
*July 6* — Retribution Gospel Choir.  
*July 7* — Port O'Brien.  
*July 8* — The Legendary Shack Shakers.  
*July 10* — Calico Horse and Silverbird.  
*July 11* — Scarlet Symphony and Vision of a Dying World.  
*July 12* — The Parlor Mob and JFK.  
*July 14* — The Fascination and the Feeling's Mutual.  
*July 16* — Aspects of Physics and Followers.  
*July 17* — Earlimart and the Parson Red Heads.  
*July 18, July 19* — Grand Ole Party.  
*July 20* — Chuck Ragan and Josh Hanson.  
*July 22* — Lucero and Jessica Lea Mayfield.  
*July 23* — Rocky Votolato.  
*July 24* — Howlin Rain and Earthless.  
*July 25* — The Life & Times.  
*July 27* — Japanese Sunday, Syndicate, Fever Sleeves.  
*July 31* — Jay Reatard and Cheap

Time.  
*August 1* — The Hold Steady.  
*August 2* — Buckfast Superbee.  
*August 3* — Thao & the Get Down Stay Down.  
*August 4* — Nomo.  
*August 7* — Matt Curreri & the Exfriends and Paul Curreri.  
*August 8* — Joshua James and Cory Chisel.  
*August 8* — Transfer and A.M. Vibe.  
*August 9* — Manic Hispanic.  
*August 10* — The Silent Comedy and Or, the Whale.  
*August 13* — Octopus Project.  
*August 15* — Xiu Xiu and Carla Bozulich.  
*August 16* — Ilya and Film School.  
*August 22* — Bob Log III and Scott H. Biram.  
*August 24* — El Vez.  
*August 26* — Shearwater and Wye Oak.  
*August 29* — Get Back Loretta.  
*August 30* — Polvo and Trans Am.  
*September 1* — Southern Culture on the Skids.  
*September 10* — Walter Meego and School of Seven Bells.  
*September 17* — Dr. Dog.  
*September 21* — Miles Hunt, Wayne Hussey, Lisa Dewey.  
*September 25* — Federico Aubele.  
*October 9* — Quintron & Ms. Pussycat.

**Ché Café:** 9500 Gilman Drive, B-0323C, La Jolla, 858-534-2311.  
*June 28* — Japandi and BoomSnake.  
*July 11* — Die Young and Lie & Wait.  
*July 12* — Bumbklaatt, Thou, Leech.  
*July 15* — Earthless and Mythical Beast.  
*July 16* — Ghost Mice and Heathers.  
*July 19* — Laterns.  
*July 25* — Peter Walker.  
*July 26* — 7 Generations and This Time Tomorrow.

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BY OLLIE



**Album:** *Yippee!!!* (2008)  
**Artist:** Hotel St. George  
**Label:** self-released  
**Where available/price:** Taang! Records downtown, Thirsty Moon in Hillcrest, and M-Theory Records in Mission Hills for \$8  
**Songs:** 1) Old Lies Told Well 2) It's the Blues 3) Waiting on a Miracle Ain't Like Waiting on a Train 4) Hit It in Your Guts 5) Tell Yourself  
**Band:** Matthew Binder (vocals, guitar), Brian Reily (guitar, keyboard, vocals), Erik Visnyak (bass, vocals), Simon Leader (drums)  
**Website:** [myspace.com/hotelstgeorge](http://myspace.com/hotelstgeorge)

The local-band amoeba splits and reforms again, this time with former members of Vinyl Radio and A

Week's Worth. Singer Matt Binder and bassist Erik Visnyak founded Hotel St. George last fall, and the band has

since shared the main stage with the solid local boys in Writer as well as perennial threats to national breakout, Louis XIV.

Hotel St. George combines punch-in-the-gut garage-rock guitar work with fierce glam vocals — simple and tasty. In the horse race to see which indie act signs a contract first (...the Frantic Romantic on the inside, around the corner comes the Mod-lins, and down the straight-away trots Roxy Jones...), Matt Binder's Bowie-esque voice might put Hotel St. George out in front by a nose. BUT!

While the band shows grit and dedication, their arrangements may be too sim-



Hotel St. George

ple for record-label attention, and that may keep them on the Casbah's Sunday-night list instead of heading out on a summer tour. So, until the eventual breakup and regrouping, enjoy.

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*August 6* — La Quiete, Phoenix Bodies, Ghostlimb.  
*September 5* — Graf Orlock, Zann, Lewd Acts.

**Cox Arena:** 550 Campanile Drive, College Area, 619-594-6947.  
*June 27* — Marco Antonio Solis.  
*September 12* — Alejandro Fernandez.  
*November 25* — New Kids on the Block.

**Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre:** 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600.  
*June 27* — 311 and Snoop Dogg.  
*July 11* — Toby Keith.  
*July 15* — Journey.  
*July 16* — Mayhem Festival.

*July 29* — John Mayer.  
*August 14* — Vans Warped Tour.  
*August 22* — The Dave Matthews Band.  
*August 27* — Radiohead.  
*September 27* — Third Day and Switchfoot.  
*September 30* — Carlos Santana.  
*October 16* — Jimmy Buffet.  
**Croce's:** 802 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-233-4355.  
*June 30, July 7, July 14* — Monsoon.

**Del Mar Fairgrounds:** 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar, 858-755-1161.  
*June 26* — Mishavonna.  
*June 26* — Scott Wilson.  
*June 26* — Pat Boone.  
*June 26* — B.B. King.

*June 27* — Fergie.  
*June 27* — Wild Child.  
*June 28* — Invictus.  
*June 28* — Tye Tribbett & G.A. and Byron Cage.  
*June 29* — Bayadera.  
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*July 1* — Sugarland.  
*July 1* — The North County Cowboys.  
*July 2* — Mursic.  
*July 2* — Little Big Town.  
*July 3* — Scott Wilson.  
*July 3* — The Iron Maidens.  
*July 3* — Boston.  
*July 3* — Charo.  
*July 4* — KC & the Sunshine Band.

*July 4* — Led Zepagain.  
*July 5* — Joe Lara & Slider Blue.  
*July 6* — War.  
*July 6* — Under a Blood Red Sky.

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*June 26* — Toni Price and Sue Palmer.  
*August 14* — Fran Hartshorn.

**Downtown Café:** 182 E. Main Street, El Cajon, 619-440-5687.  
*June 27* — Joey & the Sting Rays.

**Ellen Browning Scripps Park:** 1133 Coast Boulevard, La Jolla.  
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August 24 — Yavaz.  
August 31 — The Heroes.

**Embarcadero Marina Park South:** 206 Marina Park Way, Downtown.  
June 27, June 28 — “Sinatra Sings Sinatra.”  
July 11, July 12 — “Stayin’ Alive — The Bee Gees Tribute.”  
July 18, July 19 — “Motown Magic.”

**Encinitas Library:** 540 Cornish Drive, Encinitas.  
June 29 — 101 Artists’ Colony’s Summer Concert Series.

**Epicentre:** 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa, 858-271-4000.  
June 27 — The Authors Notes and Stage Kids.  
June 29 — End the Century and Katsumoto.  
July 11 — Tilly & the Wall.  
July 14 — Harry & the Potters and Jason Anderson.  
August 3 — The Subways.

**Escondido Library:** 239 South Kalmia Street, Escondido.  
August 7 — All-Girl Western!  
September 4 — Cahill and Delene.  
October 2 — T.K. Gardner.

**The Flying Bridge:** 1105 North Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-722-1151.  
June 27 — The Lounge Butchers.

**The Handlery Hotel and Resort:** 950 Hotel Circle North, Mission Valley, 619-298-0511.  
June 27 — Barbara Nesbitt.  
June 28 — Molly Jenson and Get Back Loretta.

**Hornblower Cruises:** 1066 North Harbor Drive, Downtown, 619-686-8715.  
July 4 — The Bayou Brothers.  
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September 5 — West of 5.  
October 3 — Z-Bop!

**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-299-2583.  
June 26 — Modern Day Moonshine.  
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June 27 — Bonfire.  
June 28 — O.A.R.  
June 29 — The Casualties.  
July 5 — Natasha Bedingfield.  
July 7 — Dark Lotus.  
July 9 — Rooney.  
July 10 — Rusted Root and Pete Francis.  
July 11 — Lyfe Jennings.  
July 12 — Aleks Syntek.  
July 16 — One Republic.  
July 18 — The Dan Band.  
July 21 — The Dropkick Murphys.  
July 22 — Jesse Lacey.  
July 24 — Who’s Bad.  
July 25 — The Aquabats.  
July 27 — Bullet for My Valentine.  
July 29 — Less Than Jake and Goldfinger.  
July 31 — Chromeo.  
August 2 — Richard Cheese.  
August 3 — Cavalera Conspiracy.  
August 8 — Me First & the Gimme Gimmes.  
August 13 — Bow Wow.  
August 22 — Broken Social Scene.  
August 23 — Eddy Grant.  
August 27 — Toad the Wet Sprocket.  
October 1 — Lagwagon and MxPx.

**Humphrey’s Backstage Music Club:** 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Point Loma, 619-224-3577.  
June 26 — Blue Rockit.  
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June 28 — Liquid Blue.  
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June 26, June 27 — One Hawaii Tour.  
June 30 — Robert Plant & Alison Krauss.  
July 1, July 2 — Bob Weir & RatDog.  
July 13 — Tom Jones.  
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July 17, July 18 — Hippiefest.  
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July 23 — The Doobie Brothers.  
July 25 — Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons.  
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Starr Band.  
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October 19 — Gordon Lightfoot.  
**JP’s Pub:** 10436 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Tierrasanta, 858-576-2509.  
June 27 — Red Light Behavior.

**Janie’s Cocktails:** 656 E Street, Chula Vista.  
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**Joe ’n Andy’s Hole in the Wall:** 9344 La Mesa Boulevard, La

Mesa, 619-589-8684.  
June 27 — The Jon Garner Trio.  
**The Kraken:** 2531 South Highway 101, Cardiff, 760-436-6483.  
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**Lestat's Coffee House:** 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-0437.  
*June 26* — Dave Mulligan.  
*June 27* — Kenny Eng and Melissa Vaughan.  
*June 28* — Gregory Page.  
*June 29* — Damon Ray and Tony Martino.

**McP's Irish Pub and Grill:** 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5280.  
*June 26* — Big City Shaman.  
*June 27* — The Stilettoes.  
*June 28* — Elevators.  
*June 30* — Tommy Price.

**Memorial Park Bowl:** 373 Park Way, Chula Vista.  
*August 3* — Fattburger.  
*August 17* — The Scott Martin Band.

**Moonlight Beach:** 200 B Street, Encinitas.  
*July 6* — Ione Angeles and the Island Vibes.  
*July 20* — The Bigfellas.  
*August 3* — Lee Coulter.  
*August 17* — The Laurie Morvan Band.

**Mulvaney's Wagon Wheel:** 8861 Magnolia Avenue, Santee, 619-448-8550.  
*June 28* — Joey & the Sting Rays.

**O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub:** 1130 Morena Boulevard, Linda Vista, 619-276-5637.  
*June 27* — Fat Man's Misery.

*June 27* — The Cathouse Thumpers.  
*June 28* — Monday's Alibi and the Crashing Marbles.

**Open Air Theatre:** 5500 Campanile Drive, College Area, 619-594-6947.  
*September 6* — Slightly Stoopid and Pepper.  
*September 24* — The Raconteurs.  
*September 25* — My Morning Jacket.

**Pala Casino:** 35008 Pala Temecula Road, Pala, 877-946-7252.  
*June 27* — Superfunk.  
*June 28* — Belladonna.  
*July 12* — Arrival.  
*July 18* — The Spazmatics.  
*July 25* — Platinum Groove.  
*July 29* — Ringo Starr & His All Starr Band.  
*July 31* — Engelbert Humperdinck.  
*August 5* — Steely Dan.  
*August 11* — UB40.  
*August 27* — John Fogerty.  
*August 28* — Poison.  
*September 21* — Ana Gabriel.  
*September 27* — Anita Baker.  
*October 8* — Smokey Robinson.

**Petco Park:** 100 Park Boulevard, Downtown, 619-795-5000.  
*November 4* — Madonna.

**Poinsettia Park :** 6600 Hidden Valley Road, Carlsbad.  
*July 18* — Ricardo Lemvo and Makina Loca.  
*July 25* — Tinsley Ellis.  
*August 1* — Roddie Romero and the Hub City All Stars.

**Prescott Promenade:** 211 1/2 East Main Street, El Cajon.  
*June 27* — The Cathryn Beeks Ordeal.  
*July 11* — The Cat-illacs.  
*July 18* — Theo and the Zydeco Patrol.  
*July 25* — The Screamin' Primas.  
*August 1* — The Hayriders.

# Yo, DJ!

## Talk About a Star



**Secret Samurai plays the Tiki House tomorrow, June 20**

The Tiki House in Pacific Beach is a very surf-friendly venue. I've seen surf bands from around the world tear it up behind the pool table and on the stage built for a one-man band. I recall seeing Surf Report many years ago, Ruhar and Rick alternating lead-guitar duties.

At the max, the Tiki holds maybe 60, 70 people. This particular night was pretty packed. Most were probably Tiki regulars with the usual handful of diehard surf fans in attendance to see the band. Surf Report (now disbanded, with two members in Secret

Samurai) had a way to get the crowd very involved in the music. Well into their first set, one of the non-surf enthusiasts couldn't handle the lack of a lead singer any longer and jumped onstage and grabbed the mic with both hands.

The band played on as if oblivious to the new member of the band. He went into some sort of impromptu rap in classic lead singer fashion. After a couple verses of unintelligible lyrics, Mr. E (on drums) leaned back and cut the mic. The guest singer carried on for another minute or so, unaware that his minute of fame had ended. I seem to recall he was not thrilled about losing his new job and was escorted from the bar.



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*August 3* — The Gilbert Castellanos

Latin Jazz Quintet.  
*August 17* — Raggle Taggle.

**Qualcomm Stadium:** 9449 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-283-0460.

*July 27* — Stone Temple Pilots.  
*August 1* — Paramore and Jack's Mannequin.

**Round Table Pizza:** 1161 East Washington Street, Escondido, 760-489-0191.  
*July 1* — Mill Creek Boys.

**San Diego Sports Arena:** 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, Point Loma, 619-224-4171.  
*July 2* — American Idol.  
*July 5* — Raven-Symone.  
*September 20* — Janet Jackson.  
*September 26* — Playhouse Disney Live!  
*October 7* — Neil Diamond.  
*December 1* — Celtic Thunder.

**San Dieguito United Methodist Church:** 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas.  
*August 2* — Mike Lopez.  
*August 30* — Caji and Salomé.  
*September 6* — Peggy Watson.  
*September 20* — Peter Sprague and Fred Benedetti.  
*September 27* — “Tribute to Woody Guthrie.”

**Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library:** 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad.  
*June 28* — Peter Sprague String Consort.

**Soma:** 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, Point Loma, 619-226-SOMA.  
*June 27* — Muff, Duff-O-Cide, 12 Cent.  
*June 28* — Suffokate and His Irate Life.  
*June 29* — A Dull Science and Pensive.  
*July 2* — Ours and God or Julie.  
*July 5* — The Dajjal Persona and Name.  
*July 6* — Dance Gavin Dance and a Static Lullaby.  
*July 11* — Mike Pinto, No Torso, Half Past Two.  
*July 12* — Secondhand Serenade



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*July 20* — Cute Is What We Aim For and Ace Enders.  
*July 22* — State Radio and Rose Hill Drive.  
*July 24* — Terror, Warriors, Death before Dishonor.  
*July 25* — This Is the Hospital and a Legend Unknown.  
*July 27* — The Alkaline Trio and American Steel.  
*July 31* — Jon McLaughlin.  
*August 2* — Plane Without a Pilot.  
*August 6* — The Hush Sound and the Cab.  
*August 7* — The Banner, Dr. Acula, David Costa.  
*August 8* — Shai Hulud, Full Blown Chaos, Woe of Tyrants.  
*August 9* — The Faint.  
*August 15* — KillWhitneyDead and Carnifex.  
*August 24* — Anthony Green, Good Old War, Person L.  
*August 28* — Stick to Your Guns and Winds of Plague.  
*August 30* — The RX Bandits and Portugal the Man.  
*September 19* — Rancid.

**Spreckels Organ Pavilion:**  
2211 Pan American Road, Balboa Park.  
*June 26* — Cool Fever.  
*July 1* — Stars on the Water.  
*July 2* — U.S. Navy Band Southwest.  
*July 3* — The Earth Movers.  
*July 8* — The Cat-illacs.  
*July 9* — The Sweet Adelines.  
*July 10* — Tinku.

**Spreckels Theatre:** 121 Broadway, Downtown, 619-235-9500.  
*June 28* — Monchy y Alexandra.  
*August 10* — Kidz Bop.

**Stage Saloon:** 762 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-992-7862.  
*June 26* — Ed Stanley Band.  
*June 28* — The Disco Pimps.  
*June 30* — International Connection.

**Stagecoach Park:** 3420 Camino De Los Coches, Carlsbad.  
*June 27* — Janiva Magness.  
*July 4* — Ruby and the Red Hots.  
*July 11* — The Johnny “V” Vernazza Band.

**Static Lounge:** 634 Broadway, Downtown, 619-544-1609.  
*June 26* — X-Kid and Afu-Ra.

**Templar’s Hall at Old Poway Park:** 14134 Midland Road, Poway.  
*July 12* — The Bluegrass Ramblers.  
*August 16* — High Hills.

**Tiki House:** 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9734.  
*June 27* — The Professors and Elephants in Mud.  
*June 28* — Roxy Monoxide.

**Tio Leo’s Lounge:** 5302 Napa Street, Linda Vista, 619-542-1462.  
*June 27* — The Fremonts.  
*June 28* — Blue Largo.

**Trolley Barn Park:** 1900 Adams Avenue at Florida Street, University Heights.  
*July 11* — Len Rainey and the Midnight Players.  
*July 18* — Swamp Critters.  
*July 25* — The Midili Brothers Band.  
*August 1* — Nitro Express.  
*August 8* — Sue Palmer and Her Motel Swing Orchestra.

**Turf Supper Club:** 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363.  
*July 6, July 20* — J.D. Boucharde.

**University of California San Diego:** 9500 Gilman Drive,

UCSD, 858-534-2230.  
*June 26* — Paul Ingram Quartet.

**V Lounge:** 5000 Willows Road, Alpine, 619-445-5400.  
*July 26* — The Jaime Valle Jazz Quartet.  
*August 29* — Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak.

**Valley View Casino:** 16300 Nyemii Pass Road, Valley Center, 866-843-9946.  
*June 27* — Hot Rod Lincoln and the Heroes.

*June 28* — The Shockwaves.  
*June 28* — Makai.  
*July 15* — Chris Isaak.  
*July 15* — Styx.  
*August 3* — The Temptations and the Four Tops.  
*August 14* — The Gipsy Kings.  
*August 21* — Sheryl Crow.  
*October 15* — Randy Travis.

**Veterans Park:** 785 East Palomar Street, Chula Vista.  
*July 13* — Pacific Brass and Electric.  
*July 27* — Night Shift.

**Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park:** 5005 Willows Road, Alpine, 619-445-5400.  
*June 27* — Cyndi Lauper, B-52s, Joan Jett & the Blackhearts.  
*July 3* — Cinderella and Warrant.  
*July 12* — Boy George.  
*July 20* — Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak.  
*July 20* — Boys Like Girls and Good Charlotte.  
*July 26* — Los Lonely Boys.  
*July 27* — Coheed & Cambria.  
*August 3* — George Thorogood and

Buddy Guy.  
*August 4* — The Regeneration Tour.  
*August 16* — Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak.  
*August 20* — Donna Summer.  
*August 30* — Melissa Etheridge.  
*September 12* — Jaguares.

**Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room:** 5000 Willows Road, Alpine, 619-445-5400.  
*July 24* — Bo Bice.  
*July 25* — Chris Botti.

*August 26* — Sebastian Bach.  
*September 14* — Sister Hazel.  
*November 1* — K-Ci and JoJo.

**Vista Library:** 700 Eucalyptus Avenue , Vista, 760-643-5100.  
*August 10* — The Peter Sprague Trio.

**Wave House:** 3125 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach.  
*June 29* — Sum 41.  
*July 3, July 4* — Ozomatli.  
*July 5* — The B-Side Players.



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# Crasher

## WHITE TRASH CRASH

by Josh Board

**E**arlier this year I got an Evite to a "white-trash party." I could tell these parties would be trouble by what was written in the Evite: "We have spoken with the bus drivers and they remember us from last year. We have been told that we were 'fucking crazy last year' and that two of the drivers almost didn't take the job. Yikes. That being said, there will be ZERO TOLERANCE for people fucking with the drivers or buses. This includes, but is not limited to, throwing things at or from the buses — and urinating anywhere other than your pants. Keep yourself in check."

Why would buses be necessary at a party? Well, in true white-trash fashion, they were going to a monster-truck rally at Qualcomm Stadium.

As I drove up to the park in Clairemont where they were gathered, I heard a guy shouting through a bullhorn, which was followed by the crowd of hundreds — many of them in flannel shirts — yelling.

As I got closer, I heard the guy with the bullhorn yell, "When I say 'monster,' you say 'truck!'" And when he said "monster," the crowd yelled "truck." This went on and on.

A girl standing next to me had a shirt that read "My boyfriend was a dirtybike." A



woman walked by with a shirt that read "Dirt Bird."

I thought I saw a guy in a shirt that read "Jesus is my homeboy," but when he got closer, I saw that it said "George Bush is my homeboy."

There were a number of X-rated T-shirts. One woman with a big chest who wore a sexually



Bottom right: The High Grass Rollers

enied their teeth, and a few people had grills on their grins — those gold things rappers put over their front teeth, not the things you cook hamburgers on.

**"When I say 'monster,' you say 'truck!'"**

suggestive shirt was being followed by a guy who wouldn't stop hitting on her. At one point he said, "Come on, let's go make out in the bushes. It's a party. That's what people do at parties." She replied, "Yeah, well, people may do that at parties, but I'm not going to do that with you." He put his head down and looked hurt. He looked up a few seconds later and asked, "Will you make out with her?"

Several people had black-

Though they did have a barbecue grill there cooking up food.

An Asian guy with messed-up hair and a sweater that didn't fit walked by, and my girlfriend said, "Hey, this is funny: I've seen a few Asian people here and a few other ethnicities...yet, this is a white-trash party." Someone overheard this and said, "Well, everyone is something else, aren't they? Think about it. What does it even mean to be white? People are

calling Barack Obama black. That's fine, but he's also half white. Yet, nobody is calling him white. They all call him black. So, when people say someone is 'white trash,' they don't necessarily mean they are Caucasian. They just mean they're sitting in a trailer, picking their toenails, and listening to Jeff Foxworthy." A person standing nearby took offense: "Hey, I like Jeff Foxworthy!"

Another Asian guy had a huge handlebar mustache. I said, "He looks like that character in Monopoly." My girlfriend said, "I think he looks more like the character from *Donkey Kong*."

One guy jumped up on a picnic table and held open a

*Playboy* centerfold. A few people applauded. Another guy jumped onto the bench to get a closer look at it.


A guy walked by me with ripped-up jeans and a NASCAR shirt. I felt overdressed in my old Tom Petty T-shirt and ESPN cap.

I went over to check out the band that was playing. They were called the High Grass Rollers, and they played fast-paced bluegrass tunes on stand-up bass, guitar, and banjo.

A guy calling himself Dr. Kill-A-Brew was the hooligan with the bullhorn. He would occasionally jump onto the park bench and make announcements. When the band was taking a break, he got everyone involved in a sing-along to "Bad Case of Loving You."

And speaking of bad cases, they had several cases of Pabst Blue Ribbon. Guys walked around passing it out. There was a huge chair made out of old beer cartons, which many people were taking pictures in.

A few people were smoking pot, so I decided to light up a cigar. I know there's a smoking ban in parks, but I figured that only applies when you're dealing with families enjoying the park and facilities. Although, as loud as this party was getting, I figured it was only a matter of



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time before the police  
rolled up.

About 80 percent of  
the crowd had sideburns.  
Some had them drawn on  
with marker. I asked one  
guy why he didn't grow real  
ones. "I can't grow facial  
hair. I wish I could. Hair  
just doesn't grow on my  
chest or my face." His  
friend said, "I can grow  
sideburns, but unless you're  
old Elvis, who wants 'em?"

A handful of women  
wore fake pregnant bellies.  
I overheard some of them  
say that they shouldn't be  
drinking, right before they  
took a swig. One woman  
said, "Amy really is preg-  
nant, and she's not  
coming."

One guy had a cast on  
his arm. I asked if he was  
wearing that for the white-  
trash theme. "Nah," he  
said, "I actually broke my  
arm. I was jumping a home-  
made ramp on a motorcycle.  
I cleared the five trash cans

my friends set up but  
crashed when I landed. It's  
weird because when I hit  
the pavement, it didn't even  
hurt. I guess it was all the  
adrenaline. You'd think I'd  
at least have some video of  
the jump for YouTube. But  
my friend who was film-  
ing...well, once I crashed,  
he dropped the camera to  
come and help me. It broke  
the camera and tape. I  
guess that's kinda  
cool...nice of him and all.  
But, I would've rather we  
had it on video. Someone  
said we can fix the tape. I'm  
still looking into that."

He may not have worn  
the cast to fit the white-  
trash theme, but his story  
sure did. ■

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# Dixie-Fried

Since the last time I reviewed Chateau Orleans for Mardi Gras, 2001, it's been through at least two changes of ownership. I wasn't crazy about the food, and then the second-to-last owner complained that our capsule review was out of date, so we pulled the capsule and I made a mental note to go back someday.

Now summer's coming on, and summer brings up a mad craving for Creole food, for sipping hurricanes from plastic go-cups on the street and rocking all night to Cajun two-step or blues at Tip's, for pulling ice cubes out of my Jack Daniel's rocks to run over my face and neck. My last visit to New Orleans was a long-ago August. You have to be nuts or have some urgent half-sane reason to go to the Crescent City in summertime, when the livin' is sweaty. My reason was a free house-sit at a friend's semi-air-conditioned shotgun in the Faubourg Marigny. Loved living like a native, courtly horse-carriage drivers in the Quarter gently wafting their courting calls while I was snail-pacing along, schlepping home groceries from Schwegmann's. Once some dumb crew-cut tourist even took me in my skaggy little all-hang-out sundress for a local ho — except that when I had to do laundry, I was the home-liest woman in the washateria, the only biological female among the glamour gals. Yeah, you right — I (heart) N'awlins.

We don't have much NOLA food left here in San Diego. We've lost Bayou Bar and Grill (long ago), and its casual reincarnation Bud's, and the fabulous Juke Joint Café with its great gumbo and jazz. We've still got marvelous Magnolias out in Encanto, Mardi Gras Café, mainly for take-out, and Fix Me a Plate at the easternmost edge of La Mesa. So it was time to return to Chateau Orleans with a full posse, and we deliberately ordered way too much food so as to give it a good shot. There's got to be a reason for the restaurant's enduring popularity, I figured. Well, it's a terrific-looking spot, plenty of space and air, nice rustic feel, with Louisiana folk art on the walls for the eyes to feast on. The music that night was provided by blues singer Tomcat, who looks like a younger B.B. King, plays a lot of Lightnin' Hopkins riffs, and chooses songs ranging from Delta blues to Jimmy Reed to Howlin' Wolf to Gershwin ("Summertime" sung as country blues — aces!).

The newest owner, with a neat, gray beard



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and gentle vibes, understands the NOLA concept of "lagniappe" — "a little something extra." He offered us a free demi-carafe of his housemade watermelon wine, and free French-press chicory coffee at the end. I liked him. I hate to give his restaurant one and a half stars. I tried to talk myself into two stars, but I just couldn't do it. Chances are too high for a bad meal unless you order exactly the right stuff.

This could be a great restaurant if only the food were better. And the drinks, too. We went on a Thursday night, with hurricanes only \$5 each. Since my friends drove me, I'd planned on a long hurricane season, but the first sip instantly changed the weather. That was no hurricane, only a drizzle — sweet, insipid, mild. Dave took a taste: "Reminds me of Jim Jones in Guyana — Kool-Aid." We switched to cheap and good Chilean wines.

Among the best sections of the menu is one called "I Just Want a Little Taste," which offers cup-size portions of four dishes for \$7 each. Crawfish bisque is available this way only, and it's terrific: a heavy, creamy brew studded with corn

and crawfish tails. A ramekin of sherry comes on the side, to stir in by spoonfuls (if you're smart) to your exact taste. We used about 5/8 of it, and it was truly a good soup.

The red beans from this section include a little rice but no sausage (for that, you need to order the entrée portion), but the beans are sound and tasty. You can also get a cup of gumbo, which I'd recommend, and jambalaya, which I'm not sure you should ever order in any form (more details later). These dishes are offered on several entrée combos, but they're roughed up a bit when the unruly crowds result in them being slopped onto the plates in groups.

Barbecued scallops are available as a starter, an entrée, and on some combos. I'm not mad about Louisiana barbecue sauces, which tend to be simple, sweet, and goopy. The one here certainly fits that bill. The scallops were putatively "blackened" (invisibly) and wrapped in hickory-smoked bacon, but they were tasteless enough to pass for tofu. Did the kitchen buy a lifetime supply of its "blackening spice" when the restaurant

## REVIEW NAOMI WISE

### Chateau Orleans ★½ (fair to good)

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**CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Cajun, Creole, and Southern dishes. Reasonable wine list, enough by the glass; numerous Louisiana and Southern beers; full bar.

**PICK HITS:** Texas cornbread; crawfish bisque; "purple fries" (fried eggplant appetizer); Cajun popcorn (fried crawfish tail meat); red beans and rice; gumbo.

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first opened years ago and failed to replace it as the taste has faded away with old age? Actually, I don't know why there are scallops on this menu but no oysters. Or no mirliton (chayote squash), which is so readily available here. Or no grits (as in grillades and grits). Or no redfish (or snapper as a substitute), no trout, no finfish but catfish. No shrimp remoulade. Sigh. You're not in NOLA, that's for sure.

Many appetizers are (surprise!) deep-fried things, so typical of the Deep South. When they're good, they can be great: "purple fries" are brilliant, with battered, skin-on eggplant wedges fried until the flesh explodes into a creamy-soft melted marshmallow texture. Even the Lynnester, who can be picky, fell under their spell. The batter is flecked with herb leaves and bits of carrot and



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spiked with a discreet touch of cayenne. This isn't the way Galatoire's cooks their fried eggplant fingers, but it's at least as good.

Fried dill pickles, a soul food classic, are fun: Salty, greasy, bad for you in every way, they come with a ranch dip, same as the purple fries. A combo called Granny's Goodies, however, reminds me of Peckinpah's *Wild Bunch*. The catfish nuggets are played by drawing, leering Strother Martin. The alligator bites are unbathed Warren Oates. But you can also order the decent Cajun popcorn (oh, rare Ben Johnson) on its own without the sleazy sidekicks. Those crawfish tails, solo, are a better bet and six bucks cheaper, too.

The finale of our appetizer ordeal was a seasonal special (Thursdays and Fridays) of boiled crawfish. I could pontificate about it for pages. Numero uno, the boil sucks. I don't even want to guess what's in there; it's unspeakable. The boil, not the crawfish, is the secret of boiled crawfish, and bringing a bottle of Crystal hot sauce to the table is *too late!* The Crystal should go *in* the boil. At Frankie and Johnny's in NOLA, they buy it in bottles big enough to fill a Hummer's tank. Numero dos: They overcooked it to mush, or left it in the hot water until somebody ordered it. We couldn't "suck the heads" because the stuff in the heads was black and desiccated. Worse yet, overboiled crawfish is hard to peel because you can't just crisply snap the soggy backs to start the thin

belly-shell opening — you gotta peel 'em slowly with your fingernails like ignorant Yankees. After a happy, healthy interlude of free dinner salads, we moved on to the main course. (I suspect that the salad entrées are probably a good, fairly healthy way to go here, topped with your choice of fried chicken, eggplant, crawfish, etc.)

Many of the entrées are "combos" that give you more tastes for your bucks — bad tastes. Whatever you do, don't order the unholy "Holy Trinity" of south Louisiana's three top dishes, all brutally abused. It's got gumbo — served not in a bowl or cup but splattered on the plate. It's a decent gumbo, with a dark brown, smoky roux base, a good flavor, loads of andouille and chicken (and also, weirdly, pork meat). The jambalaya was an evil joke, a mound of dried-out brown-colored rice, no fixin's except the goodies from the gumbo. (I'd tried a "little taste" of the jambalaya seven years ago, and it was bad then too.) The recipe (the menu proudly announces) comes from the Court of Two Sisters, a once-renowned French Quarter tourist trap that locals have shunned for at least 30 years. (Somebody send the Chateau's chef to Magnolias in Encanto for a jambalaya refresher course!) The crawfish étouffée is from an "award-winning recipe in Breaux Bridge." What award — the booby prize? It's nothing like what I tasted at Pat's in nearby Henderson, crawfish capital of the planet. Even the color is wrong (greenish, not pinkish), and it's nothing at all like the heavier, more tomatoey rendition my friends Marc and Ann Savoy cooked up when I visited them in Eunice. Blindfolded, I'd

never guess its identity. "The only thing I can stand to eat on this plate is the gumbo," said the Lynvester, and we all agreed with her.

Another combo called "Oh, My, You Got Crabs!" pairs a crab cake with a fried soft-shell. The cake is tall, thick, heavily battered, and loaded with filler — Marty thought it might be cornmeal. The buster crab tasted of nothing but its surrounding batter. Along with a mustard remoulade sauce, there's an all-starch veggie array: sugar-glazed potato cubes, yam fingers, and some kind of corn sludge trying to be a pudding.

The same starches came with "Fire in the Hole," blackened catfish with tasso and andouille cream sauce (the sauce motivating my order). The menu warns you, "You best have a (*sic*) ice-cold Dixie beer close by." It's a lie — no need to get yourself Dixie-fried at this spice level. Like the scallops, this must have been inspired by Paul Prudhomme, long ago — red-hot seasonings coating fish rapidly cooked in a red-hot cast-iron skillet — but since then Orleans' kitchen has forgotten how to blacken. Instead, you get mushy, mediocre-quality fish mild enough for a Midwestern grade-schooler and a nothin' special sauce.

Our best entrée was pork chops Bienville, basically pasta Bienville (angel hair in seafood cream sauce) with added pork chop (which proved tender). Again, I was flung back to happy memories of friends: chef Stanley Jackson had been working in an Oakland Creole restaurant (owned by Rudy Lombard, a civil rights-era Louisiana hero) when Popeye's lured him home with an exec-

utive chef gig to help them expand their side-dish menu. His version of Pasta Bienville was fiery with black, white, and red pepper. At Chateau Orleans it's mild, soothing, and amiable. The pasta is a bit too soft, and I surely did miss the heat. But it's easy eating.

What Chateau Orleans needs is not yet another owner, but for the current owner to grapple with the problems and bring in a fresh dose of authentic Louisiana cooking spirit. (I *know* from the lagniappe his heart's in the right place!) The City that Care Forgot is not just some lewd, antic version of Disneyland but a unique American cultural hub, and it pains me to see its inimitable cuisine dissed this way, even inadvertently. Surely somewhere in San Diego there's a displaced chef from the Lower Ninth working way below his or her skill level, starved for a more interesting job. Or maybe the owner could hire Marvin Johnson of Batter Up (formerly of Juke Joint) for a short-term consultancy. The restaurant is such an enjoyable place to eat, I surely do wish it would regain its raison d'être and serve the real and fabulous food that inspired its name.

**WHAT THE CAJUN EATS**  
**CRAWFISH (OR SHRIMP)**  
**ÉTOUFFÉE**

Marc and Ann Savoy (pronounced Sah-VWAH) are Louisiana folklorists, devoted to preserving Cajun music and folkways. Accordionist Marc's ancestors settled in Eunice (on the "Cajun prairie") well before the Acadians (Cajuns) arrived from Canada. "I don't understand why anybody needs a cookbook, or any written recipes," says Marc. "Around here, you learn to cook by help-

ing your parents in the kitchen." This recipe, he says, is "a lot like Cajun music — really simple, but with a very special quality. And I've never succeeded in putting in too much garlic." You can do a quick version of this without roux, or a slower, thicker version (which Marc calls "court bouillon") with a roux. If two cooks will fit at your stove, you can have one make the roux and the other cook the crawfish at the same time. Serves 4-6.

**INGREDIENTS:**  
1/2 cup cooking oil of choice, plus 3 ounces more (3/8 cup) for making optional roux  
1/2 cup flour (optional, for roux)  
2 pounds peeled, defrosted (if frozen) crawfish tails (or peeled raw shrimp)  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper  
1 1/2 teaspoons cayenne  
1 medium onion, chopped  
1/2 bunch scallions, whites only, chopped  
1/2 bell pepper, any color, chopped  
2 teaspoons minced parsley  
Minced garlic (at least 3 tablespoons or 6 large cloves)  
1/2 small can (8-ounce) tomato sauce  
Boiled rice

1. If you want a thicker version of this dish, pour 3 ounces of oil into a heavy skillet, heat a little, add flour, and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until the roux is toast-brown. Set aside, off heat. 2. Pour 4 ounces oil (1/2 cup) into a cast-iron skillet or similar heavy pot, add the crawfish, salt, pepper, and cayenne and cook over high heat until the water is gone, stirring frequently. (If using frozen tails, this may take 25 minutes. If us-

ing shrimp, don't cook longer than 10 minutes.)  
3. Add onion, scallions, bell pepper, parsley, and garlic to crawfish (and optional roux, if using). Lower heat to medium-high and cook 7 minutes, stirring frequently.  
4. Add tomato sauce and cook 5 minutes, stirring often. Add 1 cup water, lower heat, and simmer 5 minutes. Serve immediately over boiled rice.

**WHAT THE CREOLE EATS**  
**STANLEY JACKSON'S SCALLOPS BIENVILLE**

Serves 2.  
1 teaspoon dried thyme  
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano  
1 teaspoon onion powder  
3/4 teaspoon white pepper  
1 teaspoon black pepper  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon paprika  
1 teaspoon cayenne  
1/4 pound dried fettuccine or linguini  
1/2 pound scallops (or small oysters, or a combination)  
1/2 stick unsalted butter  
3 tablespoons minced garlic (about 6 large cloves)  
1 cup heavy cream  
1. Mix first eight ingredients and set aside. (Recipe calls for 1 1/2 teaspoons of this mixture. Save remainder for next time.) Sprinkle 1 teaspoon of spice mixture over scallops. Toss to distribute.  
2. Cook pasta according to package directions. When done, drain, rinse in warm water, and set aside.  
3. Melt butter over high heat in 10-inch skillet. Immediately add scallops and sauté one minute, stirring often. Add garlic and 1/2 teaspoon of spice mixture. Add cream and cook over high heat, stirring often, for 5 minutes, until reduced and thickened. Add pasta, toss, and serve. ■



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But that's what sports bars are about. Taking reality and turning it into hyperreality. Seems these danged places are opening up all around town.

So when I was loping down Tenth, determined not to be led astray by the crowds milling around the ballpark, I just had to stop at the sign on this brand-new brick building with big yellow canopies that said "Tilted Kilt," whatever da heck that meant. Because, I had to admit, there was something sexy about the name. Something sassy. Combining the whole Scottish-Irish thing with New World cheek. And, okay, the bonnie wee lassies at the door, kitted out in tartan plaid mini-kilts and bustiers with a white crop top tied around it just say it all: Scotland and Ireland as re-dreamed in Vegas, where this franchise started.

Of course, once I get inside I see that, to even things up, the barista guys all wear kilts too. Black kilts, but not short. And once I sit up to the bar, I see they have to handle plenty of customer teasing. From women, mostly. "What's under the kilt, man," says this corporate-type gal. "We need to know."

"If the question is 'What's worn under the kilt,'" says Brian, one of the baristas, "the answer is nothing's worn. It's all in perfect working order."

So, guess I'd better eat. Check the little glossy menu booklet. Pretty soon Douglas, guy next to me, is giving me the good word on the food. "It's

better than at Hooters," he says. "The burgers are awesome. But watch for the pizza. Too doughy for me, and the 'Five Quid Squid' [a \$9.99 calamari appetizer] was way too salty tonight. But their 'Danny Boy's Shepherd's Pie' [\$10.99] is great. Has garlic mashed potatoes on top."

First thing I've got to remember is, it's a sports bar. We're going to be paying sports-bar prices. I know that. Gotta pay for the — wow — 38 screens hung all around the walls. Brian says they've got every sport, plus, hey,

they have *Guitar Hero*, if you're into games.

I'm looking, looking...The cup of coffee I got cost \$2.35 already. So I check the appetizers. Ulp. First up is Drunken Clams, \$14.99, steamed in beer and served with garlic bread. Roasted garlic fries, on the other hand, sound great ("topped with a roasted garlic sauce"), and only \$4.99. "They're awesome," says this guy Sean. Huh. He's nursing a pint of microbrewery ale. Made right here. "It's better than a Gordon Biersch." Breaded onion rings are \$4.99 too, but that's the end of the bargains. Crispy clam strips are \$9.99. And a chicken quesadilla? \$8.99. Salads, like the Tilted Kilt house salad, which has "oven-roasted vegetables" and cheese, cost around \$8.99. (If you want grilled chicken with that, you're looking at two pennies shy of \$12.) This is basically pub grub, only more sophisticated. Oh. See one more bargain. The \$4.99 Tilted Kilt chili, with chopped onions and cheese.

Must say, they have a lot of good-sounding burgers and sandwiches and wraps. These are around nine bucks apiece. The pulled pork sandwich or the half-pound Black Angus hamburger (both \$8.49) look delish, and the French Connection burger (\$8.99), with mushrooms, sweet

onions, Swiss cheese, and au jus, would, for sure, hit the spot.

"No, no," says Douglas. "Try the Longshanks. It's the greatest."

I see it. Longshanks sausage sandwich. "The most ruthless sandwich you'll ever eat," says the blurb. I stew on that a moment, till I remember Mel Gibson and *Braveheart*. England's six-foot King Edward I, "Longshanks," was known as the "Hammer of the Scots," right? Ruthless against Mel (aka William Wallace) and had him executed. Slowly. So the Tilted Kilt really is working on being a Scots-Irish pub. Huh. Now I'm way more interested in the Longshanks. It's "braised sausage topped with peppers, onions, and provolone cheese" and costs \$8.99.

I count my pennies and, what the heck, go for it.

Tilted Kilt server gal named Ceanne brings my plate, loaded with a logjam of fries and a big golden burger sandwich, with two "longshank" split sausages lying hidden under melted provolone and a slew of grilled onions and green and red bell peppers. But it's the sausage that comes through. Strong, really zesty, and really salty. And filling. Man, if I wasn't working tonight, I'd be into one of their microbrews too.

And here's the other thing. It becomes a kind of communal feast. Just this ad hoc group clustered round my corner of the bar. "Mmm, pretty good fries," says this gal Katie, pecking at my pile. So I have to ask. She strikes me as someone who wouldn't put up with male sexism. Yet here are these babes dressed strictly to appeal to us



Tilted Kilt servers

ogling males. "Is that okay with you?" I say.

"Long as they're not fat," she says, and starts diving on my fries again.

Outside, I'm heading for the Number 11 bus. The real live crowd inside Petco Park whistles and hoots. Some poor Padre has done something wrong again. They'll be whistling inside the Tilted Kilt too, but not for long. A word to Brian and they can all cancel the sad reality outside and be playing *Guitar Hero*. On 38 screens. ■

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**BEACHES**

**Barbarella** 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-454-7373. This popular restaurant sits nestled in an English garden just blocks from the beach. You can dine amidst the flora at street-side tables, in the enclosed patio, or in the small dining room. Once you're seated, the friendly staff provides fresh-out-of-the-oven sourdough wheat bread to nibble on. The menu changes daily, offering fresh fish, steak, chicken, pastas, soups, and pizzas, all cooked with a twist of imagination that delivers on the flavor. For instance: pizza topped with smoked salmon, crème fraîche, chives, and fried capers. Or delicate Alaskan halibut served over creamed spring onions with a watercress salad. If a fresh-fruit crepe happens to be on the dessert menu, leap on it! Open for lunch and dinner daily. — S.M.

**Café Athena** 1846 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-274-1140. With a more upscale, eye-catching decor and a longer and more serious menu than most Greek cafés, this is a popular destination, so be sure to reserve for dinner or you'll risk a long wait. The choices include good soups and appetizers (except for a sub-par *taramasalata*), outstanding moussaka, above-average gyros, and interesting, unusual desserts. There's plenty for vegetarians. Rather noisy when crowded. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W.

**Humphrey's by the Bay** 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Point Loma, 619-224-3577. Most diners at this resort/concert venue restaurant eat at the prix-fixe preshow dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door amphitheatre. But better food emerges once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features fine seafood, juicy meats, and Prime steaks with seasonal veggie garnishes. Preparations are pleasing but in no way startling — it's a hotel restaurant, after all. Reserve for show nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Free parking when there's no concert, valet parking when there is. Dining room pleasantly quiet. Open daily breakfast through dinner; brunch buffet Sunday. Preshow prix fixe upper moderate, à la carte expensive/very expensive. — N.W.

**Isabel's Cantina** 966 Felspar Street, Pacific Beach, 858-272-8400. This cheerful café instantly became a gathering spot for many PB-ites, including the forsaken population of adults. Chef-owner Isabel Cruz, who calls herself "Food Girl," has imported much of her Mission Café menu of Latin-Asian-sorta-health food to the beach. A self-confessed "lazy cook," she focuses on wholesomeness rather than authenticity. Breakfast and lunch are the main meals here and include competent eggs, luscious scrambled eggs, huge sandwiches, and weighty slabs of coconut French toast. Competent Latin-style dishes include tamales with airy masa. Devotees of Southeast-Asian cuisines, however, may be disappointed

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by the simplistic stabs in that direction. If your dish is too mild, house sauces (chili oil, salsa, chipotle sauce, etc.) are available on request. Beer and wine. Small, free front parking lot; pay lot across the street at west end of the block. Three meals daily; closed 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W.

**Kaiserhof** 2253 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-0606. Even on weeknights, crowds fill this restaurant and *biergarten*, chowing down on hefty, hearty German cooking in a festive atmosphere. Flavors are authentic, but can be monotonous due to the kitchen's reliance on commercial products (especially a heavy-flavored beef base that makes all the sauces taste alike). Good schnitzels, potato pancakes. The excellent apple strudel is the only dessert made in-house. Reservations advised, especially for patio seating. Full bar. Lunch Friday through Sunday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — N.W.

**Red Sails** 2614 Shelter Island Drive, Point Loma, 619-223-3030. One of the city's oldest eateries has been renovated to look like it always has, but fresher. The dining rooms resemble those on a river paddleboat or a small, rakish cruise ship, while the bayside patio is a funky waterside pleasure, beset by pigeons. The menu runs to simple seafood and steaks (wet-aged USDA Choice), but quality is uneven. Tasty

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**Sante Ristorante** 7811 Herschel Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-1315. The name is Italian for “saint,” and the Northern Italian/regional cooking shines here, especially the fish and seafood dishes. Fresh seafood specials are available every night, in addition to those on the menu. Excellent pasta with mushrooms, ravioli with quail, and lamb chops. Separate room for bar; separate private dining room. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly. Enclosed patio for lunch. Not to be missed. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *E.W.*

**Sushi on the Rock** 7734 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-1138. This noisy, high-energy spot — a boxy, saloon-like space with a sushi bar in back — draws a lively twentysomething crowd (although older folks will have plenty of company, too). Unlike more traditional sushi bars, there’s a vast selection of “rock and rolls” — huge, creative party sushi. And they’re fabulous, with sparkling fresh seafood and immensely clever combinations. Try, for instance, the shrimp tempura roll, which wraps fried shrimp, crab shreds, daikon sprouts, and Japanese mayo in deep-fried salmon skin — the combo would be just as impressive as an appetizer at a top Cal-French restaurant. The Orange Crush is another sublime invention, fresh and crunchy with veggies and *tobiko* wrapped in suave

salmon. Even simple rolls are so well conceived, and the rice so nicely seasoned, you won’t need soy-wasabi dip. No reservations, long waits (in cramped entryway) on weekends. Good sake list. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly, with deep discounts for happy hour specials. Moderate. Second (quieter, but with full bar) location at 1923 Calle Barcelona, Carlsbad, 760-436-6261. — *N.W.*

## BAJA

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**Chiki Jai** Avenida Revolución #1388, Baja, 664-685-4955. Eat here and you’re surrounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gardner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and drank *vino tinto* — here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana’s great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos’ brands, and a matador’s framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food’s all Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, chorizo (pork sausages), *ba-calao* (cod fish) *à la Vizcaina*, trout with olive oil and garlic, and Gallican octopus. Vegetarian upon request. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

**La Diferencia** Avenida Sanchez Taboada 10611-A, Baja, 664-634-3346. Mexican haute cuisine, with inventive combinations of traditional flavors. The creative menu reframes the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Vegetarian upon request. Secure, free valet parking next to exterior courtyard. Menu is in Spanish (in a hard-to-read font), but some staffers speak some English. The restaurant is often noisy, even louder when mariachis play.

Smoking permitted. Wheelchair access marginal. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.*

**La Escondida** Santa Monica #1, Baja, 664-681-4458. This hidden (*escondida*) mansion has been a restaurant for three decades. The terrazzo and garden overlooking the Tijuana River Valley make breakfast and dinners a treat. House specialties are more interesting than the regular fare. Try the seafood casserole (*cacerola de mariscos*); the *tambor* (a dish of layered beef, cheese, and pork); or the roasted baby Monterrey goat (*cabrito tatemado*). Desserts include the house *especial*, mango and ice cream with *rompope* (Mexican eggnog), and *crepas de cajeta con nieve*, crepes with walnuts, green pistachio ice cream, and “burnt milk” caramel sauce — the nearest thing to liquid fudge this side of paradise. Vegetarian on request. On weekends the place rocks with parties and live music. The big downside: It’s hard to find. Take Agua Caliente Boulevard one half mile past the racetrack, turn right at Las Palmas, then left at the Rey del Pollo sign. The La Escondida entrance sign is in red neon at the road’s end. Open daily for breakfast, lunch, dinner. Moderate. — *E.B.*

**Los Pelicanos** Calle Del Cedro 115 #45, Baja, 661-612-0445. This hotel dining room is El Nido’s little (and less-gifted) sister, with a shorter menu and perhaps less-careful cooking. It serves good steaks and surf-and-turf in a handsome room and, at lunch, on a pretty ocean-view terrace. To find it, look for large sign on west side of Juarez, north of the tourist hub, directing you to the site. One winding flight up to the restaurant, no elevator. Bilingual staff and menu. Vegetarian upon request. Full bar. Open daily, three meals. Moderate; cash only. — *N.W.*

## CENTRAL

**Alex’s Brown Bag** 2550 Fifth Avenue #171, Hillcrest, 619-231-2912. The reborn Alex’s (now in the Mr. A’s

building) is rightly famous for its Original Philadelphia cheese steak sandwich (with fried bell peppers, onions, mushrooms, and mozzarella). The owners say what makes their sandwiches so special is that they have the meat trucked in from cheese steak central, South Philly itself. Other Italian-American goodies include the Italian Stallion (Genoa salami, capocollo prosciutto, and mortadella sausage meat), eggplant parmigiana with hot garlic bread, grilled pastrami, and cheese on rye. Open for breakfast, lunch, and just-after-work dinner weekdays. — *E.B.*

**Bali Thai Café** 407 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-297-0800. Expect the unexpected! This tiny, unique restaurant splits its menu between three nations with chefs from Indonesia and Thailand and a chef-owner from Suriname, a former Dutch colony (like Indonesia) in South America. The Thai menu is standard, although the *tom kha koong* (shrimp in coconut milk soup) is outstandingly authentic (don’t eat the stuff at the bottom of the bowl!), while the richly tropical Indonesian dishes are so rare locally that culinary adventurers will want to explore such delights as “seafood delight roll,” corn fritters, the soothing *soto ayam* (the Indonesian version of chicken-noodle comfort soup), Balinese fish filet, and the spicy *sambal goring* (shrimp in chili sauce), among others. Short but smart wine list, beer, sake. Easy evening parking. Heated, roofed patio. Large portions. Reserve for weeknights, no reservations accepted for weekends. Tuesday through Sunday, lunch and dinner. Low moderate. — *N.W.*

**Bandar Fine Persian Cuisine** 825 and 837 Fourth Avenue, Downtown, 619-238-0101. In a comfortable setting, the Persian menu offers just a “pick hits list” of popular dishes culled from this fabled cuisine, but the cooking is first rate, featuring fine ingredients prepared with care, skill, and healthfulness. The Bandar Special entrée combo lets you choose any two kebabs (chicken, game hen, or beef), beautifully marinated and cooked to your order. Entrées featuring rice with poultry are elaborate and refined, spiked with

tangy barberries, sour cherries, or lentils and dates. The list of Persian desserts now includes Persian ice cream, a rose-scented exotic treat. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**Broadway Pizza** 1008 Broadway, Downtown, 619-232-6264. This restaurant, near the downtown senior center and City College, offers no-nonsense Italian-American food. And they’re not skimpy: from a pizza slice to barbecue beef sandwiches to a Louisiana-style sausage link sub, portions are generous. If you want a hearty dinner, try the whole slab of beef ribs, with veggies, garlic bread, and salad. Unfortunately, the quality has dropped; the formerly fine pizza, for instance, is now marred by oily, low-grade mozzarella and not-so-great optional deli-meat toppings. But the main thing is, while the rest of downtown snores, they’re still open, from 10 a.m. to 3 a.m., seven days. And they’ll even deliver to nearby neighborhoods. Inexpensive. — *N.W.*

**Brothers Opera, Patisseries Fines** 1354 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-234-0425. Catherine de Medici brought her macaroon recipe to Paris in 1533. Thierry Cahez brought the same recipe to downtown San Diego in 2007. Customers have been swooning ever since. Well, this customer anyway. Cahez, a well-known pastry chef, has made a specialty of the delicate, golf-ball-sized, almond-based cookies. But the patisserie he opened also features breakfast pastries like chocolate-filled croissants and lunch items like little square French pizzas, *croque monsieurs* (toasted cheese sandwiches with ham), *croque madames* (*croque monsieur* plus an egg), and sandwiches. His pastries are exquisite, and the place has a genuine French feel to it. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday); closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Le Cake Château** 1152 Seventh Avenue, Downtown, 619-325-0977. This feels like a real French pâtisserie. For starters, the display cabinet has beautiful golden flaky croissants, plus pastries too arty to eat. They do breakfast, but at lunchtime the place is abuzz. You gotta try their version of the *croque*

*monsieur* (grilled ham-and-cheese sandwich covered with a mornay sauce), or crêpes with, say, blueberries and sweet cream cheese. The grilled chicken Caesar wrap is good, but it’s their originality with simple items that’ll turn you on. Like the onion roll loaded with marinated mushrooms, roasted peppers, caramelized onions, goat cheese, and caper mayonnaise. Or a dessert carrot cake with “pineapple raisins.” Don’t ask. You have to try it. Open daily except Sunday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**California Pizza Kitchen — Mission Valley** 7007 Friars Road #901, Mission Valley, 619-298-4078. Two Beverly Hills lawyers started this chain in 1985 to exploit “the premium pizza segment.” Some 150 restaurants later, guess it worked. The place is all shiny chrome, glass, etched palm trees, golden wood and black furniture, and two pizza ovens with real logs burning inside. The Original BBQ chicken pizza, the chain’s first hit, is still their top seller. It has barbecue sauce, smoked Gouda and mozzarella cheeses, BBQ chicken, red onions, and cilantro. The BBQ chicken chopped salad is good too, as is the jambalaya. If you’ve got a sweet tooth, but are embarrassed to order Hawaiian pizza, try the pear and Gorgonzola. It has caramelized pears, caramelized onions, Gorgonzola and other cheeses, and hazelnuts. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

**China Too** 916 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-239-4283. Don’t blink or you’ll miss this Gaslamp bargain. The menu claims “New York-Style Fine Chinese Cuisine.” Would you settle for decent Brooklyn- or Bronx-style eat-in/take-out? Here you’re getting cheap-but-good Chinese fare for the price of a cup of soup nearby. Lunch specials (with soup, two egg rolls, rice) include green pepper steak with onions, kung pao hot chicken, beef broccoli, shrimp with veggies — all made with no MSG and minimal cornstarch. The owner’s last place was in New York, where customers ranged from Kofi Annan to Robin Leach. Chef Chen even has some of his old dishes here, on a page of multi-regional “chef specialties” (#90 to #107 on the menu). But what really



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**Extraordinary Desserts — Little Italy** 1430 Union Street, Little Italy, 619-294-7001. Patrons looking for a quiet dessert still cling to the original charming cottage near Balboa Park. Those wanting more of a meal head for the newer Little Italy location, a vast, noisy space with industrial-chic decor and a menu of eclectic small plates — *mezze* spreads, bruschettas, sandwiches, and cheese plates. Flavors tend to be intense; some creations (such as a bacon-cured salmon sandwich and *pantelleria*, a celery-date spread) are wonderful, others are exhausting even in small portions. Both locations offer pastry cases full of desserts that live up to “extraordinary,” to eat on-site or to take home. Chef-owner Karen Krasne incorporates flavors inspired by the global reach of her travels, from the cooking schools of Paris to the rice fields of Bali. The white cakes are food for angels. Wines (including champagnes), beers, fruit elixirs. Vegetarian-friendly menu. Both locations open seven days, three meals. Uptown location desserts only, all day. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant** 544 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, physically transported whole-hog from the Ould Sod, offers delicious Irish music live most nights, and also attempts serious Irish cooking — with some successes. Try the lovely herb-rich Irish stew, or the boxty, potato crêpes rolled around your choice from a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Or start the day here with a huge, carnivorous Irish breakfast. Open daily. Low moderate. — *N.W.*

**Greystone** 658 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-232-0225. The Italian steakhouse fare here centers on dry-aged Prime beef, game meats (including exceptionally tender bison), lobster, and

pastas as the main draws, with indifferent starters and desserts. An impressive wine list offers rewarding California and Italian bottlings at \$35 to \$50 but roars up to the stratosphere of first-growth Bordeaux, super Tuscans, and scandalously overpriced Napa reds. Bossy, sometimes-abrasive waiters push higher-priced choices. Patrons are mainly “suits” with deep expense-account pockets, loudly talking business or enjoying raucous office parties in a testosterone-high atmosphere. Wheelchair access to the street patio and bar area only (dining rooms are up- or downstairs). Reservations urged but may not be honored promptly. Dinner nightly. Extremely expensive. — *N.W.*

**Gulf Coast Grill** 4130 Park Boulevard, Hillcrest, 619-295-2244. The Gulf’s faux-rustic, woodsy dining rooms and patio are great hangouts if you like a restaurant with a noisy party atmosphere. The menu focuses on the cuisine of the South and Southwest, with an emphasis on Louisiana and a heavy hand on the salt shaker. The kitchen does best with the straight Southern dishes, turning out divine fried soft-shelled crabs, airy hush puppies, and delicious little corn muffins. If you’re deeply familiar with Cajun-

Creole flavors, though, don’t look for pure authenticity — you’ll do better with jambalaya, etouffee, or the lunchtime oyster po’ boy than with the soulless gumbo or the misconceived red beans and rice. Heated, smoker-friendly front patio. Wheelchair elevator to restrooms next to stairs. Free parking lot left of the door. Full bar. Lunch Monday through Saturday, brunch Sunday, dinner nightly (early closing Sunday). Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W.*

**Japanese Tea Pavilion** 2215 Pan American Way, Balboa Park, 619-231-0048. One way or another they have been serving Japanese food here since 1915. Yes, it’s usually crowded, and most go for the clichéd item, teriyaki rice bowl with beef skewers. But the teriyaki bowl with salmon, the sweetish *udon soba* noodle soup with tofu *kitsune*, and even the California sandwich piled high with “krab” meat are good and feel Japanese, especially out on the restaurant deck over a canyon. With Japanese flute music playing, the trees, and the noodles, you really feel in a Japanese space. Try kona-cha green tea for the nearest taste to tea ceremony tea. Open 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Joe’s New York-Style Deli** 3401 First Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-7666. You enter a time machine: a cavernous concrete-floored deli that dates back to 1902, with a high ceiling, acorn-shaped hanging lights, and a big old-fashioned cooler-counter packed with cheeses, hams, and sausage meat. Old display cases carry olives, pâté, Ryvitas. A sawed-off wooden barrel bulges with Hungarian wines. Go for wraps, jumbo hot dogs with sauerkraut, or East Coast-generous sandwiches like corned beef, dry Genoa salami, cotto salami, bologna, or liverwurst. That Boars Head liverwurst is da bomb. Caesar salad with chicken or a cup of tortellini soup are good light alternatives. Open breakfast through early dinner daily. — *E.B.*

**Lefty’s Chicago Pizzeria** 3448 30th Street, North Park, 619-295-1720. An eight-pound pizza? That’s what Lefty claims his “king of all pizzas” weighs at his often-crowded little corner pizzeria. Truth is, you can’t help but be drawn, especially at night, to the little ribbon of lights framing the sidewalk canopy with its tables and benches. Lefty is determined to bring “the real Chicago” to San Diego. So of course we’re talking deep-dish pizzas, as well as some thin and crispy. But the

ultimate is his “stuffed” pizza, a 14-inch, eight-pound monster that needs one hour’s “make and bake” time. They also do Chicago hot dogs, char burgers, beautiful spicy fries, juicy Italian beef au jus sandwiches, and a decent Lefty’s *Carbonara* (spaghetti, eggs, bacon, Parmesan, and cream). Open lunch and dinner six days, closed Mondays. — *E.B.*

**Mr. Tiki’s Mai Tai Lounge** 801 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-233-1183. If you loved Trader Vic’s (or can remember it, anyway), you may be amused at the revival of the genre here. Check out the “grass skirt” decor with huge tiki gods and the vaguely “islander” cuisine featuring, in addition, Asian fusion items, elementary sushi, and the occasional sprint into fusion-cuisine seafood. But, as you might guess, the greatest creativity in the house goes into the silly umbrella cocktails, and those are mainly delish. Age 21 and over after 9 p.m. (even with parents). Dinner nightly. Cocktails until

11 p.m., weekends until 1 a.m. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**Old World Deli & Café** 3930 30th Street, North Park, 619-238-0568. This is a delight for anyone who loves northern European food. Their Great Grilled Grueben — homemade corned beef on rye with Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, Thousand Island dressing, and mustard is, as they say, *gemütlich*. Also, try the sausage platter: grilled bratwurst, kielbasa, sauerkraut, potato salad, spicy mustard, and rye bread. Open for breakfast and lunch six days, closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Osetra** 904 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-239-1800. Possibly the most expensive restaurant in San Diego. Osetra is named for a precious, near-endangered caviar (which it serves) and attracts patrons who enjoy throwing their money around. The atmosphere is pure Las Vegas, with two floors of loud ambient music, glitzy decor, and a “wine angel” in black tights hoisting herself around a gleaming glass tower to fetch your precious bottle. Celebri-

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ties and big spenders get attentive service; others take their chances. The menu is mostly seafood, but it, too, carries the Vegas imprimatur of vulgar bad taste. Too many bold flavors are at war on almost every plate, and even the simplest dishes are overwrought frenzies of fusion. Best bets for satisfying your palate and curiosity: raw oysters, the cold seafood platter, caviar (if your wallet and conscience can afford it). Disabled access to first-floor dining room only. Full bar. Dinner nightly to at least 10 p.m. Reserve well ahead. Exorbitant. — *N.W.*

**P. F. Chang's China Bistro — Mission Valley** 7077 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-260-8484. Okay, you're looking at the haunches of a giant horse right outside your corner

window, and there don't seem to be any actual Chinese people among the wait staff. But this busy mall Chinese chain (130-plus restaurants) has a certain cool. Those reproduction Chin Dynasty horses are really something, as are the bits of the Great Wall and the terra-cotta soldiers scattered inside. The food? The spicy ground chicken and eggplant was too salty for our taste, the Sichuan from the Sea shrimp too sweet, and the Cantonese roasted duck not that exciting. Yet there are jewels, if one searches for them. And — not that it's at all Chinese — the massive Great Wall of Chocolate dessert will knock you over. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.B.*

**Panda Inn** 506 Horton Plaza, Downtown, 619-233-7800. Behind all the Panda Express fast-food stops is the smaller, more serious Panda Inn chain which originated many of the now-familiar dishes of semi-Americanized Mandarin cuisine (they claim to have invented orange chicken, and their version is vastly better than those at the

# What the Chef Eats

**SPRING VEGETABLE PASTA WITH BUTTER AND PARMESAN NAGE**  
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I cook at home just like everyone else cooks at home — I look in the fridge and see what's in there. But I have two little girls, so I make a lot of simple pasta and fish dishes. One technique my girls really like is to take some pasta water and add some butter to it to make a simple butter sauce, or

nage. Then I add veggies and whatever else is around. This is my standard kid-friendly-but-still-good-for-adults pasta that I use at home. You can use whatever vegetables you like or that are in season as well as whatever pasta shapes you like. My girls like rotelles and the bow ties.

**INGREDIENTS**  
1 lb (1 box) pasta  
6 T butter, divided use  
¼ C fresh peas  
¼ C asparagus, sliced thin  
¼ C carrots, peeled and julienned  
¼ – ½ C reserved pasta water  
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99-cent joints). Tofu with eggplant and Mongolian Hotpot, a meatball casserole with Chinese cabbage, are among the more authentic choices. Preparations here are generally clean and greaseless with well-balanced flavors; spicy dishes are moderately hot unless you request otherwise. It's not the spot for high adventure, but it does offer dishes for all tastes. Moderate-priced banquet menus make this a good choice for family gatherings. Full bar. Validated parking in Horton Plaza garage; heated patio seating in dry weather. Lunch and dinner daily. Lunches inexpensive, dinner moderate. — *N.W.*

**The Prado** 1549 El Prado, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of

American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. The food brings few surprises, but is flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana tres leches cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Keep an eye out for special prix-fixe dinners that include tickets to museum exhibitions. Dinner reservations vital. Vast interior can be noisy, but heated, umbrella-topped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — *N.W.*

**Quarter Kitchen** 600 F Street, Downtown, 619-814-2000. Don't be intimidated by the chic reputation of

this high-end hotel restaurant. Normal people can eat here, too, dressed not to the nines but to the high-fives on weeknights, keeping in mind that the best appetizers can be so exquisite that entrées may be superfluous. The menu attempts to please all tastes, from haute cuisine down to publicity-grabbing high-end pub grub (Wagyu sliders, oversized Kobe hot dogs, et al.) . Among the best tastes: Caviar "tacos" (in paper-thin potato shells with crème fra?che) are amazing even with nonendangered paddlefish roe. (Ossetra is also available.) Salmon tartare and spicy crab soup also thrill the senses. The entrées include both delicate "chef" fare and steakhouse fare, including an irresistible side of truffled fries (forget the steak, buy the fries). You can eat fabulously here without bankruptcy if you're picky and go for

light and superb rather than heavy and conventional. Three meals daily, until midnight on weekends. Very expensive. — *N.W.*

**Rannoush** 3890 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-235-1360. The full menu of Lebanese-Jordanian cuisine runs from mezze (tapas) to house-made sausages and kebabs to desserts — and includes fabulous falafel that's actually good enough to eat (especially the stuffed version). At this petite, pretty place with Scheherazade decor, all the cooking is from scratch — no nasty instant falafel mix or any other shortcuts, and you can really taste the difference. Other great dishes include vegetarian *kebbeh*, *soujok* sausages, and shrimp kebabs. Desserts include standard Middle-Eastern items such as baklava. Wines and beers include food-friendly imports from Lebanon. Lunch 11 a.m.

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draining the pasta, reserve ¼–½ cup of pasta water. While the pasta cooks, heat 2 T butter in a large pan. Add the peas, asparagus, and carrots and cook 3–4 minutes. Add the reserved pasta water to the pan with the vegetables

and turn the heat up to high. Reduce the water so it barely covers the bottom of the pan and the vegetables are cooked. Lower the heat to low and add the additional ¼ cup (4 T) of butter while swirling the pan to incor-

porate the butter into the water. Toss the pasta into the vegetables and heat through for a minute or two. Add the Parmigiano Reggiano and stir well to incorporate. Serve in bowls with more Parmigiano Reggiano on the

side and freshly ground black pepper (for the adults).

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to 6 p.m., dinner 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. — N.W.

**Sammy's Woodfired Pizza — Mission Valley** 1620 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 619-298-8222. It's not Italian or New York pizza, it's...San Diego pizza! The crusts are Californian: thick and slightly sweet. The toppings range from ordinary to exotic. The menu includes many salads and a handful of American-Italian entrées. Continuous service, same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive. — N.W.

**Seau's** 1640 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Footballer Junior Seau's extravagant multi-venue sports pub is major-league fun — a real-life reincarnation of some 1960s' McLuhanite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-normal to giant HDTV) running sportscasts and a professional DJ on high, periodically spinning cool sounds over muted talking heads. The menu offers mainstream, something-for-everyone choices including pizza, hefty but so-so burgers, some elementary sushi, all-American entrées, and Seau's family recipe of Samoan teriyaki "plate lunch." Above all, there's pub grub. The chicken wings are pretty good, and you can get all three sauces (Buffalo, BBQ, and Asian) on one order. Perfect hangout for mismatched couples with one sports fan and one fashionista (the latter can head for Nordstrom and Saks discount outlets nearby). On game days, patrons are allowed just one game in the dining room (\$15 minimum), but you can linger from wake-up to closing on the patio or in the bar. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W.

**Sluggers by the Ball Park** 1219 Market Street, Downtown, 619-546-5973. Not your typical hot dog stand. Sluggers café is all glass, steel, cinder block, and new. This eatery catches much of the Padres business, selling Vienna-brand beef hot dogs and Polish sausages. "Served Chicago-style" — meaning, the dog's topped with tomato wedges, mustard, pickle, relish, onions, and peppers, all, they say, on a steamed poppy-seed bun from Chicago. Other goodies from the Windy City include the Comiskey Park Pole (a charbroiled Polish sausage dog) and the Italian Stallion (charbroiled Italian sausage in bun). Place is still a little cinder blocky but a good rendezvous for a brewski

and a dog after work. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B.

**Taka** 555 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-338-0555. The seafood at this always-packed sushi bar and Japanese appetizer restaurant is top quality. *Ama ebi* (sweet shrimp) from the live tank go down soft and silky smooth, unlike their frozen brethren. And the chefs are highly skilled: the well-seasoned rice is freshly made all evening, and for once the spicy scallop hand roll has scallops, mayo, cuke, and hot pepper running all the way through, not just plopped on top. Savory appetizers supplement the sushi, including miso-baked black cod and mushroom-topped *agedashi* (lightly fried) tofu. The one problem: the later you arrive, the louder it gets. Make reservations, and if you value your ears, go at an early hour. Dinner nightly. Most dishes inexpensive, but many little bites can eat a hole in your wallet. — N.W.

**Tamale Cart** 1852 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-338-9140. If you've ever wondered what it would be like to eat as the Aztecs ate, come here and try some of the tamales — classic Aztec food — in all their flavors. Tamales are sort of steamed cornmeal dumplings wrapped in corn husks, served with sauce. The choice of goodies stuffed in

the middle can include strips of pork, beef, chicken, or cheese, as well as pineapple, strawberries, or coconut. While you're at it, try the traditional accompaniment, the *champurrado* drink: milk mixed with masa — ground corn meal — chocolate, and cinnamon. In this mainly Spanish-speaking market you can sit, watch, and pick up a few bargains too. Tamales make a great breakfast. Three should do you. These are made by the Restaurant Chiapaneco up at 25th and Market. Open breakfast through late lunch, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B.

**Uncle Joe's Pizzeria** 4591 El Cajon Boulevard, SDSU, 619-584-2535. The owner's a retired Navy medic, one of the first women to serve in the Middle East combat zone. She's named sandwiches for career stops, like "The Recruit Training Center, Orlando, Florida" (chicken breast, bacon, avocado, provolone cheese, spinach, tomato, and onion) or "North Island Dental Clinic" (turkey, ham, bacon). But try a main dish like eggplant Parmesan or chicken with sautéed mushrooms. Or a massive chunk of lasagna, plus bread and salad. Coffee? You get a huge French-style press-the-coffee-down affair. Your big decision: eat out on the flower-strewn boulevard

patio or inside among black leather easy chairs and a giant screen? Open for lunch and dinner daily until 10 p.m. (until midnight Friday and Saturday). Inexpensive. — E.B.

**Zocalo Grill** 2444 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-298-9840. This casual, festive spin-off of the Brigantine chain features Pacific coastal cuisine, an eclectic international hodgepodge with a faint Mexican accent and "something for everyone." And some of those somethings are delicious — a stacked salad of shrimp and avocados, or coconut-shrimp kebabs emerging from a pineapple, or a huge, beautifully grilled lobster with avocado salsa. Appetizers are discounted at happy hour, and you can make a whole dinner out of substantial tapas sized for sharing. The heated, semi-roofed outdoor terrace encourages al fresco dining year round. Full bar with creative margaritas, eight draft beers, and California wines including Brigantine's own custom blends at good prices. Wheelchair lift in back, ramp at south side of terrace. Reservations strongly advised for weekends. Open daily, lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner daily. Moderate. — N.W.

## NORTH INLAND

**Bamboo Hut** 9172 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa, 858-348-0414. You'll find a taste of Hawaii in a strip mall in a neighborhood that's all mall. The bright little "hut" has bamboo chairs, a bamboo ceiling, bare floors, and unclothed tables, with a sushi counter next to a tiny kitchen with a roaring gas grill. A large lattice awning offers outdoor seating a few steps from the door. The quality of the food is all over the map, though — this is not the place to try your first Spam sushi. The seafood sushi is good, though, including a fine Rainbow Roll with really sweet crab; the more creative rolls run to cream cheese and hot sauce. "Local food" choices include a tasty ahi *poké* and excellent chicken *katsu*; the *kalbi* short ribs are tough, though. Plate lunches include one to three entrées (priced accordingly) with steamed or mildly garlic-flavored rice, macaroni salad, and green salad with bright orange dressing à la Kraft French. Be sure they deliver what you ordered; there may be slipups. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive. — N.W.

**Bistro 221** 221 East Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-737-7398. This genteel bistro — with comfortable chairs and linen-covered tables inside and a shaded patio on the sidewalk — is especially tasty at lunch, with its sophisticated quesadillas and a classic burger and fries cooked your way. At dinner simple starters shine, including a Florida version of gumbo and Maryland crab cakes with minimal filler. The dinner entrées are also the best. — N.W.

**Casa Reveles Mexican & Seafood Restaurant** 201 Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-480-5565. "Revels," as the locals pronounce it, offers zesty, careful cooking with some unusually authentic flavors. The Michoacán-style carnitas (available in several "stuffed" dishes as well as an entrée) are outstanding for their moist smokiness, and the house's slightly crunchy fresh-tomatillo version of salsa

verde is exciting. Seafood is necessarily frozen (given the inland location), but is handled tenderly. Late breakfast through dinner daily. Breakfast specials Saturday and Sunday until noon. Inexpensive to low moderate, with some three-course seafood dinners high moderate. — N.W.

**Fish House Vera Cruz** 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Temecula. This affordable seafood eatery packs in diners like sardines. Fresh fish and lots of it is the happenin' thing. On a recent day, 23 different fresh fish selections were available as daily specials, on top of the regular menu of crab, lobster, oysters, shrimp, catfish, etc. All fish are grilled plain, with nothing added but a dab of tartar sauce. The seafood is so fresh you don't really mind. Each entrée includes a choice of side dishes, two for lunch and three for dinner. The Manhattan chowder is especially tasty, as is their "krab" salad. This is an ideal place for families, but don't even think of it for a romantic meal out. Dinner daily, lunch daily except Sunday (dinner all day Sunday). Moderate. — S.M.

**The Place: El Parque** 2659 Reche Road, Fallbrook, 760-731-2775. Just think Little Red Riding Hood — this is Grandma's place. Okay, it's not a little old, thatched cottage — it's a cream-painted metal shed with a gazebo in front. But it is in the Live Oak woods, and you can sink your teeth into some pretty fair Mexican food here, sitting alongside an interesting bunch of agricultural workers and maybe some ruby miners. Good combination plates include the tostada and beef taco, and burrito and enchilada. The time to be here is Sunday morning, when those aggies pour in here for the menudo, cooked in a three-foot-high pot. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B.

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bow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. The seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for westerners. At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *M.N.*

**La Tapatia** 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather de-tuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Open daily, three meals. Moderate. — *N.W.*

## NORTH COASTAL

**Bubby's Gelato** 937 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet) but does them exceedingly well. The "gourmet sandwiches" really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediterranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled eggplant, Gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that's your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Häagen-Dazs, and feature an ever-changing array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewater and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., closes later on Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *N.W.*

**Fidel's Carlsbad** 3003 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-729-0903. It's not upscale modern Mex — no cumin-infused, mango-corn salsa on Fidel's menu — but who gives a flyin' fajita when you can order just about any traditional SoCal-Mexican dish and know it's gonna be good? Whether you try

the chicken-and-rice soup with fresh cilantro and avocado chunks, fluffy chile rellenos, a crab enchilada, carne asada with all the trimmings, or a lonely à la carte chicken burrito, you're going to be a happy camper. Add a reliable margarita or a beer and you're set at this popular North County mainstay. Open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *S.M.*

**Johnny Mañanas** 308 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-9999. Local teachers hang out at this green- white- and red-tiled place because it's such good value. Most dishes are Mexican. There's a Caribbean chocolatey, black bean, paprika, curry-in-the-rice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted chicken is delicious. The Big Breakfast Burrito Special (eggs, onions, beans, cheese, and rice, wrapped in a large flour tortilla) is *muuy popular*, but then so is J.M.'s Great All-American Cheeseburger. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Osteria del Pescatore** 1201 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-509-9293. The restaurant's name means "Fisherman's Hostelry," and you'll find expert, courteous service and well-crafted seasonal Italian fare here with a strong emphasis on zesty fresh seafood. Go straight to the single-spaced page-long list of daily specials for the most exciting dishes, including spaghetti *a cartoccio* (baked in parchment) and lobster risotto. But save room for dessert, especially if the day's offerings include *torta alla nanna*, a rose-scented nut confection. Parking behind restaurant (turn east on 12th Street); heated dining patio available. Interesting international wine list. Reservations advised. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday; dinner nightly. High moderate to expensive. — *N.W.*

**Pacific Coast Grill** 437 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-794-4632. The grill features a free-form menu of Pacific Rim cuisine featuring fine ingredients and integrating Mexican, Hawaiian, and Asian flavors into So-Cal comfort cooking. Try the green salad with vibrant cranberry vinaigrette, the Bag of Bones (house-smoked pork ribs), and whatever fruit creation is on the dessert menu. Busy and noisy; reservations urged for weekend dinners and all summer. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Full bar. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W.*

**Sbicca American Bistro** 215 Fifth Street, Del Mar, 858-481-1001. Chef-owner Susan Sbicca creates pristine California Cuisine at both of her

restaurants, highlighting fresh (and usually organic) local produce on a menu that changes with the seasons. The irresistible lobster-crabmeat croquettes and lobster-shrimp bisque are pure Del Mar deluxe. Some simpler dishes cleverly complete themselves as you eat them: Salmon served with peas and mushrooms to one side, a creamy sauce on the other, creates a whole new sauce when you broach the fillet. A lemon-pistachio cake, too, changes as you cut it, the pieces crumbling into a berry coulis. It's a fun way to eat, engaging the mind along with the palate. Both settings are family-friendly (only well-mannered kids come here) with handsome, airy dining rooms and charming patios. Wide-ranging wine list emphasizing California, plenty by the glass and even some half-bottles. On different weekday evenings, Del Mar and Encinitas each feature \$5 martinis, no corkage fee, and 50% off all bottles of wine from the fine California-centric wine list. Call for specific days. Del Mar branch crowded during racing season. Reservations advisable. Lunch and dinner daily, bar menu ongoing. High moderate to expensive. — *B.D.*

**I Trulli Trattoria** 830 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-943-6800. An enduring hit in Encinitas (where there's no shortage of Italian restaurants), I Trulli serves modern Italian food with fashionable new ingredients. The menu, subtitled "Nouvelle Italian Cuisine," resembles the somewhat ambitious, generically "northern Italian" bills of fare that you encounter all over Hillcrest and the Gaslamp. (It is, in fact, a partner restaurant to Hillcrest's Arrivederci.) The signifiers of seriousness are the pink peppercorns, goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, and light cream sauces that coexist with the more traditional mozzarella-tomato sauce arrays. Best bets are the daily specials, which offer the greatest chance for fresh ingredients and creativity. Busy, cramped, painfully loud inside. Street patio next to highway is also noisy. Reserve for dinner on weekends or expect an hour's wait. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**Tuscan Sun Italian Deli** 1070 North El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-633-4546. A town abounding in Italian restaurants ought to have a great Italian deli, and it does. You'll find domestic and imported deli meats and cheeses, fresh-baked breads and focaccia, marinated veggies, and a wealth of gourmet products from Italy. The specialty is the Caprese sandwich on focaccia bread with a variety of fillings, best served grilled and dressed with pesto. The eat-in/take-out menu in-

cludes pizza, pasta, salads, and a host of sandwiches. Open daily. — *N.W.*

## SOUTH BAY

**La Bella Pizza Garden** 373 Third Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. From the outside, La Bella looks like an Italian farmhouse, with geraniums, bright green shutters, and maroon canopies. A real extended family runs this business. Their secrets are: long hours (from breakfast until after midnight daily), big meals, and small prices. The menu includes standards like spaghetti with meatballs or lasagna, including sides of garlic bread, soup, or salad. The hit with kids is "Papa's Favorite," an 8-inch pizza with mushrooms, pepperoni, and sausage. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Il Fornaio — Coronado** 1333 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4911. Il Fornaio's defensive architecture walls it off from the Great Unwashed — the tourists wandering around Coronado's Old Ferry Landing — but it's worth breaching if only to get your teeth into their to-die-for bread. "*Il fornaio*" means "the baker," after all. Beyond bread, we're talking rustic-feeling, herbal, ultra-fresh salads, and everyday Italian dishes ranging from *sfilatino con bisteccina* (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquite-grilled 22-ounce *bistecca alla fiorentina*, with lots of vegetarian and pasta dishes in between. A simple penne *alla sorrentina* — pasta tubes with a tomato, mozzarella, and basil sauce — is charming. Pizza *putanesca* is heaven too, if you're into anchovies. Interesting regional menus from different provinces of Italy pop up during the first two weeks of each month. Most staffers seem mind-blowingly knowledgeable. Moderate. — *E.B.*

**Mary J's Café** 1930 Cleveland Avenue, National City, 619-477-6645. Mary J and her café have been around for 40 years, and about the only thing to change is the prices. This is the real National City. The regulars start piling in at 5 a.m. Mary always has specials going, but check the big-board menu above the stove too. One of their most popular items is the Trucker's Breakfast (three eggs, ham, bacon or sausage, home fries, and toast), or steak and eggs with hash browns and toast. Mary's son Vic, the morning cook, always gives you more than enough. For lunch or early dinner, try the meat loaf with mixed veggies, boiled potatoes covered with gravy, toast, and soup or salad. Or chicken-fried steak with all the fixings. Also hefty:

cheeseburgers or tuna melts (with fries plus soda included in the price) and that old American favorite, a fried egg sandwich with chips. Open 4:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Miguel's Cocina — Chula Vista** 970 EastLake Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-656-2822. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**The Tin Fish** 910 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pigeons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by the sea air. The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages. (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The spicy fish tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy. Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. With a call, they'll give you a lift from the parking lot to their restaurant. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center, with live music during summer. Both locations open daily for lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.*

## EAST COUNTY

**Anthony's Fish Grotto — La Mesa** 9530 Murray Drive, La Mesa, 619-463-0368. If you don't want over-complicated food, Anthony's obliges. Fish and chips is still the simplest and the best. Or Mama's Platter, cod combined with batter-fried calamari, shrimp, oysters, scallops, and clam

strips. Anthony's has been up and running for six decades now, with the buying power to get the pick of the catch. The menu offers 18 different seasonal fish to choose from, plus — if you've got the bread — delicious lobster dishes (in season) like lobster thermidor with a creamy, winey sauce. No reservations. Open daily, lunch through dinner. Moderate. — *E.B.*

**Grossmont Student Center Cafeteria** 8800 Grossmont College Drive, Grossmont College, 619-644-7000. This is no UCSD, with its dozen food franchises and Persian and Somali food tents on campus. Grossmont's single cafeteria (open to the public) is big, echoey, and sticks to standard-issue food like crumb-coated chicken katsu, cheeseburgers, burritos, and really, really cheap pizzas. Breakfast? How about a sausage-and-tater-tot burrito? Health fans do have a plentiful salad bar. It's quite an experience, sharing lunch with local and foreign students, looking over the rolling hills to El Cajon — like being at an international finishing school in, well, Switzerland. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Mario's de la Mesa** 8425 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-461-9390. The man on the burro (seen on the restaurant's sign and menu) holds two flags, those of Mexico and the U.S.A. — very appropriate. Few dishes (except maybe the menudo) will push the paler palate too far in any direction, but gosh-all, everything is so darn tasty. Tamales are a house special: rich, pillowy clouds of cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins for a smidgeon of sweetness. Pork also gets loving treatment in the *carnitas rojas*, big chunks browned to the barest crisp, which falls away to melting tenderness. Great marinade (cumin?) on the carne asada; intense flavor and buttery richness on the "machaca sonora style" (dry-roasted shredded beef). Beans are so light as to seem whipped; rice is studded with peas and spicy carrots. Service is fast and friendly. Breakfast and lunch Sunday and Monday; three meals Tuesday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *A.M.*

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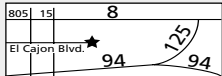
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**Baby Mama** — SNL alumnae Tina Fey and Amy Poehler form a baby-making pact across the class divide, the barren career woman and the fertile prole. Broad, predictable, and pallidly photographed, yet an agile and energetic playing of the angles. Strong supporting part for Steve Martin, plus ponytail, as a self-mythologizing health-food tycoon: “I was swimming this morning with dolphins in Costa Rica...” With Greg Kinnear and Sigourney Weaver; written and directed by Michael McCullers. 2008.  
★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Bigger, Stronger, Faster: The Side Effects of Being American** — Christopher Bell’s documentary on steroid use in the U.S., mainly in athletics, and candidly in his own family (brothers “Mad Dog” and “Smelly”). Not a polished or thorough presentation, but neither is it a pat, open-and-shut presentation. It is judiciously two-sided, with a hard look at the hypocrisies of the “right” side. 2008.  
★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Caramel** — Sisterhood in the repressive society of Beirut: an Other Woman, a defiled fiancée, a closet lesbian, an aging actress, a lonesome seamstress, a demented bag lady, all in orbit around a second-class beauty shop called Si Bella (the “B” hanging upside down on the façade, the electricity



Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

prone to outages). The material encompasses professional intimacies, such as the Lebanese lesbian washing the hair of an enticing customer, or the Other Woman giving a facial wax job to an admiring policeman; and, although never heavy, it also encompasses larger sociological observations, such as the beat-cop harassment of the engaged couple parked after dark, or the difficulty of a woman without identification booking a decent hotel for an assignment, finally settling for a fleabag and cleaning the bathroom herself. Those are all fine scenes, but they’re excelled by the scene — comic, romantic, keenly psychological — of the sympathetic policeman having an imaginary phone conversation from the café opposite the beauty parlor,

making up lines to match the mood of the woman in the window: the star and director, Nadine Labaki. With Yasmine Elmasri, Joanna Moukartzel, Gisèle Aouad, and Adel Karam. 2007.  
★★★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 6/23, 6:30 P.M.)

**The Children of Huang Shi** — True tale of a British correspondent in China during the Japanese invasion of 1937, reluctantly assuming responsibility for five dozen war orphans. The cardboard characters, the battering-ram dramaturgy, and the lackluster look of the thing (excepting the luminous Michelle Yeoh as a shady lady) fail to substantiate the truth of it. Testimony from actual survivors at the end unhardens your

heart. With Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Radha Mitchell, Chow Yun Fat; directed by Roger Spottiswoode. 2008.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 6/19)

**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** — The follow-up to *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, or as we could call it, *The Lion, the Witch, No Wardrobe*, maintains the medium-high standard of its forerunner, higher, that is, than the standards of such close-by epic cycles as the *Lord of the Rings* series and the *Harry Potter* series. The narrative elements seem somehow to have more heft, more harmony, more resonance, and the individual installments demonstrably stand more solidly on their own. The four Pevensie siblings, oth-

erwise known as “the Kings and Queens of Old,” herein return to the parallel universe of Narnia, not through the portal of a magic clothes closet but from an ordinary London subway platform (call it *The Lion, the Witch, and the Tube*, if you choose), but while it’s still WWII-time in England, a “few hundred” years have passed in Narnia. A paradigmatic deliverance myth is now in progress, encompassing an exiled heir to the throne, an oppressive regime of swarthy Mediterranean types called Telmarines, and a gathering rebel army numbering among its ranks a grumpy dwarf, a swashbuckling mouse and a Toryish old badger (both bigger than life), an air force of griffons, some centaurs, some minotaurs, one of whom merits a special medal of valor propping open a falling grate for an escape route as his body gets pierced by enemy arrows. If the film overall is a bit battle-heavy, and a bit long, and a bit slowed by immoderate slow-motion, the climactic battle nevertheless features some galvanizing and agonizing changes in momentum, an imaginative stratagem of a subterranean cavalry charge, and the majestic intervention of a swelling water deity, bringing matters to a decisive resolution. Ben Barnes, William Moseley, Anna Popplewell, Skandar Keynes, Georgie Henley, Peter Dinklage; directed by Andrew Adamson. 2008.

★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Counterfeiters** — Stefan Ruzowitzky’s Holocaust survival tale, loosely based on fact, tells how “the world’s best counterfeiter” (the long, long face of Karl Markovics) eases his existence in a Nazi concentration camp by suppressing his scruples and aiding the German war effort, speedily mastering the British pound, but then dilly-dallying over the U.S. dollar, theoretically affecting the outcome of the war. It is a passably interesting tale to tell, a new path through old territory, but the interest is rather in the tale than in the telling. At any number of stopping points along the



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path, the sights are liable to seem all too familiar (the bullet in the head, etc.), never mind the refreshing route that led there. And the coarse, raw, desaturated image, whether a chosen cliché or an imposed hardship, is at no point much to look at, a harsh thing to say about a motion picture. 2007.

★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**The Fall** — The second film by the one-name Tarsem (unused surname, Singh) differs by two letters from his first film, *The Cell*. It differs by little in other ways as well, a gagging phantasmagoria of debased and diluted surrealism. (Suggested title for his next opus: *The Pill*.) The story, a fiction-within-fiction wherein a suicidal stuntman of the silent era whiles away the hours in a hospital ward by spinning an “epic” revenge tale for a broken-armed little girl, has hints of substance and dabs of invention; but the visual style of the “epic,” a sort of fashion-shoot *fotonovela*, is ineluctably eye-glazing. The slow movement of Beethoven’s Seventh behind the opening credits, perhaps the most oft-used classical piece in movies, or perhaps second or third to Handel’s “Hallelujah Chorus” and Pachelbel’s *Canon*, bodes ill for originality. With Lee Pace and Catinca Untaru. 2008.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**The Foot Fist Way** — Bargain-basement comedy, improvisational in feel, documentary in technique, about a tae-kwon-do instructor (Danny McBride) with a fragile ego and a thin veneer of machismo. Some of the notions seem viable, though they don’t really flourish. With Ben Best and Mary Jane Bostic; directed by Jody Hill. 2008.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14, FROM 6/20; MISSION VALLEY 20, THROUGH 6/19)

**Get Smart** — The late-Sixties TV spy spoof hits the big screen, with Steve Carell and Anne Hathaway, directed by Peter Segal.

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**The Happening** — Reviewed next issue. With Mark Wahlberg, Zooey Deschanel, John Leguizamo, and Betty Buckley; written and directed by M. Night Shyamalan.

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ION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay** — Stoner comedy (the sequel), with delusions of political comment, possibly admissible as scientific evidence of brain damage. John Cho, Kal Penn, Neil Patrick Harris; co-written and co-directed by Jon Hurwitz and Hayden Schlossberg. 2008.

● (GASLAMP 15)

**In Bruges** — Writer-director Martin McDonagh, in his feature debut, dispatches two British hit men to lie low, after a job with messy collateral damage, in the “fairy-tale” Medieval town near the coast of Belgium, where one of them (the tousled Brendan Gleeson) is interested in seeing the sights while the other (the tight-wire Colin Farrell) sizes the place up as a “shithole,” excepting only a Bosch museum piece. Together they engage in forced, overwritten, exhibitionistic comic dialogue at some variance with the guilty conscience and the thoughts of suicide. Ralph Fiennes, attempting to do (if not outdo) Ben Kingsley in *Sexy Beast*, comes into it late as a hot-tempered, high-principled crime boss. A little later, bullets fly, blood flows. The beauties of the town survive all this, and even the wan photography. 2008.

● (GASLAMP 15)

**The Incredible Hulk** — Reviewed next issue. With Edward Norton, Liv Tyler, Tim Roth, and William Hurt; directed by Louis Leterrier.

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**Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** — Harrison Ford and Steven Spielberg rejoin forces, nineteen years later, for a fourth archaeological adventure. Ford, with his big-cat purr of a voice, remains an amiable fellow; and if he’s a bit jowlier beneath that crumpled face (like a wadded-up piece of paper retrieved from the wastebasket and mostly smoothed out again), and if he occasionally throws in a disarming grumble or groan in recognition of his advancing years, he nonetheless keeps pace with the physical action, or else his director cleverly covers for him during it, so that he shows no such signs of wear and tear as would demand any added suspension of disbelief beyond the several tons suspended already in the prior adventures. Spielberg, for his part, eager to show that *Munich* burned no bridges, any more than *Schindler’s List* or *Amistad* burned any, is still a superior technician. Superior, that is to say, to Michael Bay, Simon West, Brett Ratner, Roland Emmerich, Renny Harlin, John McTiernan, Jon Turteltaub, among other wannabes; and the relentless action scenes are always impressive in their engineering while never being in the least believable or involving. (A fencing bout conducted in side-by-side jeeps at top speed unflinchingly focusses our attention on the filmmaker rather than on the fencers.) In the end — in the accumulation — the action grows more than a little tedious. Spielberg’s technique is superior not only to others’ technique but also to his own taste. A good long time, needless to stress, has gone by since the previous Indy adventure, and the new one can’t be content to try to top just that one. It has to try to top, in addition, *The Da Vinci Code*, the *National Treasure* hunts, the Lara Croft adventures, et al. With a plot that links Roswell, New Mexico, to the Erich von Däniken theory of evolution, Spielberg keeps pace in that race as well. To say so is no great compliment. Cate Blanchett, Shia LaBeouf, Karen Allen, Ray Winstone, John Hurt, Jim Broadbent. 2008.

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**Iron Man** — Marvel Comics superhero (vintage 1963) rerouted through present-day Afghanistan. Weapons manufacturer Tony Stark, alias “The Merchant of Death,” learns first-hand that his products sometimes land in the laps of America’s enemies, and to combat this he devises a personal suit of flying armor (a gold titanium alloy, actually, not iron), transforming himself into a sort of airborne Robocop to police the world. The current-events tie-in is fairly tasteless, given the conventional jokiness of the approach, aggravated by the couldn’t-give-a-shit affectation of Robert Downey, Jr., in the title role. With Gwyneth Paltrow, Jeff Bridges, Terrence Howard, and Shaun Toub; directed by Jon Favreau. 2008.

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**Jaws** — How to cope with a rogue shark, who’s choosing his meals among the summertime beachgoers on a New England vacation isle, is a possibly plausible crisis, puffed up however to the proportions of a whopping fish story. The plot appears to be

fooling with some fairly advanced chemistry (the hunting party brings together a brash rationalist from the Oceanography Institute, a mystical mariner out of Melville, and a befuddled hydrophobe uprooted from the big city), but the questions sounded in this streamlined thriller are no deeper than “What’s next?” or “Who’s next?” on the agenda of the inscrutable Great White maneater. Director Steven Spielberg shapes the Peter Benchley book into a cautionary nag at human unpreparedness, and he stirs up considerable amusement around people’s inadequacy to the threat — their initial hem-haw dubiousness and ha-ha frivolity, and their eventual holy-cow awe when they come face to face with the beast (an impressive mechanical contraption usually photographed from a dentist’s point of view). Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw, Richard Dreyfuss. 1975.

★★★ (KEN, 6/21 MIDNIGHT)

**Kung Fu Panda** — Plump computer cartoon about a tubby panda (voice of Jack Black, tubby typecasting), an envious aficionado of the martial arts, dissatisfied with his lowborn “place” in the family noodle business. Wanting nothing more than to witness the anointment of the new Dragon Warrior, inheritor of the Secret of Limitless Power, he manages by dumb luck to get himself so anointed, in effect hitting the kung-fu lottery. With that, the filmmakers set about to purvey a dearly and widely held fantasy: the idea that the neophyte in any

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field, but especially the martial-arts field, can quickly close ground on the masters by means of a remedial crash course. No matter how low your opinion of kung fu or its film genre, you would be justified in finding this insulting, to both the specified martial art and your intelligence. And animation, despite its easy defiance of physical laws, does not much soften the insult. If the Furious Five — Tiger, Crane, Mantis, Monkey, and Viper — are together no match for the rogue snow leopard, Tai Lung, how can the Portly Panda compete? (As the Tiger rightly tells him, “If you have any respect for what we are and what we do, you will be gone in the morning.”) Apart from its featherweight reinforcement of the something-for-nothing ethic, there is probably no great harm in the movie. And in its own field it cuts no corners, leaves no stone unturned. It wouldn’t let a doodling neophyte anywhere near the drawing board. Or the keyboard. With the voices of Dustin Hoffman, Angelina Jolie, Ian McShane, and Jackie Chan; directed by John Stevenson and Mark Osborne. 2008.

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**The Love Guru** — Self-help comedy with Mike Myers, Jessica Alba, and Justin Timberlake, directed by Marco Schnabel. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR



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**Mister Lonely** — Indie filmmaker Harmony Korine (*Gummo*) in a more whimsical mood, showcasing Diego Luna as a Michael Jackson impersonator. (GASLAMP 15)

**Mongol** — Genghis Khan, the formative years. Whatever he later might have been guilty of, here are the extenuating circumstances: the poisoning of his father, the abduction of his wife, his sale into slavery, etc., not to forget the burdensome

birthright of all Mongols. It makes for a tedious case, sometimes enlivened by nice countryside and nice riding across it, but never much by the splashy bloodshed. With Tadanobu Asano, Khulan Chuluun, Honglei Sun, and Amadu Mamadakov; directed by Sergei Bodrov. 2007.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; FROM 6/20)

**The Promotion** — Workplace comedy with Seann William Scott and John C. Reilly, written and directed by Steve Conrad. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Raising Arizona** — The Coen brothers, in their second movie, have taken great personal strides. No longer trying to walk the thin line between pastiche and parody that so held them back in *Blood Simple*, veering off instead into the woolliest wilds of their combined imaginations, they — director

and co-writer Joel and producer and co-writer Ethan — turn out to be very funny guys. The premise, which along with the opening credits takes a while to materialize, gives us a couple of young but barren newlyweds — he’s a small-time crook and several-time loser, she’s a former police mugshot portraitist — who would do *anything* to have a family of their own, even kidnap one of a highly publicized group of quintuplets. (Surely one wouldn’t be missed.) The whole thing feels rather as if a couple of characters from a Terrence Malick film (the hero even adopts the literary-*naif* style of narration: “At first I could not believe that this woman, who looked as fertile as the Tennessee Valley, could be barren” and “The doctor explained that her insides were a rocky place where my seed could find no purchase”) had been swooped down upon by Martin Scorsese’s cameras and Ma and Pa Kettle’s gag writers. Rather like that, but rather better at every point of comparison. And cartoons, actually, are the more proper touchstone. Where Terry Malick might legitimately be arraigned on charges of condescension, the Coen brothers are scarcely more culpable on that count than the creators of Elmer Fudd, Wile E. Coyote, and Sylvester the Cat. And nowhere outside of the Warner Brothers cartoon factory in its heyday will you find a greater gusto, a cinematically purer gusto, for the compositional comicalities of point of view, perspective, scale, distance, etc. The movie camera needn’t be just a passive bystander to witness funny people doing and saying funny things — as in a TV sitcom or Chaplin “classic.” And it is a great deal more than that to the Coens. With Nicolas Cage and Holly Hunter. 1987.

★★★★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 6/21 AND 22, 8:30 P.M.)

**The Rape of Europa** — Richard Berge’s, Bonni Cohen’s, and Nicole Newnham’s historical documentary on the Nazi plunder of European art. (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 6/20)

**Reprise** — Norwegian film by the Danish-born newcomer, Joaquim Trier, traces the diverging literary careers of a pair of pissy-and-vinegary young friends in Oslo. One of them (the fallow Anders Danielsen Lie, with an institutional shaved head) has an earlier success, a mental meltdown, and a prominent girlfriend, while the other (the blond and robust Espen Klouman-Hoiner) comes on later but stronger, and would hardly be caught dead in the company of his girlfriend. Trier lays out these paths in an exuberantly youthful style — scrambled timeline, biographical digressions, hypothetical alternatives, know-it-all narrator — such that you might think to look around to see whether there’s not a swelling Norwegian New Wave. (Lifted snippets of Georges Delerue’s music for Godard’s *Contempt* — the same snippets lifted by Scorsese in *Casino* — call to mind another New Wave.) Much of the exuberance settles down as the film rolls along, and the people come to seem, despite the all-over pasty color, quite flesh-and-blood, quite real. Which is not to say interesting or compelling, other than to themselves. 2007.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 6/19)

**Roman de Gare** — Claude Lelouch, still very much his own man at age seventy, retains an authentic romanticism and optimism, undimmed by rueful realities. A fully rounded filmmaker, good with actors, locales, color, camera, movement, dialogue, the works, he is here shown off at about 300 degrees of his maximum circumference. Fundamentally a thriller, to do with the chance encounter of two strangers at a highway rest stop and the best-selling novel that results from the encounter, the film is more scrupulously plotted than his norm (one of his habitual laxities), negotiating a course of tricky twists and turns without feeling forced or underhanded. Dominique Pinon, generally cast for his dentureless funny looks, is led to new dimensions of humanity as one of the strangers; and as the other, Audrey Dana, a fresh face if not an

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**Fashion Valley 18**  
*7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 12:05, 3:20, 6:30, 9:40; **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10) 2:00, 4:50, 7:45, 10:40 Fri.-Sat. (10:30, 11:10) 12:00, 1:20, 2:00, 2:40, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:50, 10:40, 11:15 Sun. (10:30, 11:10) 12:00, 1:20, 2:00, 2:40, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:50, 10:40, 11:00; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 11:15) 12:45, 1:45, 3:15, 4:45, 5:35, 7:10, 7:55, 9:30, 10:20; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 11:20) 1:05, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 11:00; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30) 12:10, 2:20, 5:10, 8:05, 10:50; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:55) 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:35; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 11:00) 12:30, 1:30, 2:55, 4:05, 5:20, 6:40, 7:40, 9:05, 10:05; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:20) 12:15, 1:00, 2:30, 3:25, 4:55, 6:00, 7:20, 8:30, 9:55, 11:05 Sun. (10:20) 12:15, 1:00, 2:30, 3:25, 4:55, 6:00, 7:20, 8:30, 9:55, 10:45; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri.-Sun. 12:40, 3:55, 7:05, 10:15; **The Strangers** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:25) 12:55, 3:05, 5:25, 7:50, 10:25; **You Don’t Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:50) 1:40, 3:00, 4:35, 5:40, 7:30, 8:25, 10:10

**Mission Valley 7**  
*7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)*  
**Big Screen Safari** (NR) Sat.-Sun. (10:30a.m.); **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri. (10:30, 1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; **Kung Fu**

**Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:15, 2:30) 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:15, 2:45) 5:00, 7:45, 10:00; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri. (10:15, 1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15 Sat. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15 Sun. (1:15) 10:15

**Mission Valley 20**  
*1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:45) 1:50, 5:00; **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:30, 11:10, 11:50) 12:40, 1:20, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30, 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:05, 9:50, 10:30, 11:10, 11:45 Sun. (10:30, 11:10) 12:40, 1:20, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30, 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:05, 9:50, 10:30; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:45) 12:35, 2:20, 3:00, 4:45, 5:25, 7:15, 7:50, 9:35, 10:10, 11:55 Sun. (11:45) 2:20, 3:00, 4:45, 5:25, 7:15, 7:50, 9:35, 10:10; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:05) 12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:15, 11:50 Fri.-Sat. (10:05, 10:40, 11:25) 12:50, 1:30, 2:15, 3:40, 4:20, 5:05, 6:30, 7:10, 7:55, 9:15, 10:05, 10:45, 11:50 Sun. (10:05) 12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:15 Sun. (10:05, 10:40, 11:25) 12:50, 1:30, 2:15, 3:40, 4:20; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15) 1:25, 4:25, 7:15, 10:15; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:35) 1:35, 4:30, 7:35, 10:25; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 12:05, 2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00, 12:10 Fri.-Sat. (10:25) 12:55, 3:20, 5:45, 8:10, 10:35 Sun. (10:25) 12:55, 3:20, 5:45, 8:10 Sun. 12:05, 2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:20) 12:10, 12:45, 2:30, 3:10, 4:55, 5:35, 7:20, 8:00, 9:40, 10:20; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:00) 12:25, 1:05, 4:15, 6:45, 7:25, 10:40 Sun. (10:00) 12:25, 1:05, 4:15, 6:45, 7:25; **The Strangers** (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:10) 12:15, 2:20, 4:40, 7:05, 9:25, 11:40 Sun. 2:20, 4:40, 7:05, 9:25; **What Happens in Vegas** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 8:05, 10:40 Sun. 8:05, 10:30; **You Don’t Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:40) 2:25, 4:05, 5:10, 7:45, 9:45, 10:25, 12:15 Sun. (11:40) 2:25, 4:05, 5:10, 7:45, 9:45, 10:25

STATE UNIVERSITY

**Ken**  
*4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)*  
**Jaws** (PG-13) Sat. 11:55p.m.; **Up the Yangtze** (Not Rated) Fri. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30 Sat.-Sun. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30

UPTOWN

**Hillcrest Cinemas**  
*3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)*  
**Bigger, Stronger, Faster** (PG-13) Fri. 2:20, 5:00 Sat.-Sun. 11:40, 2:20, 5:00; **The Fall** (R) Fri. 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 10:05 Sat.-Sun. 11:10, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 10:05; **Mongol** (R) Fri. 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45 Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45; **The Promotion** (R) Fri. 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 9:35 Sat.-Sun. 11:30, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 9:35; **The Visitor** (PG-13) Fri. 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55 Sat.-Sun. 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55

**Museum of Photographic Arts**  
*1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)*  
Call theater for program information

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**  
*1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)*  
**Africa: The Serengeti** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00p.m.; **Grand Canyon Adventure: River at Risk** (NR) Fri. 1:00, 5:00, 9:00 Sat. 1:00, 5:00, 7:00 Sun. 1:00, 5:00; **Mummies: Secrets of the Pharaohs** (NR) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 8:00 Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00 Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; **Ring of Fire** (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00p.m.; **Sea Monsters 3D: A Prehistoric Adventure** (NR) Fri. 3:00p.m. Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 3:00; **Sea Monsters: A Prehistoric Adventure** (No Rating) Fri. 3:00p.m. Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 3:00

**San Diego Natural History Museum**  
*1788 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-232-3821)*  
Call theater for program information

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

**Parkway Plaza 18**  
*405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri. (11:00, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri. (11:45, 2:10, 4:40) 7:05, 9:30  
Call theater for program information

LA MESA

**Grossmont Center 10**  
*5500 Grossmont Center Drive (619-465-7100)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13); **The Happening** (R); **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13); **Indiana Jones and**



the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (PG-13); **Kung Fu Panda** (PG); **The Love Guru** (PG-13); **Sex and the City** (R); **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13)

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Rancho San Diego 15**  
*2951 Jamacha Road*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:35, 1:55) 6:30; **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:45, 10:15, 10:45; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:50, 4:25) 6:55, 7:25, 9:40, 10:00; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:20, 10:50, 11:20, 1:05, 1:35, 2:05, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50) 6:50, 7:20, 7:40, 9:55, 10:25, 10:55; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:55, 1:55, 4:55) 7:55, 10:40; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:40, 1:40, 4:40) 7:45, 10:50; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 10:45, 1:00, 1:30, 3:35, 4:05) 6:45, 9:30; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 12:55, 3:40) 7:10, 9:35; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 1:20, 4:35) 7:50, 11:00; **The Strangers** (R) Fri.-Sun. 9:50p.m.; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:25, 1:10, 3:55) 7:15, 10:20

SANTEE

**Santee Drive In**  
*10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun.; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun.

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

**Chula Vista 10**  
*Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:45, 3:00) 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:45; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15) 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 10:00, 10:45; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:45, 3:45) 7:00, 10:00; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 10:45, 12:30, 1:00, 2:45, 3:30) 5:15, 6:00, 7:30, 8:15, 9:45, 10:30; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:30, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

**Otay Ranch 12**  
*Eastlake Parkway at Olympic (858-558-2262)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13); **The Happening** (R); **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13); **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13); **Iron Man** (PG-13); **Kung Fu Panda** (PG); **The Love Guru** (PG-13); **Sex and the City** (R); **The Strangers** (R); **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13)

**Palm Promenade 24**  
*770 Dennery Road (858-558-2262)*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG); **Get Smart** (Pg-13); **The Happening** (R); **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13); **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13); **Iron Man** (PG-13); **Kung Fu Panda** (PG); **The Love Guru** (PG-13); **Sex and the City** (R); **The Strangers** (R); **What Happens in Vegas** (PG-13); **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13)

**Rancho Del Rey 16**  
*East H Street (619-216-4707)*  
Call theater for program information

IMPERIAL BEACH

**South Bay Drive-In**  
*2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)*  
Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

**Plaza Bonita 14**  
*3030 Plaza Bonita Road (858-558-2262)*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG); **Get Smart** (Pg-13); **The Happening** (R); **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13); **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13); **Iron Man** (PG-13); **Kung Fu Panda** (PG); **The Love Guru** (PG-13); **Sex and the City** (R); **The Strangers** (R); **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13)

NORTH INLAND

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

**Carmel Mountain 14**  
*11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13); **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13); **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13); **Iron Man** (PG-13); **Kung Fu Panda** (PG); **The Love Guru** (PG-13); **Sex and the City** (R); **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13)

ESCONDIDO

**Escondido 16**  
*350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:05a.m.); **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri. (10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 1:15, 1:45, 2:15, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00) 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 1:15, 1:45, 2:15) 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30; **The Happening** (R) Fri. (12:00, 2:20, 3:05, 4:50) 5:30, 7:20, 8:00, 9:50, 10:35 Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20, 3:05) 4:50, 5:30, 7:20, 8:00, 9:50, 10:35; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri. (10:00, 10:50, 12:10, 1:05, 1:55, 3:00, 3:50, 4:40) 6:35, 7:25, 8:10, 9:35, 10:40, 11:00 Sat. (10:00, 10:50, 12:10, 1:05, 1:55, 3:00, 3:50) 4:40, 6:35, 7:25, 8:10, 9:35, 10:40, 11:00 Sun. (10:00, 10:50, 12:10, 1:05, 1:55, 3:00, 3:50) 4:40, 6:35, 7:25; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 2:25) 6:40, 9:40; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 3:55) 7:05, 10:05; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri. (9:50, 11:15, 12:15, 1:40, 2:40, 4:05, 5:05) 6:30, 7:30, 8:55, 9:55 Sat.-Sun. (9:50, 11:15, 12:15, 1:40, 2:40) 4:05, 5:05, 6:30, 7:30, 8:55, 9:55; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri. (10:45, 11:45, 1:30, 2:30, 4:20, 5:15) 7:00, 7:55, 9:45, 10:45 Sat.-Sun. (10:45, 11:45, 1:30, 2:30) 4:20, 5:15, 7:00, 7:55, 9:45, 10:45; **Sex and the**

**City** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 3:20) 6:50, 10:15; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri. (10:15, 1:00, 4:10) 6:55, 10:20 Sat.-Sun. (10:15, 1:00) 4:10, 6:55, 10:20

FALLBROOK

**River Village 6**  
*5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)*  
**Big Screen Safari** (NR) Sat.-Sun. (10:30a.m.); **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:15) 5:00, 7:30, 10:15; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:45) 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 4:45, 7:00, 9:30

POWAY

**Poway 10**  
*13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:45, 3:00) 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:45; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:30, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Indiana Jones and the**

**Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:45, 3:45) 7:00, 10:00; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri. (10:45, 2:00) 4:45, 7:45, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (2:00) 4:45, 7:45, 10:30; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 10:45, 12:30, 1:00, 2:45, 3:30) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri.-Sun. 6:00, 9:00; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

SAN MARCOS

**San Marcos 18**  
*1180 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)*  
Call theater for program information

VISTA

**Vista Village**  
*Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)*  
**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 2:05); **Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 11:45, 1:45, 2:25, 4:20, 5:00) 7:00, 7:40, 9:45, 10:30; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:25, 4:45, 5:20) 7:05, 7:45, 9:25, 10:10; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 11:40, 12:10, 1:40,

2:15, 2:50, 4:20, 4:55, 5:30) 7:00, 7:35, 8:10, 9:40, 10:20; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:35, 4:25) 7:10, 10:00; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:50, 1:40, 4:30) 7:25, 10:15; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:40, 12:20, 1:00, 2:40, 3:20, 5:00, 5:40) 7:20, 8:00, 9:40, 10:20; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 11:10, 12:45, 1:25, 3:00, 3:40, 5:15, 5:50) 7:35, 8:15, 9:50, 10:35; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 4:05) 7:15, 10:20; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:10, 4:45) 7:30, 10:05

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

**Plaza Camino Real**  
*2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:45, 4:20) 7:00, 9:30; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:05, 4:40) 7:15, 9:45; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:05, 3:15) 5:25, 7:30, 9:35; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 5:05, 7:40, 10:05

DEL MAR

**Del Mar Highlands 8**  
*El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:45, 3:00) 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:45; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri. (10:15, 1:00) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (1:00) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **Iron Man** (PG-13) Fri. 6:00p.m. Sat.-Sun. 6:00, 9:00; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 11:00, 12:15, 1:30, 2:45, 3:45) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; **The Love Guru** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:15, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 2:00) 4:45, 7:45, 10:30

**Flower Hill 4**  
*2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; **Sex and the City** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; **Then She Found Me** (R) Fri.-Sun. (3:15) 8:15; **The Visitor** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:45) 5:45, 10:45

ENCINITAS

**La Paloma**  
*471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)*  
**Bra Boys** (R) Sat.-Sun. (4:00) 7:00, 9:05


LA COSTA

**La Costa 6**  
*6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)*  
**Get Smart** (Pg-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **The Happening** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 10:30; **Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; **You Don't Mess with the Zohan** (PG-13) Fri. (10:15, 1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

OCEANSIDE

**Mission Marketplace 13**  
*College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)*  
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★★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Sangre de Mi Sangre** — Feature debut of writer-director Christopher Zalla, an illegal-alien drama located in Brooklyn. (GASLAMP 15)

**Sex and the City** — The big-screen resuscitation of the defunct HBO series (1998-2004) runs, or better say sashays, two hours and twenty minutes. That's a lot of clothes and accessories, a lot of accompanying pop songs, a lot of chatty first-person narration, a lot of superficiality, a lot of vacuity. Maybe it would help if you had followed these four bosom buddies — the stringy Sarah Jessica Parker, the Amazonian Kim Cattrall, the pop-eyed Kristin Davis, the pinched Cynthia Nixon — throughout their six seasons of looking for love. To be sure, there's not much looking anymore, and yet not much relating, either: the men, now that they've been landed, are little more than accessories themselves. Tempestuous developments do occur: one of the buddies neglects to wax her pubes, one of them poops her pants, one of them packs on a spare bicycle tire, and the remaining one dyes her hair. (Symptoms of bigger things, but even so.) Maybe, on the other hand, it would be better to follow these buddies no further. Written and directed by Michael Patrick King. 2008.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Strangers** — The debut of writer-director Bryan Bertino is a lowbrow (and low-blow) *Funny Games*, "inspired by true events," centered on a romantically rocky young couple (so, don't feel too bad for them, Liv Tyler, Scott Speedman: they were miserable already) terrorized by ghostly now-you-see-them-now-you-don't masked intruders at an isolated summerhouse. The grim outcome, as compared to that of *Funny Games*, is more blatantly signalled in a printed prologue ("The brutal events that took place there are still not entirely known") as well as in the flashback structure (preludial 911 call: "There's blood everywhere!"); and the assault on the viewer's nerves, even though slow to get started (the camera has the jitters well in advance), is more blunt and aggressive, if less potent and lingering. Inasmuch as the ghostly terrorizers are not actual ghosts, their ghost-like behavior raises the issue of their self-conscious mummery. Actual ghosts would be easier to believe, not to mention easier to stomach. 2008.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14)



Mongol

**Then She Found Me** — First-time director, co-writer, and co-producer Helen Hunt confers a nice big fat role on Oscar-winning actress Helen Hunt, at an age when roles of any size are fast drying up. (A do-it-yourself movie.) The forty-four-year-old leading lady portrays a thirty-nine-year-old teacher whose biological clock has started ticking loudly. In rapid succession, her new husband abandons her, a potential replacement heaves into view the next morning, her adoptive mother dies, and her unknown birth mother contacts her out of the blue. Oh, and she passes a home pregnancy test, bringing her namby-pamby husband back into the picture. Most of this, a girl-talk toot, is played for dish-the-dirt titters. Bette Midler, as the biological mother, will tend to turn anything into shtick, and the reliable Matthew Broderick and Colin Firth, as the old and new prospects respectively, are pretty much limited to one note apiece. (Salman Rushdie, wildly out of his element, sees the light of day as an obstetrician.) Hunt, however, with her drawn face, downturned mouth, roadmap of worry lines, and courage in displaying all this, appears more like a figure of Greek tragedy, an Electra maybe, even a Medea. A purging outburst of anger at her mendacious mother, the movie's top highlight, confirms this impression. The denouement turns out to be unexpectedly touching. Which is an oblique way to say that the preceding had prepared us for less. 2008.

★★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 6/20; GASLAMP 15)

**21** — Takeoff from a true story, presumably far, far off, about a team of MIT math whizzes who, drilled by a Mephistophelean mentor on the faculty, visit Vegas on weekends to beat the house at blackjack. The film is not able to make the frowned-upon practice of "card counting" comprehensible, much less cinematic (unless you consider fast-shuffle editing to be cinematic), but then it's not really interested in mental acumen and application, only in the rewards and perks: a run-of-the-mill Sin City

fantasy (dazzling montage of casino neon, top-of-the-world luxury suite, strip club, stacks and stacks of hoarded chips) in which the natural-born nerd can forget who his friends are, become somebody different, go around acting like a cross between Richard Gere in *Pretty Woman* and Michael Douglas in *Wall Street*. Director Robert Luketic, whose lightweight credits consist of *Legally Blonde*, *Win a Date with Tad Hamilton*, and *Monster-in-Law*, permits himself to be entranced by the fantasy, serving more as press agent than reporter, greasing the wheels for a smooth ride, picking compatible pop songs for tempo. Jim Sturgess is Young Paul McCartney cute as the whizziest math whiz, or in other words a fantasy figure from the get-go. (If he's so bright, why is he piling up hundreds of thousands of dollars in the ceiling of his dorm room instead of in a bank?) Kate Bosworth is a still more distorted fantasy of the Smart Girl. And Kevin Spacey, who gets all the snappiest dialogue, puts his innate repulsion to good use as the manipulative mentor, the adult authority figure who, in order to complete the fantasy, must finally be overthrown. The most sympathetic figure, even when (perhaps especially when) he's slipping rings onto his fingers for a brass-knuckle work-over, is Laurence Fishburne as an old-school casino watchdog who's being phased out by computer software. 2008.

● (GASLAMP 15)

**The Unknown Woman** — Giuseppe Tornatore's uncharacteristic stab at a *giallo*, an erotic thriller Italian-style, or, as the genre was ingenuously known in its Sixties and Seventies heyday, a "sexy-thrilling." The film begins in a fog of intrigue — a comely Ukrainian immigrant, bedevilled by brief, almost subliminal flashes of flesh and rope, worming her way into the position of nanny for an accident-prone little girl — and the fog thereafter only thickens. What's she up to? What has she been through? Any tentative hypotheses you might form are sure to fall short of the full story. And yet the plot twists are not so loopy as to overpower centripetal force and to send credibility hurtling off into space. It requires a tight rein. At times Tornatore could stand comparison with Hitchcock (in lieu of his usual point of comparison, Fellini), though the Bernard Herrmann-esque score of Ennio Morricone, in the pulsing, revving, driving vein of *North by Northwest*, *Vertigo*, *Psycho*, invites more of this comparison than the director can truly stand. All the same, the high polish of his technique goes far to counteract the luridness of the material: the couple of strong-arm thugs in Santa suits, the veteran character actor Michele Placido as a hairless ogre called "Mold," the gradual fleshing-out of those fleshy flashbacks, tawdrier and tawdrier. (The fog finally clears.) And the Russian-born leading lady, Ksenia Rappoport, with

her haunted and hunted look, starved face and bug eyes, smoldering fire and subtle shading, makes a very strong showing. Claudia Gerini, Clara Dossena, Pierfrancesco Favino, Margherita Buy, Angela Molina. 2006.

★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Up the Yangtze** — Canadian filmmaker Yung Chang documents the impact of the Three Gorges Dam hydroelectric project in China.

(KEN, 6/20 THROUGH 26)

**The Visitor** — Deep absorption, at the start, in the enclosed world of a dour Connecticut college professor, the classroom, the private office, the school cafeteria, the empty hours at home where, to fill the void left by his late wife, a concert pianist, he tries desultorily to master the instrument himself, late in life. Then a reluctant change of scene, when he is forced out of his orbit, under departmental orders, to attend a Developing Nations Conference in New York City, where he finds his unused apartment occupied by two squatters, a musician from Syria and a jewelry designer from Senegal, husband and wife, Muslims both. The initial shock gives way to starchy hospitality (he never shows as much curiosity as the viewer might wish about the identity of the mysterious "Ivan" who rented out the apartment), and the walls of his world expand little by little, exposing the touching and amusing spectacle of an introverted man opening up, taking a stab at warmth, attempting something new, discovering that the African drum (which gets his head moving like a bobblehead doll) is more his instrument than the classical piano. The film takes a dire turn before the halfway point with an illustration of Racial Profiling and the incarceration of the happy-go-lucky street musician in a detention center for illegals: a bit of hot topicality to give the story Relevance, Significance, Importance. That notwithstanding, it presents just one, small, personal story of the post-9/11 world, not a Big Sweeping Statement. For all its liberal sentimentality, it indulges in no outsized emoting. And it offers a meaty role to Richard Jenkins, an able character actor, never the lead, who nibbles at the meat with proper restraint, hiding his avidness and gratitude. (With an eye on the most modest box-office, and with but a minor cost to integrity, the role could have been offered to more of a household name, a Richard Gere, a Kevin Kline.) Haaz Sleiman as the blissfully ungaurded drummer, Danaï Gurira as his fearfully guarded mate, and Hiam Abbass as his dignified and elegant mother, in from Michigan to stand vigil outside the austere United Correctional Corporation, complete the ensemble, a dissonant quartet, resolving into sweetness. All four of them in their separate ways are painfully affecting. The outcome, although far from happy, could more plausi-

bly have been a lot farther from it. A statement is made after all, if only a quiet one. Written and directed by Tom McCarthy. 2008.

★★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**What Happens in Vegas** — What passes in the early 21st Century as a "rom-com." (The very term drips with derision: not fully romantic, not fully comic.) It pairs perfect strangers in a drunken impulse wedding in Sin City, whence they return to Manhattan with \$3 million in disputed winnings (a contrivance copied from Larry David's *Sour Grapes*), and are sentenced to six months of working at the marriage before an unsympathetic judge will grant a divorce or unfreeze their assets. What ensues is a belly-crawl to a foregone conclusion. Lake Bell, consigned to the secondary role of the bosom buddy, the heroine's confidante, the romantic hopeless, is funny three or four times, all the chances she gets. The two principals, selected from the A-list, Cameron Diaz and Ashton Kutcher, are, between them, funny never. They both look as though they were left too long in the oven. Rob Corddry, Queen Latifah, Dennis Miller; directed by Tom Vaughan. 2008.

● (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**When Did You Last See Your Father?** — Anand Tucker's adaptation of a memoir by British writer and poet Blake Morrison, probing his uncomfortable relationship with his blustering, bluffing, bulldozing dad, reviewed in flashback from the cancer-racked end. You can recognize some universal truths, but it's a distant recognition. The particulars do not strongly pull you in — in the manner, say, of *I Never Sang for My Father*. Jim Broadbent and Colin Firth are fine as father and son, although the latter character goes through two child actors as well, the second (older) one physically further from Firth than the first. The family maid on whom the boy had his first crush, meantime, remains the same actress, Elaine Cassidy, in his teen years as in his adult. With Juliet Stevenson, Gina McKee, Sarah Lancashire. 2007.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**You Don't Mess with the Zohan** — Adam Sandler's Israeli accent (plus his stammering multiple negatives: "No-no-no-no-no") seems like a sufficient base for a spy comedy revolving around a hirsute agent of Mossad, a sort of anti-*Munich* if you please. But the jokes stray a long way off the base and in diverse directions: the hero's superhuman powers (snagging a bullet in his nostril, doing no-hands pushups, etc.); his pursuit, in America, of his secret desire to cut hair ("I just want to make people silky smooth"); his time-warp sense of fashion, gleaned from a disco-era Paul Mitchell catalogue; his sexual predilection for grateful old biddies; his, or rather (one and the same) the writer-producer's, Pollyannish appeal for peaceful coexistence; and the hypocritical stigmatization, since *somebody* has to be the bad guy, of the corporate money-grubber — *anybody*, to be more particular, besides those altruists at Happy Madison Productions and Sony Pictures. Just as Sandler's accent could seem a sufficient comic base, John Turturro might seem an adequate comic adversary as a Palestinian terrorist and fast-food entrepreneur, but this would be hard to verify on the laugh-meter. There are good-sized parts, too, for an all but unrecognizable grease-painted Rob Schneider, Lainie Kazan, Nick Swardson, and Emmanuelle Chriqui as a Palestinian cutie-pie, and bite-sized parts for Shelley Berman, Chris Rock, Kevin Nealon, Mariah Carey, and John McEnroe — and not enough laughs to go around even were they sliced into thin smiles. Directed by Dennis Dugan. 2008.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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#### The Big Bang

The Lipbals are vacationing in Israel. They have, or have not, allowed Jed and Boyd to use their penthouse for a backer's audition of *The Big Bang*, a 12-hour musical history of the world. Audience members at the North Coast Rep are potential investors. Since the authors have only 90 minutes, they race through the centuries, hurdling five or six at a time, and slam on the brakes at Woodstock, ending with a list of names from popular culture and a whimper. The best part, along with Steven Withers's versatile keyboard: the duo ransacks the apartment for props and costumes and always gets a laugh (a pillow, minus the stuffing, becomes Columbus's jaunty cap). The rest of the show's hit and miss and clobber, if you count the racial stereotypes exploited for humor. The original authors, Jed Feuer and Boyd Graham, played themselves. At North Coast, Andrew Ableson and Omiri Schein haven't figured out how good they should be: too

polished and the frame tale doesn't work; too amateurish, the songs and impersonations don't. So they're somewhere in between, half into an accent or vocal riff, barely Frank Sinatra and Marlene Dietrich. The result, many of the numbers sound the same, and the overall joke wears out. Both actors, it becomes obvious, could do far better work if asked.

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#### Bye Bye Birdie

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#### Crazy for You

Called "a new Gershwin musical comedy" when first produced in 1992, *Crazy*'s actually a book, written by Ken Ludwig, used as a vehicle to feature many of Broadway's most unforgettable songs. As I watched Starlight's at times glitchy but entertaining opening night, I wondered what it would have been

like if *Crazy* were a genuine Gershwin musical. How would an audience, sometime in the 1930s, have felt hearing so many classics — "Embraceable You," "Nice Work If You Can Get It," "They Can't Take That Away from Me," and "Someone to Watch Over Me" — for the first time? Not to mention having "I Got Rhythm" as the Act One curtain! That would have been a miraculous, albeit temporary, antidote to the Depression. Bobby Child, NYC playboy, goes to Deadrock, Nevada ("the armpit of the West"), to foreclose a theater. Were this a melodrama, he'd be the mustache-twisting villain. But Bobby's a natural born hoover who just wants to dance. By musical's end, complications flop like fake Hollywood façades, and "Things Are Looking Up" for everyone. Amid reluctant drops, lapsed lighting cues, and a terse, oddly bland conclusion, the Starlight show features big tap numbers and talented, triple-jointed Dennis Clark as the indefatigable Bobby. Clark's also adept at the Groucho Marx-like groaner comebacks Ludwig sprinkles throughout the script. Clark and Barry Pearl, who plays the producer Bela Zangler, steal the show with "What Causes That?" — in which Clark dresses as Zangler and they mirror each other's actions (Pearl at one point observing "I'm beside myself"). Musical director Parmer Fuller, as always, has the orchestra in fine shape.

#### Worth a try.

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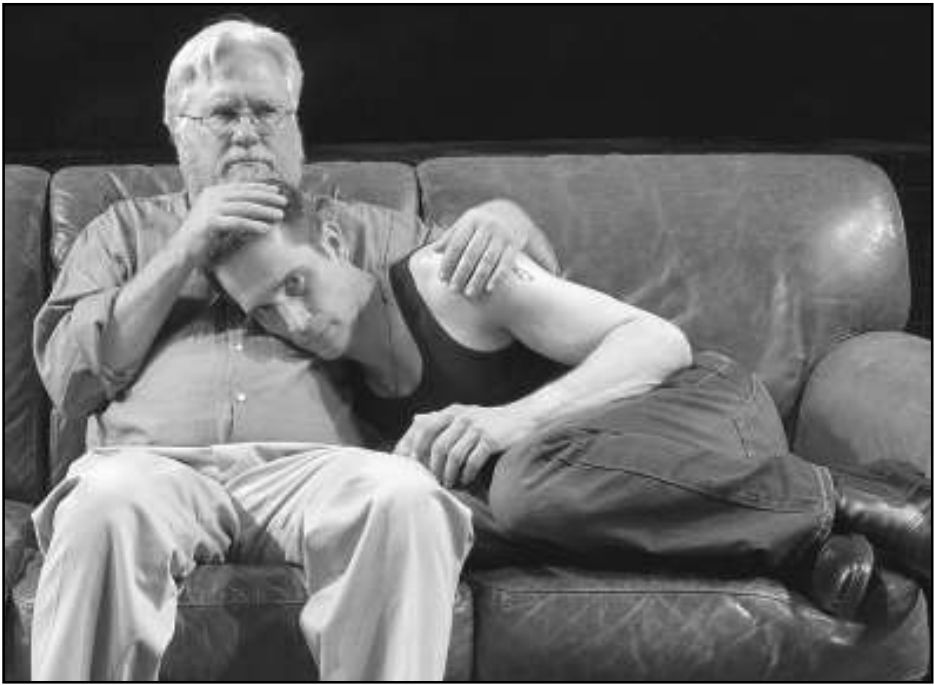
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Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked priests while grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. Using suggestions from the audience, they play "Emotional Sympathy," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners get booed; quick wit rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledge failure, abundantly, then forget it). It makes for a lively, often funny evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

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**'night Mother**

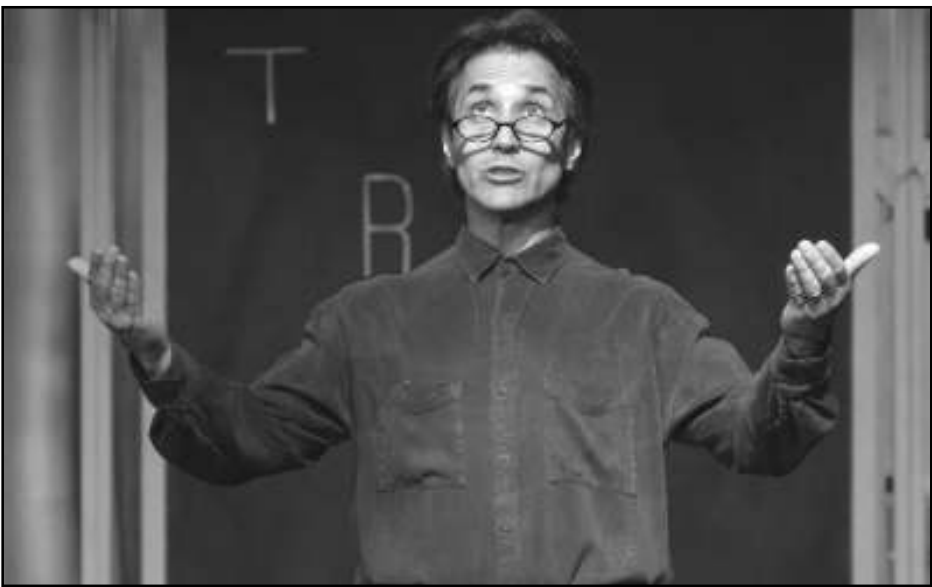
Jesse Cates wants this Saturday night to be “like every other night in the world.” She’ll do her mother Thelma’s nails, maybe have some cocoa. Early in Marsha Norman’s stark, bullet-train of a drama, you’d swear that Jesse’s the mother and Thelma’s the passive, dependent daughter. Jesse gives her instructions (using the washing machine, milk deliveries). Then Jesse raises her father’s pistol from a shoe box. She’s killing herself tonight, she says, as soon as she “feels good enough inside” to do it. For 90 minutes, which move with the inevitability of Greek tragedy, Thelma urges her daughter to pull back from the point of no return. Studies show that — as in *'night Mother* and Kroetz’s *Request Programme* (recently at Ion Theatre) — many suicides aren’t impulsive acts. Instead, the person becomes calm, even organized. It’s as if, having found a kind of clarity, termination’s the most rational choice. Norman offers reasons for Jesse’s decision but leaves out a defining one. She just needs to go. Thelma, whose life’s been a floor-to-ceiling misery, has several reasons for saving her daughter, among them not being left alone in “the quiet.” The brand-new Ascension Theatre Company, of Lemon Grove, has staged a gritty, capable production. Jo Dempsey’s doomed Jesse’s in complete, unwavering control. At times Dempsey hits notes so even-tempered that they’re eerie. Joan Westmoreland could ratchet up the desperation a bit more, but in the end reaches the condition where impulsive suicides commit the act. Under Charmen Jackson’s tight direction, this show merits a much larger audience than when I caught it.

**Worth a try.**

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**A Number**

Caryl Churchill’s 70-minute drama unfolds like a hall of slowly warp-



Robert Dubac’s *Male Intellect: The Second Coming!*

ing mirrors. The play opens with Salter, in his early 60s, talking to his 35-year-old son, Bernard. They refer to people and things. And things as people. Bernard, it turns out, is Salter’s son once-removed. He’s B2, a copy of the original, cloned by “some mad scientist.” And B2 isn’t the only one. For experimental reasons, or some Andy Warhol proliferation fetish, the scientist made 20 Bernards. Salter says they’re just duplicates, “things,” calling to mind the cyborgs in *Blade Runner*. B2 disagrees: they’re every bit as human as the original. They just weren’t first. In five terse, packed scenes, *A Number* combines nature with nurture. Different clones become different Bernards in a *Rashomon* of replication. For Cygnet Theatre, Francis Gercke plays B2 (sensitive, nervous), Bernard (the original: a thug, his tattoos the mark of Cain?), and Michael Black (who fell, so to speak, far from the tree). Whether flopping backwards on the leather sofa or doing violence to an orange, Gercke’s sharp, physical performance shows how different a similarity can be. As the various Salters (he’s different with each son), Douglas Jacobs verged on the strident, early on opening night, but became moving as Salter pays the price for playing God. Salter’s differences open up a counter-theme: Churchill suggests that each of us may be multiple, may already have “a number” of selves within

us. As she did with *Yellowman* at Cygnet, director Esther Emery took a script with no stage directions and filled it with theatrical life. Jungah Han’s midnight blue set, tile squares from floor to ceiling, could be a lavish, ancient Roman bath. Exposed caulking creates groupings. As the play’s theme takes hold, the clusters come to resemble chains of molecules. **Worth a try.**  
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**Robert Dubac’s Male Intellect: The Second Coming!**  
Robert Dubac’s sequel to his play *The Male Intellect: An Oxymoron?* promises “more truth, less” — actually it should be “fewer” — “lies.” Afflicted with too much male chauvinism, he tries to find a balance between his left brain (linear, rational) and his right (emotional). He labels the two hemispheres “male” and “female.” They aren’t, but anyway. In Act Two, having found his balance, he ventures behind the “door of truth” and gives us unvarnished, outside-the-box revelations (“there are no stars in *Dancing with the Stars*”). Although the tidy oppositions — women are this, men that — come from pop psychology (which has always been

allergic to multi-polarities), and though Dubac upholds stereotypes as much as he warps them, the show’s often quite funny. Some of the best material comes when his characters, like grumpy Uncle

Bob, say unexpected things. His repertoire includes magic tricks (demolishing a newspaper, clumping it together, and unfolding the pristine original), a quasi-mystical blackboard with key words embedded, and, the highlight, a cigarette in each ear performing “Dueling Banjos” from *Deliverance*. On opening night Dubac blasted through the evening as if he had a plane to catch. His characters’ accents often blurred the jokes, the punch lines in particular. Unlike most stand-up comedians, Dubac wants his audience to think. His show would be even better if he gave them time to do it.

**Worth a try.**

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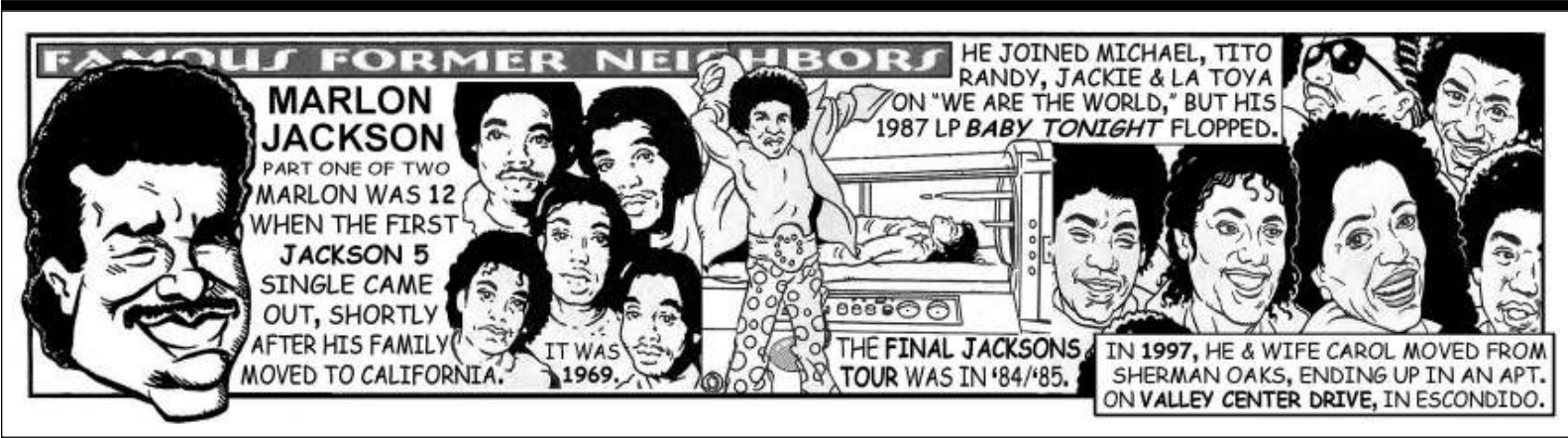
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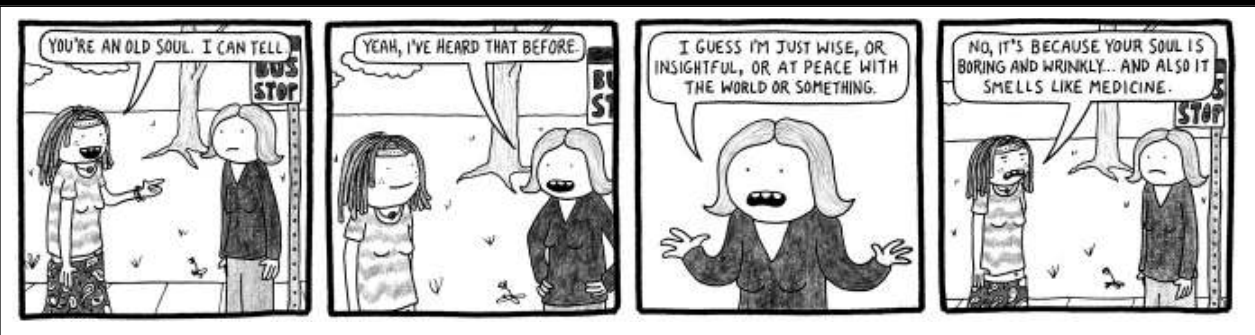
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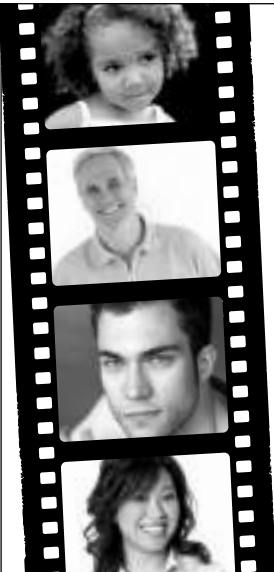
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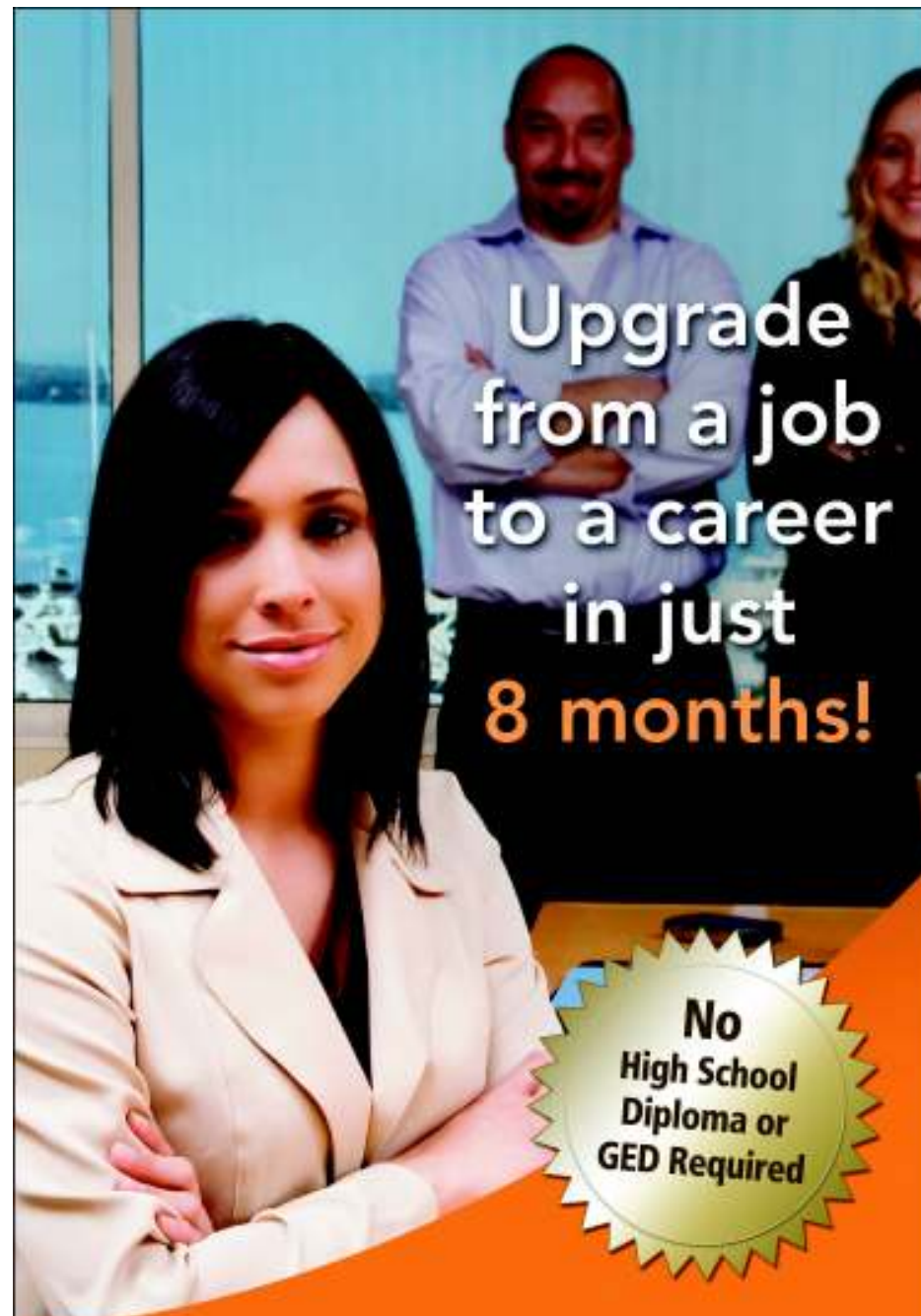
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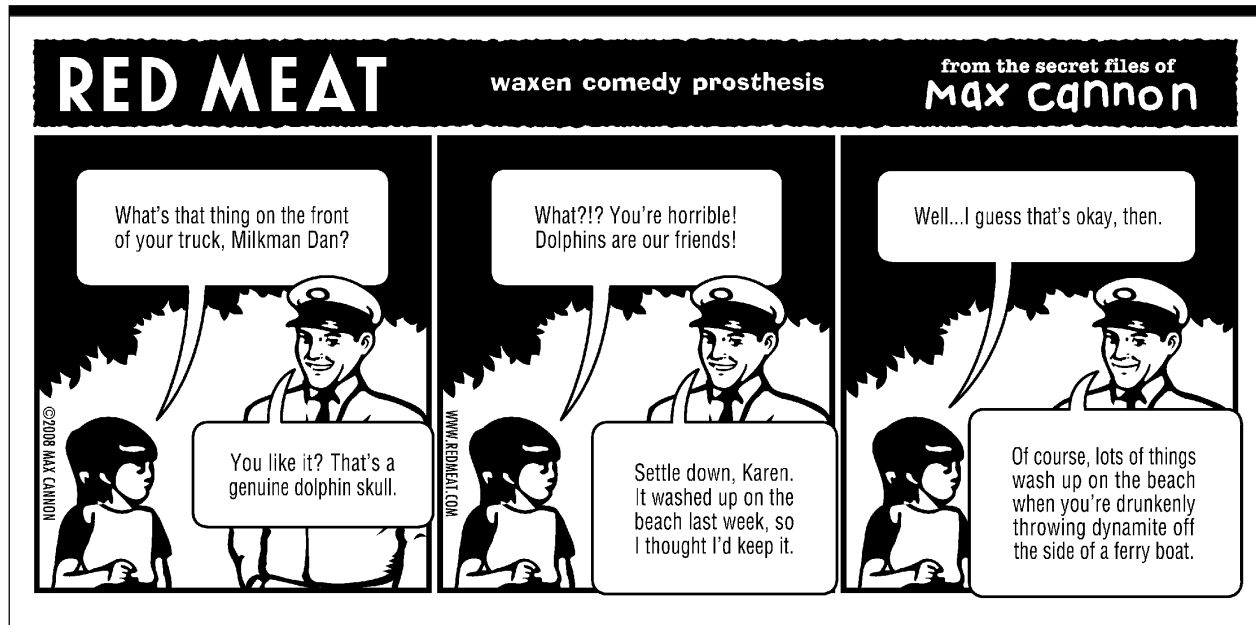
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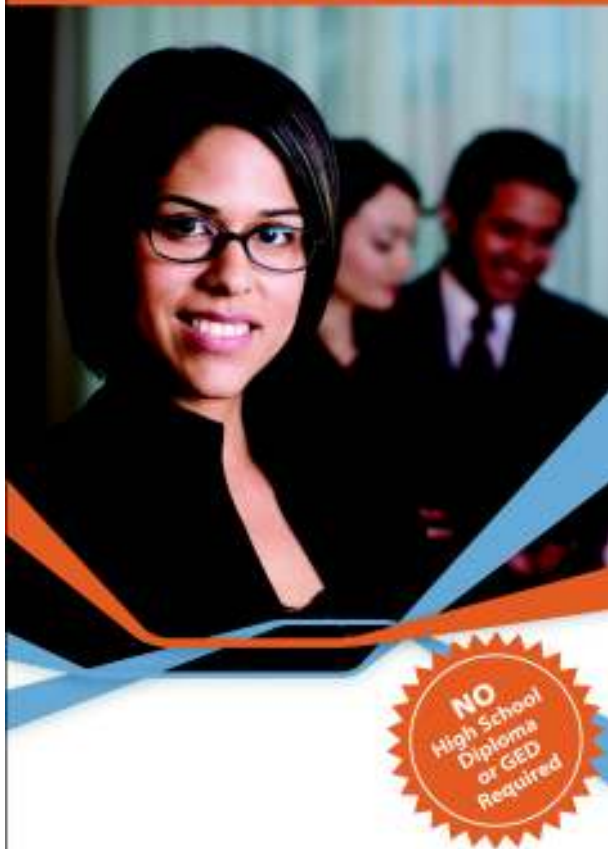
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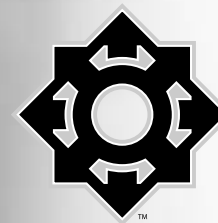
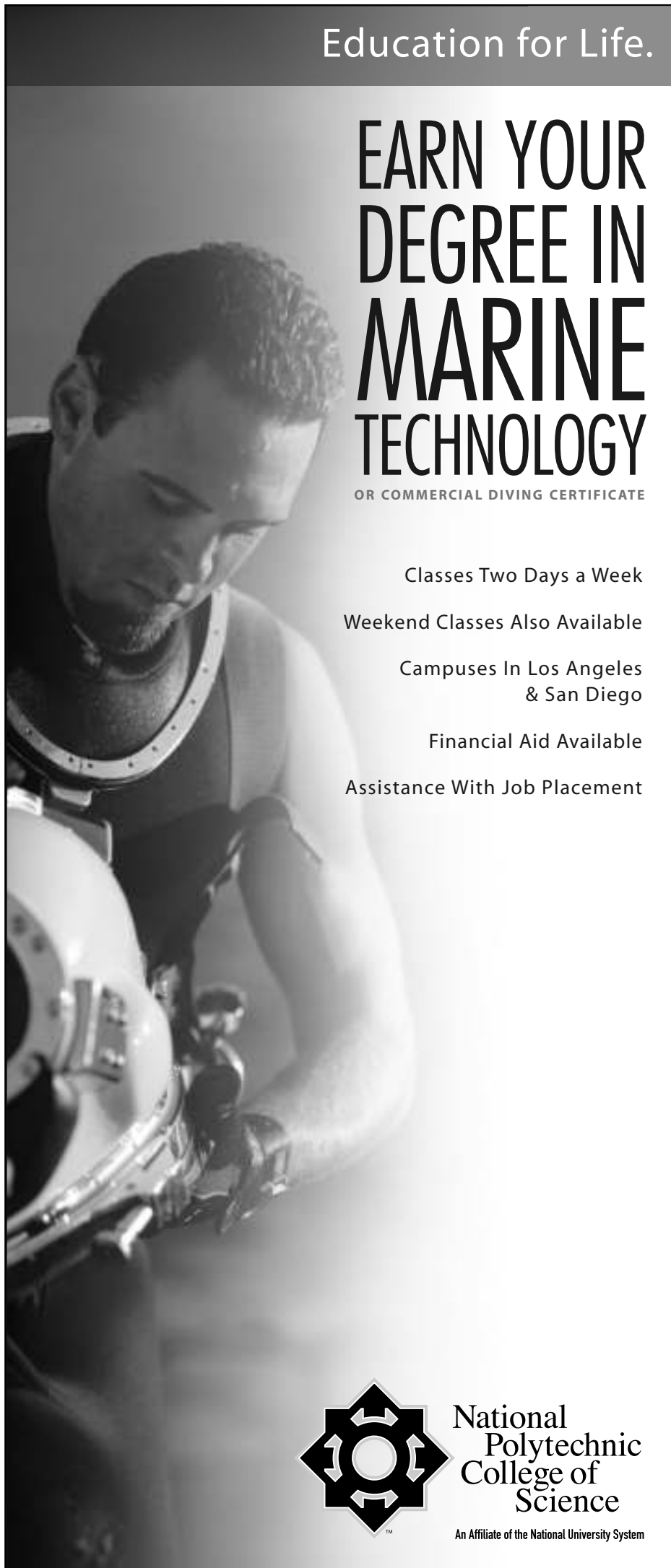
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REMEMBER, VICTOR, YOU'RE IN A TWO-STAR RESTAURANT. CHANCES ARE EVERYTHING'S FAIRLY GOOD.

MYRNA SUDDENLY REALIZES THAT IT'S HALF PAST EIGHT.

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A SALAD? BUT WHAT KIND OF A SALAD?

THAT SAME EVENING AT THE TABERNACLE OF THE BAREFOOT CONFESSOR...

BOTH OF THE FLOYD GIRLS WERE ABSENT TONIGHT.

PERHAPS OUR YOUNG MEN AREN'T GOOD ENOUGH FOR THEM? PERHAPS THEY DON'T "TURN THEM ON."

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## THE READER PUZZLE:

### RULES OF THE GAME

1) Each and every week we're going to make a list of EVERYONE who submits a Reader puzzle with the correct answers to the previous week's puzzle. And we're printing it, too! See the list of this week's contenders below.  
2) Whenever you successfully complete a puzzle, we'll also print a brief (10 words or less) personal message that you've written. This is optional, but it's a great opportunity for you to give a shout out to your mom, declare your support for a particular candidate, or toot your own horn! And each time you submit a new puzzle, you may submit a new message.  
3) And we're not done yet! We're going to keep track of how many puzzles you successfully complete. But your information will only be printed when you successfully complete a puzzle AND get it to us by the new puzzle deadline: 7:00 a.m., Monday, four days following the issue date.  
4) Entries must be faxed to 619-231-0489 or mailed to Reader Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803, or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India Street in Little Italy.  
5) And, we're still giving away five Reader T-shirts each week to contenders chosen randomly.

And now for the really small print:  
1) All answers must be entered in the spaces provided on the puzzle page.  
2) Entries that arrive after the deadline will not be considered.  
3) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.  
4) Employees of the Reader and their immediate families are not eligible.

### Across

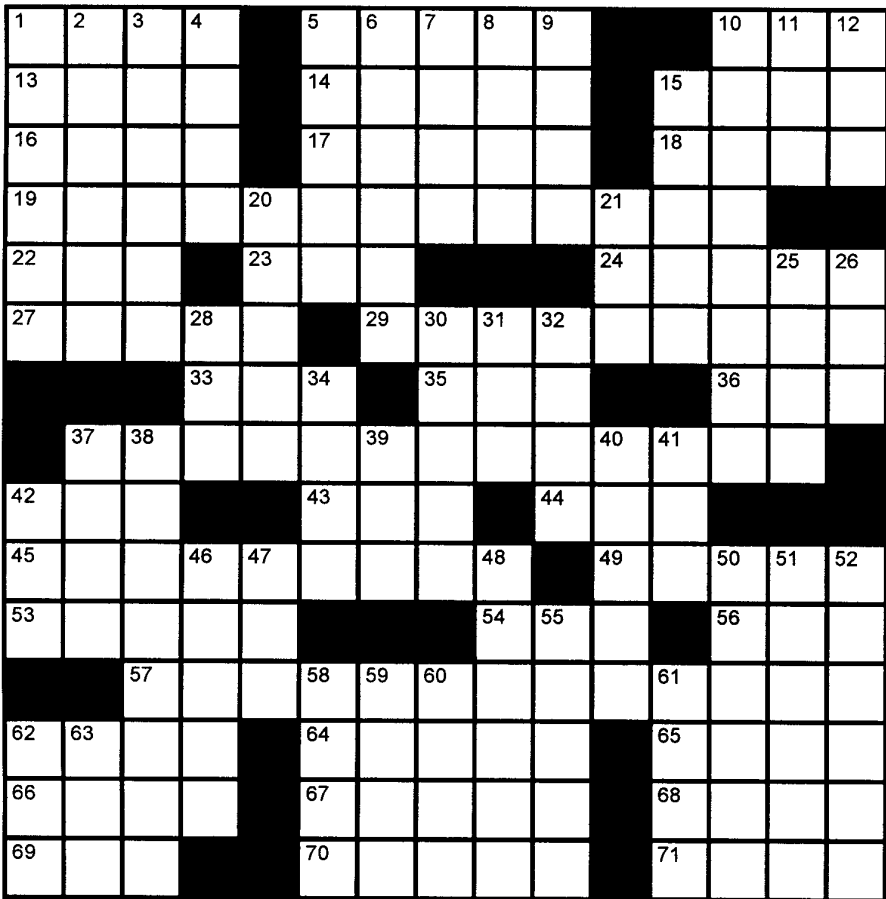
- Award given by the Spanish Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences
- "The Grapes of Wrath" family
- It may drop as one's amazement rises
- 1961 space chimp
- Actress Harmon
- "Munich" actor Eric
- Prefix with sphere
- Safari spottings

- Some old theaters
- Quantity of paper belonging to a '60s TV character?
- "\_\_\_\_\_ the Walrus"
- Culture-supporting org.
- 1991 Tony winner Daisy
- Some cap tossers
- What producers at Def Jam and Roc-A-Fella Records like to hear?
- Like Saturn
- Before, to poets
- Stephen of "FeardotCom"
- Santa Claus?
- Document used in some coll. admissions
- Do damage to
- Lawn moistener
- Family member who has integrity?
- Office aides
- Two-time loser to Dwight
- Org. with an acid rain hotline
- Afternoon hour in Italy
- Modern crime of which 19-, 29-, 37- and 45-Across are victims
- Stun
- Cacophonous
- Squabbling
- They're small and tender
- "Space Oddity" singer
- Memo phrase
- Foolish sort
- Laurel and Musial
- Up for it

### Down

- Subject of "The Pride of the Yankees"
- "In \_\_\_\_\_ and out ..."
- Dis subject, perhaps
- "\_\_\_\_\_ sure you know ..."
- Novelist Rona

- Bingeing
- Malarial symptom
- Actress Merrill
- Penn of "Mystic River"
- Utah senator who went into space in 1985
- Manuel's year
- Lived
- Hare's habitat
- Beginning
- Outlaw Kelly
- Miffed, after "in"
- Hush-hush org.
- J and No, e.g.
- Dupe
- Flight board abbr.
- Can't live without
- Floor model
- Lake created by Hoover Dam
- More than looks up to
- Dashed
- Went after
- Meadow mother
- Early ABC show, for short
- Grows dim
- Go quickly
- Keep
- Eur. erupter
- Image maker
- Parlor piece
- Funeral blazes
- Catches
- Easy pace
- 29th of 50
- Reagan cabinet member
- 1988 Meg Ryan thriller
- Solution: Abbr.



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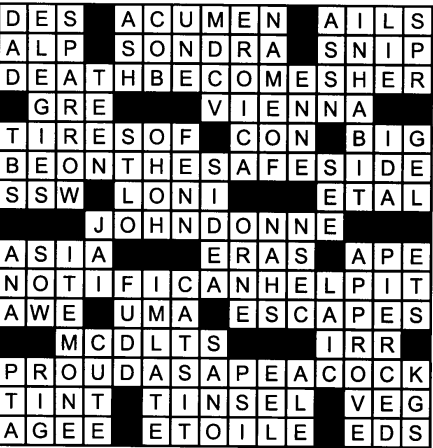
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### SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:



## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner

**Martha Klages, Encanto, 3.**  
**Julie Osburn, North Park, 2.**  
☛ **Karen Steepy, Bonita, 1.**  
**Joseph Dzajic, Clairemont, 1.**

**Pamela Swain, College Area, 1.**  
**Marc Gearhart, Imperial Beach, 1.**  
☛ **Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach, 1.**  
**Peter Kronfeld, Normal Heights, 1.**

**Sandra Groves, Bonita, 1.**  
**James Weis, Clairemont, 1.**  
**John Rosenbach, Escondido, 1.**  
☛ **Joi Taylor, San Diego, 1.**  
**Arno Safier, Hillcrest, 1.**  
**Trinaise Abbott, Rancho Bernardo, 1.**  
**Lillian Wagner, Clairemont, 1.**  
**Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 1.**

**Carolyn Dalton, Escondido, 1.**  
**Mercer Kepler, Clairemont, 1.**  
**Mike Crowley, Ramona, 1.**  
**Bob Maxwell, Coronado, 1.**  
**Elise Christensen, North Park, 1.**  
*"Old ladies rule!"*  
**Christopher Bailey, Encinitas, 1.**  
*"Proud father of Becky and Alex!"*

**Triton King, El Cajon, 1.** *"No, my daughter is not named Ariel!"*  
☛ **Rosemary Rinden, El Cajon, 1.**  
**Julie Hocking, Normal Heights, 1.**  
**Sophia Hampel, Downtown, 1.** *"I'd rather be hula-hooping"*  
**Ava Switzer, Point Loma, 1.** *"Girls just wanna have fun"*

**Jon Gardner, Encinitas, 1.** *"My mom cooks better than your mom"*  
☛ **Lester Torres, Carlsbad, 1.**  
**George Jackson, Oceanside, 1.**  
**Paula Henderson, La Jolla, 1.**

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**Last week's place: (clue: Yowler at the third jewel's theater?) Life-size sculpture of a coyote at the amphitheater in Mission Trails Regional Park, 1 Fr. Junipero Serra Trail, off Mission Gorge Road. It is one of a half dozen animal sculptures created by El Cajon artist Robert Berry. The park, which preserves 5760 acres as they were before Cabrillo arrived in 1542, is called the city's "third jewel," after Balboa Park and Mission Bay. (Last week's winners: Norma Whiting, Cheryl Old, Kimra Demkowski, Ofelia Gutierrez, Raul Flores)**

**Clue:** The palace of Shangri-Laos?

**Describe** this location, name the nearest cross-streets, and win a *Reader* T-shirt. E-mail to [NameThisPlace@SDReader.com](mailto:NameThisPlace@SDReader.com); fax to 619-231-0489; or mail to *Reader*, Name This Place, Box 85803, San Diego 92186 — include your name and address. Please put "Name This Place" in the subject line. (Deadline, Tuesday, 9 a.m. In case of ties, lottery will determine top five winners.)



**EL CAJON.** \$2075 per month. 1 year lease. 3 bedroom, 2 bath newly remodeled home within walking distance to Kaiser Hospital. Beautiful wood floors and huge two car garage with tons of storage. All appliances are included. Separate living room and dining room. Sorry, no pets, gardener is included. 4732 Tobey Street. Michael 858-597-6100 x321.

**ENCINITAS.** 3 bedroom charming older home, hardwood floors, Spanish fireplace. Share 1-acre, laundry, patios, fruit trees, barn with owner. Boat/RV/dog OK. \$2550. 858-204-1503.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$1195-\$1495. Tired of apartment living? Beautiful 2 & 3 bedroom manufactured homes offer spectacular hilltop views. Full-sized washer/dryer, some small yards. Peaceful community, sorry no pets. 1924 Sheridan Avenue. 760-745-1677.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1325. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, cute house in front of small complex. All appliances, close to all. 1142 20th Street. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1295. Completed remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath Craftsman home. Yard. Downtown views. Laundry. Hardwood floors. View deck. Street parking. No pets. Available now. Michael, 619-247-2114.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1599/month. 2 bedroom Craftsman. Living room, dining room, built-ins, country kitchen. Separate laundry room. Wood floors. Yard. Walk to Park. 2649 B Street. 858-568-5081.

**KENSINGTON.** \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Dining room. Hardwood floors.

Storage garage and more! 4638 West Talmadge. 619-793-4010.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1175. 1 bedroom, 1.5 bath house, refrigerator, stove, microwave, dishwasher, vaulted ceilings, barbecue area, courtyard. Fee. Free search at [www.westsiderentals.com](http://www.westsiderentals.com). 619-367-3333.

**LEMON GROVE.** Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. 2-car garage. Refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, fireplace, laundry hookup, air conditioning, fenced yard. \$1850 includes gardener. \$1800 deposit. 7084 Berry Park Lane. 619-475-8935.

**LINDA VISTA.** 3 bedroom 1 bath, near USD. 2 level. Large, fenced yard, pets OK. Ocean view deck, quiet culdesac. Utilities paid. \$1600. 858-427-4835. joekwak@sbcglobal.net.

**LITTLE ITALY.** \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath house, small deck, street parking. View! 2837 India Street. S&D Property Management. 619-640-7530. [www.sdforrent.com](http://www.sdforrent.com).

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house, hardwood and tile floors, fireplace, refrigerator, stove, microwave, dishwasher. Fee. Free search at [www.westsiderentals.com](http://www.westsiderentals.com). 619-367-3333.

**MISSION HILLS.** Incredible forested setting for 1914 Craftsman in the heart of downtown Mission Hills. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with loft. Wonderful cottage nestled in spruce/pines! Walk to shops, restaurants, theatres. Garage, hardwood floors, spa, decks, storage, fireplace, view. Walk-in closet, laundry. Available immediately. \$2495. Lease. 721 Bush. 619-224-2640.

**NORTH PARK.** Duplex, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$1450. Beautifully remodeled Craftsman, granite countertops, hardwood floors, washer/dryer, fenced deck. Must see. 2885 Gunn. Yvonne, 619-847-5740.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house, laundry, parking, close to all. 3818-1/2 Boundary. AMI Property Management. 619-697-6314.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1895. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. 2 blocks to beach. Large living room and master bedroom, patio, yard, garage and carport, fireplace and washer/dryer. Available 7/11. 1 year lease. No pets. 840 Agate Street. 858-926-6093. [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**PARADISE HILLS.** 5 bedroom, 2 bath home. Covered parking plus. Great room, fireplace, big yard (gentle dogs ok), plus more. References, deposit, credit. Lease: \$2100/lease option to buy. Approved Section 8 ok. Bob, 619-267-3003.

**POINT LOMA.** \$1200. 6 month lease. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Old charm. Freshly painted and clean! Yard. No pets. 4103 Voltaire Street. 858-270-4492 x203.

**RANCHO BERNARDO.** \$2400. Large 4 bedroom, 3 bath house, master downstairs, fenced yard. Nice neighborhood. 17359 Libertad Drive. [www.centrecity.net](http://www.centrecity.net). 619-296-6699.

**SCRIPPS RANCH.** \$2250. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, double garage with storage cabinets, all kitchen appliances, granite

countertops, washer/dryer hookups, large fenced yard. 858-549-8015.

**SOUTH PARK.** \$1550/month plus deposit. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house, wood floors, washer/dryer, yard. Available 6/05/08. Small pet OK. 2609 Montclair Street. 619-669-9953.

**SOUTHEAST SAN DIEGO.** 2 bedroom house, recently remodeled, large fenced yard. New kitchen/bathroom. Owner pays water. Section 8 available. Pets OK. \$1400/month. 619-463-0434.

**UNIVERSITY CITY.** \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, media room, jacuzzi tub, fenced yard, 2-car garage with storage room, washer/dryer, refrigerator, stove. Quiet street. 2753 Nansen Avenue. [www.centrecity.net](http://www.centrecity.net). 619-296-6699.

**VALLEY CENTER.** Woods Valley. \$4000. Over 4500 square feet. 4-car garage. On cul-de-sac. Brand new, move in anytime. Nonsmoking. No pets. Call for details, Not Notch Realty, Inc., 858-715-0688.

**VISTA.** 3 bedroom house, 2 acres. View. 2-car carport, room for RV. Washer/dryer. Upgraded appliances. Air, dishwasher, new carpet/paint. \$1950 plus deposit. 619-339-9951.

forever homes. Interested, call BAS, 619-231-6960.

**DACHSUND 20TH ANNUAL PICNIC** in Balboa Park on Sunday July 27th at 12noon, corner of Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. 858-342-3309. [www.sddc.us](http://www.sddc.us). It's a dachhund round-up!

**DOG LOVER?** Baja Animal Sanctuary is looking for volunteers who are willing to foster dogs. We provide food, supplies, etc. All you need to provide is love. If you reside in North County please contact Patricia, 858-254-8733 or Judy 858-538-8350. If you reside South of La Jolla contact Alisa, 858-270-4056.

**DOGHOUSE,** small, plastic, excellent, good condition \$20. Cat scratching post, \$5. Fish tank, small, rectangular, \$10. Pet carrier, Samsonite, soft leather, \$15. Esccondido, 760-685-8291.

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**ALPINE.** 2 bedrooms. \$1355. Newly remodeled. Private garages, fireplaces, vaulted ceilings. Resort-size pool and spa. Alpine Woods, 1829 Arnold Way. 619-445-1341.

**ALPINE.** 55 and up. Spacious luxury living. 1 bedrooms, \$955. 2 bedrooms, \$1235. Up to \$1200 off! Creekside Meadows, 1750 Arnold Way. 619-445-2480.

**BALBOA PARK/East.** Forest-like setting. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1350. Vaulted ceilings, large balcony. Quiet. Near zoo. Carport. Gated. Laundry. No pets. 619-299-1530.

**BANKER'S HILL/DOWNTOWN.** \$1995. Super nice 2 bedroom condo, 1200 square feet, hardwood floors, 2 patios, fireplace, terrific view, washer/dryer. Pets OK. Available now. Call Steve, 619-696-7500.

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**BANKER'S HILL.** Upstairs one bedroom, \$1025. Classic Spanish building, Old World charm with coved ceilings. Laundry. Available July 1. 2003 Second Avenue. Agent, 619-260-1368. View at <http://www.sevilliemgmt.com>.

**BANKER'S HILL.** \$750. Studio apartment. \$200 off first month's rent! Great location. Close to all! No pets. 2027 Front Street #9. AMI Property Management, 619-697-6314.

**BANKERS HILL.** Studios \$665-\$780. One with harbor view, hardwood floors. Lovely apartments, many upgrades. Quiet, well-kept classic building designed by Gill. Appliances. Gas included. Laundry on-site. Near bus. No pets. 619-236-0452.

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erator, stove, microwave, yard, balcony. Fee. Free search at [www.westsiderentals.com](http://www.westsiderentals.com). 619-367-3333.

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**CHULA VISTA.** \$825. Extra large, lower 1 bedroom, 1 bath, cul-de-sac, new paint, all appliances, laundry, parking. Section 8 ok. 163 Glover #B. 619-804-3325.

**CHULA VISTA.** \$775/month. Low \$150 deposit. 1 bedroom, fully furnished. 2 blocks from Chula Vista Center and trolley. Off-street parking. Laundry room. 521 Park Way. Office open daily (near Fifth and G). 619-420-5084.

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**CHULA VISTA.** 4 bedroom, 2 bath. \$1895. Family room. New carpet, paint, upgrades. Large driveway. Close to all. No pets. \$1895 deposit/\$35 application. 619-422-3810.

**CHULA VISTA.** \$925. 1 bedroom in luxury property with central vacuum and air conditioning. Beautiful garden setting, controlled access parking, no pets. 144 Garrett Avenue. TTPM, 619-585-1959.

**CHULA VISTA.** \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. 2-story townhome features hardwood floors. Great mountain view from balcony. 1581 Sumac Place. [www](http://www).

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**PUPPY,** very sweet, large, German shepherd/pitbull mix, only 4 months old, has shots, great pet, \$50 to good home. 619-303-9850.

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**CITY HEIGHTS.** 3813-H 47th Street. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. \$790. Deposit \$400. dc@sdcpm.net. SDCPM. 619-220-4840, x107.

**CITY HEIGHTS.** 1 bedroom. 4240 46th Street. Gated, secure, parking, vaulted ceiling, upstairs. \$695/month. 619-301-8654.

**CITY HEIGHTS.** \$950/month. Upper 2 bedroom, 1 bath, new tile/carpet, ceiling fan, stove, refrigerator. On-site laundry. Section 8 OK. Nonsmoking. No pets. 619-287-0626.

**CITY HEIGHTS.** \$725. 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator. Carpet. Gated. Assigned parking. Laundry on site. No pets. 4336 Estrella Avenue. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**CITY HEIGHTS.** \$625. Studio. All utilities included. Laundry, street parking. 3769 47th Street #C. S&D Property Management. 619-640-7530. www.sdforrent.com.

**CITY HEIGHTS.** Move-in special! Very large, beautifully upgraded 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1095, and 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$720. New carpet, paint and kitchen counter. 5450 University Avenue. Agent, 858-560-1178.

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**CLAIREMONT.** \$1365 plus deposit. Huge, over 1200 square feet, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, upstairs, fresh paint, wood burning fireplace, 5 closets, balcony, carport, (2 cars) laundry room, limited access. In-door kitty OK. 858-337-8054 or 858-565-0772.

**CLAIREMONT.** \$1235. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Gated. Pakring. Pool. 5188 Balboa Arms. Call 858-541-7683.

**CLAIREMONT.** \$875. 1 bedroom with patio. Downstairs. Pool. Laundry. Off-street parking. No pets. Close to I-163. 7322 Mesa College Drive. 858-560-6204.

**CLAIREMONT.** \$1425. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. 1-car garage. Patio/yard. Pet considered. Available 7/5. 4181 Chippewa Court. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

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**COLLEGE AREA.** \$1350. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment in contemporary building, central air conditioning. Security, underground parking. Year lease. 4742 Seminole Drive. Call 619-469-0031.

**COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE.** Large studio \$695. Gated, very nice. Air conditioning, patio, washer/dryer, utilities included. 4419 51st Street. 619-517-7119.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$875 rent. \$600 deposit, OAC. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry. Parking lot. No pets. At 6735 El Cajon Boulevard #B-5. 619-299-8515.

**COLLEGE AREA/LA MESA.** \$750 rent. \$600 deposit, OAC. Large 1 bedroom detached cottage. Open daily 3:30-6pm. No pets. At 4859 Jessie Avenue (east of 73rd). 619-299-8515.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$1300. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. 1-car garage plus additional space. Gated community. Laundry hookups. Nonsmoking. Available now. \$1300 deposit. 619-429-6928.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$885-\$950. Large 1 bedrooms, quiet gated community. New paint/carpet, pool, laundry (with yard). Near shopping, restaurants, bus. Cat OK. 4666 63rd Street. 619-286-1376.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$750-\$775. 1 bedroom. Near shops. Laundry room. No pets. 6769 El Cajon Boulevard. Apartments in rear courtyard. 619-464-0901.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$725-\$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Totally remodeled, all utilities paid with or without. Garage, laundry. Near all. 7232 El Cajon Boulevard #5, #9. 619-698-6911. www.goldenmanagement.com.

**COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE.** \$745. Nice 1 bedroom apartment. Quiet building, upstairs, large rooms. Coin laundry. Cat OK. 4438 Menlo Avenue. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

**COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE.** \$910. Large upper 2 bedroom, 1 bath, air conditioning, all appliances. Gated, laundry, parking. Small quiet complex. 4475 50th Street. 619-582-9672.

**COLLEGE AREA.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath. \$1500. Remodeled, very clean. Porch.

Washer/dryer. Bottom, corner unit. Large grass area. Pool. 5046 Collwood #57. 619-871-6909.

**COLLEGE AREA.** 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse, \$1150. On approved credit. Gated entry, laundry, air conditioning. Assigned parking. Pool. Cat OK. 4601 63rd Street. 619-229-9248.

**COLLEGE AREA.** Renovated 2 bedroom, 1 bath lower-unit apartment. Off-street parking, on-site laundry. No pets. No Section 8. \$980/month. 4908 67th Street. 619-565-7300.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo with tile, granite counters, custom paint, stainless appliances, walk-in closets. Pool, spa and gym. 858-598-1111. Utopiamgmt.com.

**COLLEGE AREA.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath from \$975. Internet access. Gourmet kitchen. Microwave. Gas range. Air conditioning/heating. Walk-in closet. Controlled access. Pool. Barbecue/picnic areas. Cat friendly. Parking. Walking distance to campus. Near bus and trolley. Aztec Pacific Apartments, 6663 Montezuma Road. Please call: 1-800-433-6120. www.pacificliving.com. www.sdreader.com/news/rent1042.

**COLLEGE AREA.** \$775. 1 bedroom in nice community. Pool, laundry, barbecue. Close to SDSU and all conveniences. No pets. Open House: Saturday, 9am-1pm, 4333 College Avenue. Agent 619-287-8380.

**COLLEGE.** 55+, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Gated. \$775/month, \$500/deposit. New carpet/tile, 600 square-feet, washer/dryer, air conditioning, dishwasher, small deck, courtyard. Near bus/shopping. Move-in special! www.innoreventerprises.com. 619-583-2454.

**COLLEGE/TALMADGE.** \$800/month, \$500/security, 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage-style apartment, carpeted, new tile/appliances, on-site laundry. No pets/smoking/Section 8. Available 6/25. 4520-52nd. 858-538-5013.

**DEL MAR.** \$1695. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse-style apartment. Stroll to Torrey Pines Reserve and Beach, restaurants. Parking. 12760 Via Cortina #1. TPPM. 858-699-3851.

**DEL MAR.** \$1200 studio unit with heated pool, spa, fitness center, outdoor cook center, parking space, microwave and more! 526 Camino Del Mar. 858-755-4721.

**DEL MAR.** Block to ocean! Ocean-view 2 bedrooms, \$1995-\$2295. Non-view 2 bedroom, \$1895. Washers/dryers, pool, spa. Gated, nonsmoking community. 201 Fourth Street. 858-481-9585; mikeatla@aol.com.

**DEL MAR.** Charming studio on quiet canyon in quaint old Del Mar. Kitchenette with refrigerator and cable tv. Furnished. Travertine tiled bathroom. \$900. 858-775-5999.

**DOWNTOWN, EAST VILLAGE.** Low \$400-\$700 deposits! Studios, 1 bedrooms, 2 bedrooms and 3 bedrooms from \$1060. Near Petco Park. Rooftop terrace. Controlled access. Washer/dryer. Dishwasher. Microwave. Patio/balcony. Walk-in closet. Air conditioning. Fitness center. Underground parking. Pets welcome. Entrada, 453 13th Street. www.

# Typo Patrol Results

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All found by **Linda Cox**, San Diego

“Send money,” \$30

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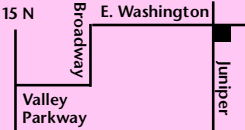
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Jacqueline Cabuto  
Legal Assistant  
Chula Vista

I went once. It was an old lady who I doesn't charge you. She had this trailer with her cats. It was kind of creepy. She shuffled cards seven times. She told me about my past and things from my future. She said someone I cared about was in the hospital almost dying. My mom had a tumor, so I believed what she was saying. She said I'd meet a guy that was tall and dark, but he'd be no good for me. Two weeks later, that happened. I believe this woman was a real psychic.



Tracy Ibarreta  
Medium  
San Diego

I've been to them. And, I'm an inactive spiritualist medium for the past few years, and it's very important to use this ability with positivity and good intention. There are different psychics with different styles of doing readings. A legit psychic would want the best for you and would never rip you off. I promote self-improvement to my clients and help them realize their own spiritual abilities because everyone has them.



Carla Dawson  
Waitress  
Scripps Ranch

I have never been to one. I have other things to spend my money on. I do believe in what they say, though. I know some people think they lie or they're just trying to rip people off. And there are probably some like that. But I do think there are ones out there that know what they are doing.



Devin Haupt  
Student  
San Diego

I haven't. And, I don't think I know anyone that has either. I would go, though. Absolutely. Whether or not you believe them...well, it depends what you're talking about. If you believe they're talking to dead people or if they are talking to people that are alive and answering questions about their future. Questions about what they do really can't be answered.



Tad Straub  
Author  
Ocean Beach

No. But I am one myself. I can always pick things up that are in other people's heads. I do that all the time. I always know how to please people. Sometimes I sense my mom can use a call. When I do, it turns out I'm right. I feel that most psychics are shysters, though. When people started charging...well, that's why on those commercials they have that disclaimer that says it's only for entertainment.

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You almost kind of expect to have some bad dates in your 20s. I've had my share: Still Living at Home Guy, Always on His Cell Phone Guy, Just Not Ready for a Relationship Guy, and most frightening of all: Disney-Obsessed Guy. But because the dating pool seems to shrink significantly as we age, I think there is something especially horrific about a bad date after age 30. I thought I had a more finely tuned Loser Radar by this point, but this one slipped by me.

I met him at a coworker's wedding. We were the only two singles at a table where all the happily marrieds were comparing job promotions and baby photos. He had piercing blue

# Dumped

## Mr. Pouty-Pants

eyes and a wicked smile. It was "like at first sight." We chatted all night, and then he walked me to my car. I was impressed by the fact that he acted like a gentleman and didn't try to maul me in the parking lot the way I've had other men do. We exchanged numbers and made plans for dinner later that week.

During the week he called every night, and we spoke for hours about life, love, and the perils of dating after 30. He was self-employed, owned his own home, and generally seemed to have a good head on his shoulders. I like guys who are really smart and

funny, and this guy was both. As Date Night drew nearer, I realized that I was actually excited about a first date for the first time in a long time.

He picked me up right on time, and we drove to a local seafood restaurant. As we approached the entrance, he patted his pockets and looked back toward the car. "Oh, crap, I forgot my wallet," he said. It was 7 p.m., and I was starving, so I said, "It's no problem — I can pay."

He was shocked and went on and on about how it just wasn't right for a girl to pay on a first date. He wanted to drive 20 miles back to

his house to get his wallet. I told him, "Look, you can pay me back or send me flowers or whatever makes you feel better, but, seriously, let's eat."

He finally relented but began pouting. He just wouldn't let it go. I rarely drink, but at that point I seriously considered ordering shots for both of us. He ordered an iced tea, so, okay, no alcohol. When he began acting out his sour mood with rudeness toward the restaurant staff, I knew that there would be no second date.

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I selected an Irish pub across the street. If I had to stay on this date, I was going to need a drink. At the pub he finally loosened up. We talked, and maybe it had something to do with the Jose Cuervo, but he started to seem more like the guy I had met and liked at the wedding.

I thought, okay, maybe he behaved badly at the restaurant because he felt so bad about forgetting his wallet. I started to warm up to him again.

He drove me back to my house and asked to use the bathroom before heading back out. I took the opportunity to grab a breath mint and freshen up a little. I walked him back to his car — and he got in without so much as a glance.

Hello? Are you kidding me? I was a good sport about paying for dinner. I was witty and entertaining.

And I was making myself available! I couldn't help myself — I blurted out, "I don't even get a goodnight kiss?" I should have known better. He got out of the car and came at me with his tongue hanging out like a Saint Bernard. I still gag when I think about that kiss.

What happened the next day? Thank goodness, absolutely nothing. No flowers, no phone call, no emails, no texts. I never had to deal with him again. I did hear later through a mutual friend that he was so embarrassed about the way

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My friends are all married. Most of them, anyway. Those

that aren’t yet are either committed or engaged.

Whenever I go visit a friend, the mother, aunt or grandmother asks me: “Are you single?” I answer, “No, I am FitEena.”

Of course I don’t say that, but I wish I could. Too bad I am such a polite, good-mannered girl (sigh).

I worry them. They ask me “Why? You’re a girl. You must marry!” I sigh again and shrug. I quit sighing the day they started thinking I was desperate because no one proposed to me. Now I scowl and shrug.

Some grandmas call me a spinster. I am 24 years old. Hilarious really, if it wasn’t so irritatingly sad.

I had this friend. B. was her name. We did three classes together. From form 2 (back when I was English ignorant) up to form 4. In form 3 we get to choose our subjects. In form 4 some of us go to either science, literature, or accounts sections. I was in no particular section.

I took English, French, Math — which are compulsory — Arabic, Commerce, Economy, Accounts, and Home Economics. What

Home Economics had to do with all the other subjects, I don’t know; I just loved eating and cooking and wanted to know what I shouldn’t be eating in order to lose weight put on from eating the food I loved cooking.

Anyway, B. and I were in Home Economics together. We did mock exams every two weeks to help us cope with the pressure of the real exams and also to master time management to make good use of the two hours allotted to us to do our cooking, setting up, serving, and washing up.

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I baked a cake that day. A sponge cake. Finger-licking good fruit-and-whipped cream sponge cake. That was the dessert. For the meal I

prepared a salade de cous-cous, grilled spicy chicken, tomato chutney, creamed lentils, and a fruit cocktail. Mrs. O. beamed at me when she came over to my already-set table. And I’d already done all my washing up. “Bravo,” she said to me. I went to sit and watch my fellow classmates at work.

What was B. doing? I learned it soon enough. Mrs. O. started yelling at poor B. Why? Because B. was still in step 1 of part 1 of her first dish — not meal, dish! She was deep-frying a drumstick.



You won’t believe this (even I couldn’t), but this girl had been frying chicken the whole two hours and done nothing, nada, zilch apart from that. And some of it was burnt. You know what? The

year after, she did not come to school. She’d gotten married during the holidays. Unbelievable.

I wonder sometimes what her husband, if he’s still alive and hasn’t starved to death, looks like.

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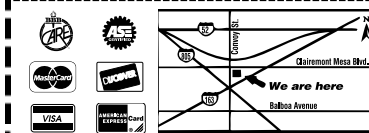
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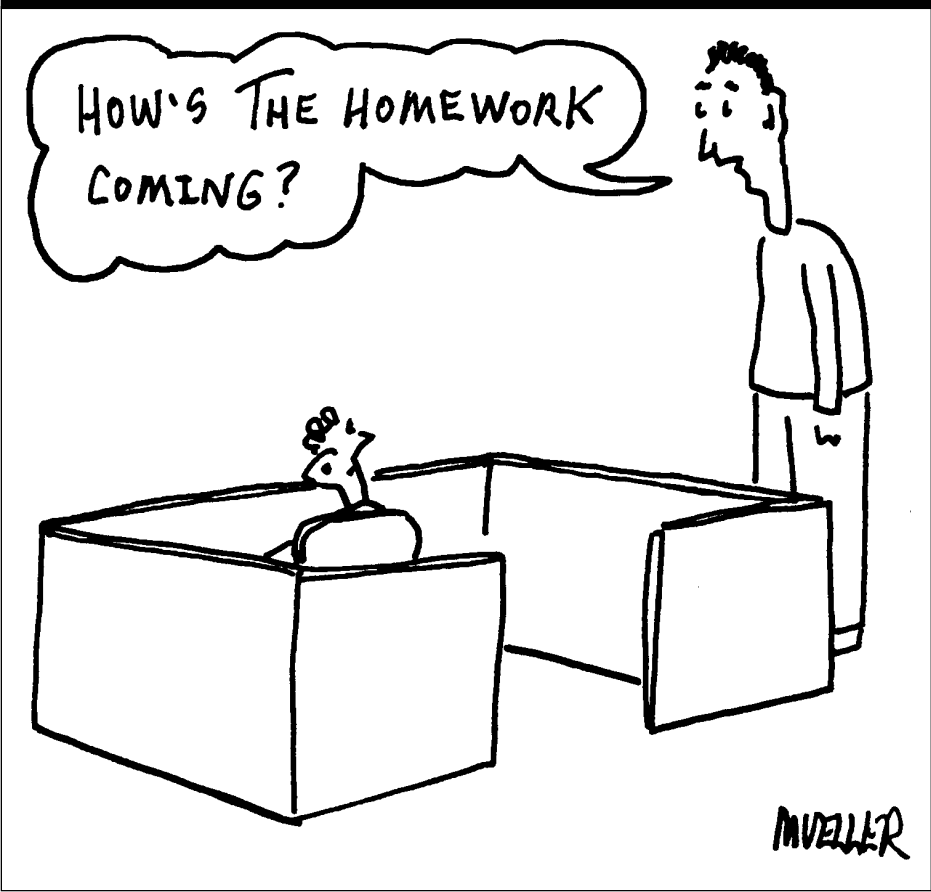
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### Thirty Years Ago

“Larry was so nice at first,” Mary sighed, recalling the nights she had spent in his warm embrace. “But then he started getting weird. He bought a big German shepherd and brought him to bed with us. He built a torture chamber in our basement — whips and chains and branding irons. He brought his friends over for orgies. He tied me up and beat me and raped me.”

“Oh, Mary!” Kathy consoled her. “That sounds terrible!”

“Well, it wasn’t that bad. I just thought I’d better leave before it got worse.”

—“**A PINCH OF PORN,**” *Janet Lane, June 22, 1978*

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

When the disco fad began to subside toward the end of 1979, the Bacchanal in Kearny Mesa was the first of the big local nightclubs to switch back to live rock music. A much-bally-hooed “Disco Sucks” party was held featuring the hard-rock tunes of Bratz and several other local bands, and disco records — predominantly by black, or black-sounding, artists like Donna Summer, Gloria Gaynor, and the Bee Gees — were smashed on the stage. But as trends tend to do, things started to reverse themselves around the start of this year.

And the Bacchanal, which two weeks ago adopted a five-night-a-week disco format, is one of about a dozen local nightclubs that have already made, or are contemplating making, the switch back to recorded music.

—CITY LIGHTS: “**DISCO ARISES FROM DEAD,**”

*Vincent Roberts, June 23, 1983*

### Twenty Years Ago

Dear Matthew Alice:

Why do polar bears have black skin?

*Liz Spencer, College Area*

Polar bears are the most efficient solar-energy converters that can be found anywhere. The most surprising thing is not that their skin is black, but that their fur is actually made of hollow, clear tubes that only appear to be white in reflected light.

—STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP, *Matthew Alice,*

*June 23, 1988*

### Fifteen Years Ago

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225 feet per unit, total footage would equal 33,750 feet, roughly 6-1/3 miles. That’s just one lift of base. I’ve installed over 150 lifts in the past 20-odd years, about 18 train-car loads.

—“**HE CRAWLED 700 MILES,**” *Anonymous,*

*June 24, 1993*

### Ten Years Ago

I don’t know what I’d been thinking, why I thought going to a Cambodian restaurant the day after Pol Pot’s death would be a reasonable thing to do. The chunk of pig blood wobbled in the ladle, tiny crumbs of it floated in the suddenly forlorn broth. Everything I knew, or thought I knew, about Cambodia came rushing down on me: *The Killing Fields*’ Haing Ngor writhing in a slimy pit of rotting corpses, the grinning skulls piled in the postgenocide wire-service photos out of Phnom Penh, Henry Kissinger.

—RESTAURANT REVIEW: “**DISCOMFORT FOOD,**”

*Matthew Lickona, June 25, 1998*

### Five Years Ago

Like many hackers, David Nakamura Hulton goes by more than one name. His other one, his handle, is h1kari. Some people say you shouldn’t ask a hacker what his handle means.



San Diego Reader, June 22, 1978

Handles aren’t always meant to be serious. Sometimes they’re designed to foil any journalist who assumes a handle is a window into a hacker’s soul.

The Starlight Ballroom is on the ninth floor of downtown’s Bristol Hotel. If this seems like an odd place for a weekend hacker conference to hold its opening party, maybe it isn’t any odder than a hacker conference in the first place.

—“**H’ IS FOR HACKER,**” *Jeanne Schinto, June 19, 2003*

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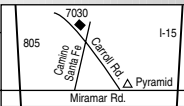
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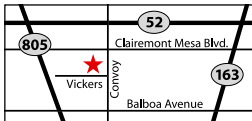
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Put him in a stiff shirt and set him in the square of a classroom at the rectangle of a desk so that he may watch another broken man scratch at a chalkboard. This is what school teaches. The lesson isn't triangles. The lesson is to stand still inside.

But it doesn't work.

Every once in a while an astronaut dons a set of diapers, loads a pellet gun, and pulls onto the interstate to follow a false love to Florida, like trying to carry a bucketful of vapor. A senator cruises alleyways for a Bag-gie of magic crystals and a friend with hairy wrists and chest to share it with. In her declining years, a once-fine preacher's widow finds comfort in the care and feeding of 212 housecats.

We are wild things kept in a cage.

We can't go back. We've set the train in motion on these tracks. We've sold the tickets and promised passengers a safe ride to Pennsylvania. Our pennant of black smoke rises to the atmosphere, billows, and set-tles to cover the tracks behind us.

So we keep pressing forward. We sally onto the field, and even in wilderness our tendrils reach like chim-ney creosote in a cup of tea. Go away, as far as you can, get off the roads, leave your car, walk for a week away from the sodium lights of any town, and you'll wander across a family from Nebraska eating microwave food and watching TV from a satellite dish set atop a gigantic vehicle.

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**JOB WANTED,** Retired CPA/Fraud Investi-gator, looking for casual, flexible part-time work with short commute from Point

Loma/Ocean Beach area. Payment/hours negotiable, 619-223-6949.  
**LEAF SKIMMER** for pool. Also, cover for 8' round spa. 858-272-9795.  
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**CROWN POINT/PACIFIC BEACH.** Moving sale. 6/22. 8am. Everything must go. Surf-boards, snowboard/gear, furniture, elec-tronics, cameras, TV, DVD player, CD player. Ingraham at Fortuna.  
**GOLDEN HILL,** Saturday 6/21, 7am-2pm. Furniture, picture frames, bar stools, beveled mirror, books, golf, tools, antique table, door, clothing, housewares. 1079 21st Street.  
**IMPERIAL BEACH.** Multifamily yard sale. Saturday, 6/21, 8am. Sideboard, easy chair, recliner, dining room table/leaves, futon, end tables, clothing. 632 Dahlia Av-enue (near Palm).  
**LA JOLLA/PACIFIC BEACH,** Large multi-family sale on Balfour Court, Saturday June 21, 7am -noon. From Garnet to Soledad Mountain Road past Beryl to Crownhill. Follow the signs and balloons! Tons and tons of items! Antiques, art, fur-

niture, appliances, collectables, house-hold goods, clothing, toys, Thomas the Train Set, table saw, books, bike, and much more. For information call 619-297-9911.  
**LA MESA.** Big yard sale. Saturday, 6/21, 7am. Several families. Lots of stuff, cheap. 4634 Dauer Avenue.  
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**PACIFIC BEACH.** Saturday, 6/21. Every-thing must go. Truck parts, household goods, clothing, electronics, 12' swim-ming pool. Make me an offer on items... 2457 Fespar.  
**SANTEE,** Neighborhood yard sale. Sewing and knitting machines, material and yarn, yard tools and furniture, ping-pong table miscellaneous! Saturday June 21, 8am-2pm. Lauren Way.  
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WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

**SUPER WHY!**  
**PBS 9:00 A.M.**  
That opening bit was weird. I know. I get stuck on these poetic jags. Humor me and in due time I'll make with the mustache and Tonka truck jokes. Keep reading. These capsules are all about underpants and '80s cartoons.

**RANDY JACKSON PRESENTS AMERICA'S BEST DANCE CREW**  
**MTV 10:00 P.M.**  
Can I get a little less Randy Jackson, please and thanks. I don't even know what he did before he became America's Least-Talented Celebrity. At least Paris Hilton has that one funny eye that prompts you to guess where it's going next. Is it fishing or digging for worms? Is it settin' on

the front porch or countin' chickens in the side yard?

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

**PLANET OF THE APES (2001)**  
**FOX 8:00 P.M.**  
I had the misfortune to run afoul of Marky's latest lawn offering, called *The Crappening* (in theaters now). I was flimflammed into seeing it by someone I thought was a friend. It's nobody's fault but mine. I went even though I knew all of Marky's movies stink like a fake leg full of fish sticks.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

**US OLYMPIC TRIALS: WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS**  
**NBC 8:00 P.M.**  
Here we go. My blood pressure usu-ally keeps my face flushed and pink. I have a twitchy neck muscle, too. All that's about to smooth out, though. An icy bourbon and some women's gymnastics and I'll be calm like a

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**BED \$100 ABSOLUTE BARGAIN!** The Furniture Warehouse is now open to the public. We sell warehouse direct. Come see our large showroom. We have over 70 sets in stock from \$89! 995 Bay Boule-vard, Chula Vista, 91911. Open 11am-7pm daily. Closed Monday. Credit cards accepted. Legitimate warranties in writ-ing! Fast delivery. Call 619-426-2727. www.tfwarehouse.com.

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**CUSTOM MADE,** 3 single, 1 love seat, 2 half moon, 1 half round, black. Almost brand new. Was \$12,000. Selling for \$2500. 858-451-2001.

**DINING ROOM TABLE,** With four chairs. Dark brown (mahogany colored) wood. \$150. Oak computer desk \$50. Vinyl (sim-ulated leather) rolling/recling executive chair \$25. 760-419-9525.  
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#### CAMP ROCK

ABC 8:00 P.M.

I wish ABC would stop pretending that I'm supposed to know who these guys are. Their commercial says, "Starring the Jonas brothers!" as though that means something. They'd get more viewers and I'd be far more impressed if it starred a Dorito shaped like Bob Hope.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 22

AMERICAN IDOL REWIND

CW 11:00 P.M.

Ugh. Sundays suck. You know you have to work in the morning. It's like when you were a kid and Jem and the Holograms was the last Saturday-morning cartoon. And you either had to sit through it or start your chores. So you sat there in your tighty whiteys with your mouth all torn up from two bowls of Cap'n Crunch's

tiny meteorites of pain and you pretended like *GI Joe* was still on. Stupid Sundays.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 23

THE MOLE

ABC 10:00 P.M.

ABC, you already tried this. *The Mole* was a museum-sized failure and here you are trotting it out in front of us again like it's your prized pony. But that pony's got a weird rash and it smells and, frankly — I'll say it — the hair on its butt is not clean. I mean, we can all clearly see that pony's behind, and there are not supposed to be dreadlocks under a pony's tail, we all know that. Let's try harder, ABC.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 24

I SURVIVED A JAPANESE GAME SHOW

ABC 8:00 P.M.

Man, I hope this is cool because I love Japanese game shows. I love Japan-

ese game shows as much as Jimmy Dean loves sausages. And that's saying something. You know he sits on his front porch at night listening for cicadas and petting a breakfast link as if it were a dog's head. (It's funny because sausage is greasy. His hand would be all greasy.)

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

AFI LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: A TRIBUTE TO WARREN BEATTY

USA 9:00 P.M.

Wednesday continues its reign of blandness over the other nights of the week. When the nights of the week have a party, Wednesday is the one that brings egg salad. Saturday night is, like, "It's a freakin' party and you brought egg salad? What are you, my grandmother? Is this a bingo parlor? I brought a keg of Heineken, for cryin' out loud. Friday scored three eight balls of coke and you brought egg salad.



Super Why!

Super, Wednesday. Thanks a heap."

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 26

LAW AND ORDER: SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT

USA 10:00 P.M.

Mariska Hargitay's so tasty she makes me want to slap someone. Mariska, go out with me! Let me buy you din-

ner; we can even get expensive food, like Red Lobster or Black Angus. We can share a tallboy of Pabst Blue Ribbon. Then I'll ride my bicycle past your house every night for three weeks. You can tell your brother to answer the phone and say, "Look, we told you already. We'll call the cops." Ah, the Sturm und Drang of new love!

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**MATTRESS BOX PILLOWTOP SET**. New in plastic with warranty. Queen \$169. King \$239. Credit cards accepted. Can

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email to: [info@davisworld.com](mailto:info@davisworld.com). Call: 619-260-8000.

**RATTAN FRAME**, Coffee and lamp tables with glass tops \$50. 858-613-9210.

**SOLID OAK OFFICE**, Furniture. 6 pieces \$550; 2, 2-drawer file cabinets, 2 desks form an L, 1 over-desk hutch, 1 bookcase. Penasquitos 858-484-6026.

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# T.G.I.F.

I have faith in the principle that the flimsiest excuse for a means of escape will do when it is needed.

By John Brizzolara

As I begin this I am looking out the back door onto the rain-spattered deck, which in turn looks out on a common garden area and its foliage bowing and scraping to me in the wet fits of sudden wind. It is a Friday afternoon some weeks prior to the appearance of the column, and this chill, Friday afternoon may already have become a distant memory lumped in with those of last winter's. These kinds of days are among my favorites and the kinds of days on which I find it most enjoyable to work. In another era I might be fondling my ascot as I ply my quill over parchment. The flame from an oil lamp might be winking from the monocle in my right eye; and of course I would be, and I am, smoking a pipe.

This imagery — as absurd and pretentious, almost comic as it is — may be primary in what attracted me to the profession of writing, as little as it has to do with any of it. That, and the jacket photo of Mickey Spillane on one of his typing collections with a title like *The Erection Set*, or something like it. He is wearing a snap-brim hat and leveling a .45. It seemed cool. I was nine.

Though I do not have a conventional nine-to-five job these days, I am hardly unusual. Millions more workers than ever are doing what I do, which is working from home by computer. Still, after years of conditioning and what can largely be described as shit jobs, I find that weekends mean pretty much the same thing to me as they did when I was

working in a foundry in Illinois melting down 45-pound flywheels over a vat of molten zinc. Leisure. Writing is still considered a leisure activity in this puritanically informed and still Calvinist-influenced-work-ethic zeitgeist. Since the days of Thomas Hardy and further back, novel writing, for example, was denounced from the English pulpit as a frivolity and worse, certainly worse than novel reading, which was, at best, frowned upon. Something of this still lingers, and it is hard to correct for it by visiting the new-release tables at Borders.

At the moment, I am in the process of writing a novel. I often am, but it is rare for me to get past the point I've reached on the present one, where it announces itself as something other than a nice try with no cigar on the horizon. With nothing to dictate otherwise, I find myself reserving hours during weekends for this. I do work on the thing during the week, but there is some voice in the super-ego that only truly signals the green light somewhere around Friday afternoon. I think I have written here before that an early concept I had for a memoir title (I was in my 20s and had few experiences to document, but some of note) was "Lust for Leisure." I even drew the jacket cover, which was pretty much the image I described earlier, except my rendering featured an eye patch and a monocle. It is only after business hours that my subconscious seems to allow any real work.

Real work, for me, seems to involve committing passages like this to the laptop screen:

"Lord Firemount straddled the beast he had named Mudgloom and pat-  
ted the sentient animal's scaled, muscular neck. The triple moons had aligned over the featureless plain and stained the granite, sand, and occasional outcroppings of ancient, rune-carved stone a kind of pink and jet and amber. The few clouds above the swordsman and his winged reptile-bird companion were tattered streamers of gaseous violet."

No, it is not some sword-and-sorcery epic. This is a depiction of a fantasy in the mind of a schizophrenic drug addict named Alonzo Montefiore while undergoing a psychotic break in rehab. Alonzo's fantasy self is the heroic swordsman Lord Firemount and provides both myself and Alonzo with therapeutic escape.

As for the reader? Who cares? Theoretically, I do, if I hope to sell the thing; but I have eminent faith in the principle that the flimsiest excuse for a means of escape will do when it is needed. This is possibly not the best attitude, but I've found it to be true. The scene and its style also serve to point up the utility of schizophrenia (drug and alcohol use, as well) while holding up a mirror to our own undeniable need to improvise reality when the one presented to us



is untenable.

The working title on this thing is *Crossroads*, after the name of the fictional facility. Eric Clapton actually opened a rehab/resort in, I think, the Bahamas, with the same name, and that's acknowledged. It is far from the first thing I've lifted from him. The title also neatly describes the book, I think: a point where a large cast of characters' lives and realities converge.

Nothing like a little shameless self-promotion, though I really have nothing to promote at this point. It all has to do with Leisure, its utility and paradoxes and why I love it. Hardly any different from discussing your weekend landscaping project or your ongoing rebuilding of a '57 Chevy in your garage while standing around the water cooler at the office on Monday morning when you're supposedly working.

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