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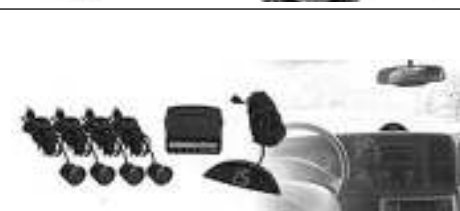
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Bob White

**Carl DeMaio** and others who say the City could make do with a far less costly fix than the gold-plated four-block civic center complex proposal hatched in 2007 by Mayor **Jerry Sanders**.

But whether the project gets off the ground or not, a well-connected Sacramento-based lobbying outfit is already making big money acting as a "community outreach consultant" for CCDC. According to its contract, signed last July, California Strategies, Inc., was paid an initial \$175,000 to carry out its tasks, including conducting focus groups, writing op-ed pieces and letters to the editor, designing polls, and meeting with the city council. A request for qualifications issued last May says, "CCDC seeks a qualified strategic public affairs and/or public relations firm to assist in developing a comprehensive and proactive public outreach program intended to educate, increase communications with, and engage the entire San Diego community with regard to exploring the possibilities for redevelopment of the Civic Center Complex."

The City insists that the consultants aren't actually lobbying in favor of the project, but critics note that the contract calls for the firm to meet with "Mayor Sanders and his leadership team," as well as city councilmembers, city council candidates, and influential private citizens in order to "clarify the Civic Center Complex issues." Two weeks ago, CCDC approved an additional \$105,950 to extend the contract, for a grand total of \$280,950.

The firm is run by **Bob White**, who got his start back in the 1970s with then-Mayor **Pete Wilson**, rising to become Wilson's top staffer during Wilson's time in the U.S. Senate and later as governor. He now advises Governor **Arnold Schwarzenegger**. **Ben Haddad**, another former Wilson gubernatorial aide who has also worked for ex-Mayor **Susan Golding** and the local chamber of commerce and the La Jolla-based defense firm Science Applications International, is another principal of the company. Lobbyist-disclosure records on file at the City show that the firm currently acts as an advocate for a wide array of local clients, including

Scripps Health, the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute, Kelly Capital, and the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties. Subcontractors on the CCDC contract include Porter Novelli, the national PR and lobbying firm where **Kevin Faulconer** was an executive before his election to the city council in 2006. But what may have closed the deal with the city was a Sacramento fundraiser hosted last May 7 by Haddad, White, and associate **Craig Benedetto**, which records show raised \$5300 for the Sanders mayoral campaign.

## Railroaded

Political operative **Mark Fabiani**, who worked for Democratic vice president **Al Gore** before striking out on his own and signing up with GOP fat cat **Alex Spanos**, has picked up yet another controversial client. Italian railcar maker AnsaldoBreda, Inc., is trying to get L.A.'s Metropolitan Transportation Authority to exercise an option to buy 100 new railcars, even though previous orders have been delivered late and the cars are 6000 pounds overweight. Enter Fabiani and long-time partner **Chris Lehane**, who are working with L.A.'s Democratic mayor **Antonio Villaraigosa** against the recommendation of transit chief **Roger Snoble** (who used to run San Diego's bus operation) to put the next 100 cars out for competitive bids.

Mark Fabiani

**Curren's current price** Democratic assemblyman **Curren Price** — who moved into West L.A.'s 26th State Senate District to run for the seat vacated by newly elected county supervisor **Mark Ridley-Thomas** — was forced into a runoff last week after he fell short of a majority vote. Price is the darling of big business, labor, and the state's well-heeled gambling tribes. San Diego County's own Barona Band of Mission Indians contributed \$2900 on March 19 and the same day gave another \$10,000 to the Alliance for California's Tomorrow, a political action committee backing Price. On March 24, the tribe gave another \$2900 directly to Price's campaign. He has long been a champion of the gambling tribes in their battle to resist state regulation and additional taxes.



Curren Price

— Matt Potter

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## Sad Stats

By Don Bauder

**"For us, business is good,"** says Barry Lander, clerk of the bankruptcy court. **"It's a sad thing."** Indeed it is. The courts,

judges, clerks, and the legal profession have been blown good business in San Diego's ill wind. For example, for the 12 months ended in February, bankruptcy filings in San Diego and Imperial counties are up 73 percent to 14,509, compared with the same period a year earlier, says Lander. That's Chapter 7 filings (liquidation), Chapter 11 (reorganization), and Chapter 13 (wage earner's plan). For the full year 2005, there were 15,686 bankruptcy filings, but that was because Congress passed a law making it more difficult to go into Chapter 7, so people rushed to file before the law went into effect.

There are other depress-

ing numbers. Home foreclosures rose 133 percent in 2008 to 19,557, according to the county assessor's office.

In the last six months of

People think of unlawful detainers as the legal process by which landlords boot out tenants. But that's not what's going on in San Diego now. Unlawful detainers are being filed by banks or somebody who bought foreclosed property at a trustee's sale; the former owner, or tenants of an owner, aren't vacating the place as required and must be ejected by court action.

The stunning increases

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Increase	24%	15%	42%	46%	30%

SOURCE: SUPERIOR COURT

last year, county filings for unlawful detainer, the legal route to tenant eviction, rose 30 percent to 10,132, compared with the same period of a year ago, according to superior court records. Eviction actions were up 46 percent in South County and 42 percent in North County.

in bankruptcies, foreclosures, and unlawful detainers are related. Longfellow would have called them "mournful numbers." Says Richard Kipperman of La Mesa's Corporate Management, a trustee in Chapter 7 cases, "In 2004, of the first 100 cases I did, 8 people owned real property. Nobody owned more than 1 property, and all 8 people said they would try to keep up their payments. Of the first 100 cases in January of 2008,

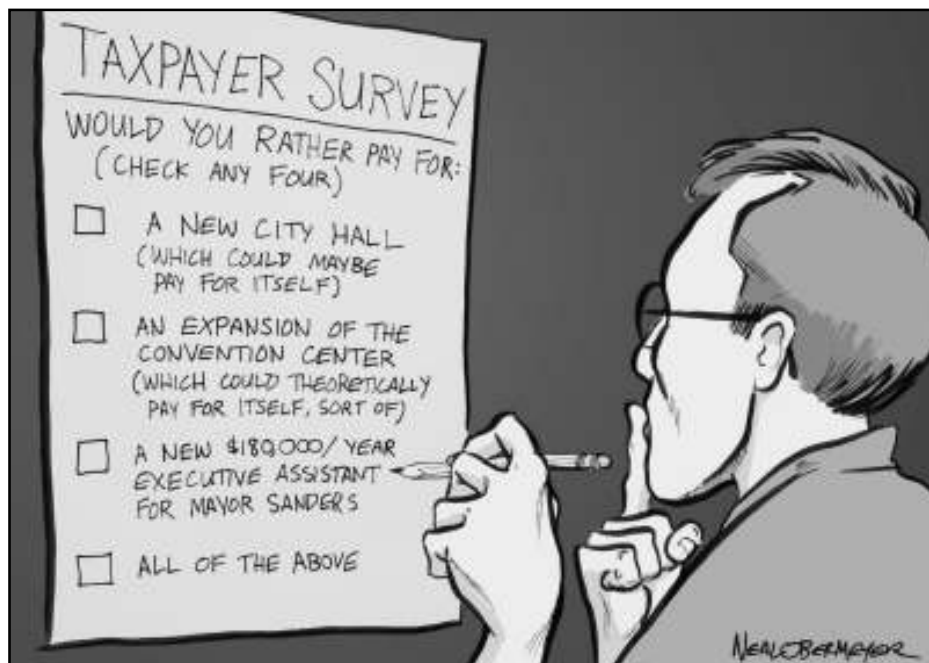
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**Lead Indicators of San Diego Economy as Gloomy as Ever:** Pundits are desperately looking for positive signs...

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## Will Sun Shine on San Diego?

By Craig D. Rose

**L**ate last year, local solar advocates were pleasantly surprised when San Diego mayor Jerry Sanders moved quickly to

implement a new state law that allows cities to finance solar systems for homes and businesses. But now some advocates are saying that Sanders's decision to involve San Diego Gas and Electric in an early step of the program could be a sign for concern.

Under the law, cities can create programs to pay the up-front costs of photovoltaic systems through a loan to the homeowner. The loan is repaid over 20 years, included as a charge on the property tax bill. The big advantage of the program is that homeowners avoid the need to pony up the cost of the system and installation, which can easily run upwards of \$20,000. Cities can finance the program themselves or, as San Diego hopes to do, they can contract with a third party to provide the financing. The loans are considered a low-risk investment because they are secured by

the property and repayment is included in annual property tax payments.

Similar programs on a limited scale have had strong response in Berkeley and Palm Desert.

In San Diego, the California Center for Sustainable Energy, a local non-profit, administers the state's landmark solar-incentive program, which provides rebates to those purchasing rooftop photovoltaics. The center has high hopes that the new financing program will boost solar installations in San Diego.

"When we talk to solar contractors, the number-one reason they don't close sales is lack of financing, so a seamless way to get financing is going to help," said Andrew McAllister, director of programs for the center. "Right now we get 120 applications per month for residential installations. I think that could

double with a municipal finance program."

The rooftop potential here is vast. During sunny parts of the day, nearly 4000 megawatts could be produced by photovoltaic systems sited on the area's rooftops, according to a 2005 study coauthored by SDG&E. That would be enough to power this



Dirk Hosmer

entire region on all but the hottest days.

The California Center is at the focus of efforts to tap that potential, but the center withdrew from the planning process for the new financing program because of a possible conflict. "I took myself out of the process because CCSE wants to be the administrator of the finance program," McAllister said.

Although the center stepped out, the City invited SDG&E to participate.

In January, the City and the utility sent a "request for qualifications and information" to 3000 companies. The letter said the City "in conjunction with San Diego Gas & Electric" was requesting information to determine who

might be qualified to successfully execute the pilot solar-finance program. Review of the responses to the request for qualifications, the communication added, will be used to determine who will be "invited" to submit formal proposals for the program, in what would presumably be a competitive bidding process. The correspondence was cosigned by the City and SDG&E.

Experts said it was not unusual for a government entity to review qualifications prior to soliciting formal bids. The qualification review allows the City in this case to determine the level of interest and capability of candidates prior to launching what can be the time-consuming and expensive process of reviewing formal bids to run the program.

Nonetheless, Solana Beach is taking a different route. That beach city went directly to a request for proposals and hasn't involved San Diego Gas and Electric in its search for a solar-finance partner. The city got about a dozen responses to its request,

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## STRINGERS

### Saint Death Gets Plowed

By Bob McPhail, 3/27/09

**Tijuana** — Sometime during the early morning hours of Saturday, March 21, someone using an earth-moving machine plowed under a chapel to La Santa Muerte (Holy Death), the "patron saint" of a strange religious cult popular with narco-traffickers.

The tiny shrine made of concrete blocks stood for five years on an abandoned road between Tijuana and Tecate, near the Rodriguez Dam.

One of the cult's biggest draws is that followers can ask La Santa Muerte to wreak vengeance on their enemies.

Tijuana archbishop Rafael Romo Muñoz said the cult was nothing but a business selling scary images of "the patron of narco-traffickers."

### Cameras Don't Lose

By Rob Koehorst, 3/28/09

**La Jolla** — Drivers have another red-light camera to watch out for as they make their way around the UCSD/Torrey Pines area. The latest one has been installed at the intersection of North Torrey Pines Road and Genesee Avenue. There is a camera on top of the light on the east side of the intersection and two more on each side behind traffic entering the intersection from North Torrey Pines Road.

The minimum penalty for being caught by the cameras is around \$400. As someone who's been nabbed by a camera before, I can tell you that if the photo of you running the light is inconclusive or you aren't visible in it, they probably have plenty of better photos on hand at the police department's Traffic Division on Aero Drive. Yes, I fought the camera and the camera won.



La Santa Muerte

### Smashed in P.B.

By Rebecca Thorpe, 3/28/09

**Pacific Beach** — In the nighttime hours of March 26 and/or March 27, multiple cars were broken into throughout Pacific Beach and Mission Beach. Two cars (a Honda and a Chevy) parked on Chalcedony Street had their driver's side windows smashed. One of the cars had their trunk broken into. Items were stolen from each car.

In the same time frame, an SUV parked on Mission Boulevard in Mission Beach had its passenger's side window smashed, but nothing was reported stolen. Unconfirmed were similar break-ins to two other cars: one parked on Pacific Beach Drive and another car in Mission Beach

### Comments

1. San Diego cops are seeing a record shortage in staffing. Crooks are breaking into cars all day and night long. If they get caught, they are



Vandalized Chevy

out the next day. It's called BUDGET. Park your car in a garage or leave the windows down. It is only going to get worse.

By BigBadWolf 3:03 p.m., Mar 28, 2009

### Future Decision Unknown?

By Randy Berkman, 3/28/09  
**Ocean Beach** — A few months

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Andrew McAllister



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fully 42 people owned real estate, and of those, 7 owned more than 1 property. And 22 people said they are just giving their property back to the bank."

Says Kipperman, "People lived off the equity in their homes. They used their home as an ATM card. The value would go up, they would refinance, take out money, pay off their credit cards, and take a trip to Hawaii." Now that home values are going down and people are losing their jobs, "Bankruptcies have skyrocketed in San Diego County. It's a case of too much debt, excessive consumption, borrowing money against inflated assets, people getting loans they never should have gotten, and the constriction of the economy."

Radmila Fulton has been a bankruptcy attorney in the county for 27 years. "I have never seen it this bad," she says. "People are losing their jobs. They can't make their debt payments. They use their credit cards to live on.

When they fall behind on their credit card, their interest rate goes up. The credit card company says that 'if you fall behind on another card, even if you are current with us, we have the right to increase your credit card interest rate; we consider you in default mode.' "She says, "People are walking away from their homes, but most banks aren't taking back the keys; they want to go through the foreclosure process."

The misery flows through the economy and in this case is flowing upward. "The small business owner had been making it, but now sales are down dramatically as [customers] contract their spending. Now the small businessperson is not making the amount of money needed to make the mortgage," says Fulton. So her clientele is more upscale than she has seen before. "People have the feeling that things are not going to get better."

With all the home foreclosures, "We had been expecting a big flood of peo-

ple moving into apartments, but it has been more like a trickle," says Robert Pin-negar, executive director of the San Diego County Apartment Association. "If people are losing their houses and their jobs, and they are not from San Diego, they are moving back to where their family is." He doubts that the unlawful detainer actions are being filed by landlords to any significant degree. If there had been a spike in evictions, he would have seen a sharp rise in screening activity or landlords asking potential tenants about their credit, unlawful detainer history, criminal record, and even terrorist activity, he says. "We have not seen the big increase in screening activity. I think it is the banks taking back properties."

"I don't think the landlord/tenant unlawful detainer activity has had any dramatic upswing, but there has been a huge increase in foreclosure evictions," agrees Ted Kimball of the San Diego law firm of Kimball, Tirey and St. John, a specialist in such activity with offices around the state. He, too, thinks these actions are being filed because former owners or their tenants are not moving out as required after a foreclosure. "Once the foreclosure procedure is finished, if the [former] owner or tenants of the [former] owner are still occupying the premises, then an unlawful detainer is filed by the bank or whoever bought the

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ago, public protests persuaded the San Diego City Council not to close the Ocean Beach library due to budget shortfalls. Prior to this outcry, library users were told they would have to travel two miles to the Point Loma Branch. The decision to close the Ocean Beach library will be reviewed by city council later this year.

So it was surprising to receive a City Development Services Department "Notice of Future Decision" for a Coastal Development Permit for a "9478-square-foot addition and renovation to the existing 4572-square-foot existing Ocean Beach Library."

The applicant listed on the notice is local architect Scott Magic. An associate of Mr. Magic informed me that the design for the building is in its early stages and believes that any construction would be at least two years off.

### Eminent Doom-ain

By Dorian Hargrove, 3/28/09  
Escondido — In 2004, Escondido residents approved Proposition P, a bond measure that gave the city \$84.3 million of property-tax revenue to upgrade police and fire facilities.

At the Wednesday, March 25, meeting of the Escondido City

Council, assistant city manager Joyce Masterson updated councilmembers on the status of the projects.

The gist of that update: Prop P funds are running out, fast.

Since 2004, the price tag for the 115,000-square-foot police and fire headquarters has jumped from \$50 million to over \$60 million.

There's more.

Shortly after Prop P passed, city fire officials scouted out some locations for new neighborhood stations. One of those, the future site of Fire Station 6, was located on private property — at Del Dios Road and 11th Avenue in western Escondido.

City officials approached the owner of the 4.7 acres and offered to buy some land for the new fire station. No deal. So, Escondido officials initiated eminent domain proceedings over the entire parcel, with an idea of turning the rest of the land into a community park.

So far, the city estimates they will need a total of \$2.7 million to acquire the land and over \$500,000 in outside legal fees (which continue to accrue).

In an effort to preserve Prop P funds for use toward the police and fire building, at the Wednesday meeting, Masterson outlined a proposal to split up the fees according to lot usage.

Because the fire station occupies one-third of the land, only one-third of the cash will come from Prop P funds and the rest would come from the city's park development fund.

### "Help," Say Police

By Alan Haynes, 3/28/09

San Carlos — Recent commercial robberies, residential burglaries, and purse snatchings in San Carlos, Del Cerro, and La Mesa prompted a community meeting at the San Carlos Recreation Center on Wednesday, March 25.

The hourlong meeting began at 6:30 p.m. and attracted over 300 people.

SDPD assistant chief Boyd Long said, "We had 28 actual residential burglaries in this general vicinity over about a three-month span."

Other recent crimes described by police include a series of 12 purse snatchings in La Mesa, aggressive robberies of a local Bank of America branch, McDonald's, and two 7-Eleven stores.

The meeting grew contentious when the police agreed to take questions. One woman who had called police when a mentally unstable woman walked into her open garage complained that it took 40 minutes for the police to respond

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vacant structures.

Both the state and the Obama administration have launched programs to stem foreclosures. The San Diego pace has slowed this year. Brian Yui, chief executive of HouseRebate.com, says, "There is going to be an onslaught of foreclosures. They have been delayed" because of the state and national programs. However, he notes that hedge funds are now buying pools of performing and nonperforming loans. "They are buying at a discount; a lot of them are in a position to write off part of the principal — they are paying 18 cents on the dollar." The U.S. Treasury Department has unveiled a plan to buy as much as \$1 trillion worth of troubled mortgages and related assets from banks and subsidize private sector firms, such as hedge funds and private equity groups,

to pick up the toxic paper. Such actions "will help stem the tide of foreclosures," says Yui.

But overall, don't expect San Diego's foreclosures, bankruptcies, and unlawful detainers to slow down much, if at all. The courts will be doing fine. ■

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according to deputy city manager Wendé Protzman. City staff have begun to evaluate them.

Responding to queries from Councilwoman Donna Frye, Erik Caldwell, a policy advisor to Mayor Sanders, said San Diego chose to involve SDG&E because of its contacts.

"In order for the [request] to be successful," Caldwell wrote to Frye's staff, "we needed to get the document in the hands of as many firms as possible. SDG&E assisted

by broadening the potential field of potential bidders."

Caldwell, who did not respond to calls from this reporter, told Frye's staff that because the utility is involved in the development of the proposal, it will be precluded from bidding on any portion of the project or participating in the program once awarded by the city council.

He added that SDG&E will also "not be involved with the selection of qualified firms, the writing of the [request for proposals], or any other part of the solicitation process."

The mayor's policy adviser said that the utility has also served on the City's stakeholder group for the new law's implementation.

By some criteria, San Diego Gas and Electric is a curious partner. The local utility has been the slowest in the state to adopt renewable energy in any form, and its rate structure has been repeatedly criticized as being the least wel-

coming in California to the adoption of photovoltaic solar systems.

Dirk Hosmer, a sales manager for Akeena Solar, a large solar installer, said SDG&E's commercial electric rates make it difficult for companies to justify the cost of converting to solar, in contrast with rates at major state utility companies.

"San Diego has the most sun, but we are the last in the state in terms of commercial jobs, and that is 100 percent to blame on SDG&E," said Hosmer.

Michael Shames, executive director of the Utility Consumers' Action Network, said his group strongly supports a plan for financing solar. But Shames said there was little evidence to suggest the utility would be helpful in the planning process.

"They have no background in solar, and SDG&E is in the dark ages when it comes to the bidding process for pho-

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to her call.

"We can't do this alone," said Captain Long. "We absolutely need your help."

### Comments

1. "We absolutely need your help."

Boy, that's an understatement. Not that it would have helped in THIS particular instance, but for the most violent of crimes where lives are threatened, armed citizens would be able to defend themselves while waiting 20 minutes for authorities.

By GT400SC 6:01 a.m.,  
Mar 30, 2009

### Found: Bombs

By Grant Madden, 3/27/09  
Santee — On Monday, March 23, law-enforcement officials at the Santee sheriff's station on Cuyamaca Street were forced to evacuate their building in response to a credible bomb threat.

Shortly after 2 p.m., an unidentified man had entered the station carrying a bag of pipe bombs he said he'd found nearby.

Before sheriffs detonated the bombs outside the station, nearby businesses were evacuated and Cuyamaca Street was closed. Traffic in the area was diverted around the main thoroughfare and trolley services to Santee were terminated at nearby Gillespie Field.

### Swallows Roost in Rancho SD

By Steve Terry, 3/26/09  
Rancho San Diego — They say the swallows return to San Juan Capistrano on the 19th of March every year. Rancho San Diego boasts its own colony of the same bird, the cliff swallow. After a long flight from as far south as Argentina, they recently arrived.

According to Mark, a resident of the Tristán condominium complex at the corner of Fury Lane and Via Rancho San Diego, the first swallows appeared on Fri-

day, March 20.

"I'm in and out every day, and the first birds I saw and heard were on Friday, when I was home all day. It was just two birds who flew up together to an old nest site, seemingly squabbling about who was going to build there again."

Because of the mess that nesting birds tend to make below their mud nests, Tristán residents are encouraged to interfere with nest construction by hosing off any mud deposited by the birds. This method of urging the birds to find an alternate nesting site is legal, but once the nests are completed, state and federal laws protect them until the season is over, usually by September.

### Berry Good for Business

By Ken Harrison, 3/26/09  
Oceanside — Each year, around January 1, a miracle of Mother Nature occurs at a little strawberry farm in Oceanside. Since 1989, the farm has opened weeks before other California strawberries are ready for harvest.

Williamson Farm manager Albino Guzman credits his warm winter microclimate. He points out that most California strawberries harvest between March and August.

The farm will sell strawberries on the corner lot of Vista Way and Ivy Road and from a larger leased area near Cardiff's Mira Costa College until the first week of July.

### Home on the Pavement

By Thomas Jarboe, 3/26/09  
Downtown San Diego — As San Diego's unemployment rate has climbed steeply (to 8.8 percent), so too has the homeless population. Food lines are extending around blocks, and shelters fill up before the sun sets.

The sidewalks adjacent to the downtown library and post office have become a haven for the recently home-

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less. People who held jobs just months ago are now pitching tents alongside others on the sidewalks.

Take the 163 north freeway entrance off of Tenth Avenue and A Street, and you'll see tents dangerously close to the road. Walk down to Office Depot near Broadway and Pacific Highway, and you'll see another homeless encampment.

## Oh, Boil

By Cindy Winslow, 3/26/09

**Del Mar** — Life is returning to normal for residents of Carmel Valley after nearly four days under a boil-water order. The state lifted the order this morning, March 25, notifying residents that their tap water was once again safe to drink.

"I think that people understood what was happening but were looking for more detailed information and perhaps someone to respond to clarify issues," said Ken Farinsky, who runs a neighborhood website for Carmel Valley residents ([cvsd.com](http://cvsd.com)).

During the boil-water order, the Carmel Valley Rec Center remained open, but a number of precautions were taken. Trash bags were used to cover all drinking fountains and sinks, and antibacterial hand gel was provided.

## Unaudited Audits

By Dorian Hargrove, 3/24/09

**Downtown San Diego** — Not many cities have their own internal financial audit commit-

tee. San Diego has one. Headed by councilmember Kevin Faulconer (with councilmember Carl DeMaio serving as vice chair), the committee's mission is to bring some accountability to the fiscal folly that has plagued San Diego politics for years. Of course, accountability depends on if chief financial officer Mary Lewis and Mayor Sanders cooperate.

At the March 23 meeting of San Diego's Audit Committee, a lawyer from the city attorney's office explained the city's decision to release the comprehensive annual financial report for fiscal year 2008 without the Audit Committee's or city council's approval.

Referring to a Saturday, March 21, memo, issued to Audit Committee members minutes before the meeting, a lawyer from the city attorney's office said the financial report was hastily submitted to meet a March 26 deadline set in place by Securities and Exchange Commission guidelines.

Kevin Faulconer was unable to include the item on the committee's agenda because he wasn't notified of the audit. "I would just say that if we know in advance, I would certainly always make time on our Audit Committee agendas.

"Mr. Faulconer," interrupted DeMaio, "I share your concern, and I think it's unacceptable to have this dropped on this committee at such a late date."

## Comments

1. Why wouldn't the City explain the circumstances to SEC...

something like...over the past few years we have not been very competent, but we're trying to do better...may we please have a two-week extension?

Taxpayers get extensions from the IRS all the time for filing their paperwork.... Mr. Faulconer needs to find his backbone!

By JustWondering 3:30 p.m., 3/25/09

2. Carl DeMaio is right. This is TOTALLY unacceptable.

There's no way this wasn't cynically planned out in advance. This stinks to high heaven.

Mary Lewis should be fired for this.

By Fred\_Williams 1:01 a.m., Mar 26, 2009

## Theory of Relativity

By Dorian Hargrove, 3/24/09

**National City** — Relatively speaking, despite a 3.3 million-dollar structural deficit, National City's finances are in pretty good shape—that's what mayor Ron Morrison told nearly 40 residents during a "strategic planning and budgetary workshop" inside Kimball Senior Center on D Avenue on Saturday, March 21.

Compared to Chula Vista's projected deficit of \$19.5 million for next fiscal year or San Diego's \$60 million shortfall, \$3.3 million isn't that much.

During the weekend meeting, National City city manager Chris Zapata said reduced revenues from car sales, clo-

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### San Diego sun

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to voltaics," said Shames. He referred to an SDG&E plan to build about 50 megawatts of tracking photovoltaic installations — which trace the movement of the sun to boost electric output — as "the most archaic" solar technology. Shames and others believe the cost of tracking devices isn't justified by their additional output of electricity.

Caldwell, responding to Frye's staff, said the City "asked everyone who expressed an interest" to send out the City's request for qualifications.

Calls to the City regarding the outcome of its request for qualifications, scheduled to close on February 27, were not returned. San Diego's timetable requires the City to select by late March the companies that will be invited to submit detailed proposals

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for a solar-finance program.

The limited experience in Berkeley and Palm Desert in city-financed solar programs suggests they can be very popular.

Nils Moe, an assistant to Berkeley mayor Tom Bates, said his city's pilot program filled its planned 40 slots on the first day of its offering. He noted that an attractive feature of the program is that homeowners who move, say, in seven years, pay for the photovoltaic system only during the years they occupy the home.

The Berkeley program requires only a \$25 application fee, and the loan carries an 8 percent interest rate, which includes a 1 percent payment to the city for administration. The city is contracting with a third party start-up to provide the loans to homeowners.

Palm Desert's financing program has attracted over 200 homes and businesses, according to Patrick Con-

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lon, director of energy management.

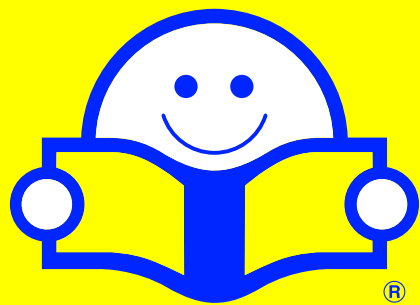
Conlon said that his city, which he said played a key role in crafting AB 811, has financed the first two phases of the loan program itself but was seeking a third party for expanding the plan.

More than 30 cities, including San Diego, have contacted Palm Desert regarding its experience, Conlon said. The prime reason for seeking a third party to finance the program is that current regulations bar cities from selling tax-exempt bonds to finance private solar installations. Several members of California's congressional delegation are supporting efforts to change that regulation.

"Tax-exempt municipal bonds are much more common and easier to sell [than taxable bonds]," said Conlon. "This is a key goal that will be able to take this program nationwide."

But details are important

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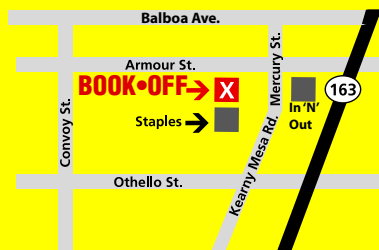


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to the success of these financing programs.

One Berkeley resident said he was enthusiastic about the program until he scrutinized its details.

"We went to a workshop and were told nothing would come out-of-pocket," said Michael Grunwald, a long-time Berkeley resident.

But he noted that contractors who bid on a system for his home said some payment would be required when the solar panels were delivered. The city, however, wouldn't provide reimbursement until the project was completed. Given possible rain delays in the Bay Area, Grunwald said it could potentially take months between panel delivery and a finished project.

Faced with the prospect of making payments and waiting for reimbursement, Grunwald said he reconsidered.

He added that he might also be able to finance the project himself at a lower

## Stringers

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sure of big-box stores such as Circuit City and Mervyn's, and the loss of revenue-generating projects such as the new Home Depot and Costco have negatively impacted the city's revenue stream during the past year.

"I know the mayor said we are doing relatively well, and you know relative is...relative," said councilmember Frank Parra near the end of the four-and-a-half-hour-long meeting. "If it wasn't for the one cent [sales tax] we'd be devastated, just like many other cities across this county."

Morrison did have one idea for open, green space:

the city's golf course. "Very little of our public gets to use that, but it's our biggest area of green space. It's one of the things we can look at."

### Comments

1. The city needs revenue so let's turn the golf course into a park.... Holy crap.

*By Mobick 11:47 a.m.,  
Mar 24, 2009*

2. That's what happens when you pay retroactive pension increases of 50 percent.

*By SurfPuppy619  
4:31 p.m., Mar 24, 2009*

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rate of interest.

Nils Moe, the Berkeley mayor's assistant, agreed that some homeowners could probably get a better rate on their own, but many others can't, particularly in the cur-

rent downturn.

"This is a good option for a number of people," he said.

Apparently so. Berkeley launched its pilot program at 9:00 a.m. last November 5; by 9:10 a.m., all slots were filled. ■

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### Culturally Incompetent

I'm writing in regards to Ernie Grimm's "My Gender Is Bunny" (Cover Story, March 26). I found it incredibly disrespectful that throughout the article, its subject, Micha Cárdenas, was referred to with masculine pronouns while she specifically asked for the use of feminine pronouns. I find this to show a lack of cultural competency as well as a general disrespect to the queer community, specifically transgendered people. If the subject of your article had asked to be referred to as Latino instead of Hispanic, it would have been a huge sign of disrespect to not honor such a request. It is not up to the author's discretion to determine at what point of transitioning one becomes the other gender. I believe Ms. Cárdenas's personal culture was not honored and is owed an apology for the disrespect shown by Ernie Grimm.

Morgan Muldrew  
via email

### Please Call Her Ms.

I just finished reading the article by Ernie Grimm entitled "My Gender Is Bunny" (Cover Story, March 26). I noticed that the author deliberately chose to disregard the feelings of the subject of the article and use masculine pronouns, when feminine pronouns were requested. This kind of distrust of transsexual and transgender people regarding their own authority over their gender and the appropriate pronoun

for themselves is both poor journalism and incredibly offensive. Ernie Grimm should immediately publish an apology to Ms. Cárdenas and, if possible, modify the original article so that it reflects the correct feminine pronouns.

Name Withheld  
via email

### Free Is Best

This is for Eve Kelly, for this week's "Best Buys," March 26, all about computer classes, about older people wanting to learn how to use the computer. She mentioned a whole bunch of classes and how expensive they were and how good these people were.

The best classes without paying any money are with the San Diego senior adult school. I went to the one down at Midway Drive, and it was excellent! What you should do is list all the different locations of all these schools so that people would know where to go to sign up. They are free and they are very good, and they are really full of people in their 60s and 70s — a few people in their 40s, 30s, and stuff. And all the classes are free — I think maybe a couple of them they might charge a little bit for. I went there for several semesters; the teachers are excellent. The only thing is, you really have to get there early for the daytime classes.

I wish you would've just published [the locations]. You want to go to the ones where you don't have to pay for parking. Midway Drive is the best one that I've found, most convenient, but there is also one on Aero Drive. I've taken several of those classes.

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### Correction

The person in the photo accompanying last week's "Tin Fork" was Jeff, an employee at Baja Betty's, which Ed Bedford reviews in this week's column.

### Sweet 16

Re: "Back When: Thirty Years Ago" (March 19). I'm a San Diego native, and part of my weekly Reader ritual is the "Back When" column. I found

the 30-year-old personal ad even more amusing when I realized it was written by me! I was 16 at the time, and Reader Personals were that era's version of today's Facebook/MySpace. Thanks for the memories!

Ginger Rosser  
via email

### Sue The Bums

What is wrong with these neighbors ("Hallelujah! Hey, Keep It Down!" City Lights, March 19)? Why don't they sue these rowdy noisemakers? The City will never help them, but they have several nuisance causes of action under California Civil Code sections 3479 through 3481. They should contact a lawyer and file a lawsuit in San Diego County Superior Court. Precedent has allowed up to \$500/day in damages for a noise nuisance — and this decision was published in the 1990s. Plus, the court may order defendants to pay prevailing plaintiffs' attorney fees under Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5. Google what happened to unreasonably loud local businesses Juke Joint Cafe and IB Rockin' Bar when they didn't respect their neighbors or California's nuisance laws.

Al Rava  
via email

### Rise Up And Tell 'Em

Re: "Pie in the Sky" (City Lights, March 19)

The problem with the city/county pensions is well documented. There has been no political will, however, to tackle the issue. The position of all government employees is that they are entitled to no less than the benefits as of their hire date, regardless of changes in the stock market, world recessions, comparable jobs in the private sector, etc. Despite the enormous problems with the City of SD's pension underfunding, the City has not even changed the pensions offered to new employees, and only the guarantee on the DROP program has been reduced — the program itself rolls along. The only way to change things is for the citizens to rise up

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*Last year at the Del Mar Fair, my wife and I came across a booth where the company was selling some kind of a detox/purification product. You put your tootsies in a foot bath with an aerator, and supposedly all the bad stuff in your lower body would be drawn out through the bottoms of your feet into the bath solution. They had half a dozen people trying their system, and, sure enough, after 5 or 10 minutes the foot-bath water was a muddy black and incredibly disgusting. We were pretty dubious — but what kind of chemical process could they use to create this effect?*  
— Ed in Escondido

The ick factor in this question is pretty high. Anybody who's seen the Del Mar demo or the Kinoki footpad commercials would have to agree. But if the ick factor is high, the crap factor is higher. We're glad Ed immediately saw through the black water to suspect the toxic nonsense underneath.

For the Kinoki clueless among you, they're adhesive footpads that you stick on before bedtime and peel off in the morning. They're pristine white at night, black, smelly, and revolting in the morning. The pad peddlers claim the product is infused with a concoction that draws out toxins, heavy metals, parasites, and all the evil stuff lurking in our bodies that you then toss out with the used pad.

The Kinoki shuckers (and probably the Del Mar jivers) say that the active ingredients are based on "ancient Japanese medicine" — a combo of ground tourmaline, bamboo vinegar, grapefruit, milk thistle, green tea, and magical but unidentified herbs. The ancient Japanese doctors were clearly out of their minds.

One of the elves' favorite illustrations in the TV commercial is a tree with arrows shooting down from the leaves to the roots. Kinokis, they say, work just like trees — evil substances rush from the leaves to the roots, where they're flushed into the ground. Uh — wha? Huh? Kinoki just lost all viewers who passed Biology 1. Trees don't work that way. Neither do our bodies. Toxins are removed from the body through the kidneys, liver, and intestines. There's no way they can seep through our foot skin, even though some sellers add the alluring claim that the gunk exits through acupuncture points.

Okay, enough Kinoki bashing from the elves. Any science to back them up? Plenty.

These foot-flushing devices, to the media, were like raw meat before tigers. They saw an easy mark and they hopped on it. Various labs were given both new and used pads for chemical testing. No difference between them, the science guys say. No nasty metals or parasites, no tell-tale toxins in the used pads. Just a smelly, black appearance. Other science guys held the pads over steaming kettles or dripped on distilled water. Again the footpads turned black. Apparently, any moisture, like perspiration from your feet, will blacken both the pads and the Del Mar foot bath. Sorry, Ed, but so far, no one has tried to chase down the specific material that reacts to dampness. Maybe one of those ancient and mystical Japanese medicinal herbs.

Hey, Matt:

*How many bones you pull down doing this gig? How long you been at it, and how'd you get started? Looks pretty easy. Can I do it when you're done?*

— Me, Here

Bones? Enuf to keep the elves in T-shirts and curly-toed shoes. How long? Fifty, 60 years? Yeah, about 50, judging from a count of Grandma's worn-out aprons and pie tins. Got started when I was walking by the Reader office one day and somebody flew out the door, grabbed me by the arm, and asked if I'd like the job. Huh. Yeah. Sure. Why not? Easy? I just make it look easy. And when I'm done — I'll never be done. What a fiesta.

**Foot Loser**

*In your article on why do we say "foot the bill," you state that by the early 19th Century the meaning changed.... [This] is not correct. We accountants still use the terms "foot" and "cross-foot" today.... The schedule "foots" by adding down a column of figures. Then you "crossfoot" by adding the total of the columns from left to right to make sure that the amount or figure you calculate down in the "total column" on the right of a schedule of columns totals or crossfoots to the amount you get when you add the figures at the bottom of the columns. These are standard terms for accountants and auditors, and we say, "Does it foot?" or total correctly. Now we just use Excel to do it for us.*

— Margaret, via email

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## SportingBox

BY PATRICK DAUGHERTY

### Rowing Part I



Pattie Pinkerton

**I** found your bio on a UCSD web page. Do you also play viola for the San Diego Symphony?"

"No," a woman laughs.

I'm talking to Pattie Pinkerton, women's crew head coach for UCSD. Here is a portion of her stats: studied journalism at San Diego State, graduated 1978, was rowing coordinator for the San Diego Rowing Club, competed in the USA National Championships from 1975 to 1984, competed for the USA Sculling Squad 1980-'82, international competitor at the Master's Championships and World Games 1985-'97, won 16 international titles and seven national titles. From 1982 to '84 she was president of the USA National Women's Rowing Association and named Woman of the Year by aforementioned organization.

Did a stint in Australia coaching men's and women's "talent identification squads" to 17 national rowing titles from 1990-'98. Then, as head coach at Gonzaga University, she won the West Coast Conference championship in 1999 and was named WCC Coach of the Year. Then to UCSD. In the past three years her teams finished 5th, 2nd, and 2nd. That's not a conference finish; that's a national Division II finish.

Hence my question about the viola. I say, "People who have non-mainstream sports jobs — like the one you have — not only have to be qualified, they have to be super, super, super qualified. Is that true for rowing?"

"Yeah," Pinkerton says. "When I lived in Australia there were only three women who had full-time rowing coaching jobs. And two of them were living with their head coaches."

Pinkerton returned to the States and accepted a head coaching position at Gonzaga University. I ask, "How did you work your way back to San Diego?"

"UC San Diego had a Division III program. They were upgrading to Division II and moving all their coaching jobs to full-time. The guy who had been coach was a good

friend of mine. He couldn't go full-time in coaching because he's a full-time history teacher. He would have to take a huge cut in pay. I liked Gonzaga and I liked Spokane, but there wasn't a whole lot there for Charlie, my husband."

I mention that the San Diego Crew Classic (an annual weekend of racing on Mission Bay; Harvard, Washington, Notre Dame, Yale — 4000 athletes, teams, and clubs from pretty much everywhere will be there) is on this weekend and wonder if UCSD has teams in the field.

"My novices and two boats of alumnae are racing. But my varsity is going up to Portland for a Division II regatta [Northwest Collegiate Rowing Championships], we have to compete in order to keep our NCAA dreams alive."

"What is the San Diego Crew Classic to you? Is it a big deal? Not a big deal?"

"It is," Pinkerton thinks for several seconds, "one of the great regattas in the world. Like the Head of the Charles Regatta, it's an event."

"Tell me about your Crew Classic teams."

Pinkerton says, "Rowing has taken off in college. Title IX was finally interpreted to say, 'You have to count football too.' They have something like a 160-man roster on football. So [after women's sports were awarded more money], rowing and soccer and softball really benefited. Rowing sprung up in places like Alabama and Kansas and Iowa."

"But, there are still not enough people who row as juniors. We have a lot of walk-ons. Probably, 90 percent of people who row started in college. There's a collegiate category called 'novice rowing.' Novice rowing is your first year of collegiate rowing. So, you could start rowing as a junior and still be a college novice. We have a collegiate novice boat in the Classic and then a second novice 8, I think they call it Collegiate B."

"Is that JV?"

"It would be athletes 9 through 16 on the novice team."

"So, the second string?"

"We don't call it that, they do."

"What do you want your athletes to get out of this weekend on Mission Bay?"

"What you want to do with your novices is teach them the way of crew, inspire them to stick with rowing. When we're training, we're out there on our own. On campus you're unique in a crazy kind of way. You row — you're the people who get up early."

"When you go to the Crew Classic and see that there are 5000 or 8000 athletes ranging from 13 years old to their early 80s, you see that you're part of a worldwide cult. It's a great thing for them to see how much history and passion there is around the sport and that they're not alone."

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# fast break

By Anthony Gentile



The South team huddles up during a timeout at the Senior All-Star Game

## El Camino upends Etiwanda in first round of state

Posted March 10, 2009

Facing the state's seventh-ranked team in the first round of the state playoffs at home Monday night, El Camino rose to the challenge. The Wildcats outplayed Etiwanda down the stretch and hung on for a 63-60 win.

"Anytime we win a game in the state playoffs against a quality team like that it says something about San Diego basketball," said El Camino head coach Ray Johnson. "It makes a statement that we can play here."

"We're nothing to step on," said El Camino center Luke Evans. "We can play basketball down here too."

Evans scored a game-high 18 points — 12 of which came in the second half. Evans also held Etiwanda's USF-bound center Perris Blackwell to only four points after halftime.

Wildcats' guards Alan Cox and Steven Aldridge scored 16 and 14 points, respectively.

"Everybody played well," Johnson said. "Everybody did what they had to do."

El Camino got off to a slow start Monday night. Johnson burned two early timeouts as the Wildcats fell behind 12-2 in the opening five minutes.

"We never like coming out slow," Evans said, "but basketball is four quarters — you have to play all four."

El Camino responded with a 12-2 run to close the first quarter and had a three-point lead at halftime. Etiwanda came out strong after the break and the Wildcats trailed by four headed into the fourth. But with 4:28 left in the game, El Camino went ahead 53-51 on a three-point play by Steven Aldridge and never relinquished the lead.

## Loyola bounces Hoover from state playoffs

Posted March 10, 2009

In the first round of the Division II state playoffs, the Hoover Cardinals met a more experienced and deeper Loyola team and fell 68-57 at home.

"We were immature tonight and they wanted it more," said Hoover head coach Ollie Goulston. "It's a tough combination to beat, especially against good teams."

Hoover (28-8) hung with Loyola (25-6) for three quarters and trailed by four at the end of the third. But when the Cubs switched to a 3-2 zone in the fourth quarter, the Cardinals simply couldn't score.

Hoover scored only seven points in the fourth quarter and did not make a field goal until 1:15 left. Loyola scored the first eight points of the final quarter and was able to win going away, leading by as many as 17 in the closing minutes.

### Comments:

I have been following your column for the past couple of months. I coach high school basketball and live in North County. On many occasions I did not get the scores from games played in areas outside of North County, not to mention a story. Often times, your column was the most convenient and only coverage that I could find. It was well-written and thorough. The recorded footage and the photos were outstanding. What I appreciated the most was the insight into teams and games that would not normally be seen or heard of up here. It gave me a more complete picture of SD basketball.

Thank you! Nice work!

By sportsjunkie 8:51 p.m., Mar 11, 2009

## Foothills Christian falls to Pacific Hills in regional semifinals

Posted March 12, 2009

Foothills Christian's state title run ended Thursday night with a 67-58 loss to Pacific Hills (North Hollywood) in the CIF southern California regional semifinals at Santana High School.

After a close first quarter, Pacific Hills opened up a lead in the second quarter with a 9-0 run. The Bruins had little trouble with Foothills Christian's man-to-man defense and led 36-26 at halftime.

The Knights came within two a few times in the final minutes, but could never take the lead. Down five with 38 seconds left, Foothills Christian guard Kalob Hatcher missed a runner and Pacific Hills snagged the rebound, ending any chances of a Knights' victory.

"We just couldn't make the big shot," Foothills coach Brad Leaf said.

## South edges North in Senior All-Star Game

Posted March 28, 2009

The South All-Stars held off a second-half comeback to beat the North All-Stars 78-75 at the 2009 Senior All-Star game March 27. The teams felt each other out in the first half, and the South led 40-31 at the break. The North pulled even in the second half and the final minutes were back and forth and very competitive.

"Everybody has a special thing they bring to the game," south MVP Damon Williams of Mira Mesa said. "There are a lot of great players here, and to play with them is a great feeling."

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# Empirical Girl



by Barbaraella

*Good judgment comes from experience, and often experience comes from bad judgment.*

— Rita Mae Brown

**T**his is fantastic," I said. "It's not so good as Josue's," said Rosa, turning to her husband. Josue shrugged and took another bite of the penne bolognese — experience dictated that the dish's swift disappearance would better communicate his approval than words. Rosa smiled. "And, David, this bread, what's it called again? Portuguese cornbread? It's amazing," she said, in her continued deflection of the compliment. Then, changing the subject altogether, "What I want to know, Josue, is when are we getting a grill?"

After tasting David's grilled offerings earlier in the week, Josue was eager to experiment on his own. It was important to Josue that his grill looked as good as it cooked. He'd narrowed his search down to two models and announced his intention to procure one before the

month was out. "Are you going to put it where all those cactuses are?" I asked, gesturing at the pots gathered on the small patio on the other side of the glass door. Josue nodded.

"Guess you'll have to get rid of those, then," I said.

"I'll have to find them foster homes," said Josue with a note of regret. "I got them when they were babies

at the farmers' market."

"I'm not a fan of cacti," I said. "They're so...guarded." I glanced toward the end of our table at a small cactus potted in a drinking glass. "Except for that kind, with all the fuzzy bits." Josue started in on this cactus's deceptive appearance, how those yellow spots may seem as inviting as fur on a kitten's neck, yet, in reality, they were as cunning as a hungry cougar. I cut him off. "I know," I said. "I've had a run-in with one of those before. Only the fuzzy dots on *that* one were red."

I was 12 years old. Mom had given my sister and me some cash so we could walk the mile to 7-Eleven with some neighborhood kids and buy ourselves nachos and Slurpees. On the way, I stopped to admire a plastic-looking plant speckled with silky crimson spots made vibrant by the complementary green to which they were affixed. As with anything soft and fuzzy, I wanted to touch it.

"Wait," said the girl who lived two blocks over. She was a few months younger than me and therefore in no place to be telling me what

to do. "You don't want to touch that — it's a cactus."

I laughed. "The leaves might look cactus-y, but these parts are soft, just look at it."

"Those are the needles. My mom says they're real sharp and can hurt you," she argued.

"Well, they don't *look* sharp." I had her there. While she was mentally scrambling for a comeback, I reached out and snatched one of the paddle-shaped leaves. "See?" I said, caressing the nubs. "It's soft, just like I said. Go on, touch it." She shook her head. No one else, not even my own sister, would feel the silky strands. Having made my point, I shrugged and tossed the leaf, paying no mind to the itty-bitty red hairs stuck like glitter to my skin.

Josue winced as I told my story because he knew what came next; that by touching the prickly pear, I'd assisted the cactus in embedding hundreds of near-invisible barbs into my fingertips — microscopic needles that would torment me for weeks. He sucked air through his teeth and said, "That's bad."

"So, yeah, *now* I know not to touch those," I concluded.

"You have to be careful, like with the jumping cactus," Josue said. I cocked a brow. "You know, the cactus that shoots its spines."

No, I didn't know. "A cactus that shoots spines? Like a porcupine?"

"It's true. It's called the jumping cactus. I have one out there," said Josue.

"No way. I want to see it. But not just see it," I clarified, "I want to see it in action. Don't roll your eyes, David, there's nothing

wrong with wanting to see nature at work. I won't *touch* it, I just want to get close enough to see the spines jump. That is, *if* they jump."

"You don't believe me?"

"Don't take it personally, Josue," I cooed. "It's not that I don't trust you; I just want to see it for myself."

"But you could get hurt." David and Rosa nodded in agreement.

I didn't. Get hurt, I mean, if that's what you're wondering. I like to think I'm not stupid so much as skeptical. I armed myself with a napkin and, ignoring the protests back at the table, I molested each of the cacti on Josue's veranda with the supple black paper. When nothing happened, I considered using my fingers. How bad could it hurt? Weighing the potential for pain against the satisfaction of seeing The Attack of the Killer Cactus, I lightly ran an index finger along one thick spine. *No, better not*, I thought, remembering the time I was five and my mother told me not to touch the stovetop. She said it was hot, but the stove was off, and the electric rings were not orange. How could I trust my mother when I could see with my own eyes that she was lying? Confident in my visual assessment, I set my entire hand on the stove. The upside to the aftermath was that I left no fingerprints around the house for a few weeks.

I returned to the table after deciding to wait until I could be alone with the plants and really go to town. Better to not have an audience for whatever went down, like the time my sister Jenny (the same sister who'd seen me rub the fuzzy cactus all over my hands) was forced to witness — in a mixed

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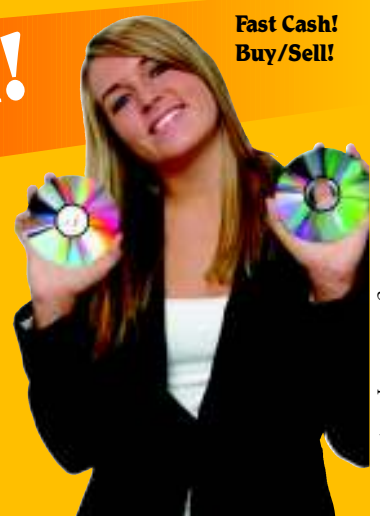
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state of convulsive laughter and horror — me being attacked by the very squirrel she'd warned me not to try and touch. Yes, best to wait.

"You have to climb the wall," Josue said. Rosa nodded, but David and I were in the dark. Josue explained that in Mexico, a tall wall marked the perimeter of his and his neighbors' yards. "My parents told me not to climb it, that I would fall."

"Did you?" I asked.

"Sure, of course," he said.

"And?"

"I fell down, a lot of times, and got hurt. But I keep trying until I become an expert and jump the wall backward and all these kinds of things. See, if you touched that, you were

going to suffer and say, 'Oh, you were right, Josue,' but you do it anyway, you need to climb the wall by yourself. Funny thing is, at the end, you try to pass the same thing. You say, 'Don't do it, because it's going to happen to you' — you try to protect others, but some, like you, will climb the wall anyway."

"You know, that reminds me," I said. "I recently heard that it's, like, practically impossible for someone to eat a teaspoon of cinnamon. It sounds ridiculous. David, don't look at me like that." Rosa's big brown eyes grew wider. "You guys have some cinnamon here...right, Josue? Ever try it?" ■

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“Mommy, why are they shooting at us again?”

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**T**he sensation is similar to what you feel when you narrowly avoid a car crash or catch a child just in time to avoid disaster — relief that it did not happen, distress that it almost did, dread that next time you may not be so lucky. The Tijuana state of mind has become popularly known as “the psychosis.” Anyone who lives in Tijuana knows what you’re talking about when you use the term.





**"Living in Tijuana is easy. It's surviving that's hard."**





"I don't take my kids to the park anymore on Sundays," says Luís, a young Tijuana father of three — eight- and six-year-old sons, and a five-year-old daughter. Luís once looked forward to the weekly family outings. Sunday is his only day off from delivering bottled fruit juices to neighborhood grocers. His sons liked to kick a soccer ball around for hours and run in the grass. His daughter favored the swings and the slide. "It's too dangerous," he says, shaking his

head, staring at the ground. "Too many shootouts. We stay home, play Game Boy, watch TV, or rent videos. Their mom won't even take them with her to the supermarket like she used to, even though they beg to go."

Luís is by no means alone, not in his constant uneasiness, not in the ashen look that briefly crosses his face when he imagines what could happen to his loved ones when they venture onto the streets of Tijuana. From working-

class neighborhoods like Luís's Colonia Hidalgo near downtown, to the city's wealthiest enclaves, Tijuana residents are hunkering down. No area of the city is considered safe. Most people of means have already fled, and more are leaving town every day. Tijuana news outlets reported not long after the New Year began that, of the 100 or so owners of PEMEX-franchised gas stations in the metro area, 60 had decided to take themselves and their fam-

ilies elsewhere to live. Joaquín Aviña Sánchez, director of the Tijuana Gas Station Owners Association, told the Tijuana daily *Frontera* that between 2006 and 2007, at least 20 owners — or members of their families — had been kidnapped.

For those who are staying behind, either because they have no choice or out of pride of place, military authorities recommend they stay at home if there is no important reason to go out. The official mur-

der count for 2008 was 843, though suspicious Tijuana residents say there were probably a lot more. Of the 843, *Frontera* reported at year's end that 25 were innocent bystanders. One reason the official death toll is suspect is that many people have vanished, their fates unknown to family and friends. On January 24, Mexican soldiers and federal police captured a 45-year-old ex-construction worker who said he was paid \$600 a week by a renegade drug-cartel lieutenant

known as "the uncle" to dissolve corpses in acid-filled barrels. In a short question-and-answer session with journalists following his arrest, a tearful Santiago Meza López said he had liquefied 300 bodies. The state attorney general has begun collecting photos from families of the disappeared in hopes that Meza López, who said he would cooperate, might recall some of the faces. Within a day, the attorney general said in a press conference, more than 100

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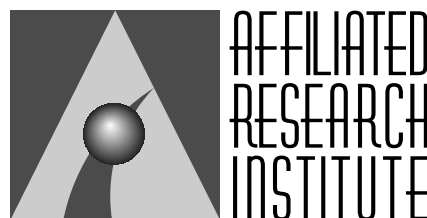
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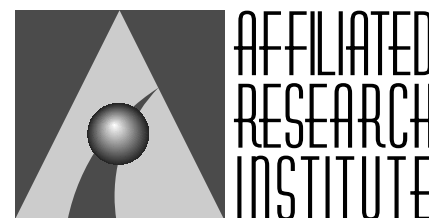
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photos had been collected.

Hopes for the prospect of less violence in 2009 were quickly dashed. The first murder was reported 20 minutes into the New Year. On February 2, the state attorney general's office released Tijuana murder statistics for the first month of 2009. In January, said the statement, homicides more than doubled over the same month last year — 30 killings in January 2008, compared to 69 in 2009. Included in the statistics were six

municipal police officers, seven decapitated bodies — among them four victims who were just 17 years old — and six

“There is a new rule in my house,” says a prominent Tijuana physician, whose swank Chapultepec home includes an

# Now they don't care who gets killed.

women. Several of the murdered women died, said *Frontera*, only because they “were in the wrong place at the wrong time.”

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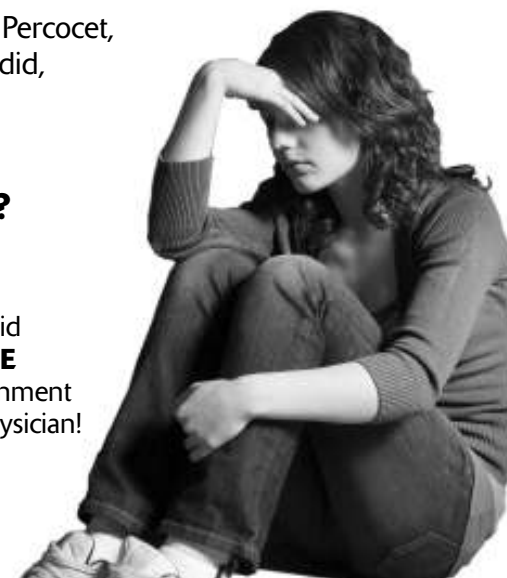
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leave at a different time, and take a different route when I drop my boys at school.” The doctor has even abandoned regular office hours, seeing patients by appointment only and varying his hours each day. Some days he avoids his clinic altogether. But the doctor takes exception to the term “psychosis” to describe the popular consciousness. “Psychosis is a profound mental illness,” he explains. “We are not suffering from any mental illness. This is real.”

María, a usually happy-go-lucky third-grader, came home from school one afternoon just before Halloween trembling and fighting back tears. “The teacher told us no ‘trickie-trickie,’ ” she said, referring to the Spanish adaptation of “trick-or-treat.” “They might kill us,” sobbed the 8-year-old. “The narcos said they would kill us.” Municipal and school authorities had warned parents to keep their kids off the streets after one group among the warring narco-factions was rumored to have threatened to gun down children at random if the federal government did not withdraw the thousands of soldiers sent in to patrol city streets. It could well have been a rumor or an empty threat, but nerves are frayed in Tijuana, and no one wanted to take any chances in a city where murderous cruelty has become almost as certain as tomorrow’s sunrise. Government officials dubbed the threat “narco-terrorism” and promised for the umpteenth time to do something about it.

So the streets of Tijuana, once teeming with little witches and hobgoblins on Halloween, were virtually empty in 2008 — except for half-ton military trucks carting heavily armed soldiers through

residential streets — just in case the threat wasn’t a rumor. And the very few brave enough to take the risk found that not many doors opened for them as they trekked house to

house.

“Mommy, why are they shooting at us again?” a five-year-old asked her mother after being caught in the crossfire of a shootout in the parking

lot of Tijuana’s Sam’s Club just before noon on November 25, *Frontera* reported. Mom had just picked her daughter up from a nearby preschool in what is regarded as one of

the best and safest neighborhoods in the city. It was, said the newspaper, the second time the youngster had been forced to duck and cover as bullets flew. Students at the nearby

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"Living in Tijuana is easy," says a neighborhood

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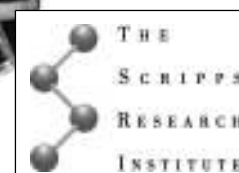
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cop who patrols the middle-class El Mirador neighborhood. "It's surviving that's hard." He was one of a dozen officers who stood guard outside an elementary school two blocks from a government hospital one sunny November afternoon as the school day was about to end. At least ten police cars screamed into the emergency entrance of Hospital ISSSTECALI, sirens wailing. Ski-masked officers armed with rifles jumped out of police pickups and lined the sidewalk. A police helicopter hovered overhead, and motorcycle cops blocked off the street. Two olive-colored half-ton Mexican Army trucks, carrying about a dozen semi-automatic-rifle-toting soldiers, cruised the surrounding streets. Somewhere in the city there had been another shootout, more police officers killed and wounded, and ISSSTECALI, a state-run hospital for government employees and their dependents, is where they take them.

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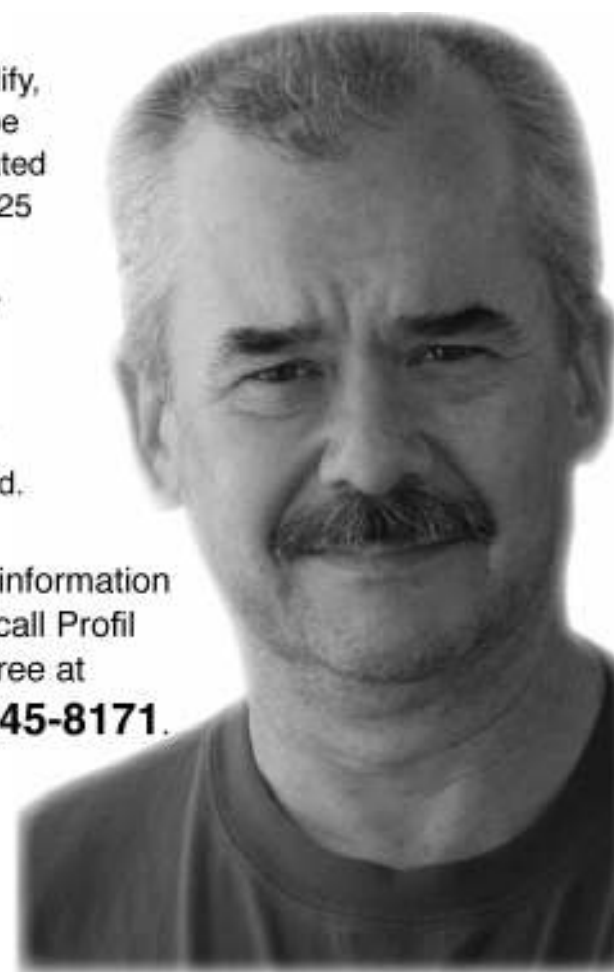
**You may qualify for the study if you are:**

- A Type 2 Diabetic
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- A nonsmoker
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If you qualify, you may be compensated up to \$2,925 for time and travel.

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- are women age 18 and older
- are experiencing overactive bladder symptoms with urgency for over 6 months
- have not had three or more urinary tract infections in the past year

Qualified participants will receive study-related exams, lab tests and study drug at no charge.

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ence on trauma medicine, Carlos Freaner Figueroa, vice president of the Mexican Red Cross, announced that Red Cross paramedics, who staff the country's principal ambulance system, had adopted a "war-zone policy" when responding to calls for help from victims injured "in whatever manner during operations against organized crime." From now on, said Freaner Figueroa, police must enter the area first, police must guard paramedics as they remove the injured, and, once a patient has been evaluated and cleared for transport to a hospital, ambulances must be accompanied by police escorts. The reason for the new policy, he said, was to prevent gunmen from finishing off patients on their way to the hospital.

Francisco, who earns

his livelihood as a bootleg plumber and electrician out of the trunk of his car, says he has taught his children what to do in case they get caught in a shootout: "Chest on the ground, flat as you can! Hands over your head! Don't stand

rors: "Two dead in shootout"; "Body cut into pieces discovered with narco-message"; "Confrontation leaves one dead, two wounded"; "Three found executed in back alley"; "Man gunned down downtown"; "Man shot,

## Francisco has taught his children what to do in case they get caught in a shootout.

up!" His kids, 11, 13, and 15, know well the danger, he says. "They're not stupid. They have eyes. They have ears." Television and radio news, along with the city's dailies, saturate the city with the latest hor-

crashes into patrol car"; "Two men shot at on Boulevard Agua Caliente"; "Another corpse wrapped in a blanket found"; "Nine dead, seven of them decapitated"; "Killed in shootout near Marriott"; "Comman-

### RESEARCH STUDIES

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To possibly qualify for the study, must be:

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- Surgical confirmation of Endometriosis in the last 5 years (operative report must be available)
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Qualified participants may receive:

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## Research Study – Type 2 Diabetics

**Do you have type 2 diabetes and still have uncontrolled  
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exercise, with or without medication? If this sounds like you,  
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**Dr. Sunder Mudaliar and his associates at UCSD are looking for men and women with type 2  
diabetes as volunteers to take part in a research study to assess the efficacy, safety and  
tolerability of an investigational drug for diabetes.**

#### Duration:

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plus 28 weeks (up to a total of 1 year treatment) if you agree to continue in the study  
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If you meet the following criteria you may be eligible to participate.

#### Inclusion Criteria:

- Males or females aged 18 to 75 years • Diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes
- Treatment with pioglitazone greater or equal to 30 mg/day and metformin greater or  
equal to 1,500 mg/day for at least 12 weeks on a stable dose (meaning no dose  
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**For more information, please contact**

**Catherine DeLue at: 858-552-8585 ext. 6740**

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## Clinical Research Study Seeking Type 2 Diabetic Volunteers Not Using Insulin

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Type 2 Diabetic volunteers  
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### You may qualify if you are:

- At least 18 years old
- A Type 2 Diabetic
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When your **TYPE 2 DIABETES** is out of **control**, finding *harmony* is essential.



If you're having trouble controlling your diabetes, consider participating in HARMONY, a research study evaluating an investigational diabetes medication that's taken **only once a week**.

It's estimated that 50% of diabetics in the U.S. struggle to successfully control their blood sugar. The inconvenience of multiple daily treatments can often add to this struggle. Now, the HARMONY program is evaluating the effectiveness of an investigational, long-acting type 2 diabetes medication, which may require less frequent dosings.

To be eligible for this study, you must be:

- 18 years of age or older,
- diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, AND
- having trouble controlling your blood sugar levels.



Qualified participants will receive study treatment as well as study-related medical evaluations and tests at no cost.

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dos kill 16." And that was just two days' worth of news.

"I don't read the newspapers and I don't watch the news," said one middle-aged Tijuana woman returning late one Friday afternoon from a day's work as a maid at a San Diego hotel. "I don't want to know anymore." She glanced at her watch and fretted, "It will be getting dark soon. I don't like to get home after dark."

While the widespread and sometimes indiscriminate killings are bad enough, it is the heartless savagery that accompanies many of them that has left Tijuana close to emotional meltdown. Masked men kick in the doors of modest homes in predawn raids, singling out fathers to kill in front of their children, or children to kill in front

of their parents. In some instances, entire families are slaughtered. Decapitated bodies are left on baseball fields used by youngsters; detached heads are discovered by startled taco-stand owners opening for business in the morning; sometimes, the

others stranded behind the wheel of the car they were driving when death came.

Often the killer will leave a "narco message," explaining why the person was murdered, but lately the government has decided to stop revealing

their faces wrapped with duct tape. Some have had their index fingers amputated and stuffed into their mouths — a signal that the individual was a snitch.

An October 2008 Mexico travel advisory issued by the U.S. State Department says: "Some recent

## "I hate to tell you this, but Americans make me sick."

bodies are found in one city, the heads in another. Rotting corpses are abandoned in metal barrels. Bullet-riddled bodies, their tongues cut out, have been left on the sidewalk in front of an elementary school. Corpses are strewn across the city — some wrapped in plastic garbage bags,

the contents. Usually the message refers to the leader of an opposition cartel or one of his local lieutenants, as in "This is what happens to friends of so-and-so." Some victims were clearly tortured before their deaths, others suffocated by having their heads wrapped in a plastic bag or

Mexican army and police confrontations with drug cartels have taken on the characteristics of small-unit combat, with cartels employing automatic weapons and, on occasion, grenades. Firefights have taken place in many towns and cities across Mexico but particularly in north-

### RESEARCH STUDIES

## HAS ERECTILE DYSFUNCTION TURNED YOUR SEX LIFE OFF?



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ern Mexico, including Tijuana, Chihuahua City, and Ciudad Juárez. The situation in northern Mexico remains fluid; the location and timing of future armed engagements cannot be predicted."

Billiard halls, discos, restaurants, convenience stores, used-auto lots, taco stands, junkyards, car-stereo shops, auto-alarm outlets, and a tire store have been sprayed indiscriminately with gunfire. Professionals — engineers, lawyers, and physicians — are snatched off the street in broad daylight and held for ransom. Kidnapping has become what the State Department calls "a lucrative business." In Tijuana, it is a side-business for the drug cartels, which have developed sophisticated techniques for tracking the daily routines of potential victims. Police have discovered elaborate private jails built inside expensive homes where kidnap victims had been held. More and more business owners are being forced to pay protection money in what one high-ranking police official described as a tactic adapted from the Sicilian

mafia. Gunfire is common on the city's major highways and principal boulevards, where wild police chases have caused chain-reaction car wrecks as drivers scramble to get out of the way. And, while cops have been shot dead — some as they sat parked in patrol cars — it is virtually impossible to distinguish the good guys from the bad. From street cops to the highest levels of government, corruption is commonplace.

Corruption among government officials has been widely reported in the U.S. media, as has most of the violence, with the formulaic explanation that Mexico's increasing misfortune has been caused by "rival drug gangs vying for control of smuggling routes," particularly since the near-collapse of the once-powerful Tijuana-based Arellano-Félix cartel. Virtually every story reported in the U.S. media about the latest savage drug-trafficking crime in Mexico bears a version of that interpretation. And while there is some truth to it, it is a long way from portraying who is really

at fault for Mexico's descent into narco-terrorism. "I hate to tell you this," says Osvaldo, a high school teacher, "but Americans make me sick. Who is it that is spending all this money on drugs that made these narcos millionaires? Americans. Who is it that has shipped thousands and thousands of weapons into Mexico to make all this violence possible? Americans."

Many Baja Californians, including the state's governor, share Osvaldo's point of view. "Who's causing greater harm to whom?" asked Gov. José Guadalupe Osuna Millán, speaking to a November 12, 2008 confab of hundreds of the state's political, business, and civic leaders. "Is it the migrants who with great pains come to work in that country, or



## RESEARCH STUDIES



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is it the tens of thousands of weapons that cross the border, from north to south?"

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deny firearms, the 'tools of the trade,' to criminal organizations in Mexico and along the border, and to combat firearms-related violence affecting communities on both sides of the border." Project Gunrunner was begun, said the ATF, "to stem the flow of firearms into Mexico, and thereby deprive the narcotics cartels of weapons." Last year the ATF provided something called "eTrace technology" to nine U.S. consulates in Mexico, where seized weapons can now be traced back to their original point of sale.

"Trends indicate the firearms illegally crossing the U.S.-Mexico border are becoming more powerful," said the ATF. The agency reported it had analyzed weapons seized in Mexico between 2005 and 2007 and had "identified

the following weapons most commonly used by drug traffickers:" 9 mm pistols, .38 caliber "super pistols," 5.7 mm pistols (known in Mexico as "cop-killers" because the bullets can pierce body armor), .45 caliber pistols, AR-15-type rifles (a semi-automatic version of the U.S. military's M-16), and AK-47-type rifles. In addition to the weapons seized in Mexico, "In the past two years, ATF has seized thousands of firearms headed to Mexico."

While high-powered weapons from the U.S. may be the "tools of the trade" of Mexico's drug traffickers, without the huge demand from American consumers for marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine, and heroin, they would soon go out of business. Mexican and Colom-

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bian drug-trafficking organizations “generate, remove, and launder between \$18 billion and \$39 billion in wholesale drug proceeds annually,” according to the 2009 National Drug Threat Assessment, a report by the U.S. Department of Justice’s National Drug Intelligence Center. The Mexican cartels, said the report, “are the greatest drug-trafficking threat to the United States; they control most of the U.S. drug market and have established varied transportation routes, advanced communications capabilities, and strong affiliations with gangs in the United States.” The Mexican cartels, the report continued, “control a greater portion of drug production, transportation, and distribution than any other criminal group.... Their extensive drug-trafficking activities in the United States generate billions of dollars in illicit proceeds annually.”

The Mexican cartels “maintain drug distribution networks or supply drugs to distributors in at least 230 U.S. cities,” said the report, including San Diego, Escondido, and El Centro. “Mexican drug traffickers transport multi-ton quantities of drugs from Mexico into the United States annually using overland, maritime, and air conveyances. The use of varied conveyances enables Mexican drug traffickers to consistently deliver illicit drugs from Mexico to warehouse locations in the United States for subsequent distribution.”

The multibillion-dollar profits from the drug-hungry U.S. create another huge problem for Mexico and help explain why the drug cartels have become so much a part of the fabric of Mexican life: all those billions have to be laun-

dered before they can be spent or legally returned to the U.S. as bank deposits. From time to time, the U.S. Treasury Department issues statements identifying money-laundering outfits

in Tijuana. Since 2006, the lists have included construction companies, real-estate agencies, armored-truck companies, pawn shops, currency-exchange businesses, liquor and

restaurant supply companies, import-export firms, jewelry stores, and mail-delivery services. Currency-exchange businesses — the ubiquitous *casas de cambio* found in almost

any Tijuana neighborhood — far outnumber any other business named by the Treasury for money laundering. There are likely many more businesses under the radar of the U.S.

government, says Carlos, a longtime Tijuana resident in his early 60s. “The little corner restaurant that never has many customers but stays in business year after year, there

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are a lot of those," he said. "Just across the street from the apartment I used to live in, there was a small shopping center with stores selling clothes, a photo studio, that kind of thing. The only time I saw any real traffic was after midnight — Mercedes, Escalades, Suburbans. Made me wonder what was really going on there. It's one of the reasons I moved."

Leticia, a mother of two, works at a major Tijuana new-car dealership. She says she has no idea whether the company launders money but still wishes she could find work elsewhere. "It's some of the customers that come in," she says. "People with lots of money to spend. You don't know whether they might be targeted to be kidnapped or whether they

got their money legally. All I can tell you is, when they come in, me and the other women try to head to the back or brace ourselves, ready to run if we need to. It makes my skin crawl. I get goose bumps."

On December 4, 2008, the U.S. Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Virginia, a Defense Department unit of military experts from various services, issued its annual report on threats to American security around the world. "In terms of worst-case scenarios for the Joint Force and indeed the world, two large and important states bear consideration for a rapid and sudden collapse: Pakistan and Mexico," said the report. "The Mexican possibility may seem less likely, but the government, its politicians, police, and judicial infrastructure are all

under sustained assault and press by criminal gangs and drug cartels. How that internal conflict turns out over the next several years will have a major impact on the stability of the Mexican state. Any descent by Mexico into chaos would demand an American response based on the serious implications for homeland security alone."

While Tijuana has yet to descend into chaos, the situation is so stressful — almost unlivable — for ordinary people who just want to live their lives and raise their families that some have begun calling on the government to call a truce with the narco cartels or to allow one cartel to win control with government help. That, say some, had long been the policy of the PRI, the political party that ruled Mex-

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ico for more than 70 years before its defeat in the 2000 and 2006 presidential elections by the right-leaning PAN. The increasing level of violence that has swept the country began, they say, in December 2006, when President Calderón launched an all-out government war on the cartels. Since then, more than 25,000 federal troops have been dispatched across the country to do battle with the well-armed drug lords. In 2008 alone, the president's war claimed more than 5000 lives.

"You're just going to write one of those stories that has nothing but bad things to say about Tijuana, aren't you?" asked Felipe, a taxi driver. "Why should I bother talking to you? You gringos just don't understand. Most of the people who live in Tijuana

are good — don't have anything to do at all with the narcos. And besides, you will never understand this so-called 'corruption culture.' Tell me what you would do if someone threatened you or your family? Most of the time it's '*plata o plomo*,' " he explained, which in English translates to "silver or lead." What Felipe was trying to convey is that government officials are often made the proverbial unfusable offer: cooperate, take the bribe — or we'll kill you.

Despite growing calls for a truce — as one government leader said, "The people are on their knees" — that strategy seems unlikely. In the same meeting of business and civic leaders in November in which Baja California Governor José Guadalupe

Osuna Millán pointedly complained about "the tens of thousands of weapons that cross the border, from north to south," the governor also issued a plea to his war-weary citizens: "I urge you not to give in, not to grow faint, not to allow crime under any form to be a part of our lives and eat away like an incurable cancer."

(Author's note: The people who speak in this story are real, and what they told me has been faithfully recounted. But certain details — their names, anything that might even remotely be used to identify them — have been changed or omitted. This was done for the same reason I am writing this under a pseudonym — fear of becoming the next victim.) ■

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I like to sit in that church. It's built in the shape of a cross. From the roof of my apartment building, looking down, the church is a big hen setting her nest on the green grass. The cross's arms are her wings. The bell tower is her head. When I go in the church, I walk slowly like a bride walks, down the long aisle. I make believe, *Well, here I am, in the hen, a hen as big as a church.* My Mary Janes clatter on the grey stones, but what I imagine is, I'm strolling through a hen's inside when she's still alive. Inside her body, she is not dark, but warm and flooded

with light. Her breast bones rise up to a point and are the same as the arches that hold up the inside of the church. Her wishbone is the highest arch. I touch her tough gizzard and her liver and her fast-beating heart.

To think that is peaceful. Now that it's Monday and I stand around sweating in the noise of Macy's while Mama's mother shops the sales, I wish I hadn't done it. Gone to church. The preacher talked about Hell.

He started out by leaning over the open-mouthed angels carved into the front of the pulpit. Then he looked out into all our eyes, as if we were personal friends. "Dear ones," he said, "the end of the world is near." All our breaths sucked in. The woman by me in the pew



had on what Mama calls "a smart suit," and around her shoulders, she wore two fox furs with head and feet still attached, and on her own feet, alligator shoes with open toes. Inside her purse, alligator too, I could see she smoked Camels.

To the man next to her, dressed in gangster pin-stripes with built-up shoulders, she said, "Doesn't the thought just make your blood run cold?"

Up to that point, I'd liked her.

I'd felt as if anybody who looked at us would have said, about her and me, "That must be her little girl."

"In the midst of life," the preacher said, "we are in death." His words crackled off the microphone. People flinched. "Some of us," he said, "will be con-

signed to eternal torment." The r's of eternal torment were bullets shot out of his mouth. The woman next to me put her hand to her bosom.

This morning, all the way down here to Macy's on the subway, station signs flew by. We had caught an express. It went so fast, the metal rattled, Mama's mother's cheeks jiggled. Because it's Monday, our car was packed full. I had to stand by Mama's mother's seat and hold on to the back of it."

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When I grow up, will I be like Mama's mother? Or favor Mama? Some of Mama I wouldn't mind getting for myself.

On the subway train this morning, the train swayed me so much, I felt sick to my stomach. Mama's mother tried to talk above the clatter about what she might buy and how snow was coming, a real blizzard, and how she sure thanked God (although she's not religious) she didn't have to get cows in out of it. She told me the story of how once the snow fell so many feet deep that her best Poland China 600-pound sow got swallowed up and sunk down in it. Nobody found her until spring thaw, and when they did, the sow was frozen perfectly, her mouth still open to squeal for help. I thought, then, while Mama's mother was still talking and even the bored New Yorkers looked up to listen, about how a body's outside is fragile as a paper lantern. How a body's outside can get you run over and smeared on pavement, flat. It can sizzle on the subway third rail, get fried to a pork cracklin' by the A-bomb, or trifled with by dirty men.

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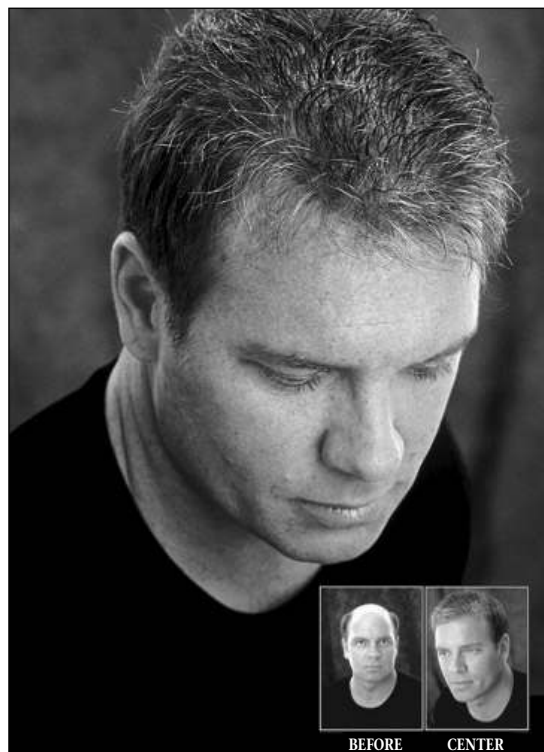
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I thought about how at school, when the fire alarm shrills, they tell us to quickly and without panic form a single line outside our room for fire drill. If it's cold, we get time to grab our coats from the cloak room. In a real fire, we might not. In orderly fashion, no talking, we snake down stairs and stand out on 110th Street across from Central Park. We try not to stare at poor people from Spanish Harlem who walk by in shabby coats or who, when it's warm, dress up in colors brighter than we ever wear, who put gold hoop earrings in the ears of even bitty babies, and we try not to look scared when *pachucos*' heels, with metal taps nailed in then, click by us on the sidewalk. *Pachucos* nib their skinny mustaches with a pinky finger

and grin and then go "Ssssss." They shoot spit right out onto the sidewalk near our feet.

Pie-face Amy, whose father is a bird colonel, retired, and on Wall Street now, told us *pachucos* carry shivs pushed into their belts, right up against their naked skin, just like Negroes keep ice picks inside their jackets. Amy said, "Don't ever look in their eyes. It gives them ideas."

Our teachers like fire drills. They can stand outside and smoke and gossip. If it's cold, cooks bring them out trays of steaming coffee and dessert leftovers, usually a sheetcake square.

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When I was four and five, I lived in Arkansas on my mother's farm. I gathered eggs out from under hens, morning and afternoon. Her hired hand told me to be careful and not hit my head when I stood up quick from bottom rows of nest boxes. "Your head'd break open like one of them

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eggs.”

Even though I’m not happy, I don’t want to die. Not at nine, going on ten. In olden days, soldiers fought wars on battlefields. They saw who they killed. Now, it’s all scrambled eggs.

Russians would fly over in bombers. New York would be a prime target. The Empire State will topple. St. Patrick’s and Best & Co., the only store that sells my D-width shoes, will turn to dust. For sure, Rockefeller Center, where Atlas leans over with his shoulders bent under the weight of the world, that will be like it was never built.

Around the city, air-raid shelters store food, water, first-aid supplies, Bibles, and games. When A-bomb red-alert sounds, let’s say you are downtown:

you must dive for whatever cover’s close by. If you see a round black sign with a yellow triangle in it that says “CD” in black, that’s a shelter. Rush into it. You could live there for up to a month.

You have to get into a shelter in time. When the A-bomb fell in Hiroshima, a Japanese child had on a dress made out of material with roses printed on it. They brought her to the hospital, and nurses saw that the bomb flash had burned roses onto her stomach and back.

Amy’s father saw them bombed in Germany, where it was only regular bombs. In the canals, Nazis boiled up like stew meat. In gutters, they fried in their own fat. “Can you *imagine* that?” asked Amy. She said, “They

deserved it, I guess.”

Mama’s mother says, when bad things happen to some people, “Them that gets it, deserves it. God was never known for bein’ merciful.”

When I asked Mama what we should do at home about the A-bomb, she said, “You won’t know what hit you.” Mama’s like that.

But she pinched my shoulder and warned me, within an inch of my life, “In no uncertain terms are you to talk about A-bombs with your grandmother, do you hear me?”

“Yes, ma’am.”

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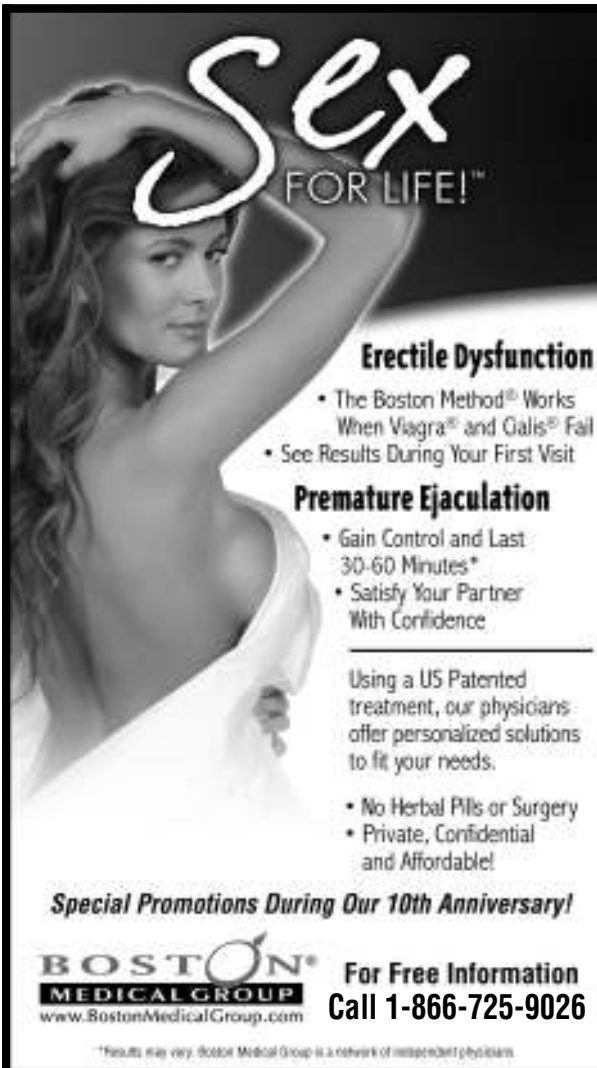
Yesterday the preacher ended his sermon with: “The idea of the end of the world has recurred again and again in the past, and yet the Earth

has not ceased to exist. God is always waiting. Invite him, brethren,” he said, flapping the wide black wings of his robe, “invite him.”

I was glad when we stood up yesterday and sang the recessional hymn, just like I was glad this morning to get out of the swaying subway and up on solid ground in Herald Square so that my stomach calmed down.

The hymn was “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus, You Soldiers of the Cross.” The woman in furs shared a hymnbook with me. The fox heads bobbed when she

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reached for high notes. Her hands shook. She apologized, said, "It's a nicotine fit, why my hands are shaking."

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as the angels' mouths open up on the pulpit.

Before I went back to the apartment yesterday, before I even put on my gloves, I stood out in front of the church and untied out of my handkerchief the two liberty dimes and a buffalo nickel Mama had given me for offering. Navy blue dress-up coat flying, Mary Janes clop-clipping, I ran, pretending to be a wild

pony, down the two blocks to the cigar store on Broadway, and bought a Bit o' Honey and the brand-new Donald Duck comic.

On Saturday afternoon, I had already known I wanted the Donald Duck.

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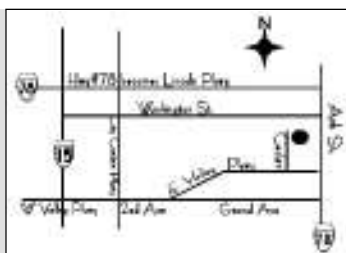
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in holes in the concrete. The wind struck through my coat, jumper top, blouse, and undershirt. So I walked backwards all the way home. In the lobby, the smell of Sunday dinners seeped out from first-floor apartments. Before I got in the elevator, I went to the basement storeroom and, deep in my bike knapsack, hid the comic and candy and the dime I had left.

My mama's mother likes crime. So after Sunday dinner (which included dumplings), she got back out her Sunday papers. She read me from the *Daily News*: "Mobster found dead, six bullets lodged in head... Deranged Vet Murders Thirteen in Twelve Minutes." She told me a story about a jealous wife in Michigan who strangled her husband, butchered him into chops, steaks, and roasts, and wrapped up his pieces as Christmas presents.

I said, "You made that up about Christmas presents."

She rattled newspaper under my nose. She pointed with a print-dirty, fat finger, "Look, young'n, look right here."

It was there.

After that, Mama's mother read out loud about a train wreck. "They're digging," she read, "through the wreckage."

Mama, who keeps up on voice recitals at Town Hall, on her favorite soprano Lily Pons, and operas and opera stars and cares nothing about Berlin or what Russia is up to and whether Alger Hiss is a Communist or Whittaker Chambers a liar or Judith Coplon a spy, sat by the window, as always, to get sun on her Sunday *New York Times*. Mama looked up from her papers and said to her mother, "I wish you wouldn't read that trashy paper out loud."

Mama's mother told Mama in no uncertain terms, "Your homely friend Gertrude reads this same paper."

"Appearances aren't everything," said Mama. "It's what you've got inside that counts."

"Tomorrow," Mama's mother said to me, "I want you to take me to the sales."

I acted like I didn't hear.

Then later, while Mama's mother took her afternoon nap, Mama and I had a big fight.

About taking her mother shopping.

Mama told me, "One of these days, you'll be old, and you'll hope someone will be good to you." I told her I didn't know any other kid who had to take her

grandmother everywhere. Mama corrected me, "Kid is a baby goat," then said, "You wallow in self-pity."

Mama may be correct about my self-pity. I should be grateful, she says, for my good life and not so filled

with complaints.

I have friends. They like me. I like them. We play and we have fun, sometimes so much fun, I forget we are just pretending. Saturday afternoon I was the pioneer mother tied tight

to the tree by the Indian braves and about to be scalped, and in the game it got to where I could hear the Indian's whoo-who-who war dance and feel the knife coming near my forehead and hear my children beg,

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In books I read, many children don't have families. If they did have families, authors couldn't use them as characters. They'd have to stay home, so there'd be no plot. Can you imagine what kind of story Heidi would be if she weren't orphaned?

I shouldn't compare. But I do. I put my life up next to William's, with his mother and father and big

brothers and sister. They're always about to celebrate somebody's birthday or to climb in the station wagon with a lunch hamper packed full of tuna-salad sandwiches to go to a picnic.

When I play at William's apartment and his mother sits us down at the round kitchen table and pours out our milk, she looks at us when we talk. Mama looks at me when she's mad.

At our apartment, what we do is make do and last minute and make the best of it. The milk bottle is on the table. The crusts never get cut off sandwiches. The food falls out of the bread. The way William's mother does everything, her family's life looks like a play that's been practiced until it's perfect, where every-

body remembers their lines. Except it's real life. They are not actors, so no one pretends. What's more, the curtain never comes down. Sometimes I hate William for his perfect real life because I know that all the time, for breakfast and lunch and supper and summer and winter, every day of the year, William feels like I feel only when we are all up on the roof or over at Grant's Tomb and playing at being Indians and pioneers or spies and FBI and are so lost in our game of being anybody we choose to be, of being able even to fly above the Earth if we decide that's the game, that we wait too long, in our real lives, to pee.

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So, here it is, Monday after-

noon, and my school winter vacation, and here Mama's mother and I are, having had lunch at the Macy's lunch counter (beef pot pie), and we're all finished shopping and now in the Macy's lady's room where so many women crowd in, you can barely breathe. They've got cranky children with them, children with bright fever spots on their cheeks, little girls my age who look more tired than I feel, and no fresh air gets in. Some ladies smoke cigarettes. Smells build up. There's coughs, sneezes, and nobody covers her face.

Three salesladies took almost an hour and a half to fit Mama's mother up in the right corset. In the cubbyhole of a dressing

room, she stood bare naked except for her vest and drawers. Her hose fell down around her knees and drooped over her Red Cross pumps, and from excitement, blue veins popped up on her clabby thighs, and she sweated a stream. Sweat popped out all over her, and then it'd run, run, run down. She held up her arms in an "I've surrendered" while they hooked and laced the stiff corset back. She panted to take herself a good breath. The closer the saleswomen got to the end of the laces, the more of Gramma's yellow fat rolled up over the corset top. Then when the ladies went to zip it, a piece of fat got caught in the zipper teeth. She howled 'til you could hear it all across

women's lingerie. Those women jumped. One saleslady ran and got what turned out to be her supervisor, this little Italian woman with a mustache and black eyes that beat Mama's mother for piggy-eye-squint meanness. I never saw anybody quite calm Mama's mother down so fast before. When it was all over and Mama's mother had chosen which corset she wanted, then I knelt on the floor and tied her laces on her pumps and pulled her galoshes on over her shoes, a struggle.

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long mirror where it's all pucker mouths, powder puffs, and spit-on fingertips tracing eyebrows into shape. Mama's mother puckers her mouth some and powders. Really, she's resting. And because she's elderly and heavyset, nobody troubles her for her place at the mirror.

My coat has made me sweat. My feet hurt, even though I long ago broke in my oxfords. I stand here, first one foot, then the other, her packages mounded to my knees. Four flannel nightgowns, two corsets, four pairs of to-the-knee woolly underpants, and four vests she wears under corsets to keep stays from biting so bad. It will be five o'clock and dark when we get to 116th Street. Then we have four short blocks and one long one, two of them steep uphill, before we're home.

I'm not much company, and when Mama's

mother asks the Negro woman on the stool next to hers, "Did you do any good at the sales?" I guess she's been lonesome for talk.

"I got myself a nice checkered tablecloth," the lady answers. Her daughter, my age, leans against her mother's arm. Her eyes droop down. She looks half asleep.

Mama's mother compliments the woman on her child, explains that I am her granddaughter, that she visits New York every winter from her farm. "Those sure are cute braids your little girl's got," says Mama's mother. The daughter pushes harder into her mother's arm, looks down at the tiles.

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eyes toward her mother, who shrugs her off in the direction of the fat hand. Raised up to the height of the child's head, my grandmother's old hand waggles in the smothering cigarette-smoke air. The child scuffs to her. "My, what a pretty little thing we are," Mama's mother says, and slowly, around and around in a circle, Mama's mother rubs the girl's crinkled hair.

Mama's mother smiles, showing all of the front of her false teeth. And before any more can happen, I speak up, loud above the ladies' room chatter. "Please, Gramma, it's time to get home."

Once I get her moved through the revolving doors, which scare her because she thinks she'll get trapped, we are out in Herald Square where, while she shopped, the sun has gone down and the storm has come up. Snow hisses past lit-up signs.

Car lights are on. Horns honk. The buses moan. Her packages hump up in my arms, and hurrying people, to most of whom I am chest high, jostle me. Their breaths make steam, and steam rises up out of grates on the street. So I head straight for the subway. I walk fast, on purpose, her trailing behind me in her heavy coat. I walk fast enough that I can feel my own heart beat against the packages. Mama's mother knows I'm mad. She gets right up to my ear, and her breath comes hard and hot on me, "Her ma didn't know. Northern colored don't do hoodoo."

In the station, other shoppers and people going home from work pack our platform. I let Mama's mother fend for herself. I can feel her near me, but I won't look. She comes close. I move away. She comes close again. I move more. Something in me will not melt,

and I keep my teeth clamped down.

Two trains that are not ours, with bleary faces behind the yellow squares, shriek by fast and dig like blind moles dig, back into their underground tubes dug deep into the earth and strung out all over the city. It makes me think about Hell and about every bad, wrong deed I've done. It makes me think that the truth is I stole collection money when I didn't, on purpose, put it in the plate, and that I hate my own grandmother. I do.

The string on her packages cuts my hands. I am her mule. She never says, "May I carry one of those?" She never says "May I" at all. It's always, "You will. You better do as I say." All day she would not buy me so much as a yard of grosgrain ribbon to cut in half and tie on the ends of my pig-tails. She would not order me Coca-Cola at lunch. She

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said, "Drink water." She never looks me in the eye and smiles.

I am so tired that after we get arranged in our seats, with me by the window, I fall asleep to the rocking car with my cheek up against the wicker that covers the subway seat. But only part-way asleep, so that a dream, in black and white, about the devil and the A-bomb and Atlas at Rockefeller Center collapsed, mixes with how warm her body is by mine, like all the cattle's bodies warm around the cradle in the Christmas story.

Mama's mother shakes me awake, and we are at our stop. My eyes itch from sleep and blink at the sudden bright light in the car. I barely have time to gather up packages and stumble out of my seat and upstairs out into the street. I feel still in the dream, a person I am watching in a dream and not myself who can now hear her own boots scratch on new snow. I remember the story about the Poland China sow. It is dark night, and snow shoots past lamp posts, and right off flakes start cooling my cheeks so that I wake up fast.

We hurry, Gramma and I, between whole families who carry string bags packed to a bulge with groceries. Snow, like doormen's epaulets, has piled up on almost every shoulder. There is snow an inch deep already against gutters. It comes back to me that we learned in science how each flake is not like any other one. Each has a life of its own. So I smile.

There have been days, late in the afternoon after I'm home from school and alone in the apartment, after I've drunk my glass of milk, when the sun has gone down into the river and fallen back behind New Jersey, and the grey church stones turn black and the grass under my window has turned spinach green, I have had to hold back from winding the window all the way open, getting up on the ledge, squinching my shoul-

ders through and throwing myself out, down all five floors. I can see myself, a bundle down there. Just to be done with it all, and, partly, because once I've drunk my milk and everyone else has gone in to sup-

per, sometimes I don't know what to do next and there's no one home to tell me.

\* \* \*

When Mama's mother and I pass 117th, 118th, and cut on over to Claremont where

it's quiet, even deserted, and I see the church turned to white hen by the snow, her belltower head lost in snowclouds, and can walk through this snow until I almost float through its swirls of spiraled whirl-

winds, all white sparkles under rows of the yellow lamp globes, I want to live forever. A bird rises up in me and flaps its wings. My ballerina music box has on top a ballerina turning, slowly, her arms up in third

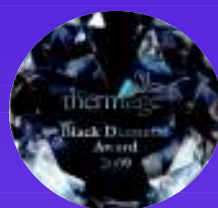
position and her eyes on something out beyond herself. Focus, they call it in dance class.

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pants and foams breath at the mouth and drags her galoshes. She's not said one word since we left the subway. So I slow down and say "I love you" to her and give her a kiss on her dough cheek, which, because she is so short, I don't even have to do on tiptoes.

I feel better. It's true. A body is your hazard. Like oily rags in an attic, your body can kill you.

For fire-prevention week last year, we made posters. Our teacher assigned us each a hazard. I got "Don't Play With Matches."

I do play with matches. I adore fire. Mama has always suspected. But she's never been sure. Once she thought she'd caught me at it. She said she could smell sulphur off the matches on my skin. She gripped my wrists until

bones crackled. She stabbed me with her eyes. "I know you, know you through and through to the bottom of your toes. Don't think you hide anything from me."

I can, Mama. I do.

For there's that Bit o' Honey, the Donald Duck, and my liberty dime. ■

— Judith Moore

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(like Prop 13) and tell the politicians enough is enough and put a stop to unaffordable pensions that are not deserved and not required to keep our public employees in their jobs.

Just try posting a few of these jobs and see the lines of eager applicants line the streets. Democracies fall apart when the elected discover how easy it is to line their pockets with the money from the populace.

Gene Polley  
via email

### Friends Of The Meadows

Re Jerry Schad's "Roam-O-Rama" about Sylvan Meadows (March 19).

Jerry's articles are always gems; however, he neglected to mention that this 8000-acre open-space preserve was saved from development by a coalition led by the Nature Conservancy and including wildlife agencies and the County of Riverside. There is a \$2 day-use fee, money which helps maintain this beautiful example of old California.

Brian Swanson  
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### Words For The Wordless

Just finished having coffee and reading your "Diary of a Diva" column. The *Reader* is something I periodically treat myself with when I'm in San Diego and can grab a copy, though I must say I haven't always appreciated Barbarella. When I first started reading, I was put off by the title of her column and her name, which all seemed so pretentious to me. Over the years, though, her candidness, humanness, amazing ability to express emotions I have felt, but lacked either the power or will to express, have won out. In her most recent article, "Pensive Phase" (March 19), she says she's run out of words and is compelled to revisit nature to re-energize. Luckily for me, in the end, she found some words to express what I was feeling in that moment. I can

only express my gratitude.  
Sandra Rimel  
via email

### Umbrage From Huge Geek

Dear Reader,

In his review of *Watchmen*, Duncan Shepherd wrote that calling the book from which it was adapted "the most celebrated graphic novel of all time" earned about as much weight as being designated "the most celebrated reality-TV show" or "most celebrated MMA fighter." In so many words.

As a huge geek, I take umbrage at that. He's clearly trying to disparage an art form of which — and I'm guessing here — he has a very limited understanding. I'm not exactly sure what Mr. Fancy pants Movie Reviewer has against comics, but I will say this: calling *Watchmen* "the most celebrated graphic novel of all time" is kind of like calling Duncan Shepherd the most celebrated pretentious windbag of all time. Suck it.

Angry Nerd  
Ramona

### I Actually Read It

I was surfing through the *Reader* the other day and came across an article on marbles ("Marbles," Feature Story, March 12). A little strange, so I figured I'd give it a chance, maybe read a paragraph or two. I read the whole thing — great stuff! I really enjoyed the narrative, and I liked how the author mentioned Zang's parents' ordeal but didn't hit the reader over the head with it. This was a great article about the types of personalities and stories that make San Diego so eclectic and such a great place to live. Thanks for an article that I can't believe I read but enjoyed thoroughly. I thought it was really well crafted.

Dave Denicke  
via email

### Master-Planned Bad Transit

In regards to Mr. Ollie's article on public transportation ("Waste time. Save money. Ride the bus!" Cover Story, March 5), I have a few points for both your readers as well

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as for Mr. Ollie to ponder about our public transport system. I have been using transportation in both the Metropolitan Transit System and the North County Transit District since 1987 (first out of necessity and later out of better economics), and I can assure you of this, any place south of the Grapevine is not meant to be public-transit friendly, let alone by bike or shank's mare.

Southern California was and is automobile dependent for one reason — planning! That is why SoCal has such an abundance of freeways, sigalerts, and unbreathable air quality. The master planning for Los Angeles, Orange, and San Diego counties did not take into consideration the fact that public transportation would become needed after a few decades.

Second: the "snobbism" factor. Many folks out there regard public transport (bus, light rail, trolley, passenger trains in the Metrolink and Coaster modes) as somehow lowbrow and low class. However, the gas crisis of 2008 proved that some of those who were not too happy about using public transportation just sucked it up, paid their fare, and got from here to there!

Third: the quality-of-fellow-passengers ruse. Certainly you won't run into a T. Boone Pickens, Jeff Skilling, or Bill Gates on MTS or NCTD. However, try to remember that your fellow riders share one big trait with you — we're all human beings!

If you do not wish to talk to anybody, just ask them to let you be, but do it politely.

Fourth: at the end of the screed, you implied that riding public transport wastes time and saves money. And that you would follow the example of the brain-dead twit who would rather drive uninsured and unlicensed (and probably unregistered as well). Sounds to me, Mr. Ollie, that you are unwilling to make use of public transport because waiting to board the needed bus or rail transport is a waste of time.

In case you have not figured it out yet, Bubba, public transportation is *not* an on-demand service. The routes (and waiting times) are set to provide maximum income for the transit authority—in-charge (be it MTS or NCTD). So you have to wait a bit of time for your ride. *Big deal!* Think of it as a learning experience — on time-budgeting skills.

A savvy rider knows the routes well enough to plan ahead accordingly. That is why there are updates about routing, fares, and the like published as needed. A savvy rider grabs the latest flier (or schedule book), takes it home, and plans accordingly! You can also use 511 to plan out your trip (a very good deal, since the call is free).

It sure beats the living cheese, costwise and esteem-wise, out of fines, restitution, and jail time for continuing to drive without documentation. Your little lady friend, Mr. Ollie, might be looking at a few months at

Las Colinas if she doesn't get with the program. She is not to be emulated but avoided!

I've ridden NCTD and MTS since 1987, and believe me, the money I still save even today pays for my regional SDM (seniors, disabled, and Medicare) pass sevenfold and more by year's end. Certainly I'd love to have my own wheels, but that will come in time.

Your little screed, Mr. Ollie, did nobody any favors, except those who would love nothing better than to rid San Diego County of public transportation altogether! Come see me after you've ridden MTS, NCTD, and taxicabs (with no cheating by driving wondertruck Lucille) for one year straight, Mr. Ollie; then we can talk.

Until then, don't tell me that by riding public transport I've joined the chump crowd. At least I can get to my destinations far better than you can, and for much less cash as well!

Robert K. Johnston  
Vista

## Media Muzzled

Re: "Waste time. Save money. Ride the bus!" Cover Story, March 5.

On the cold winter morning of Monday, March 9, while I was watching ESPN's *SportsCenter*, a TV ad for San Diego's Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) aired. Later, while sitting on a milk crate at my bus stop, I was thinking that MTS's TV ad money hasn't increased transit usage (fuel prices do) but has been used to silence San Diego's

TV and print media about the abuses in funding that people who ride the transit suffer under. The main abuse being that San Diego's MTS and Sandag and North County's NCTD should merge.

I congratulate the *Reader* for broaching the subject.

Robert J. Kachur  
Downtown

## Safe Harbor For Bluefin

This is in regard to the article "The Cost of Luxurious Sushi" ("City Lights," March 5). The article is well-written, incorporating various views on raising bluefin tuna in pens near Ensenada. My comments are on statements attributed to Dr. Barry Costa-Pierce of the University of Rhode Island.

First is the statement that "Mexican purse-seiner and sportfishing catch records show a decline in average individual fish size, from 115 pounds in 1995 to just 30 pounds in 2005." Spawning of bluefin occurs in the western Pacific Ocean near Japan and Taiwan, and some of the juveniles migrate to the eastern Pacific Ocean, where they are caught as one- and two-year-olds (and much less frequently as three- and four-year-olds) off Baja California, before returning to the western Pacific Ocean. Data of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission indicate that the average weight of bluefin caught in the eastern Pacific in 1995 was about 70 pounds, but for most other years it has been much less than that; 1995 was an unusual year, with an overrepresentation of older fish.

Second is the statement that "We have reason to believe that the Pacific bluefin is on the same trajectory as Atlantic bluefin tuna." In contrast to the catches of Atlantic bluefin, the catches of Pacific bluefin have not declined during the period for which catch data are available (since 1918 for the eastern Pacific; since 1951 for the western Pacific). Vessels of many nations fish for bluefin in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean Sea, and the participants have been

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unable to agree on implementing scientists' recommendations for curtailing the catches. In contrast, Pacific bluefin are caught by vessels of only a few nations — almost entirely Japan, Mexico, Korea, and Taiwan. If scientists recommend regulations for conservation of Pacific bluefin in the future, it is more likely that those four nations would agree to adopt them.

Guillermo A. Compeán  
Director  
Inter-American Tropical  
Tuna Commission

#### Comments from Reader Website

*Comments are not edited for spelling, punctuation, or grammar.*

#### Cover Story Published March 25

*Posted by LazloToth on March 25, 7:03 p.m.*

"Micha Cardenas asked that feminine pronouns be used in this story. With respect, the author declined."

That's not actually respect, then, sorry. I mostly feel bad for Ms. Ernie Grimm, because the Internet is forever: in ten or twenty years, her refusal to allow someone their right to self-definition is going to look about as sensitive as any other slur.

*Posted by snoodlegirl on March 28, 7:38 a.m.*

With respect, I don't think Eddie [sic] Grimm is being respectful of Micah Cardenas at all.

As he stated at the end of his story, Micah Cardenas asked to be referred to in feminine pronouns and, without regards to respect, he chose to refer to Micah in male terms. I don't know how much Micah's wanting to be a dragon in Second Life had to do with it, but that aside, Micah is a male-to-female preoperative transsexual and, as such, should be referred to in the feminine. I suspect that Eddie Grimm probably has disdain for the transgender community and that is a sad thing.

I am not transgender. but I am a Second Lifer who lost a very beautiful sister who was in Micah's position. I do

not know Micah personally, although I had been to his dragon transitioning process in life, and I think I even joined his group while there. Regardless of one's outward appearance, if they are transsexual, the respectful thing to do is refer to them in the

gender designation of choice. Eddie Grimm did not do the respectful thing.

Having had a family member who was transgender I came to realize that the brother who had been very dear to me was transitioning into womanhood. I accepted

her as my sister, as did my mother and father, and we respected her and her choice of pronouns. It wasn't hard to do because, after all, what set her apart from males is that her soul was female and her spirit was feminine. From the day she ceased being male

we respected her by using only female attributes.

Respectfully, I believe that Eddie Grimm needs to apologize not only to Micah Cardenas but also to transgender people in general. I realize that this is a San Diego publication but I live in Las

Vegas and his disrespect can become widespread.

Do the respectful thing in the future, Eddie, put aside your disrespectful attitude and honor the wishes of those you are interviewing.

Respectfully,  
Rachael

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# Your Week

## AND WELCOME TO IT

### Thursday | 2

#### WHERE HOMEOSTASIS COMES FROM AND WHERE IT SHOULD GO

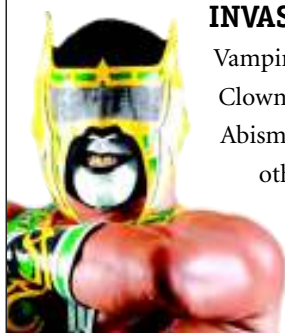


Canada's esteemed science philosopher Ian Hacking will explore the concept of homeostasis (a fancy word for "balance") at UCSD's Natural Sciences Building.

See **LECTURES**, page 59.

### Saturday | 4

#### INVASION TOUR



Vampiro, Psycho Clown, Electroshock, Abismo Negro, and other professional wrestlers for Lucha Libre USA take over the

Sports Arena for a night of "amazing aerial acrobatics, elaborate masks, and over-the-top theater."

See **SPORTS**, page 64.

### Friday | 3

#### STILETTO WALK FOR OVARIAN CANCER

Break in your hot, new Jimmy Choos or Christian Louboutins for a cause. Men are invited to join the gentler gender by stepping into stilettos. Don't worry, guys, you'll only be asked to walk a few blocks, not a mile, in "her shoes."

See **SPECIAL**, page 62.



#### THE THIRD COUNTRY/ EL TERCER PAIS

Architect Jim Brown examines the "nature of boundary" around the border between Tijuana and San Diego with models and drawings. His exploration is on display at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library in La Jolla.

See **GALLERIES**, page 67.

#### CONFIRMING WHAT WE'VE ALWAYS SUSPECTED!

More than a hundred years after the Gold Rush, the Golden State is still considered the financial frontier. Business columnist James Flanigan will discuss *Smile Southern California, You're the Center of the Universe: The Economy and People of a Global Region*, his new book about how our region is the economic model for the U.S. and the world.

See **IN PERSON**, page 58.



#### GET (WOOD) WORKING!

It's easy enough to get all the supplies — the hard part is knowing what to do with them. At this workshop you will learn about refinishing, "wood turning," joinery, and furniture building. See **SPECIAL**, page 62.

### Sunday | 5

#### RABBIT HOLE

This Pulitzer Prize-winning drama by David Lindsay-Abaire depicts the emotional aftermath of a devastating event — the loss of a child. With humor and honesty, Lindsay-Abaire delves into the depths of the deepest kind of hole — the one in the heart — and finding "comfort in the darkest of places." See **THEATER**, page 113.

### Monday | 6

#### CONTEMPLATING IDEAS

Sticks and stones may break your bones, but words can leave you scarred for life. Tongues will lash at this poetry slam, hosted by the San Diego Museum of Art and the San Diego Art Institute. See **IN PERSON**, page 58.



### Tuesday | 7

#### TRADITIONAL TEA CEREMONY

How long should you admire the beauty of your mug before taking the first sip? Is it rude to leave any liquid in your cup? Urasenke tea instructor Soryo Katayama Stott demonstrates how to enjoy tea the traditional Japanese way. See **SPECIAL**, page 62.



### Wednesday | 8

#### "LOCALLY GROWN" DANCE SERIES

Watch local dance artists Ron Estes, Eric Geiger, Karen Schaffman, and Leslie Seiters get a leg up at Cal State San Marcos with new numbers, created in collaboration with San Francisco-based director Sara Shelton Mann. See **DANCE**, page 56.

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## Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

**HOW TO SEND US YOUR LISTING:** Contributions must be received by 5 p.m. Friday the week prior to publication for consideration. Do not phone. Send a complete description of the event, including the date, time, cost, the precise address where it is to be held (including neighborhood), a contact phone number, and a phone number (including area code) for public information to **READER EVENTS, Box 85803, San Diego CA 92186-5803. Or fax to 619-881-2401. You may also submit information online at SDReader.com by clicking on the events section.**

## DANCE

**"Locally Grown" Dance Series** San Francisco-based Sara Shelton Mann directs a new work in collaboration with local dance artists Ron Estes, Eric Geiger, Karen Schaffman, and Leslie Seiders. See this "dance work-in-progress" in Arts Building room 111. 760-750-4366. Wednesday, April 8, 7 p.m.; free. CSU San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

**"Sva"** Ragamala Music and Dance Theater — joined by soloist Aparna Ramaswamy and Wadaiko Ensemble Tokara taiko drummers — presents "a unique style of living poetry for the stage." Rooted in *bharatanatyam*, a classical dance form from southern India, Ragamala blends dance, music, poetry. 858-748-0505. Saturday, April 4, 8 p.m.; \$5-\$45. Poway Center for the Performing Arts, 15498 Espola Road. (POWAY)

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**Beauty and the Beast** San Diego Civic Youth Ballet presents classic fairy tale about search for beauty within, promising "joyful village dances, waltzing forest animals, *pas de deux* danced by Beauty and Beast." Cast of over 90 dancers. 619-233-3060. Friday, April 3, 7 p.m.; Sunday, April 5, 1 p.m.; \$10-\$15. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

**All About Albania!** Albanian dances taught by Linda Levin (2-4 p.m.). The Albanian band Drita will play dance music afterward (7:30-11 p.m.). 619-281-5656. Saturday, April 4, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; \$5-\$15. Folk Dance Center, 4569 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Dance Jam** Dance Lindy, East Coast, jitterbug, and swing during "Jam" community swing dance. Dance lessons for all levels before dance (\$40 for four weeks). Admission to dance is free if you take class. 619-291-3775. Friday, April 3, 8 p.m.; \$5-\$8. Dance for 2, 7528 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

**Dance Like the Stars!** Eight-week beginning ballroom session includes basics of fox-trot, waltz, tango, cha-cha, and swing. No partner or experience required. Fee: \$120 for entire session. Registration: 619-299-6387. Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.; through Tuesday, April 14, \$120. Metro Dance, 5304 Metro Street, Suite B. (LINDA VISTA)

**English Country Dancing** Ellen Riley calls for English country dancing. Beginners' instruction at 6 p.m. 858-676-9731. Sunday, April 5, 6 p.m.; \$6. Jean Hart Academy of Dance, 12227 Poway Road. (POWAY)

**Firehouse Swing Dance** Tunes by DJs Aaron Vonderhaar and Bonnie Horvitz. Featured classes this month: Lindy 1, Lindy 2, Balboa 1 (7-8 p.m.). "Intro to swing" lessons for total beginners 8-8:45

p.m. 858-395-6060. Wednesday, April 8, 8 p.m.; \$5-\$8. Firehouse Swing Dance, at San Diego Women's Club: 2557 3rd Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

**Get Swing Dancing!** Firehouse Swing Dance promises tunes by deejays Aaron Vonderhaar and Bonnie Horvitz. Featured classes this month: East Coast/jitterbug 1, Lindy 1, Lindy 2. "Intro to swing" lessons for total beginners 8-8:45 p.m. 858-395-6060. Wednesday, April 8, 8 p.m.; \$5-\$8. Firehouse Swing Dance, at San Diego Women's Club: 2557 3rd Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

**Hot Salsa Dance Party** DJ plays salsa, Latin, and requests for dancing for singles and couples of all ages. Salsa lesson at 8 p.m.; open dancing 8:30-10:30 p.m. First time free. 619-275-3533. Saturday, April 4, 8 p.m.; free. Pattie Wells' Dance-time Center, 1255 West Morena Boulevard. (BAY PARK)

**Learn Traditional International Couple Dances** Master folk dance teacher Lee Otterholt teaches traditional couple dances from Scandinavia, Norway, other Northern European countries. Requested donation: \$5. 858-278-4619. Wednesday, April 8, 7:30 p.m.; Balboa Park Club, 2150 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

**Nobody's Business** Martha Wild calls to tunes by this band for contra dance hosted by San Diego Folk Heritage. Beginners' dance workshop: 7:30 p.m. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. Friday, April 3, 7:30 p.m.; \$7. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Time to Tango** Learn to tango in a weekend during UCSD Tango Fest 2009 in UCSD's Rimac Building. Instruction, introductory workshop, supervised practice sessions, outdoor milonga (dance),

more. Required advance registration: 858-453-9680. Thursday, April 2, 6:30 p.m.; Friday, April 3, 6 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, 1 p.m.; \$75. Ages 12 and up. Rimac Arena, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

## FILM

**"Evenings on Earth"** Film series showcases *Caring for the Earth* and *Seas of Life* at 6:30 p.m. Call to reserve spot at optional dinner (5:30 p.m.). 760-757-3659. Tuesday, April 7, 5:30 p.m.; free. Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center, 4050 Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

**"The American Immigrant Experience"** Enjoy *Tortilla Soup* when ongoing Carlsbad Library film series continues in conjunction with Carlsbad Reads Together program. 760-602-2026. Wednesday, April 8, 6 p.m.; free. Carlsbad City Library Learning Center, 3368 Eureka Place. (CARLSBAD)

**In the Fullness of Time** Cauleen Smith presents her work, using language of physicists and astronomers to "decode the rage and grief, elation and hope" surrounding contemporary New Orleans, screening for Media Makers series in Markstein Hall room 125. 760-750-8085. Tuesday, April 7, 6 p.m.; free. CSU San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

**Riding Alone for Thousands of Miles** Zhang Yimou's "lush meditation on the redemptive power of connection" screens for Sunday Matinee series. In Japanese and Mandarin with English subtitles. 619-236-5800. Sunday, April 5, 2 p.m.; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Romulus, My Father** Australian film directed by Richard Roxburgh, based on Raimond Gaita's memoir telling story of Romulus, his wife Christina, and their struggle to bring up their son. Stars Eric Bana, Franka Potente, Marton Csokas, Kodi Smit-McPhee. 619-236-5800. Monday, April 6, 6:30 p.m.; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Rushmore** Bill Murray, Jason Schwartzman, and Olivia Williams star in Wes Anderson's comedy-drama from 1998. 619-299-9360. Sunday, April 5, 6:30 p.m.; free. Café Libertalia, 3834 Fifth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**We Shall Remain** This "American Experience" film clip documents the ways native peoples resisted expulsion from their lands, fought extinction of their culture. Palomar College professor Linda Rose Locklear leads discussion after screening. 619-236-5821. Wednesday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Darwin at the Movies** Series offers glimpse into Darwin's personal life, as well as his significant career. See *Inherit the Wind*, a fictional account of 1925 Scopes monkey trial, screening in Student Services room 1500. 619-594-1105. Wednesday, April 8, 7 p.m.; free.





San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

**Environmental Film Fest** "Earth Month" event includes *The 11th Hour*, a documentary narrated by Leonardo DiCaprio. Also screening: *The Synthetic Sea*, *The Story of Stuff*. 858-552-1657. Sunday, April 5, 1:30 p.m.; free. La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Wild and Woolly West Night** Saps at Sea Tent of Laurel and Hardy fans gather for films including *Way Out West* (1937), *No More West* with Bert Lahr, and a western-themed cartoon. Donation. 619-417-9032. Saturday, April 4, 7 p.m.; \$6. Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3902 Kenwood Drive. (SPRING VALLEY)

## FOOD & DRINK

**Cook Around the World** Cooking camp focusing on foods from

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## FOR KIDS

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**Dear Edwina** Follow adventures of Edwina Spoonapple, advice-giver

extraordinaire, as she directs neighborhood kids in "production number after hilarious production number in her 'Advice-a-Palooza' extravaganza" in performances by La Jolla San Diego Junior Theatre. For all ages. 619-239-8355. Fridays, 7 p.m.; Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.; through Sunday, April 5, \$10-\$15. Firehouse YMCA Community Center, 7877 Herschel Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Honk!** Encore Youth Theatre presents musical version of Hans Christian Andersen's tale of *The Ugly Duckling*, following a duckling on "rollicking and harrowing journey to discover his own true beauty," as well as "love and acceptance in all forms." 760-521-1725. Fridays, 7 p.m.; Saturdays, 7 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m.; through Sunday, April 5, \$12-\$15. Ages 5 and up. Avo Playhouse, 303 Main Street. (VISTA)

**Oliver!** Peter Pan Junior Theater celebrates 39th season. Company comprises fourth- through eighth-

grade students. 619-884-0046. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; Friday, April 3, 7 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; \$12. Salvation Army Kroc Community Center Performing Arts Theatre, 6611 University Avenue. (COLLEGE AREA)

**Children's Drumming Circle** Elisa Kisselburg leads circle, teaches Japanese, Middle Eastern, and African traditions. Bring any variety of drum, or one will be provided. Following circle, buffet

served, and then children (2-16) may join in co-ed drumming circle (noon). 619-303-6609. Sunday, April 5, 10 a.m.; free. Ages 2 and up. Vision Center for Spiritual Living, 11260 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (TIERRASANTA)

**Focus on San Diego River** "Drop-In Second Sunday" family day activities and crafts focus on our local urban river. Included in regular admission. 619-232-6203. Sunday, April 5, 1 p.m.; free. Mu-

seum of San Diego History, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Junior Carlsbad** Eleven separate races for different age divisions. Medals to all finishers. 800-311-1255. Saturday, April 4, 7:30 a.m.; \$30. Downtown Carlsbad, State Street at Grand Avenue. (CARLSBAD)

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## ROAM--RAMA | A Guide to Unexpected San Diego and Beyond | by Jerry Schad

**F**or the second year in a row, fire-following springtime wildflowers are popping up on the slopes of Poway's Rattlesnake Canyon. A reconnaissance of the area in late March revealed a rainbow of color: California poppies, lupines, owl's clover, popcorn flower, phacelia, wild morning glories, ground pink, and wishbone bush. The best bloom will not last long, perhaps not beyond the first week of April.

Nearly all of Rattlesnake Canyon was swept by the 2007 Witch Creek Fire. This may be the last year in which annual wildflowers play a major role in the natural process of plant succession here. Sage-scrub and chaparral shrubs will coat the canyon slopes a few years hence, and they will remain in place until some future wildfire converts them to ash which will fertilize the next generation of wildflowers.

To reach Rattlesnake Canyon, navigate to the intersection of Twin Peaks Road and Espola Road on Poway's east side. Drive east from Espola toward the dead end of Twin Peaks Road, and turn right on



Trail through Rattlesnake Canyon

Range Park Road. Continue 0.2 mile south to a slight dip in the road, where you'll spot the signed Rattlesnake Canyon entrance on the left. Plenty of curbside parking space is available.

The wide pathway into the oak-lined canyon strikes east, passing a couple of houses whose owners have granted public access for passage through the property ahead. After nearly one-half mile, look for a slab of granitic rock on the right, next to some live oak trees, with a shallow mortar hole in it. Centuries ago, people of the Kumeyaay tribe pounded and pulverized acorns here. A short distance ahead, on the left, is a steep path descending the hillside — this will be your return route if you follow the three-mile route described here in its entirety.

Stay on the main, lower pathway. Both the pathway and the canyon curve left, and about 0.2

mile ahead the canyon divides, with the main Rattlesnake Canyon heading north and a tributary canyon branching east. Stay left, ignoring any side paths to the right. You want to head north, directly away from busy Poway Road, which can be seen (and heard) high above. The track you're following dips into Rattlesnake Canyon's trickling stream at 1.0 mile from the start, and you may struggle to find its continuation on the far side of a thicket of riparian vegetation. On ahead, the now-severely-eroded track goes more steeply uphill, to a saddle at 1.4 miles, where you join a smoother dirt path. Turn left and begin a winding traverse across a hillside, heading south. By 2.0 miles, you'll have a clear view of Tooth Rock, a grayish-colored granitic monolith you may have spotted earlier when you were arriving in your car.

Climb all the way to the ridgeline where Tooth Rock protrudes. Check out the panoramic view from there, which includes much of the inland North County region. The "tooth" needs some dental work: Its top, seamed with cracks, could use a crown. The sides of the tooth, close to the ground, are blackened by graffiti.

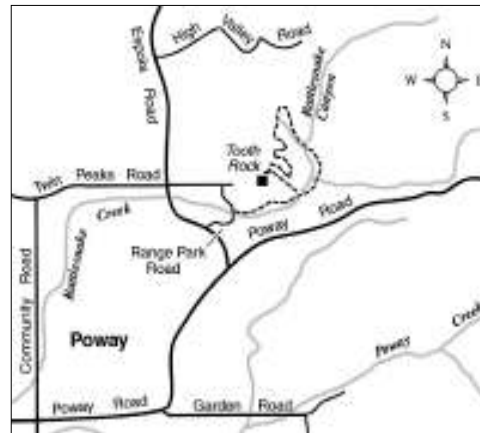
When it's time to go, retrace your steps about 0.1 mile and choose the path that branches right (south) and makes a steep dive into the bottom of Rattlesnake Canyon. At the foot of that steep path, retrace the initial one-half mile of your hike.

A grassroots organization called Friends of Rattlesnake Canyon sponsors walks in the canyon, including one taking place on Saturday, April 4. For more information, call 858-486-1990 or visit [friendsofrattlesnake-canyon@yahoo.com](mailto:friendsofrattlesnake-canyon@yahoo.com).

### RATTLESNAKE CANYON

Post-fire wildflowers paint the slopes of Poway's Rattlesnake Canyon.

**Distance from downtown San Diego:** 20 miles  
**Hiking length:** 3.2 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate



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enue and Laurel Street. On offer: storytelling, arts and crafts, music, entertainment, book exchange. All ages. 619-594-8302. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; free. Ages 2 and up. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

**Making Mosaics** Find inspiration in mosaic artwork from all over world included in "Mosaic Arts International 2009 Exhibition," then create a colorful mosaic to take home during Explorer Saturday. 619-239-2001. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; free. San Diego

Museum of Man, 1350 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Math and Science Fair** Activities planned for elementary and middle school children, with learning booths hosted by MiraCosta Service Learning students, during fair on central lawn near clock tower. 760-795-6616. Saturday, April 4, 1 p.m.; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

**Pet Pals Kids Club** Kids 6-13 have "fun with other animal-lov-

ing kids." Required reservations: 619-243-3432. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; \$15-\$75. Ages 6 and up. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

**'Tis Egg Hunting Season!** Easter egg hunt for children eight and younger. Enjoy crafts, "yummy treats to eat," springtime stories. 760-435-5590. Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.; free. Ocean-side Library, 330 North Coast Highway. (OCEANSIDE)

**Tidepooling for Tots at Dike Rock** Learn about ocean critters when Birch Aquarium at Scripps hosts tidepooling led by aquarium naturalist. The outing takes place at a rocky area just north of Scripps Pier on UCSD property, part of La Jolla Underwater Park marine reserve. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Monday, April 6, 1 p.m.; \$12. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

**Who's the Fairest?** *Snow White* performed by Gaston's Puppets.

Curtain rises at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday-Friday; and at 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. 619-544-9203. Thursday, April 2; Friday, April 3; Saturday, April 4; Sunday, April 5; Wednesday, April 8; free. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

**Young Naturalists Hike** Outing led by naturalist D.J. Summers promises easy hike along a nature trail, followed by craft at picnic area. Reservations: 760-839-4680. Monday, April 6, 10 a.m.; free. Daley Ranch, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

7, 6:30 p.m.; Lyceum Theatre, 79 Horton Plaza. (DOWNTOWN)

**"The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940"** What happens when an acting troupe in a mansion is cut off from the outside by a blizzard and bodies start to drop? Students poke fun at "show biz" and corny Hollywood thrillers in "this wildly comic romp." 619-475-8556. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; Friday, April 3, 7 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, 2 p.m.; \$7-\$10. School of Creative and Performing Arts, 2425 Dusk Drive. (PARADISE HILLS)

**"There's a Bone in My French Toast"** Latest collaboration between local painter Andrew Crane and poet Greg Gerding; their works will be displayed, performed, available for sale. Also on hand: Jimothy, selling his handmade leather goods. 619-203-5212. Saturday, April 4, 7 p.m.; free. Ages 21 and up. Luce Loft, 1037 J Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**An Author and an Australian** Author and "comedic speaker" Harlan Coben discusses and signs his new Myron Bolitar thriller *Long Lost*, followed by mini-concert by Australian singer-songwriter Missy Higgins. Admission: purchase of *Long Lost* (\$27.95) at Warwick's; additional tickets are \$5 each. 858-454-0347. Saturday, April 4, 7:30 p.m.; free. The Gillispie School, 7380 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Author Talk** Tom Zoellner signs, discusses *Uranium: War, Energy, and the Rock That Shaped the World*. 858-618-1814. Thursday, April 2, 7:30 p.m.; free. Borders Books and Music - Carmel Mountain, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

**Author's Luncheon** La Mesa-El Cajon American Association of

### IN PERSON

**"Fundraising Gala"** Integrity Charter School benefits from fundraiser. Actor Wilmer Valderama — best known as Fez in *That '70s Show* — will speak. Tickets include student performances, catered dinner. 619-336-0809. Friday, April 3, 6 p.m.; \$25. National City Middle School, 1701 D Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)

**"One Mike...San Diego"** Comedy show hosted by Nate Jackson, featuring Carmen, with headliner David Arnold. Cover: purchase of two drinks or dinner. 619-384-2124 or 619-708-7975. Thursday, April 2, 8 p.m.; \$20. Ages 21 and up. The Comedy Palace, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

**"Rising Young Stars Becoming Recording Artists"** Spring concert by San Diego Young Artist Music Academy, joined by Tonex and vocalists including Alexis Bryant, Shardie Flenoid. Donation: \$10. 619-264-2220. Tuesday, April

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University Women hosts eighth annual luncheon, featuring T. Jefferson Parker discussing, signing *The Renegades*. 619-275-5716. Saturday, April 4, 11:30 a.m.; \$40. Courtyard Marriott at Liberty Station, 2592 Laning Road. (POINT LOMA)

**Bluegrass Bonanza!** The bluegrass banjo and fiddle duo Bill Evans and Megan Lynch lead fiddle and banjo workshops (2-4 p.m.; \$25), followed by concert (7 p.m.; \$20). 619-280-9035. Saturday, April 4, 2 p.m.; \$20-\$25. Old Time Music, 2852 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

**Comedy Combo** Screening of Comedy Central's *No Offense: Live from New Jersey*, starring Jeffrey Ross with Stephen Kramer Glickman. Live stand-up comedy starts at 9 p.m., with headliner Stephen Kramer Glickman. Gratuities accepted. 619-282-0437. Tuesday, April 7, 7:30 p.m.; free. Lestat's Coffee House, 3343 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Comedy Extravaganza** Yeah Mon Entertainment hosts performers Jeff Hodge, Albert Linton, April Ventura, Dan Jackson, Ray Anderson. RSVP: 323-359-5569. Saturday, April 4, 8 p.m.; \$20. Sew's and Shows Community Theatre, 7860 Golden Avenue. (LEMON GROVE)

**Confirming What We've Always Suspected!** Journalist James Flanigan discusses, signs his new book *Smile Southern California, You're the Center of the Universe: The Economy and People of a Global Region*. Southern California is "an eye-popping illustration of our globalizing world." 858-456-1800. Saturday, April 4, 7 p.m.; free. D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Contemplating Ideas** Poetry slam hosted by museum, San Diego Art Institute — Museum of the Living Artist, and San Diego Poetry Slam, in conjunction with "Black Womanhood" exhibition. Competition winners will join 2009 San Diego Poetry Slam team, represent S.D. in 2010 national competition. 619-232-7931. Monday, April 6, 6:30 p.m.; \$5. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Expect Singing!** Palomar Chamber Singers and Palomar Women's Chorus perform for Concert Hour Series. 760-744-1150 x2453. Thursday, April 2, 12:30 p.m.; free. Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10), 1140 West Mission Road. (SAN MARCOS)

**Fatty Returns** Mystery author Ace Atkins signs *Devil's Garden*, a new noir focusing on 1921 murder trial of Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle. 858-268-4747. Monday, April 6, 7 p.m.; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

**Fenway's Comedy Night** Stand-up comedy by Michael Pace, Dangerous Dick, Bob Murphy, others. 760-720-4300. Thursday, April 2, 8:30 p.m.; \$5. Ages 21 and up. Fenway's Sports Bar & Grill, 1814 Marron Road. (CARLSBAD)

**Folk Music from Around the World** Palomar Chamber Singers

and Palomar Chorale welcome spring with concerts. 760-744-1150 x2453. Saturday, April 4, 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 5, 2 p.m.; \$8-\$12. Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10), 1140 West Mission Road. (SAN MARCOS)

**Inquisitive and Intense!** Performance by comedian and actor Joe Rogan, best known as host on *Fear Factor*. Rogan is color commentator for "Ultimate Fighting Championship." Ticketmaster: 619-220-8497. Saturday, April 4, 7 p.m.; \$27-\$32. House of Blues, 1055 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

**Jericho Brown Poetry Reading** Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series continues with reading by Jericho Brown in room LL-430. Brown is assistant professor of creative writing at USD, assistant editor of *Callaloo: A Journal of African Diaspora Arts and Letters*. His first book is entitled *Please*. 619-594-5318. Tuesday, April 7, 7 p.m.; free. Malcolm A. Love Library at SDSU, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

**Life Is Common Elsewhere in the Universe** Argues renowned astronomer, NASA advisor Alan Boss, who will speak and discuss *The Crowded Universe* as part of San Diego Science Festival. Should America stay in new space race to find extraterrestrial life? 858-454-0347. Saturday, April 4, 4 p.m.; Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Live Indian Music** Performance with sitar, sarod, tablas, and harmonium. 619-640-4438. Friday, April 3, 7:30 p.m.; \$5. Pilgrimage of the Heart Yoga, 3301 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Nomads Show** Enjoy "live original Middle Eastern-flavored music" by Danyavaad, fusion belly dancing by Shimmy Sisters, DJ Sandbag, guests. 619-222-7678. Friday, April 3, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.; \$10. Portugalia, 4839 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

**Sci-Fi Time** Debut science fiction authors Dani and Eytan Kollin hit Galaxy to sign, discuss *The Unincorporated Man*. 858-268-4747. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

**Squeaky-Clean Comedy!** Family-friendly shows for all ages. 858-433-1457. Saturdays, 7 p.m.; \$5. Naveed's Comedy Club at Bella Roma Pizza and Restaurant, 6830 La Jolla Boulevard #103. (LA JOLLA)

**Who Knows What You'll See!** A variety of performance artists perform "anything from poetry to dance to song or artistic interpretation." 619-220-8663. Sunday, April 5, 7 p.m.; \$5. Ages 16 and up. North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe, 2031 El Cajon Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

## LECTURES

**"Carlsbad's Early History"** See photographs, hear stories of early immigrants to Carlsbad during program in conjunction with

"Carlsbad Reads Together." 760-602-2026. Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m.; free. Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

**"Chicano San Diego"** Richard Griswold del Castillo discusses life, legacy of César Chávez and Chicano life in California in M. Gordon Clarke Field House room 113. Among his books: *César Chávez: A Triumph of Spirit*, *Chicano San Diego: Cultural Space, and The Struggle for Justice*. 760-750-4366. Tuesday, April 7, 7:30 p.m.; free. CSU San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

**Coffee, Culture, Conversation** A member of House of the Ukraine speaks on Ukrainian history and culture, in conjunction with upcoming Tower After Hours celebration of the Ukraine (April 30). Included in museum admission. 619-239-2001. Tuesday, April 7, 4 p.m.; free. San Diego Museum of Man, 1350 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Elizabeth Busch Retrospective** Artist lecture and tour by Maine artist Elizabeth Busch, whose work has won numerous awards. "Her layered, often geometric, quilts are sewn paintings (acrylic on canvas) that are then hand quilted and embroidered." 619-546-4872. Saturday, April 4, 1 p.m.; \$10. Visions Art Quilt Gallery, NTC Promenade, Liberty Station, 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 100. (POINT LOMA)

**"Evolutionary Biology: From Molecules to Man"** The 2009 Dean's Symposium "brings together 14 of the world's most renowned scientists in the field of evolutionary biology," highlighting evolution as it coincides with 200th anniversary of birth of Charles Darwin and 150th anniversary of publication of *On the Origin of Species*. 858-534-3112. Friday, April 3, 8:30 a.m.; \$15-\$50. Price Center at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Gardening to Save, Conserve, and Harvest Rainwater** Examine the ways people distribute water through irrigation and conserve imported water (by mulching) when Paul Maschka presents program. Study methods used by early cultures in harvesting rainwater. Why is the ground the best place to store water? Registration: 619-255-0203. Tuesday, April 7, 6:30 p.m.; \$25-\$33. San Diego Natural History Museum, 1788 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Getting Your Ducks in a Row"** Series of grant-writing and non-profit development workshops gets underway with look at gathering information needed for comprehensive grant development program. Learn difference between a 501(c)(3) and a 509(a). Classes offered in room SSC-1. Registration: 619-460-2738. Friday, April 3, 10 a.m.; free. Palomar College, 1140 West Mission Road. (SAN MARCOS)

**"In Celebration of Louis Kahn and the Salk Institute"** Series hosts Enrique Norten, born and raised in Mexico City, who began his formal study of architecture at Universidad Iberoamericana, later obtained his Master's in Architec-

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### "Partners in Life and Design"

Writer, design historian Jeffrey Head presents survey of Evelyn and Jerome Ackerman's important contributions to craft and design, in conjunction with "Masters of Mid-Century California Modernism" exhibition. Head will emphasize "depth and breadth of their creativity and offer perspectives on how and why their artworks continue to appeal to today's collectors and designers." Reservations: 619-239-0003 x405. Saturday, April 4, 2 p.m.; \$5-\$10. Mingei International Museum, 1439 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

### "Practice Writing German Script by Reading Old German Records"

German Research Association gathers for talk by Dona Ritchie. Samples of genealogical records will be used. 619-276-4660. Saturday, April 4, 9 a.m.; free. Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont Street. (HILLCREST)

### "Save Water — Beautify Your Garden"

Landscape designer Doug Kalal plans illustrated lecture on 30 great drought-tolerant plants for your garden, shows sample plants, offers "take-home shopping list." 858-513-2900. Saturday, April 4, 1 p.m.; free. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

### Some Grammar of Groups, with an Application to Species

UCSD Philosophy and Science

Studies present "distinguished philosopher" Ian Hacking lecturing in Natural Sciences building room 1205. 858-534-0491. Friday, April 3, 4 p.m.; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

### "Tackling Climate Change"

Climate change associated with human activity is a recognized threat; response must involve scientific, public policy, private sectors. Panel of experts from each of these areas explores what must be done to effectively address climate change. Event offered in Arts Building room 240. 760-750-4366. Tuesday, April 7, 6 p.m.; free. CSU San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

### "The Age of Romanticism, Realism, and Impressionism"

Victoria Martino continues lecture series she began with her late husband, art historian Konrad Oberhuber. This week, Martino presents slides, plays violin, focuses on "The Generation of Schubert." 858-454-5872. Tuesday, April 7, 7:30 p.m.; \$14-\$19. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

### "The Civil War and Its Long-Term Legacy"

David Miller speaks for Lemon Grove Historical Society's "History Alive" lecture series. Question and answer follows. 619-460-4353. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; free. Ages 12 and up. H. Lee House Cultural Center, 3205 Olive. (LEMON GROVE)

### "The International Year of Astronomy and You"

Rica French speaks for LIFE, "a lifelong learning group," in room 1068. At 2:30 p.m., Eric Bishop presents MiraCosta College theater preview of *Anna in the Tropics*. 760-721-8124. Friday, April 3, 1 p.m.; MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

### "The Vietnamese Economy"

Economist Do Hoai Nam, president of Vietnamese Academy for the Social Sciences, engages in discussion about economic reforms in Vietnam during breakfast panel

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discussion. Also on panel: Tran Ngoc Anh from Harvard University. Registration: 858-822-6756. Tuesday, April 7, 8:30 a.m.; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

### "Where Homeostasis Comes From and Where It Should Go"

UCSD Science Studies presents Ian Hacking, who is described as "one of the most distinguished philosophers of our time," is emeritus professor at University of Toronto, and held chair of philosophy and history of scientific concepts at College de France. Hear his talk in Natural Sciences Building room 1205. 858-534-0491. Thursday, April 2, 5:30 p.m.; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"Why Darwin Matters" Michael Shermer, founding publisher of *Skeptic* magazine, on "Evolution, Intelligent Design, and the Battle for Science and Religion." Why do half of all Americans reject the well-established theory of evolution? 858-534-3112. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; free. Price Center at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

### "Your Mind Matters in Your Quest for Health"

Ellen Lochet and Sharon Courmouis lead "course in understanding how the

mind controls stress in a positive or negative way and, can ultimately, bring about illnesses, and what you can do to improve the quality of your life today." 619-766-4480. Friday, April 3, 1 p.m.; \$20. Sacred Rocks Reserve and RV Park, 1331 Shasta Way. (INLAND BORDER TOWNS)

### Curious About Publishing?

Editor Laurie Gibson presents "Book Publishing 1-2-3: From the Writer's Fingers to the Reader's Hands." Practical tips to help writers improve their chances of being published shared. Gibson has edited more than 175 books and proofread novels such as *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker. Each person receives edit of three double-spaced pages of writing. 831-646-4610. Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m.; \$10. Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

### Epicenter Conference

Joel C. Rosenberg — author of *Epicenter: Why the Current Rumbblings in the Middle East Will Change Your Future* — hosts event examining "rising global geopolitical and economic crises in light of Bible prophecy." Rosenberg will be joined by Lt. General (retired) Jerry Boykin, and Pastor Chuck Smith (founder of Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa). 858-277-4991 x1283. Saturday, April 4, 9 a.m.; free. Cox Arena, 5500 Canyon Crest Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

### How to Live Happily Ever After with Your Dog

Open-forum workshop covers topics such as house training, socialization with people and other animals, calm-

ness in home, communication with your dog, basic nutrition, more. For people only. Required reservations: 619-299-7012 x2247. Tuesday, April 7; \$35. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

### Paint Can Birdhouses

Rudy Salgado shows how to prepare cans for painting, helps participants create birdhouse using airbrush and paints. Reservations: 619-593-2205. Friday, April 3, 5 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; \$25. Sophie's Gallery, 109 Rea Avenue. (EL CAJON)

### Project Debt Relief

Gain debt education, learn what to do about outstanding debt during seminar led by attorney Larissa L. Lazarus. 858-573-5007. Wednesday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

### Skyscapes Illuminated

Sally Phillips demonstrates her "skyscapes" painted in soft pastels for Pastel Society of San Diego membership meeting and demonstration. 619-564-7508. Sunday, April 5, 2 p.m.; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

### Sogetsu School Ikebana

Learn basics of ikebana (Japanese flower arrangement) from instructor Yumi Rakers. Materials list upon required advance registration. Fee: \$15 per session, or \$40 for three sessions. Registration: 619-232-2721. Wednesday, April 8, 10 a.m.; \$15. Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

### UCSD Visiting Artist Lecture Series

Ljubljana-based artist and architect Marjetica Potrc speaks as first visiting artist of spring. Her work has been featured in exhibitions throughout Europe and the Americas. 858-822-7755. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

## OUTDOORS

### Warmer Temperatures

and increased humidity coincide with the subtle onset of San Diego's spring season. By April's end, the intermittent showers, Santa Ana winds, cold nights, and crystal-clear, sun-drenched days of winter will likely be distant memories. The noctur-

nal, low overcast hugging the coast, which may linger until the late morning, will gradually build into "June gloom" — the days-long episodes of perpetual overcast most common during May and June.

### A Less-than-Spectacular Rainfall Season

this year on top of a string of drought years has resulted in rather low springtime water levels in the county's reservoirs. At Lake Hodges (70 percent capacity), surface waters have withdrawn to a point west of the I-15 bridge in Escondido. The big El Capitan Reservoir near Lakeside currently holds 56 percent of its capacity. Lake Morena in far East County is a comparative puddle at 13 percent capacity. Some fishermen are happy with the situation. Less water means more fish in a smaller pond, and that makes for easier catches.

### Fremont Cottonwoods

along the San Diego River in Mission Gorge will show off their best iridescent green foliage this month. The Old Mission Dam parking area on Father Junipero Serra Trail, off Mission Gorge Road (west of Santee), is a good place to begin a stroll on trails near the riverbed. Be careful — rattlesnakes may be out and about on warm days this time of year.

### The Annual Green-to-Golden Transition

of San Diego's wild grasslands typically starts during early April. North-facing hillside and canyon slopes retain the green color longer, as they are less exposed to drying sunshine. Locally, most of the wild grasses are naturalized (non-native) annuals, the seeds of which were introduced along with hay and other grains brought in by the Spaniards during the 18th and 19th Centuries. Some of the mountain meadows have remnants of native grasses, which remain more or less green almost the year round. These rare native grasslands can be found in certain parts of Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and more widely distributed at the Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve in the Santa Ana Mountains west of Temecula.

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1935 International Expositions in Balboa Park. Tours start in front of Museum of Man. 619-232-1385. Saturday, April 4, 9:50 a.m.; \$8-\$15. Ages 10 and up. San Diego Museum of Man, 1350 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Behind the Scenes** Enjoy tour of Little Italy neighborhood. Required reservations: 760-736-1138. Saturday, April 4, 3 p.m.; free. Café Zucchero, 1731 India Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

**Bird Walk and Census** Buena Vista Audubon Society hosts bird walk and census at Whelan Lake Bird Sanctuary, normally closed to public. Area is described as "a premier birding location in North San Diego County." Join group at gate at end of cul-de-sac. 760-941-7824. Saturday, April 4, 8 a.m.; free. Whelan Lake Bird Sanctuary, 3650 North River Road. (OCEANSIDE)

**Birding the Marsh** Chula Vista Nature Center hosts guided bird-watching hikes around Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Reservations: 619-409-5900. Sundays, 11 a.m., through Sunday, April 26; free. Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge and Nature Center, 1000 Gunpowder Point Drive. (CHULA VISTA)

**California Native Plant Society Walk** Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. Sunday, April 5, 9 a.m.; free. Tecolote Nature Center, 5180 Tecolote Road. (CLAIREMONT)

**Gaze Through a Telescope** Search for a shooting star or Saturn and Jupiter during stargazing parties planned (weather permitting) in MiraCosta College's baseball field. Call to confirm: 760-757-2121 x6201. Friday, April 3, 8 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, 8 p.m.; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

**Guided Nature Walk** Take in a different view of the park during outing starting in parking lot at 5700 Genesee Avenue. Bring binoculars, drinking water. 858-581-9944. Saturday, April 4, 9:30 a.m.; free. Marian Bear Memorial Park, Highway 52 and Genesee Avenue. (CLAIREMONT)

**History Walk** Offshoot Tours offers hour-long history walk, blending Balboa Park history with its wealth of architectural and botanical treasures. 619-235-1121. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; free. Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**No-Frills Hike** Naturalist Don Parnell leads "pleasant nine-mile, four-hour hike over several of the most scenically rewarding trails on the ranch." Watch for "spectacular" wildflower displays. 760-839-4680. Saturday, April 4, 8:30 a.m.; free. Daley Ranch, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

**Stargazing Party** Multiple telescopes available for viewing moon and our neighboring planets in

conjunction with International Year of Astronomy. 800-483-6287. Friday, April 3, 6 p.m.; free. Ocean-side Photo and Telescope Underground Photographic Gallery, 918 Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

**Tidepooling at Hospital Point** Learn about ocean critters when Birch Aquarium at Scripps hosts tidepooling led by aquarium naturalist. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Saturday, April 4, 11:30 a.m.; \$12. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

**Tidepooling for All at Dike Rock** Learn about ocean critters when Birch Aquarium at Scripps hosts tidepooling led by aquarium naturalist. Outing takes place at a rocky area just north of Scripps Pier on UCSD property, part of La Jolla Underwater Park marine reserve. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Sunday, April 5, 12:30 p.m.; \$12. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

**Ven Explora la Naturaleza Conmigo** Bilingual nature walk led by a Spanish-speaking interpretive guide. Walks introduce visitors to Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge and nature center. 619-409-5900. Sunday, April 5, 1 p.m.; free. Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge and Nature Center, 1000 Gunpowder Point Drive. (CHULA VISTA)



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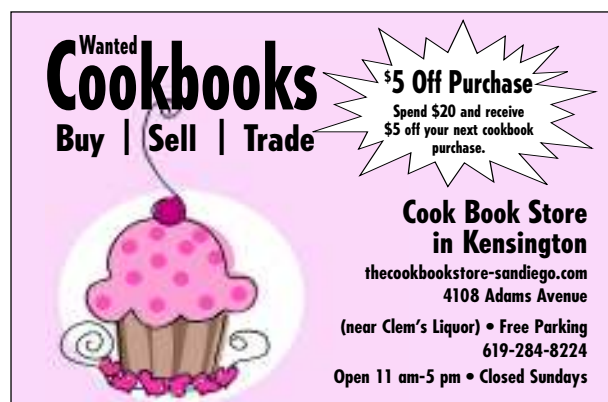


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**Wildflower Fields!** Park “is ablaze with the many colors of wildflowers, butterflies, caterpillars, birds, and really cool bugs and lizards.” Take in beauty during trail guide-led interpretive walks. 619-668-3281. Saturday, April 4, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday, April 8, 9:30 a.m.; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

## SPECIAL

### “Book Learning Put to Work”

See Greater San Diego Science and Engineering Fair, providing opportunity for students “to get their hands dirty, to have their minds disturbed by science.” Fair showcases knowledge, creativity, scientific curiosity of 750 7th-12th grade students from throughout San Diego and Imperial Counties. 619-544-6443. Thursday, April 2, 10 a.m.; Friday, April 3, 10 a.m.; Saturday, April 4, 9 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 10 a.m.; free. Balboa Park Activity Center, 2145 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Great Gatherings”** Chef Janet Burgess of Culinary Adventures demonstrates recipes by chef Dave Lieberman from pages of *Macy’s Culinary Council Great Gatherings* cookbook. Reservations: 888-424-3663. Saturday, April 4, noon; \$15. Macy’s Mission Valley Home Store, 1555 Camino de la Reina. (MISSION VALLEY)

**“New Approaches to Ideas, Materials, and Sites”** UCSD Visual Arts Department hosts Open Studios 2009 in Visual Arts Facility. Day promises symposia, perform-

ances, and film screenings, as well as glimpses into artists’ working spaces with the artists available to discuss their work. 858-822-7755. Saturday, April 4, 2 p.m.; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

### “Romance with Simplicity”

Exhibition of “still lifes created in heavily layered pastels” by Susan E. Roden opens with reception. Roden presents pastel demonstration on April 18, 12:30 p.m. 619-233-7963. Friday, April 3, 6 p.m.; free. Women’s History Museum, 2323 Broadway, Suite 107. (GOLDEN HILL)

**“Stand for Less”** Conservation workshops featuring TV personality, environmental activist Ed Begley Jr., San Diego Forward, other organizations. “Learn how to live a conservation lifestyle.” 310-428-3803. Wednesday, April 8, 10:30 a.m.; free. Martin Luther King Jr. Promenade, West Harbor Drive at West Market Street. (DOWNTOWN)

### “Stiletto Walk for Ovarian Cancer”

“Walk a Couple of Blocks in Her Shoes” is theme for event hosted by Downtown Business Association and Fashion Week Downtown 2009 to raise awareness of ovarian cancer. Men and women are invited to put on a pair of stilettos and parade downtown. All entry fees donated to Clarity Foundation. 760-745-8877. Friday, April 3, 4 p.m.; \$25. Washington Mutual, 150 North Centre City Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**“Symbols of God’s Love”** St. Mark’s annual religious art festival exhibition continues on Saturdays through April 11. Art juror was Hiroshi Miyazaki, poetry juror was Brandon Cesmat. 858 273-1480. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; free. Saint Mark’s United Methodist Church, 3502 Clairemont Drive. (CLAIREMONT)

## OUT & ABOUT

**INQUISITIVE AND INTENSE!**  
Comedy by Joe Rogan, Saturday, April 4, House of Blues.

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**“The Science of You”** San Diego Science Festival Expo Day is “pinnacle event” of San Diego Science Festival. Science takes over “museums, cultural centers, and the central corridor of Balboa Park with over 300 hands-on activities, demonstrations, experiments, contests, and performances.” 760-846-3473. Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.; free. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

### “The Shape of Things to Come”

Check out new exhibition “Primary Forms: Illuminated and Opaque,” featuring minimalist and post-minimalist works, during Thursday Night Thing (TNT). Exhibit tour led by assistant curator Lucía Sanromán; Yoga One yogis on hand, “bending, twisting, and balancing their bodies in conversation with the geometrical works featured in the exhibition.” Also promised: an array of fortune-telling activities, including readings by fortune tellers, and geometric-themed crafts. Live music by Lights On, the Traditionist, LDR and the Kates, the Color of Glass, and DJ Trail-Mix-Alot. 858-454-3541. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; free. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, 1001 Kettner Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

**31 Flavors of Culture!** UCSD’s annual “Cultural Celebration” at Thurgood Marshall College promises martial arts demonstrations, ballet folklorico, Cambodian dance, a cappella, spoken word, traditional Indian dancing, rhythm and blues music, Hawai’ian dance, Chinese lion dancing, jazz combo. For kids: storytelling, face painting, magician, cultural arts and crafts. Merchant bazaar with wares from many countries. Admission

is free; food and merchandise are not. 858-534-4390. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Funny in Farsi** Firoozeh Dumas’s memoir about growing up Iranian American in Southern California was selected for fifth Carlsbad Reads Together program. Join other readers to discuss the book *without* the author (who will visit Carlsbad on April 23). 760-602-2026. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, April 7, 7 p.m.; free. Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

**Art in the Garden** Third annual spring show displaying works of Alicia Sotherland and guest artist Rich Stergulz. 760-746-6256. Saturday, April 4, 3 p.m.; free. Alicia Sotherland Studio, 1144 East 5th Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

**Ask the Horticulturist** Enjoy informative tour through garden with a member of the professional horticultural staff. Bring your questions. Registration: 619-660-0614 x10. Sunday, April 5, 1:30 p.m.; free. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (CUYAMACA COLLEGE)

**Beyond Chopsticks as Mere Tools** “The beauty of the Japanese culture lies in feeling thankful to the ordinary things in life, and co-exists and prospers with nature through great respect, even to things such as chopsticks.” Instructor for chopstick workshop is sculptor Saburo Koga. Bring lunch to eat with your chopsticks afterwards. Registration: 619-232-2721. Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.; \$30. Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

**Co-Ed Drumming Circle** Circles blending African, Middle Eastern, and Japanese traditions offered first Sunday of every month. Drums provided if you don’t have your own. Offering. 619-303-6609. Sunday, April 5, noon; Vision Center for Spiritual Living, 11260 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (TIERRASANTA)

**Consider Art** Is art a “window to the transcendental”? Deliberate with P&R Discussion Group. 619-370-1027. Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Craft Club** Group gathers with instructor Sandra Erbetta to create unique items for sale in garden’s gift shop. Reservations: 619-232-2721. Monday, April 6, 10 a.m.; \$5. Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

**Dog Heart Health Tour** Veterinarians will be on hand with soundproof mobile exam room to listen to dog hearts for murmurs and other irregular sounds, look for signs of canine heart disease. Learn about congestive heart failure in dogs, which breeds are most susceptible, how to keep your dog healthy. 816-474-3166 x26 or x28. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; free. Ages 21 and up. Dog Beach Ocean Beach, West Point Loma Boulevard and Voltaire Street. (OCEAN BEACH)

**EcoBuild Expo** Everything from foundation to finishing touches for sustainable building on offer. Workshops, vendor fair for fire survivors and consumers hoping to rebuild, remodel their homes with sustainable, energy-efficient designs. 858-244-1177. Saturday, April 4, 9 a.m.; free. California Center for Sustainable Energy, 8690 Balboa Avenue. (KEARNY MESA)

**Fashion Week Downtown 2009** Downtown Business Association hosts week of couture and luxury fashion shows featuring fine designers from across country presenting fashions and accessories. Among the many events: launch party and runway show (April 6); fashion show featuring recycled materials (April 7); designer showcase (April 9); swimsuit showcase (April 10); “Red Carpet Grand Finale” featuring designers David Kahn and Lauren Elaine (April 11). General admission ticket to all five events: \$99. 760-745-8877. Monday, April 6, 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, April 7, 7:30 p.m.; \$22-\$60. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

**Framed!** San Diego Custom Bicycle Show is gathering of custom bicycle frame builders from around the country, displaying their “handmade works of art.” Show highlights skill level of custom bike frame builders, both full-time professionals and part-time hobbyists. Time to order a custom frame? Admission is \$15 per day, or \$25 for both Saturday and Sunday. 619-228-3512. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 11 a.m.; \$15. Town and Country Hotel and Convention Center, 500 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Free Saturday at Lux** Art lovers and their families invited to open house with studio tours, refreshments, live music. Meet contemporary landscape painter Victoria Adams, the current resident artist. 760-436-6611. Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m.; free. Lux Art Institute, 1550 South El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

**Get (Wood) Working!** Woodworking demonstrations for all levels — learn about refinishing, wood turning, joinery, furniture building. 858-268-1005. Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.; through Thursday, December 31, free. Rockler Woodworking and Hardware, 8199 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

**Grand Spring Festival** Organizers promise over 300 vendors, American Muscle Classic Car Show with 200 classic cars and hot rods, live entertainment, children’s area, more. 760-945-9288. Sunday, April 5, 9 a.m.; free. San Marcos, Via Vera Cruz at San Marcos Boulevard. (SAN MARCOS)

**Head to Tail** Fashion Week 2009’s pet fashion show and contest takes place on lawn. Pets “dressed to impress” will strut the catwalk, showing off latest pet styles. Seven best-dressed pets will walk runway and help open official Fashion Week Downtown 2009 festivities (on April 6). Viewing is free; fee to compete is \$20 per pet. Registration: 760-745-8877. Saturday, April 4, noon; free. Washington Mutual, 150 North Centre City Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**High Trek Adventure San Diego** Competitors engage in urban adventure race testing “both mind and body.” Teams solve clues to find hidden checkpoints, face challenges using only public transportation and foot. Contests within the contest: best uniforms, best photo, top family, and top AARP. Top three teams win prizes, entry into grand championships

### April 3: Sushi Bar Favorites

A hands-on sushi class with the author of *Sushi For Dummies*, Miniko Moreno.

### April 6: Fresh Floral Design

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### April 8: Spring in Italy

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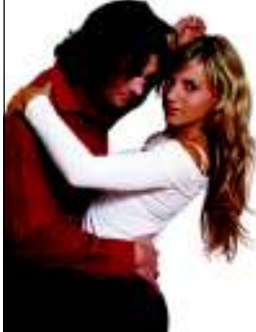
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## LOCAL EVENTS

(in Las Vegas, November 2009). 619-239-0355 x218 or 480-326-4893. Saturday, April 4, noon; \$50-\$60. East Village Tavern and Bowl, 930 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Hunting and Hugging** Bring your GPS or iPhone for “Geo-Caching Easter Egg Treasure Hunt,” 10 a.m.-noon (\$5). Hunt is followed by “Hug a Tree Wilderness Survival Course” taught by search and rescue trainer Viki Mason (2-4 p.m.), \$20. Open to families of all ages; children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Site fees for tent and RV campers. RSVP with number of people in your group: 619-766-4480. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; \$5-\$20. Sacred Rocks Reserve and RV Park, 1331 Shasta Way. (INLAND BORDER TOWNS)

**If You Build It...** Peter King, described as a “master architectural ceramic artist,” is creating a large gateway installation in front of San Diego School of Creative Performing Arts. Want to help? With King’s guidance, 25 participants assist in the creation over course of four days.

Events begin with informative slide presentation on Friday, April 3. Workshop, building: April 4-6, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Fee includes continental breakfast and lunch. Registration: 619-223-4120. Friday, April 3, 7 p.m.; \$150. School of Creative and Performing Arts, 2425 Dusk Drive. (PARADISE HILLS)

**Meet the Queens!** House of Pacific Relations Queens present lawn program with dancing, music, ethnic costumes. The Scottish Pipe Band performs as well. 619-234-0739. Sunday, April 5, 2 p.m.; free. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

**Paint Out(doors)** San Diego River Park Foundation seeks volunteers to assist in creation of community mural along San Diego River. Professional artist guides process; no experience or artistic ability required. Project is found in parking lot below Carl’s Jr. parking lot. Two shifts each day. Required RSVP: 619-297-7380. Friday, April 3, 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, 9:30 a.m. and 12:30

p.m.; Sunday, April 5, 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; free. mural site, Mission Center Road at Hazard Center Drive. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Partial to Plumeria?** Southern California Plumeria Society hosts eighth annual cutting sale in Casa del Prado room 101. Plumeria cuttings offered for sale by members (cash or check only). Members on hand to answer questions, demonstrate planting of plumeria scions. Sale includes plumeria culture books, items. 619-461-5942. Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 10 a.m.; free. Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Psychic Fair and Metaphysical Conference** Lectures, tarot, palmistry, numerology, other psychic arts featured. Admission is free; \$20 per reading. 619-298-3422. Saturday, April 4, noon; Sunday, April 5, noon; free. Alexandra’s Bookstore, 3545 Midway Drive, suite G. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

**R-Rated Trivia** Trivial fun returns with “mini-games, comedy, and ‘will it float?’ ” Cost: \$3 per person. Winning team takes all “or come play for free if you just want to see and be seen by highly educated drunks.” 619-294-4848. Sunday, April 5, 8 p.m.; \$3. Ages 21 and up. The Wit’s End, 420 Robinson Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**R-Rated Trivia in the North** Enjoy trivia, comedy, mini-games, and “Will It Float?” Fee: \$3 per person. Winning team take all, or play for free to compete for bar prizes! 760-944-0233. Monday, April 6, 7:30 p.m.; \$3. Ages 21 and up. First Street Bar and Grill, 656 South Coast Highway. (ENCINITAS)

**Ranked? Unranked?** You are invited to play chess. Organizers say “kibitz at your own risk.” 858-568-1641. Saturdays, 1 p.m.; free. La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Ranunculus Rainbows** The Flower Fields with nearly 50 acres of giant ranunculus flowers are blooming again, open for tours. Saturday, April 4, is bluegrass day, promising concert by Highway 76. Visitors may stroll pathways or take wagon ride (\$5 general). Sweet pea maze, poinsettia display, American flag of flowers. Season passes available. 760-431-0352. Thursdays, 9 a.m.; Fridays, 9 a.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.;

## OUT & ABOUT

**FRAMED! SAN DIEGO CUSTOM BICYCLE SHOW** Saturday and Sunday, April 4 and 5, Town and Country Hotel.

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Mondays, 9 a.m.; Tuesdays, 9 a.m.; Wednesdays, 9 a.m.; through Sunday, May 10, free. The Flower Fields, 5704 Paseo del Norte. (CARLSBAD)

**Rev It Up and Go!** Goodguys Del Mar Nationals showcases street rods, hot rods, customs, classics, muscle cars, and street machines. New this year: Street Challenge Autocross, offering registered participants chance to race clock on autocross course (Friday and Saturday, 9 am-noon and 1-4 p.m.). Vendors, swap meet with vendors selling used auto parts, collector cars of all shapes and sizes. Street Rod d’Elegance crowned Sunday (2:22 p.m.). 925-838-9876. Friday, April 3, 8 a.m.; Saturday, April 4, 8 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 8 a.m.; free. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Spring in the African Style** African-themed “spring extravaganza” with fashions, jewelry, plant sale. African attire modeled, 1-3 p.m. No fee for show; museum admission: \$2 for adults, \$5 for family of five. 619-220-0022. Sunday, April 5, 10:30 a.m.; Casa del Rey Moro African Museum, 2471 Congress Street. (OLD TOWN)

**Tailgate Gem Show** Many dealers offering gem and lapidary items (for sale) during “tailgate-style show and barbecue” hosted by San Diego County Council of Gem and Mineralogical Societies. Camping, breakfasts, barbecue lunches available by reservation. 760-726-7570. Friday, April 3, 9 a.m.; Saturday, April 4, 9 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 9 a.m.; free. Antique

Gas and Steam Engine Museum, 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. (VISTA)

**Traditional Tea Ceremony** Urasenke tea instructor Soryo Katayama Stott and assistants present demonstrations. Learn history of tea ceremony, see how to serve tea in traditional way. Included in garden admission. 619-232-2780. Tuesday, April 7, 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; free. Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

## SPORTS

**“Invasion Tour”** Lucha Libre USA hits town with “amazing aerial acrobatics, uniforms, elaborate masks, and over-the-top theater.” Card includes wrestling by Vampiro, Psycho Clown, Cibernetico, Zombie Clown, Abismo Negro, Killer Clown, many others. 408-960-2700. Saturday, April 4, 7 p.m.; \$44-\$79. San Diego Sports Arena, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

**2009 Crew Classic** The 36th annual San Diego Crew Classic promises competition by over 3400 rowers from across U.S. Racing begins near SeaWorld, heads north along Mission Bay for 2000 meters finishing at Crown Point Shores. Free viewing is possible from vantage points around bay. Parking: \$10. 619-225-0300. Saturday, April 4, 7:30 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 7:20 a.m.; \$7. Crown Point, 3700 Crown Point Drive. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Diamond Jubilee Morgan Horse Show** 858-793-5555. Friday, April 3, 9 a.m.; Saturday, April 4,

9 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 9 a.m.; free. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Enforcers Battle Centurions!** Support your local National Public Safety Football League team, the San Diego Enforcers, as they take on Los Angeles Centurions. Funds raised benefit Injured Marines Semper Fi Fund. 760-672-2512. Saturday, April 4, 5 p.m.; free. Cathedral Catholic High School, 5555 Del Mar Heights Road. (DEL MAR)

**Hilly and Hard!** This 70-mile long bicycling adventure led by Bicycle Touring Society riders includes steep hills along way through Alpine, Pine Valley, Kitchen Creek, and Japatul. 619-561-3846. Sunday, April 5, 8:45 a.m.; free. Alpine Community Center, 1830 Alpine Boulevard. (ALPINE)

**Let’s Go, Padres!** Opening day for San Diego Padres is Monday, April 6, with game against Los Angeles Dodgers. Series continues with games against Dodgers, April 7-9. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5000, 877-374-2784. Monday, April 6, 4:05 p.m.; Tuesday, April 7, 7:05 p.m.; Wednesday, April 8, 7:05 p.m.; \$7-\$57. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

**Opening-Day Sailing Regatta** Harbor Island Yacht Club hosts third annual opening-day regatta for members and guests, experienced sailors and novices alike. Teams may have maximum of six members. Club captains will be aboard novice team boats to coach through race (if you have prior racing experience, you may skipper your own boat). Fee includes lunch, beverages, prizes for winning team. Registration: 619-291-7245. Sunday, April 5, noon; \$49. Harbor Island Yacht Club, 1880 Harbor Island Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

**Roller Derby Time** San Diego Wildfires meet up with Central Coast Roller Derby team. 760-500-7915. Saturday, April 4, 7 p.m.; \$13-\$15. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**San Diego County Credit Union Walk MS** Walk MS is fun walk and festival with kids’ zone, live music, entertainment. 800-486-6762. Saturday, April 4, 7:30

a.m.; free. NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road. (POINT LOMA)

**Signature 2 County Horse Show** 858-481-9085. Saturday, April 4, 8 a.m.; Sunday, April 5, 8 a.m.; free. Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

## MUSEUMS

**Black Historical Society Museum of San Diego African American History** 740 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Bonita Museum and Cultural Center** Museum features exhibits of local history and fine arts, striving “to preserve and celebrate the spirit of Bonita in its two spacious galleries.” Stories of Bonita’s 100-year history are told with artifacts, photographs. Displays include Native American culture, lemon orchard period, events of the flood of 1916, and transformation of family life by technology. 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)

**Centro Cultural Tijuana** Center includes Museo de las Californias, cultural and artistic exhibits. “Buda Guanyin: Treasures of Compassion” continues through December. Currently screening in the CE-CUT Omnimax: *Vamos a la Luna* and *India, El Reino del Tigre*. 011-52-664-687-9650. Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street. (BAJA)

**Chinese Historical Society and Museum** “Magnificent Chinese Boxes of the Past” offers collection of finely crafted boxes from Qing dynasty. These utilitarian treasures were uniquely crafted for a specific use: to carry a workingman’s lunch, a lady’s makeup, a scholar’s calligraphy tools, or any number of treasures great or small. Exhibit

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**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)

**Craftsmanship Museum** The Joe Martin Foundation hosts this museum and machine shop with displays of projects in metal and wood at the small end of the size-scale, including working miniature gas and steam engines, aircraft models, cars, trains, clocks, miniature tools and guns. Machinist mans the shop (Tuesday-Friday) for machining demonstrations. Museum is also open on first Saturday each month (10 a.m.-3 p.m.). 3235 Executive Ridge, 760-727-9492. (VISTA)

**Creation Museum** A museum contrasting the evolution and creation worldviews. 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 Building 26 at MCRD, just inside Gate 4, off Pacific Highway. Witherby Street and Hancock Street, 619-524-6038. (DOWNTOWN)

**Museum of San Diego History** "100 Years of Art," continuing through March, showcases a century of artwork by San Diego artists. "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)

**New Americans Museum in NTC Promenade** "Immigration and Caricature: Ethnic Images from the Appel Collection" examines history of immigration and its social impact in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries as viewed through popular media of that time. Items in exhibition consist of a variety of print media such as cartoons, postcards, trade cards, and prints and lithographs. Through Saturday, May 30.

Also on view: "A Community between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," using historical and contemporary photographs to chronicle story of Arab-American community in Southeast Michigan, and other large Arab-American populations in this country. Closes Saturday, May 30. 2825 Dewey Road Suite 102, 619-255-8908. (POINT LOMA)

**New Children's Museum** The title of the "Childsplay" exhibit is reference to art of Allan Kaprow,

"one of the most important artists to have made work for the museum in the past." Local artist Brian Dick reinterprets two installations Kaprow created with his sons — *Yard* (1961) and *No Rules, Except* (2000) — merging them into a new project celebrating spirit of Kaprow's interactions. Exhibition boasts work by 19 artists, 6 of whom are from Mexico. 200 West Island Avenue, 619-233-8792. (DOWNTOWN)

**Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove** "Messages from the World: The Story of the Lemon Grove Post Office" follows evolution of local post office from horse and buggy days through modern times. Also on view: a recreation of the Sonka Brother's General Store, "The Children's Room," "The Parents' Room," "The Sewing Room," offering installations evoking life in the parsonage from 1900-1940. 3185 Olive Street, 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center** "Tinkering" 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, spectroscopes, more. Closes Sunday, June 7.

Decades of NASA research and color photography from robotic spacecraft illuminate "Giant Worlds: A Voyage to the Outer Solar System," a three-dimensional, interactive exhibition continuing through Sunday, May 3. Exhibition consists of 20 individual exhibits filled with interactive experiences, models, and murals revealing "the

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## CLASSICAL

**Experience a “Symphonic Snapshot” of Italy** San Diego Symphony, conductor Philip Mann, and host Nuvi Mehta perform Mendelssohn’s “Symphony No. 4 (Italian)” when “Symphony Exposed” series continues. Reservations: 619-235-0804. \$15-\$60. Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street), 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 2. (DOWNTOWN)

**Tragic Melodrama!** San Diego Opera season continues with Giuseppe Verdi’s *Rigoletto*, transporting audience members to Italian Renaissance with traditional staging. Cast includes Slovakian soprano L’ubica Vargicová, Albanian tenor Giuseppe Gipal, Georgian baritone Lado Ataneli, Armenian bass Arutjun Kotchinian, many others. Conductor is Edoardo Müller, director is Lotfi Mansouri. Performed in Italian with English translations above the stage. Reservations: 619-533-7000. \$28-\$175. San Diego Civic Theatre (1100 Third Avenue), 8 p.m., Friday, April 3; 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5; 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 8. (DOWNTOWN)

**Take a (Musical) Tour of Europe** Jacobs’ Masterworks series continues when Respighi’s “Fountains of Rome” and “Symphony No. 4, Italian” by Mendelssohn are performed by San Diego Symphony, conductor Philip Mann, and violinist Corey Cerovsek. Reservations: 619-235-0804. \$20-\$93. Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street), 8 p.m., Saturday, April 4. (DOWNTOWN)

**The Talented Ahns** Born in Seoul, Korea, and educated at Juilliard in New York City, sisters Maria, Lucia, and Angella make up the Ahn Trio, taking the stage to play new and classic works. Composers represented: Paul Chihara, Kenji Bunch, Pat Metheny, and David Balakrishnan. 800-988-4253. \$34-\$37. California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard), 8 p.m., Saturday, April 4. (ESCONDIDO)

**Organ Concert** Civic organist Carol Williams performs. 619-702-8138. Free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion (2211 Pan American Road), 2 p.m., Sunday, April 5. (BALBOA PARK)

**J.S. Bach’s “St. John Passion”** Chancel Choir and Masterwork Chorale of First United Methodist Church of San Diego perform piece, joined by soloists, orchestra, organist. Child care by reservation. Offering. 619-297-4366. First United Methodist Church of San Diego (2111 Camino del Rio South), 7 p.m., Sunday, April 5. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Mini-Concert for Lunch** Violinist Titiana Mann and pianist Jeff Zehngut present mini-concert. 858-454-5872. Free. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street), noon, Monday, April 6. (LA JOLLA)

**“The Passion According to St. John”** Heinrich Schütz’s story of the final days of Jesus, from His entry into garden to His death on cross, performed a cappella by 12@NOW, a group of singers from SDSU’s School of Music and Dance. 619-594-6031. Free. Smith Recital Hall at SDSU (5500 Campanile Drive), noon, Wednesday, April 8. (COLLEGE AREA)

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## GALLERIES

**“Contemporary Collateral”** Reception for artist Keri Crown. Show closes Wednesday, April 8. 619-849-2396. Free. Keller Gallery at Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive), 5 p.m., Friday, April 3. (POINT LOMA)

**“Hometown San Diego”** Opening reception for San Diego Watercolor Society’s current exhibit of approximately 100 paintings. Juror was Rikki Reinholz. Continues through Friday, April 24. 619-876-4550. Free. San Diego Watercolor Society at NTC Promenade (2825 Dewey Road #105), 5 p.m., Friday, April 3. (POINT LOMA)

**“Life in Watercolor”** Opening reception for watercolorist Sharn Slye, exhibiting pieces spanning 20 years of work. Closes Sunday, May 3. 760-639-6164. Free. Rancho Buena Vista Adobe Gallery (640 Alta Vista Drive), 1 p.m., Sunday, April 5. (VISTA)

## OUT & ABOUT

**TRAGIC MELODRAMA!**  
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**“Quiet”** Opening reception for Stan Goudey’s show of new work, primarily plein air and studio pastel scenes in watercolor, acrylic, and oil. Also view: selection of railroad paintings “the artist is so fond of painting.” Through May. 760-765-1676. Free. Santa Ysabel Art Gallery (30352 Highway 78), 4 p.m., Saturday, April 4. (SANTA YSABEL)

**“The Third Country/El Tercer Pais”** Opening reception for exhibition by architect Jim Brown. Work describes series of studies about and around border between Tijuana and San Diego. Brown’s exhibit will “examine, through models and drawings, the nature of boundary, and explore linear patterns that might later translate into new strategies of designing the frontier.” Also opening: “Althea Brimm: Keep This Coupon” and selections from “Erika and Fred Torri Artists’ Books Collection: Ed Ruscha.” All close on Saturday, May 9. 858-454-5872. Free. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street), 6:30 p.m., Friday, April 3. (LA JOLLA)

**“Versa Stitch”** Reception for English-born artist Jill Spurgin, whose work incorporates grasses, seeds, paper bark, and other natural products into pieces including painting on silk, batik, collage, embroidery. Through April. 760-789-3682. Free. Olde Ramona Hotel Gallery (845 Main Street), 5 p.m., Saturday, April 4. (RAMONA)

**Celebrating 30th Anniversary** Preview night reception with “master printmaker” Stephen McMillan, in conjunction with anniversary celebrations at Rick’s Custom Framing. Reception followed by anniversary party, April 3, 6 p.m. 619-462-5760. Free. Gallery La Mesa (8808 La Mesa Boulevard), 6 p.m., Thursday, April 2; 6 p.m., Friday, April 3. (LA MESA)

**Celebrating the Beauty in Life** Opening reception for featured artist Patty Palenschat, whose “realistic sculpture of the human figure and animal forms” may be seen through April in San Diego Sculpture Guild’s studio 36. 619-238-0522. Free. Spanish Village Art Center (1770 Village Place), 5 p.m., Saturday, April 4. (BALBOA PARK)

**Elizabeth Busch Retrospective** Opening reception for exhibition of work by this Maine sculptor and quilt artist. “Her layered, often geometric, quilts are sewn paintings (acrylic on canvas) that are then hand quilted and embroidered.” Artist lecture and tour: Saturday, April 4, 1 p.m. (\$10). Exhibit closes

Sunday, June 7. 619-546-4872. Free. Visions Art Quilt Gallery (NTC Promenade, Liberty Station, 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 100), 5 p.m., Friday, April 3. (POINT LOMA)

## ART MUSEUMS

**California Center for the Arts, Escondido Museum** Four new exhibitions on view: “20th Century Photography: Selections from the Wachovia Securities Art Collection,” “Divi/nation: Work by Debby and Larry Kline,” “Between: Work by Nina Waisman,” and “Reel Mothers: Film Video Art and the Maternal.” Exhibits address current social issues and reflect on how historical moments have impacted life in America and world. Through Sunday, June 21. 340 North Escondido Boulevard, 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

**Mingei International Museum** “Masters of Mid-Century California Modernism — Evelyn and Jerome Ackerman,” continuing through Sunday, October 18, presents overview of duo’s 50-year collaborative partnership, focusing on their work in decorative art and design. These Los Angeles-based artists shared their interest in, and devotion to, principles of modern design — as defined by Bauhaus philosophy of integrating fine art and craftsmanship with industrial practices to produce quality products. Their body of work is remarkable for its diversity of styles, techniques, materials.

“India Adorned” features selections from museum’s Stephen Huyler Collection. Exhibit “reveals the colorful diversity of Indian creative expression, presenting an

evocative collection of works that are used in the daily routine of a typical Indian family — objects of worship, personal and domestic adornment, utility, and recreation.” Closes Sunday, September 6.

“Shibui — The Subtle Beauty of Japanese Craft” features metal, textiles, wood, and ceramics from museum’s collection of Japanese folk art, craft, design. Highlights include kimono and textiles by Keisuke Serizawa, more. Continues through Sunday, June 28. 1439 El Prado, 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown** “Rising Tide: Film and Video Works from the MCA Collection, Sydney,” is drawn from collection of Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, and features film and video installations by 13 contemporary Australian video artists and collectives. Exhibit encompasses wide range of themes, modes of presentation. Pieces range from single-channel video to multi-projection installations to architectural interventions. On view through Sunday, June 21.

“Modern Masters” highlights works by major modern artists such as Willem de Kooning, Morris Louis, Joan Mitchell, and Mark Rothko. “Featured paintings represent the pinnacle of midcentury art practice, including abstract expressionism and color-field painting,” with pieces including Morris Louis’s painting *Beth Beth*, Adolph Gottlieb’s calligraphic *Red + Red*, Robert Motherwell’s *Open #117*. Exhibit includes an abstract composition by German painter Gerhard Richter. Closes Sunday, April 19. 1001 Kettner Boulevard, 858-454-3541. (DOWNTOWN)

**Museum of Photographic Arts** “Lou Stoumen: The Naked Truth” is solo exhibition of photographs by the artist describing “the era in which he lived” and his travels around the U.S., India, Puerto Rico, China, Japan, and beyond. Closes Sunday, May 17.

Also on exhibit through May 17: “Lou Stoumen Award Winners: The Legacy.” Exhibition begins with photographs by 2009 Stoumen Prize Winner, Mikhael Subotsky, as well as previous Stoumen winners Debbie Fleming Caffery (1996), Kenro Izu (1999), James Nachtwey (2002), Gary Schneider (2006), featuring the

photographs that won them the award alongside new work created after receiving it.

Edward Steichen (1879-1973) was one of the most influential figures in history of photography. “Edward Steichen: The Early Years” consists of Steichen’s “signature soft-focus, moody studies of light, landscape, and form.” Closes Sunday, May 17.

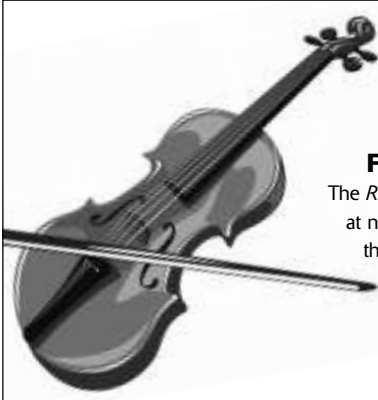
“Considering Edward Curtis,” closing on Sunday, May 10, examines over 35 photogravures from 1907 to 1930 made by Edward Curtis (1868-1952) for his monumental 20-volume opus on Native American tribes. 1649 El Prado, 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Museum of Art** “Black Womanhood: Images, Icons, and Ideologies of the African Body” — through Sunday, April 26 — explores “direct relationship between historic and contemporary representations of the black female body as they have been expressed in both traditional African and modern Western art.” The 130 included works — prints, photographs, paintings, sculpture, video, installations — are said to “reveal how ideologies and realities of race, gender, identity, and sexuality have been constructed, critiqued, and transformed through visual representations of the black female body” from 19th Century to present.

Also see “Oceanic Art: A Celebration of Form,” featuring 97 works of art primarily from Melanesia and Polynesia, as well as objects from Micronesia and Taiwan. Closes Sunday, January 3.

“In the Company Manner,” on display through Sunday, September 27, explores aspects of works in museum’s Edwin Binney 3rd Collection of Indian Painting. Exhibition features works by Indian artists who adjusted their painting styles to suit tastes of British patrons affiliated with East India Company during 18th and 19th Centuries in India. 1450 El Prado, 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

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**Crawdaddy's Plight** A website, *paulwilliams.com*, has been set up to help raise money for the care of author Paul Williams, who in 1995 suffered a brain injury from a bicycle accident. Riding near his home in Encinitas, he was not wearing a helmet.

to make all the arrangements yet." The pair has a seven-year-old son.

While Williams is best known as a journalist, with two dozen books to his credit, he participated in some of rock's most historic recording moments. He can be

"He was doing okay for a while, but over the past few years, he's slowed down to the point that his care has become an immense struggle," Berryhill said. "It's to the point that I look forward to going to work as my chance to rest."

Last year, Berryhill flew to New York to discuss Williams's condition with musical compatriots. The result was the formation of the Committee of Concern, a group that includes Patti Smith's guitarist Lenny Kaye, Springsteen manager Jon Landau, and *Rolling Stone* editor David Fricke. As a first step in getting the word out about Williams's plight, a *Rolling Stone* article is in the works.

Berryhill is unclear exactly how much money needs to be raised but notes Williams's care will be an ongoing process. She hopes to enlist some of the music stars he interviewed and worked with over the years for help. Members of R.E.M. are among those who have already contributed.

"In times like this, it's important to have family around," Berryhill said. "For Paul, in a sense, the rock 'n' roll community is his family."

— Bart Mendoza

**Merch Girl** "Someday I hope to have my own independent record label," says

Aileen Burns, who has spent the past four years touring with the Plain White T's as their "merch girl."

demographic. "I have customers trying to barter prices with me all the time! Parents are the worst about

**Ignorant Slut?** "Why would anyone pay \$55 to see Creedence Clearwater [Revisited] when you can see them for free at the Del Mar Fair?"

That's what one insider asked about two upcoming shows by the band that wants to be known as CCR.

A music fan asked what might be a better question: "Why would you care about either one?" The heart and soul of Creedence Clearwater Revival, singer-songwriter-guitarist John Fogerty, has nothing to do with this CCR revue and now performs and records under his own name. His brother Tom (fellow CCR cofounder) is dead.

That leaves the Creedence bassist and drummer to exploit Creedence Clearwater as long as they tweak the name a bit. Their Creedence salute is playing one show at the Valley View Casino April 24 and another at the Del Mar Fair June 30.

The Valley View show has a \$55 ticket charge (before Ticketmaster charges). The Del Mar Fair show is free with admission to some 7500 Del Mar Fair attendees.

Calls to the Valley View Casino and AEG Entertainment, which books Valley View, were not returned.

In other live-music news, the principal organizer of last year's North by North Park

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# the inside track blur

Considered to be one of the teenage founders of rock journalism when he created *Crawdaddy!* magazine in 1966, the

60-year-old has deteriorated to the point that he needs full-time care to handle the early onset of Alzheimer's brought about by the injury.

On April 25, a private fundraising concert featuring his wife, Cindy Lee Berryhill, will be held in a Del Mar home. It's the first of what is planned to be a series of benefit concerts. "There are plans to have a bigger event with all our local musician friends," Berryhill confirmed. "We just haven't had the time

heard among the marching feet at the beginning of Doors song "The Universal Soldier," participated in ses-



DADDY-O PAUL WILLIAMS

sions for the Beach Boys' *Smile* album, and can be seen singing with John Lennon in the video for "Give Peace a Chance."

In 2007 Williams sold *Crawdaddy!* to San Francisco-based online music archive Wolfgang's Vault.



CAN YOU FIND THE MERCH GIRL?

"My responsibilities include picking designs, ordering, handling shipments on tour, selling merchandise during shows, settling with venues, and keeping track of stock," says the 24-year-old Carlsbad resident.

"The hardest thing about my job is uncertainty about our future scheduling. I can't plan things very far in advance because we may or may not be on tour. It's also difficult to have a personal life because you're never in one place very long. And, as a female, sometimes the job can be tough, physically."

She says the T's fan base is typically female, aged 12 to 20, a sometimes difficult

it. They'll want a deal when buying three shirts for their daughter and her two friends."

Other merch-girl hazards? "Sometimes I get flirted with on tour, just because it's not unusual for me to be the only girl on tour. I've always felt and acted like one of the guys, though. I'm also starting to find that I'm older than a lot of the bands we tour with! I end up taking on a big-sister role with a lot of guys, which I'm perfectly happy with."

You can meet Burns the merch girl when the Plain White T's play House of Blues downtown on Friday, April 3.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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music confab has settled on a new name following complaints by South by Southwest organizers that it was too similar to their annual Austin event.

Organizer Kevin Hellman says the new name will be the North Park Music Thing and that the event this year will expand from one day to three days, August 7–9.



HERE'S THE THING, THE NORTH PARK MUSIC THING (HELLMAN)

Hellman, publisher of San Diego *CityBeat*, seemed to be at odds with *CityBeat* editor Kelly Davis, who suggested in a SD *CityBeat* blog that the issue was moot since the new name of the event had been changed to North to North Park. Davis blogged that this *Reader* writer was an “ignorant slut” for not knowing that the name had in fact been changed to North to North Park.

Hellman said that Davis did not speak for the event and that the event was in fact run by the nonprofit San Diego Music Foundation and not by SD *CityBeat*, which is a sponsor of the event.

— Ken Leighton

**Out of Austin** In the days following the South by Southwest music convention, several of the two dozen or so local bands who performed around Austin reported on their experiences.

Drew Andrews: “It’s hard to describe the insanity at SXSW, the thousands of drunk onlookers and industry folk, hunting down parties, on the make for free schwag, free beer, free food, free this, free that, lusty eyes darting throughout the streets and against the walls,

drums from the left, emo bands screaming from the right, harmonicas above you, bouncers waiting below you in the underground sold-out show. It is *A Clockwork Orange*, strapped in your seat, eyes pried open, Disneyland parades and strobe lights left, right, and center, take this drink, here’s my number — it’s maddening. And it is amazing.” ([sddialedin.com](http://sddialedin.com))

## OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: EL CAJON BLVD. JAY ALLEN SANFORD



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Dagart, of Writer: “Iron Gate, our first stop, was not in the chaos of the storm (6th Street) but in a more residential area that had two bars on every block, unlike 6th Street, which had about five on every block. The first band, No Kids (Vancouver), didn’t have all their drum gear, so they asked to borrow ours. In return, Writer got added to the Singing Serpent showcase. Only an hour into SXSW and [we] already got an extra gig.... Writer performed after No Kids and it was great to see crowd support from local friends Team Abraham, Lights On, and The Fling (Long Beach).” ([myspace.com/dagart](http://myspace.com/dagart))

Irradio singer-guitarist Dan Dasher emailed the *Reader* to say “SXSW ’09 was amazing. How can you deny after seeing Quincy Jones walking around, Big Boi of OutKast blazed, Cursive, Sage

Francis, Radio 4, Dinosaur Jr., and many more of our favorite musicians. Our performance was nothing short of one of our best performances ever.”

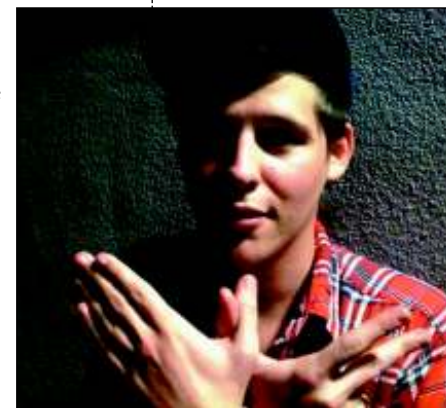
Mainstream media reports mentioning locals included *RollingStone.com*: “Way down 6th Street at Opal’s Divine Palace, San Diego’s the Soft Pack (formerly known as the Muslims) were dedicating ‘Come On,’ the first single from their new album, to their lawyer. The band unleashed perky bass lines over swift drumming, concluding their set of loose and limber garage rock with a stretched and fuzzed-out version of ‘Parasites.’”

The *New York Times*: “Crocodiles, a two-man band from San Diego so fresh that the head of their record label was seeing them perform live for the first time, have had

an enviable streak of Internet attention.... ‘The Internet is taking all the romance out of music and art and replacing it with this revolving door that just revolves so fast,’ Mr. [Brandon] Welchez, 27, the duo’s singer, said before a 20-minute showcase on Wednesday afternoon [March 18] at Emo’s Annex.”

*MTV.com* (which listed Wavves’ March 8 performance at Red 7 among its Top 10 South By Southwest 2009 Moments): “22-year-old Nathan Williams, aka Wavves, [is] a San Diego noisemaker who rose from best-kept secret to most-blogged favorite in less than a month (seriously),

thanks to his brand of lo-fi bedroom punk. He’s playing no less than ten shows this week, all around Austin, and at all hours of the day and



NATHAN WILLIAMS MADE WAVVES IN AUSTIN

night.... [At Red 7], Williams tore through blast after blast of raw, lightning-quick bedroom punk.”

— Jay Allen Sanford

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HEAD CAT AT BRICK BY BRICK

## Thursday 2

**Calico Horse** rides tonight when Belly Up brews a benefit for the Magdalena Ecke Family YMCA up there in Enci. From the dregs of Clock Work Army, Emily Neveu culled a new crew in Calico Horse with a visionary drone-folk soundscape that drops jaws. Get your mitts on the Horse's Pall Jenkins-produced debut *Mirror* to see how heavy the Horse's head, and then jump online to check out their inspired cover of Radiohead's "Idioteque." Granted, they're not for everyone, but alt-pop headliners **Stripes and Lines** should polish the rest of your knobs.... Also up thataway, Dallas sextet **Forever the Sickest Kids** lay it down at UCSD's Loft space. The electronica rockers were named in '07 as *Alternative Press's* number-one underground band, launching their full-length Universal Motown debut *Underdog Alma Mater* to number 45 on the *Billboard* charts.... Honky soul-cat hit-maker **Gavin DeGraw** just dropped his third proper, *Free*. The heartthrob'll be wooing your wives and daughters tonight at Soma. You want to go too? That's okay, dood, because soul-pop chanteuse **Angel Taylor** sets the stage.

Yum.... The **Dexter Romweber Duo** (formerly Flat Duo Jets) dial in at Radio Room with **Pushin Rope**.... Traveling troubadour the **White Buffalo** will join local folkies **John Meeks** and **Vision of a Dying World** at Casbah.... And indie-pop peeps **Swim Party** and **Secret Apollo** splash down at Bar Pink.

## Friday 3

Cross one Motörhead (Lemmy!) with one Stray Cat (Slim Jim Phantom) and enjoy the greezy beats of **Head Cat**. The rockabilly trio will slink into Brick by Brick Friday night along with pirate-rockers **Thee Corsairs**.... "Hey There Delilah," the Grammy-nominated, Chicago-based alt-pop big band **Plain White T's** will visit House of Blues downtown.... While uptown, ya got all kinds of junk to get into: get up 'n' dance to local funk-n-soul fusion group the **Styletones** at Bar Pink...indie experimentalists **Empty Rooms** (SF), **Fever Sleeves**, and **By Sunlight** pour into Soda bar...hometown pop-rock hits **Hotel St. George** check into Whistle Stop...and radio-ready alt-rock revisionists **War Stories** and **Dynamite Walls** blow into Beauty Bar.

## Saturday 4

Slo-core, slow-to-grow Los Angelinos **Autolux**'ll light up Casbah Saturday night. Their gaze-y rock draws plenty of (justifiable) comparison to My Bloody Valentine. The trio is set to drop its second proper collection in eight years (?!), *Transit Transit*. In the mean, easy to settle for the swank ooze of '04 crit-hit debut *Future Perfect*. Highly recommendable record, and with **io echo** and **Mini Mansions**, most recommendable sets this week.... Else: Soda Bar draws a draught of **Ting-a-Ling** and **Tribe of Kings**.... Beauty Bar plants **Blood Flowers** with **Buddy Akai**.... The **Publicists** sell it at the Ken.... Soma stages **Winds of Plague** and **Emmure**.... And industrial-strength comic **Joe Rogan** yuks up House of Blues.

## Sunday 5

Ruby Room'll be cooking with **Noodles** Sunday night. The Japanese trio's pop-punk style and she-devil smiles are just delish. Take a taste: [myspace.com/noodlesvelvet](http://myspace.com/noodlesvelvet). With **Kenta** and **Four Minutes til Midnight**, this should be a fun Sunday nighter.... "Why comb your hair if you're living on a prayer?" Bar Pink brings in



NOODLES AT RUBY ROOM

Fresno's nonchalant indie nudniks **rademacher** t'find out.... Berlin electro-pop duo **Stereo Total** joins Ames, Iowa "ceWEBrity" **Leslie & the LY's** for an evening of comedy pop at Casbah.

## Monday 6

It'll be **Japanese Sunday** at Casbah's Anti-Monday meet-up. The local shoe-gaze quartet is just back from a multi-city tour in Japan. Go figure, and then go on and welcome them home. Rawkin' Chi-town transplants **Marasol** set the Middletown stage.... House of Blues hosts Virginian piano princess **Rachel Yamagata** and hometown hit **Greg Laswell** for a night of singer-songwriterly stuff.... NYC's electro-garage classicists **Aluminum Babe** play Bar Pink with local nu-wavers **Lights On**, who are just back from Austin. And we understand guitarist Mike Kamoo's got some stories to tell. Brows UP!

## Tuesday 7

"Hours of music." New York electro-punk duo **Talibam!** joins **Jerkagram**, **White Fang**, **Pregnant, BWAT-WOB**, **Fortress of Amplitude**, **Stag Hare**, **Italic Indian**, and **Rob Walmart** to fill a hell a bill at Ché Café Tuesday night. Too much bold type to break 'em all down, so suffice to say, at \$10, that's some gnarly noise-pernickel value.... Reggae royalty **Junior Reid** and **Stranger** will be up the highway at Belly Up.... And **Drew Andrews** and **Spectral Cities** sound off at Soda Bar.



TALIBAMI AT CHE CAFE

## Wednesday 8

Pop folkie Dorothy **Dar Williams** appears at Belly Up Wednesday night. The folk-fest favorite is out to tout her latest, and first in three years, *Promised Land*. She'll be joined by solo acoustic artist **Melissa Ferrick**.... Bluegrass jam band **Yonder Mountain String Band** hits House of Blues. The Colorado quartet's Cabin Fever tour got waylaid earlier this year but is back on. They'll be joined by "freestyle fiddler" **Darol Anger**.... Kansas City quintet the **Republic Tigers** bring the pretty indie pop of debut *Keep Color* to the Loft at UCSD.

— Barnaby Monk

Friday, April 3

**THE HEAD CAT**

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Tuesday, August 25	Chris Isaak	7:30
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Sunday, August 30	Susan Tedeschi	7:30
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Thursday, September 10	Sinbad	8:00
Friday, September 11	Air Supply/Christopher Cross	7:00
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Friday, September 25	Beach Boys	7:30
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*"I remember this naked guy jumping around like a monkey...basically going berserk, singing his song."*

Since the late '90s, Mike Kamoo's Earthling Studios has been a vital cog in the San Diego music scene. The studio, headquartered in a corporate park in El Cajon, has a well-worn path to it carved by years of tattered converse All-Stars and rock-and-roll dreams.

The clientele skews toward the indie- and punk-rock crowd, with such local notables as the Heartaches, Lady Dottie and the Diamonds, and Billy Midnight taking turns cranking up their amps at Earthling.

Entering the studio, it feels like the type of environment a band like Black Flag would feel at home in: dirty rugs, grimy walls, and well-worn vintage equipment.

Besides running Earthling Studios, Kamoo is a member of several San Diego bands, including the Stereotypes, Lights On, and the Loons.

## How did you get into recording?

"I started recording on four-track in 1989 with my first band, the Gist. Shortly after that I spent a couple of years tracking my own songs, playing guitar, bass, and drums. I think that's when I really got into recording. It became my tool to write songs and make things sound the way I wanted. After a while I began to buy better equipment, trying to improve

the sound quality of my recordings. I moved into this studio space in 1995 and started Earthling as a business in 1999."

## Describe the typical clients at Earthling — what are they looking for when they hire you?

"Typically I record bands who want a raw or organic sound. I'm probably associated with making dirty-sounding records or having an older-style approach to recording. Although I don't consider my sound 'vintage,' most people who come to me probably feel I am the closest thing to getting that type of sound. A lot of bands want their music to be captured live, and that is also something I've been able to accommodate. I'm finding that musicians that come to me are inspired by classic recordings and gravitate towards performance-based music over the heavily produced 'perfected' stuff."

## What's the most common mistake you see bands make when they come in to record?

"The thing I've noticed about some bands is that they tend to try recording too many songs in a short amount of time. Once in a while this works out, and you get some really immediate cool results, but most of the time it seems like the songs don't get

the attention they deserve. Rushing through things goes with the territory at this level, and I don't blame bands for having to do it, but I often wish I had just one more session to iron out the kinks when things go that way."

## How do you decide what new gear and upgrades you will get for the studio?

"Tape Op magazine. I recommend it to anyone who has an interest in recording. I flip around and read articles of my favorite bands and producers and try to get an idea of what they are using. I also go online and read reviews if there is something I'm honing in on. I have to keep both my needs and my clients' needs in mind. That can get tricky. I have vintage gear, but I also need the studio to be solid for business — good computers, digital converters, etc. These days I usually opt for newer equipment modeled after the classics to get the sounds I'm looking for but also for some reliability."

## What is the strangest recording experience you've had at Earthling?

"There was one time when this guy — sorry, no names — couldn't get a vocal take. One take after the other, he just couldn't quite deliver what he was capable of. Out of frustration he took off his clothes and — fortunately for us in the control room — lowered the lights. I just remember this naked guy jumping around like a monkey falling over chairs,



Mike Kamoo

beating on his chest, basically going berserk, singing this song. It ended up being a great performance, and we used that take."

## Out of everything you have recorded, what album are you most proud of?

"I can't say there is any 'one.' The Silver Sunshine self-titled record stands out because we invested a lot of time and energy. The band had very specific ideas, and I remember doing as much as I could to fulfill that without compromise. The recordings I did for Low Cloud Cover still stand out in my mind. The Heartaches, Too Cool for School, and most recently Lanterns' *Apocalypse Youth* EP."

## If you could record anyone, who would it be?

"I've always been fascinated with Johnny Marr's guitar work. So I'd have to say the Smiths, even though that is the most improbable scenario ever!" ■

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*Tuesday, 14th:* Nathan James

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5/7 Lydia Pense and Cold Blood • 5/14 Jonathan Coulton  
6/5 Fiesta Del Sol Kickoff Party - Dread Zeppelin • 6/16 King Sunny Ade  
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4/24 Lez Zeppelin  
4/25 Skanick  
4/27 Railroad Earth  
4/29 FM 94.9 pres. Company of Thieves  
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4/30 Rufus Wainwright w/  
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5/3 Alpha Blondy

5/5 Reggae De Mayo - Rub-A-Dub  
Party w/The Devastators & Dub  
Traffik Control DJs  
5/9 Bob Schneider  
5/10 The Avett Brothers  
5/13 Lucero  
5/15 Mogwai  
5/21 M83  
5/22 The Virgins

5/23 Morrissey's 50th Unhappy  
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*Thursday*, 7:30 p.m. — Ryan Shaw. Soul. \$29.

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*Thursday*, 9 p.m. — Sea Swallow.  
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**Bondi Bar and Kitchen:** 333 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-342-0212.  
*Wednesday*, 8 p.m. — Desert Diamonds. Rock. Free. Ages 21 and up.

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*Wednesday*, 8 p.m. — Nerd Nite. Featuring music by Overlord and guest speakers discussing zombies, birds, and marine biology. Indie/pop/rock. \$7. Ages 21 and up.

**Copley Symphony Hall:** 750 B Street, Downtown, 619-235-0804.  
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*Saturday*, 7 p.m. — Cowboy Jack. Country.

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**Hennessey's Tavern — Carlsbad:** 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad, 760-729-6951.  
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**Saturday, 10 p.m.** — John Elliott. Folk/rock. \$7.  
**Sunday, 8 p.m.** — Gregory Douglass. Indie. \$5.

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**The Marquee:** 835 25th Street, Golden Hill. *Saturday*, 8 p.m. — Jordan Reimer. Acoustic. \$10.

**McCabe's Beach Club:** 1145 South Tremont Street, Oceanside, 760-439-6646. *Fridays*, 4:30 p.m. — The California Rangers. Country. Free.

**Mulvaney's Wagon Wheel:** 8861 Magnolia Avenue, Santee, 619-448-8550. *Friday*, 9 p.m. — The City Limits Band. Country/rock/blues.

**Nature's Express:** 2949 Fifth Avenue, Banker's Hill, 619-550-1818. *Saturdays*, 1 p.m. — Joe Rathburn. Folk.

**North Bar Sports and Spirits:** 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido, 760-480-8228. *Thursdays*, 6 p.m. — Mike Gardner. Rock. Free.

**O'Connells Pub and Nightclub:** 1310 Morena Boulevard, Linda Vista, 619-276-5637. *Friday and Saturday*, 8 p.m. — Emergenza Music Festival. With New Wave of Destruction, Spotlight Junkies, C.D.M., Peter Merritt and the Equinox, Science Fiction, Static Rev, and Theleventhour. Rock/pop. *Sunday*, 8 p.m. — Tan Sister Radio. With Wire Pony. Indie/punk. *Wednesday*, 9 p.m. — Jimmy Dean and Friends. Rockabilly/country/swing.

**O'Harleys Sports Bar & Grill:** 13437 Community Road, Poway, 858-486-7422. *Saturday*, 9 p.m. — Myron and the Kynptionz. Blues/soul/rock.

**Oceanside Museum of Art:** 704 Pier View Way, Oceanside, 760-435-3720. *Thursday*, 7 p.m. — Blue Largo. Jazz. \$10-\$15.

**Old Town State Historic Park:** 4002 Wallace Street, Old Town. *Wednesdays*, 2 p.m. — The City Guard Band. Performances will be held in the plaza; selections range from Sousa marches to concert pieces. Free.

**Osetra Watergrill:** 904 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-239-1800. *Thursdays*, 8 p.m. — Live Jazz. In the E5 Lounge. Free. *Wednesdays*, 8 p.m. — Los Reyes del Ritmo. Flamenco and Latin music in the E5 Lounge. Free.

**Pal Joey's:** 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens, 619-286-7873. *Saturday*, 9 p.m. — Betamaxx. Pop.

**Pasquale on Prospect:** 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-456-0722. *Sundays*, 6 p.m. — Stage 4. Jazz/rhythm and blues.

**Patrick's II:** 428 F Street, Downtown, 619-233-3077. *Thursday*, 9 p.m. — The Road Dogs. Blues. *Friday*, 9 p.m. — First Blues Fridays. With Road Dogs and Michelle Lundeen. *Saturday*, 9 p.m. — Big Papa & the TCB. Blues/swing/rockabilly. *Sunday*, 9 p.m. — The Buzzbombs. Rockabilly/punk/surf. *Monday*, 8 p.m. — Len Rainey's Midnight Players. Blues/jazz/soul. *Tuesday* — Three D Kings. Jazz.

*Wednesday*, 9 p.m. — Blue Largo. Blues/soul/swing.

**Portugalia:** 4839 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-7678. *Thursday*, 8 p.m. — Nick Z. Acoustic/soul/jazz.

**RT's Longboard Grill:** 1466 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-270-4030. *Thursdays* — Stepping Feet. A Dave Matthews Band tribute. *Friday*, 10 p.m. — Flock of '80s. Covers '80s hits.

*Saturday*, 10 p.m. — Pushing Rope. Country/punk/bluegrass. *Sundays* — The Devastators. Roots/reggae/dub.

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**Rebecca's Coffee House:** 3015 Juniper Street, South Park, 619-284-3663. *Sunday*, 3 p.m. — John Finkbiner and Abraham Nunez. With Trio Gadjó and poetry by Greg Gerding. Acoustic/jazz. Free.

**The Round Table Cocktail Lounge:** 1723 Euclid Avenue, City Heights, 619-264-6000. *Tuesdays*, 6 p.m. — Charlie Blue. Blues.

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*Mondays*, 7 p.m. — Zapf Dingbats. Blues/soul/jazz.

*Tuesdays*, 7 p.m. — La Reyes. Flamenco. Free.

**University Community Library :** 4155 Governor Drive, University City, 858-552-1655.

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*Saturday*, 7:30 p.m. — Stacey and the Stimulus Package. Soul/funk.

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*Friday*, 9:30 p.m. — The Rhythm Jacks. Blues/soul. Free.

**Winstons:** 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6822.

*Thursday*, 9:30 p.m. — Naked Funk. Funk. Ages 21 and up.

*Friday*, 9 p.m. — The Devastators. Reggae.

*Saturday*, 9:30 p.m. — Cubensis. Grateful Dead tribute.

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*April 18* — The BulletBoys.

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*April 9* — Sandollar.

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*April 11* — Rory Block.

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*April 24* — David Wilcox.

*May 2* — Trippin' the Sixties.

*May 10* — Byron Berline & Bluegrass Etc.

*May 15* — Eric Bibb.

*May 16* — The Grascals.

*May 22* — Ian Tyson.

*May 23* — Roy Zimmerman.

*June 5* — Slaid Cleaves and Eliza Gilkyson.

**Anthology:** 1337 India Street, Little Italy, 619-595-0300.

*April 14* — The Anthology House Band.

*April 15* — NovaMenco.

*April 16* — Brian Auger.

*April 18* — Steve Poltz.

*April 22* — Charles McPherson.

*April 23* — Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors.

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June 19 — Candye Kane.  
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May 4 — The Bishop’s School Jazz Ensemble.

**Bar Pink:** 3829 30th Street, North Park, 619-564-7194.  
May 7 — Brawley.

**Beauty Bar:** 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, Kensington-Talmadge, 619-516-4746.  
April 29 — The Old In Out.  
April 30 — Dusty Rhodes and the River Band.

**Belly Up Tavern:** 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.  
April 9 — The Dark Star Orchestra.  
April 10 — 40 Oz. to Freedom.  
April 12 — Gary Louris and Marc Olson.  
April 14 — Jenny Lewis.  
April 16 — Kenny Wayne Shepherd.  
April 17 — Calexico.  
April 18 — The Cured.  
April 19 — The 9th Annual Seedless 4/20 Party.  
April 20 — Lykke Li.  
April 21 — UB40.  
April 22 — Don Carlos.  
April 23 — Hot Tuna.  
April 24 — Lez Zeppelin.  
April 27 — Railroad Earth.  
April 30 — Rufus Wainwright.  
May 9 — Bob Schneider.  
May 10 — The Avett Brothers.  
May 15 — Mogwai.  
May 21 — M83.  
May 22 — The Virgins.  
May 23 — Morrissey’s 50th Unhappy Birthday Celebration.

**The Bitter End:** 770 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-338-9300.  
April 9 — Deliverance Machine.  
April 10 — RadioStar.  
April 16 — The Shamey Jays.  
April 23 — Lessons from Zeke.  
April 28 — Nena Anderson.  
April 29 — John Miller.

**Boar Cross’n:** 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad, 760-729-2989.  
April 9 — Sounds of Surrender.

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buenos Avenue, Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.  
April 10 — Last Stand.  
April 30 — Dope.

**Café Sevilla:** 555 Fourth Avenue, Downtown, 619-233-5979.  
April 9 — Trece de la Suerte.  
April 12 — Angel Lebron y Su Sabor Latino.  
April 14 — The Castenos Band.  
April 15 — Orquesta Primo.  
April 16 — Orquesta LGC.  
April 19 — Orquesta Guayo.  
April 21 — Mambo Salvaje.  
April 22 — Orquesta Guarare.  
April 23 — BombaChante.  
April 29 — Orquesta 8.8.  
April 30 — Gene Perry y Afro Rumba.

**Canes:** 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780.  
April 10 — Del tha Funkee Homosapien.  
April 11 — Dead Man’s Party.  
April 16 — Collie Buddz.  
April 17 — Sashamon.  
April 18 — Andre Nickatina.  
April 22 — Immortal Technique.  
April 23 — Ooklah the Moc.  
April 24 — Diplo.  
April 25 — Cash’d Out.  
May 1 — Little John.  
May 2 — Katchafire.  
May 16 — Grouch & Eligh.

# NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

A few months ago, when Facebook was in the throes of a “25 Things About Myself” chain-letter epidemic, my friend Andria sent me a list of 15 albums that changed her life. Andria moved to the East Coast a few years ago, and so I’ve enjoyed getting her Facebook updates, and I really enjoyed reading about her life-changing albums. I mean, we’ve talked about music a bunch of times, but I would not have guessed that **Stereo Total** changed her life. Turns out, it changed mine, too.

Stereo Total is a French-German duo that specializes in a multilingual mix of ‘60s Europop, hip-hop, ‘80s new wave, and indie

rock, filtered through a decidedly lo-fi sensibility. The music is weird, campy, sexy, and sometimes a bit irritating. Stereo Total once released a cover of “I Love You Oh No” by the cult favorite Japanese new-wave band the Plastics, but Stereo Total titled it “I Love You, Ono.” Was this a tribute to Yoko’s experimental legacy or just a cheap pun? Who cares? You’re supposed to be dancing, not pondering the subtext. This is not supposed to be music that changes your life, right?

I emailed Andria to ask what Stereo Total meant to her. “It was playing in Jaime’s car when she picked me up the first time to go out,” she wrote back. “When I said, ‘Hey, isn’t this Stereo Total?’ we knew we were gonna be friends.” Andria and Jaime ended up forming a band together, and that’s when I met them. A couple of years later I ended up



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April 11 — Monotonix.  
April 12 — Steve Nieve.  
April 13 — The Fascination.  
April 15 — Ariel Pink’s Haunted Graffiti.  
April 16 — The Black Lips.  
April 17 — WAVVES.  
April 18 — Menomena.  
April 23 — Prize Country.  
April 24 — Dave Gonzalez.

April 25 — Dynamite Walls.  
April 26 — Irradio.  
April 27 — Mr. Lif.  
April 28 — Acid Mothers Temple.  
April 30 — Black Mamba.  
May 1 — Mike Doughty.  
May 2 — Damien Jurado.  
May 2 — Joe Lally.  
May 3 — William Elliott Whitmore.  
May 4 — Manic Hispanic.  
May 5 — Team Abraham.  
May 6 — Sleepytime Gorilla Museum.  
May 7 — The Devil Makes Three.

May 8 — The Mother Hips.  
May 11 — Spectrum.  
May 14 — Cloud Cult.  
May 15 — Isis.  
May 16 — Big Sandy and His Fly-Rite Boys.  
May 22 — The Dears.  
May 23 — The Obits.  
May 29 — The Answers.  
May 30 — St. Vincent.  
May 30 — Hair Theatre.  
June 2 — Big Business.  
June 6 — The Slackers.  
June 21 — The Queers.



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<p><b>SATURDAY 4•4</b></p> <p><b>UNSET</b></p> <p><b>RUTHLESS</b></p> <p><b>RESISTANCE</b></p> <p><b>METATONIC</b></p> <p><b>Se7en 4</b></p> <p><b>SILENCE BETRAYED</b></p>	<p><b>SUNDAY 4•5</b></p> <p><b>BRUTAL TRUTH</b></p> <p><b>CREAMATORIUM</b></p> <p><b>K626</b></p> <p><b>DESPITE THE WOLVES</b></p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY 4•8</b></p> <p>Street Infantry presents “Loaded Mics” – performing live</p> <p><b>BABY LOW</b></p> <p><b>4TH WAIVER CLICC</b></p> <p><b>33RD INFANTRY</b></p> <p><b>HEAVENLY HOST</b></p> <p><b>NOMIS • SO CO CLIQ</b></p>

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May 16 — Nine Inch Nails.  
May 22 — No Doubt.  
June 20 — Vicente Fernandez.  
June 22 — André Rieu.  
July 10 — Rise Against.  
July 28 — The Fray.  
August 14 — Depeche Mode.  
September 5 — Nickelback.  
September 12 — The Dave Matthews Band.  
October 2 — Brad Paisley.

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June 16 — Eve 6.  
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June 27 — Fifth Annual Gospel Festival.  
June 28 — Intocable.  
June 29 — Clint Black.  
June 30 — Creedence Clearwater Revisited.  
July 1 — KC & the Sunshine Band.  
July 3 — Joan Jett and the Blackhearts.  
July 5 — Kelly Clarkson.

**Dizzy's:** 200 Harbor Drive, Downtown, 858-270-7467.  
April 11 — The Gilbert Castellanos New Latin Jazz Quartet.  
April 17 — Brian Levy.

April 18 — Kendra Shank.  
April 22 — First Fridays Music Club.  
April 24 — Paul Seaforth.  
April 26 — Jaeryoung Lee Trio.  
May 31 — Joni Mitchell Tribute.

**Dream Street Live:** 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131.  
April 24 — HeadRUSH.

**E Street Café:** 128 E Street, Encinitas, 760-230-2038.  
April 18 — Fly to Blue.

**Escondido Joe's Coffee House:** 119 E Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-466-2184.  
April 17 — T.K. Plummer.

**Fannie's Nightclub:** 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley, 619-698-2204.  
May 8 — Leo Rising.  
May 22 — HeadRUSH.  
June 5 — Leo Rising.

**Gallagher's Pub & Grill:** 5046 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-5300.  
July 4 — Dazed and Confused.

**Grace Theater:** 102 North Freeman Street, Oceanside.  
April 11 — Jake Shimabukuro.

**Harry Griffin Regional Park:** 9550 Mildren Street, La Mesa, 919-667-1307.  
April 11 — Spring Harmonica Festival.

**Hennessey's Tavern — Carlsbad:** 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad, 760-729-6951.  
May 7 — The Band in Black.

**Hensley's Flying Elephant Pub and Grill:** 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad, 760-434-2660.  
June 26 — The Hank Show.

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

**Anya Marina**, little-girlish, standing waiflike and rib-thin on Jimmy Kimmel's electric-blue stage is somewhere in between her alter ego Miss Halfway and her metamorphosis into a full-blooded rocker chick. The song she is performing — which eventually throws down with electric guitar and drums — starts off slow in sugary acoustic mode, the signature sound of Miss Halfway. This was in February, well after she'd tapped the leader of Spoon, among others, to help rev up her sound. Following the release of *Slow and Steady Seduction: Phase II* in January, Marina told *Spin* magazine that she wanted to "light the crowd's asses on fire" with a new direction that she hoped would be the anti-

dote to her folksier musical past.

I'm not entirely sorry to see the Miss Halfway phase of Anya Marina's career get put into retirement. Nothing against the singer-songwriter thing, but it was a surprising choice coming from an inveterate hard-core indie-rock DJ (she was my favorite member of the staff at radio station 94.9 FM). I never fully bought into the folkster in Anya, but the local folk scene is a sensible and nurturing place to grow a career; bigger names like Jewel or Jason Mraz can attest to that. That's when Miss Halfway came to be, during the years of performing on the local coffeehouse circuit.

Marina said the Halfway thing was her own psyche, something like a little internal trash-talking voice. "You oughta hear the things I've been thinking/ You oughta swim in a heart that is sinking/ You try to break me with all the things you say: 'Miss Almost,



ANYA MARINA

Miss Maybe, Miss Halfway.'" Marina's new butt-lighting phase has its fragile moments, and her voice has not gotten any less child-like, but the songs come with attitude and a beat that smolders. The new rocker shoes are a fit.

**ANYA MARINA: The Casbah, Friday, April 3, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$10; \$12 day of show.**

**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-299-2583.  
April 9 — The Disco Biscuits.  
April 10 — Don Felder.  
April 11 — Led Zepagain.  
April 12 — Cold.  
April 14 — Aterciopelados.  
April 16 — Lights.  
April 17 — The Derek Trucks Band.  
April 18 — India.Arie.  
April 19 — The Kottonmouth Kings.  
April 22 — Tattooed Wednesday.

April 23 — Queensrÿche.  
April 24 — Honor Society.  
April 25 — Panteón Rococó.  
April 26 — Ximena Sarinana.  
April 30 — Eek-A-Mouse.  
May 1 — Kreator.  
May 5 — Sammy Hagar.  
May 7 — Steel Pulse.  
May 9 — Iration.  
May 10 — Dredg.  
May 14 — Doves.  
May 15 — Ramón Ayala.  
May 16 — Kevin Devine.  
May 17 — Soulive.

May 18 — Tech N9ne.  
May 20 — Fischerspooner.  
May 21 — Ben Folds.  
May 22 — The Manchester Orchestra.  
May 22 — Cowboy Mouth.  
May 27 — Robin Trower.  
May 28 — Lady Sovereign.  
May 31 — Mayhem.  
June 4 — Gavin Rossdale.  
June 10 — Testament.  
June 12 — Billy Ray Cyrus.  
July 22 — Richard Cheese & Lounge Against the Machine.

**Howard Brubeck Theatre at Palomar College:** 1140 West Mission Road, San Marcos, 760-744-1150.  
May 18 — Palomar Jazz Vocal Ensemble.  
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**Humphrey's Backstage Music Club:** 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Point Loma, 619-224-3577.  
April 15 — Curtis Salgado.

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*April 15* — Friendly Fires.

**Lyceum Theatre:** 79 Horton Plaza, Downtown, 619-858-0322.  
*May 11* — Ian Tordella.

**Mission Bay Park:** Vacation Isle, off Ingraham Street, Pacific Beach, 858-581-7602.  
*May 2* — Matisyahu.

**Moonlight Beach:** 200 B Street, Encinitas.  
*July 5* — The Credentialed.  
*July 19* — Stripes and Lines.  
*August 2* — The Surf Kings.  
*August 16* — The Devastators.

**Neurosciences Institute:** 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive, La Jolla.  
*April 10* — Theodosii Spassov and Folk Project Band.  
*April 18* — Fly.  
*May 13* — Jane Bunnett and Spirits of Havana.  
*May 27* — Karrin Allyson.

**O'Connells Pub and Nightclub:** 1310 Morena Boulevard, Linda Vista, 619-276-5637.  
*April 10* — The Flametrick Subs.  
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**Oceanside Library:** 330 North Coast Highway, Oceanside.  
*April 25* — Musicantica.

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**Old Time Music:** 2852 University Avenue, North Park, 619-280-9035.  
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*April 26* — Doyle Dykes.  
*May 8* — Rick Ruskin.

**Open Air Theatre:** 5500 Campanile Drive, SDSU, 619-594-6947.  
*April 29* — Celtic Woman: Isle of Hope.  
*June 3* — The Offspring.

**Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10):** 1140 West Mission Road, San Marcos.  
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*April 12* — Chet Cannon & the Committee.  
*April 13* — Len Rainey's Midnight Players.  
*April 14* — Delta Heat.  
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*April 16* — Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak.

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*April 29* — Death Cab for Cutie.  
*May 20* — Flight of the Conchords.

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*April 26* — Art Walk 2009.

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*June 18* — Dazed and Confused.

**Simpson's Nursery:** 13925 Campo Road, Jamul, 619-669-1977.  
*May 9* — The Pine Creek Posse Band.

**Soda Bar:** 3615 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights, 619-255-7224.  
*April 24* — Mutantspaceboy.

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*April 11* — Hello Marquee.  
*April 24* — The Devil Wears Prada.  
*April 25* — Protest the Hero.  
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Artist: **Sicarus**  
Song: **“Strength of All”** (from the CD *Strength of All*)  
Heard By: **Scoops**, City Heights



Scoops

It totally sucked. It was like three different bands that weren't really good that were playing the same song in different parts. The first band kind of sounded like Orion's Void. The second band was like some emo crap trying to be like Cave In but not as good. The third band was like a wannabe hard '80s metal band. I gave it a chance, but it let me down. I'm sure they can do better. They all seemed talented. It's just the style of music they've chosen is bad. When I hear that song, I picture breaking stuff, then crying about it, then breaking stuff because you're crying about breaking stuff.

Artist: **Feeling of Hate**  
Song: **“Alive”** (from their self-titled CD)  
Heard By: **Guillermo Lugo**, Mission Hills



Guillermo

I like the introduction — how they started very hard and fast. I felt like the singing part was too soft. You can hear the instruments more than his voice. It's not the voice that you use for heavy metal. I liked the music, but it's not my type of metal. I like Iron Maiden. I go more for the British metal because they have a good understanding of music. If they make some changes to the song, it could be popular on the radio. In Latin America, we listen to a lot of metal, but we always look towards Europe because Europe makes better bands. If this band wants to be popular, they're going to have to take a little more of the European style.

Artist: **K.A.L.M.**  
Song: **“The Tide”** (from the CD *The Tide*)  
Heard By: **Mish**, Escondido



Mish

I thought it was more or less a radio ballad. It kind of reminded me of Kelly Clarkson on *American Idol*. The ballads that she did for that were really trying to be on the radio and have the effort show through. The middle verse was going on about the “empires” and the “rage” or the “rain”...I couldn't quite tell what the word was. It then went back to “still in my heart I think he'll come back to me.” It didn't quite connect. It was just epic things that don't matter. The song was more about longing and possible denial. They were good musicians. I was pleased to hear the guitar at the very end. It actually had some life to it — more life than the rest of the song.

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# Feeling Puckish

It's odd to think of a glitzy, Angeleno Wolfgang Puck restaurant on a bucolic, wooded college campus, but Jai (pronounced "jay," like the bird) is no college dining hall. (The press release says the name means "heart" in Thai and also refers to a Chinese good-luck dish; it's also alphabetic code for Joan and Irwin Jacobs, major donors to the theater it serves.) It's happily and conveniently married to the La Jolla Playhouse next door and serves as a handy preperformance dining spot but with more than enough strength to stand on its own.

This is "Wolfie's" second attempt to conquer San Diego. The first, about ten years ago, was a spiffy-looking family café in a mall, and it lasted about a New York minute. The food was, I hear, not representative of Puck's glam side — more his soup-can side.

Jai may have a better chance at longevity, between captive playgoers; lively, tasty food; and a pure-pleasure ambiance. The restaurant, a few steps from the theater on a forested hillside, plays peek-a-boo from behind a wall of clear glass, which at night reflects the facing trees. Sheltered behind the glass, just outside the front door, is an extensive, enticing outdoor drinking-and-dining area with tweedy gray armchairs and dark tables — will it soon be warm enough to hang out there?

Inside the restaurant, you step into a welcoming lounge with generously sized red chairs and couches, a large coffee table, and fully loaded magazine racks. Mickey Two was waiting for us when Samurai Jim and I arrived.

Next to the lounge is a shiny-surfaced wooden bar with the obnoxious, ubiquitous muted flat-screen TV behind it. We didn't go there. Once seated at our table, we rejoiced that the lighting (from white globes resembling Japanese paper lanterns, small to UFO-size) was bright enough to read the menus and see the food in all its colors. The tables are spacious enough that if you're



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eating family style, there's room for individual plates as well as the large platters, so you're not forced to play round robin. Better yet, the staff really gets it when you say "family style," as though they'd all grown up in New York, savoring Sunday-night dinners at the neighborhood Cantonese.

The menu may not offer Brooklyn-style Lobster Cantonese, but all the food we tried was Asian-flavored and worth seeing and eating. Chef Yoshinori Kojima (most recently at Puck's Red 7 in West Hollywood) is top toque. Instead of bread, you start with a bowl of appetite-rousing spicy green beans. We began with tataki-style Kobe beef carpaccio, a dish that bears favorable comparison with the Kobe carpaccio we tried recently at Suite and Tender. There, the beef was transparently thin and overmastered by gar-

nishes. Here, it was a thicker, better expression of the tender texture and buttery flavor, dressed with a faintly spicy "Szechwan ginger vinaigrette" that complemented the meat without overwhelming it.

My favorite starter was the tempura soft-shell crab, the crab-meat miraculously soft and tender as a mousse in its light batter, with a few small chewable bits of thin

shell to remind you of its identity. It came with a salad of red and white Belgian endive leaves, with their attractive hint of bitterness, and a sensual Korean miso sauce. The latter — rosy-hued, thick, smooth, and mild — seemed a sort of soyish, dairy-free alternative to *beurre blanc*.

Crispy shrimp-and-scallop spring rolls have sweet, chopped seafoods encased in flaky pastry shells, accompanied by a pleasing "ten-spice honey dipping sauce." I can't name the ten spices (but

## DINING REVIEW

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**Jai**  
★★★★ (Excellent)

UCSD Campus, Revelle entrance, 2910 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-638-7778, [wolfgangpuckcatering.com](http://wolfgangpuckcatering.com).

**HOURS:** Tuesday–Saturday, 5:30–9:00 p.m.  
**PRICES:** Appetizers, \$10–\$15; entrées, \$26–\$42; sides, \$8; desserts, \$7–\$10. (Three courses with one drink and shared dessert, about \$70 plus tax and tip; appetizer-grazing dinner, one drink, about \$47 plus tax and tip.)

**CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Pan-Asian fusion (mainly Chinese-Japanese). Full bar. Wine list varied; smart, pricey, includes some sakes.  
**PICK HITS:** Crispy shrimp and scallop spring rolls; tempura soft-shell crab; miso-sake broiled butterfish; salmon "Hong Kong style"; warm English date cake.

**NEED TO KNOW:** Looking uphill from valet parking stand, restaurant is to the left of Playhouse, with dimly lit uphill dirt path. Easiest route: Go left from valet stand on concrete path to steel stanchions, take left-leaning diagonal dirt path uphill. Avoid preshow dinner crowds by reserving for 7:30 or later. Restrooms outside (with all mod conveniences). Three hearty vegan side dishes, no vegetarian or vegan mains. Parking across the road from valet stand (pay at stanchions); valet parking \$7.

Ratings reflect the reviewer's reaction to food, ambiance, and service, with price taken into consideration. Menu listings and prices are subject to change.

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who's counting?); the light, sweet sauce resembled Vietnamese *nguoc cham* dip for spring rolls and such.

Also admirable are sweetly glazed, tender Kurobuta spareribs, sliding off the bones, garnished with a little authentically spicy kim chee. So far, batting four for four. Of course, I could have tried harder to challenge Jai by ordering foods I wouldn't like. I have a feeling that "Hu-



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nan chicken lollipops / General Tso's glaze" might annoy me in some fashion (if nothing else, by the name alone) and that I might yawn at "chicken lettuce cups," having eaten squab (a tastier bird) in lettuce cups so many times in San Francisco and Hong Kong.

One of Jai's entrées, the ethereal miso-sake-broiled butterfish, is already achieving legendary status. It deserves it, rivaling that similar legend, the miso-glazed black cod at Nobu. Never has a fish been so tender and buttery, and rarely is any fish so well served by its sauce — a subtle, faintly sweet glaze that slides over the fish like a silk negligee. If fish are supposed to be brain food, this one's a genius — or an angelfish for its sublimity. A heaplet of slim, chilled, wheaty chow mein noodles brings us gently back to earth. Their sesame-miso dressing — dotted with bean sprouts, carrot julienne, onion slices, and microgreens — holds a mirror to the glaze on the fish, with the same key, same tempo, but a different and darker instrument improvising its own riffs on the melody.

Maine lobster curry "Shanghai style" is neither an Indian nor a Thai-style curry, nor even a Singaporean version (which Shanghai cooks might adopt), but more a theoretical curry.

The sauce is vaguely, gently sweet. The lobster is a tad tough and drab, as though jet-lagged from its journey. Japanese pickled ginger and jasmine rice play backup, but the big thrill for Samurai Jim (who's avidly learning to cook and wants to attempt it) was the heap of deep-fried, crisp spinach leaves, a Chiu Chow specialty rarely found outside Hong Kong, where the Chiu Chow ethnic group lives. These tasted as though they were fried in olive oil rather than Chinese peanut oil, and they were softer and gentler than the high-risk, ultra-crisp version I fell in love with in Kowloon. That's not a serious complaint. Running into fried spinach here is reward aplenty.

We mutually decided to choose one chancy entrée to challenge the Puck empire: steamed Atlantic salmon "Hong Kong style." Salmon can easily go astray, all the more so when farm-raised in an Atlantic pen, with its too-mild flavor and soft texture. Jai's chef turned these potential problems into virtues: the salmon was nearly as soft and melting as the butterfish, indulgent with a subtle, soy-garlic chili sauce (the chili undetectable). Baby bok choy brought a pleasing semi-crisp texture to the mixture: sow's ear to silk purse.

On the other hand, I had

high hopes for the Cantonese roast duck with a *bao* (steamed bun) and Bing-cherry sauce. My hopes were dashed (I did like it better from the doggie box, once my hopes were down-sized). It wasn't terrible; it just wasn't fabulous Cantonese roast duck.

In Jai's version, the meat is tougher, the skin too soft, the Bing-cherry sauce way too sweet for my palate, aimed at sugar-mad *gwei lo* tastes. The single, huge steamed bun in the middle of the plate was undercooked, the dough moist and crumbly at the center, due to its gargantuan size. It was filled with chopped duck confit seasoned with a little ginger. Interesting but heavy, and you only want a heavy *bao* if it's your whole lunch in the rice paddy. But for a garnish, you get a compendium of fresh, lively veggies — sweet fresh (uncanned) water chestnuts, sliced bok choy, carrots, Asian mushrooms, etc.

For fun, we ordered a side of stir-fried Chino Farms mixed veggies. They came in a rich, sweet brown sauce — a Hunanese sauce minus the hot chili pepper. The array included onions, bok choy, and red pepper, but most interesting by far were the baby eggplants — heat-loving eggplants in March? I hadn't realized until now that Old MacChino has some green-

houses on his farm. Of course the eggplants were terrific, all soft and melting and drinking up the sauce. It's not that surprising that Wolfie has his local chef buying from Chino — Alice Waters clued Puck in to our local favorite farm.

Wines here are on the pricey side, but not beyond all bounds. They include bottlings from Italy, Australia, France, and New Zealand, along with California, plus a neat little selection of sakes. (Surprisingly, I didn't spot any dry Rieslings or Alsatian Gewürzt — the usual choices for fusion.) While we nibbled green beans and worked out our order, I tried a Snow Maiden *nigori* (unfiltered, fizzy) sake, which proved dry, honest, delicious, if not as madly fizzy as some. Unfortunately, \$19 buys only a half bottle, making it a pricey snack-wine.

For our serious food-white, we chose a Wild Rock Sauvignon Blanc from Marlborough, NZ (\$40), about as low as you can go on this list. More amiable than the typically exigent, grapefruit-flavored Marlboroughs, its softer edge proved friendly to the wide variety of seafood we tasted. It opened up nicely in the glass — by the last sips it had mellowed out.

The favorite dessert of food bloggers is the warm, fresh-baked cookie plate, which

takes everybody back to childhood, minus the strict parental unit insisting on restraint. There are nut cookies, gooey warm chocolate chips, mini-brownies, and a couple of rather hard, dry coconut macaroons. Nice enough, but our fine waiter had a better suggestion: the warm English date cake with sticky toffee sauce, whipped crème fraîche, and vanilla ice cream. Now, that was a great dessert — meltingly soft, moist cake (rich but not heavy), with that toffee sauce on the plate for dipping, and a mound of ice cream swathed in tart whipped cream. It could be the ultimate date cake. Yeah, better than the late Parallel 33's.

My espresso was flawless, too — and unlike some Scroogie places around town, Jai only charged \$3, which is what it oughta cost. (How I hate paying \$6 or \$7 for caffeinated sludge!)

Don't ask me how Jai compares to Puck's L.A. temples of cuisine. Ate at only one of them, once, thanks to a filmmaker friend (back when I was a film critic), and I don't remember the food — no mere vittles could compare to the wit and charm of the late Paul (*Eating Raoul*) Bartel. Ate a couple of times at Puck's Postrio soon after it opened in San Francisco and was disappointed: lotsa

glam and glitz, but lazy food, with easy vinaigrettes on everything. I like Jai the best, so far — and I really do like it. The style is no longer as original as it might have been 30 years ago, but it's still great eating in an utterly sweet ambiance. It's worth a visit with no theater performance as an excuse — the food and decor are entertainment enough. L.A. flash may have some bad-taste connotations, but at Jai, the tastes are terrific. Wolfie, baby, this time you did good.

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# Cisco's Salad

*I put him on the stool next to me...crazy, I know, but we've had some crazy times together.*

I still can't believe it. My buddy Frankie. He's gone. Checked out. Died. Had half his life to live, still. And my hands aren't clean. All those Delicado Ovalado cigarettes I always got for him down in TJ. It was lung cancer.

We'd been going up to Sharp Memorial for all the usual treatments. The nurses up there really dug him. Heck, six foot five, could play the Strat like a Strad, who's surprised? After last time, we passed this place with the crowded patio in Uptown. Baja Betty's. "Check out those señorita babes," said Cisco. "We're going. Next trip, okay?"

So this particular morning, when I knocked, he didn't shout the usual "Come on in!"

And today — so soon, so surreal — I'm taking him home. Mahogany cremains box, inside a black cloth Vons bag, aboard the Number 2 bus.

And then, where 30th meets University, I suddenly decide. Grab the bag, jump off, and head west. We're going to Baja Betty's, buddy boy. One last lunch. I owe you.

It's a staid, '40s-looking building outside. But inside, we're talking fantasy Baja: yellow-tiled countertops with palm-frond palapas, creamy yellow-washed walls, Spanish-looking chandeliers, black wood ceilings with heavy timbers, and rows of Picasso-style paintings of Baja beach scenes.

I make a quick check of the menu, and —

whoa — main dishes ain't cheap. "Coochie coochie" carnitas are \$13.25, shrimp fajitas \$15.50, and there's even a taco platter going for \$61.95. But, okay, that's for six people.

Then I realize I've started at the back. I flip to the front of the menu and see two bits of good news: "\$6.95 express lunch, Monday–Friday 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m." That includes things such as soup and salad, vegetarian salad, and taco

salad. Then they have "Papi hour, Monday–Friday, 2:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m." "Papi" hour means \$3 appetizers and quesadillas, well drinks, bottled beers, sangrias, and house margaritas. And "featuring Paco's \$1 fish tacos (at the bar only)."

I sit up at one of the solid-dark-wood stools at the bar, 'cause don't want to miss "Paco's tacos." I put Cisco on the stool next to me. Okay, this is crazy, I know, but we've had some crazy times together, from the Owl in El Centro to the Long Bar in TJ to the Samoa Cookhouse in Eureka...

Can't go crazy today, though. Have to work this afternoon. I order a coffee from the barista, Jeff (\$1.25). I'm sure he's looking at the Frankie stool and wants to ask, "What's in the bag?" But he doesn't.

I try to think what Cisco'd have. Tacos were always his thing. And now I see the \$6.95 special includes a bunch of "one-item entrées," such as hard or soft tacos with shredded chicken or beef, carnitas, carne

asada, or ground sirloin. That comes with rice, beans, Caesar salad, and *buñuelos* (the folded, fried flour tortillas made delicious with shakings of cinnamon and sugar). They also have other standard taco-shop items for the same deal, such as flautas, taquitos, enchiladas, chile rellenos, and tamales. Sounds good. Then I see Jeff hand this guy and gal under the corner palapa two plates. The guy, Brian, gets two hard tacos and a house salad (\$11.95), and the gal, Brianna — what are the chances of that? — has a vegetarian salad (the lunch express version, \$6.95). Hers looks interesting and rich, not the usual cucumber-and-lettuce pile. "It has so many veggies in it," Brianna says. "You ought to try it."

But I end up ordering a different salad, the taco, because Cisco and I had a long-running bet on that. I thought taco salad was, you know, traditional Mexican. He said the thing is a Tex-Mex dish that a franchise-restaurant guy named Glen Bell invented. Who was Glen Bell? He started Taco Bell, in Downey, California, in 1962.

So, Cisco, this salad's for you. For \$6.95, it's a big plate. I could have had shredded chicken or beef, ground sirloin, or carnitas. I took the ground sirloin. The dish may or may not be traditional, but it's interesting. Lettuce, cucumber, a lake of almost-crunchy beef under cheese, with baby corn, black olives,



Jeff

shredded cabbage, chips of jicama that crunch and taste like water chestnut, black beans, carrot shavings, purple onion, guacamole, sour cream, a bowl of vinaigrette, and corn chips. 'Course, Frankie would be insisting on a beer by now. Me, I make do with coffee.

Sigh. I sit for a couple of minutes appreciating the cheery atmosphere. I need this.

Then, I can't believe it, but right as Frankie and I are leaving, I swear, the '70s group War comes on.

"Cisco Kid...was a friend of mine..." ■

**The Place:** *Baja Betty's, 1421 University Avenue, Hillcrest 619-269-8510*

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## BEACHES

**Azul La Jolla** 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The flagship of the local Brigantine chain serves ambitious, Japanese-influenced, California-global fusion cuisine on a daily changing menu in a room with a panoramic ocean view. But you need not stuff your shirt to dine here — garb runs to resort-casual and the atmosphere is family friendly. There's even a low-priced kiddie menu. The wine list is friendly, too, with merciful markups and plenty by the glass and half-bottle. Full bar. Short staircase down to restaurant; elevator to the right of entry (ask for directions for wheelchair access when calling to reserve). Valet parking. Very noisy. One

vegetarian entrée, but all food restrictions accommodated to order. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday, dinner nightly, Sunday brunch. Very expensive. — *N.W.*

**Kabuki Sushi Restaurant** 4475-C Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-270-1986. This place has a unique system of delivering tempting dishes to you via boats floating along a mini-canal that surrounds the sushi bar. You take food off and pay according to the plate size. The sushi chefs — they can be a show in themselves — have the usual panoply of sushi, sashimi, nigiri. The dragon rolls (crab, shrimp tempura, eel, avocado) and spider roll (soft-shelled crab) are tasty too. It's young and crowded here — is that because you don't have to sweat the menu, just grab what you like off the boat and chew? Open for lunch and dinner Tuesday to Saturday; dinner only Sunday; closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

**Karinya Thai** 825 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. Think of the movie *The Beach*, with a bunch of Leo DiCaprio look-alikes getting off on the coconut curries like *gang ped*, *panang*, and *kang kari*. Or noodle dishes like the famous *pad thai*. But they're in the right place: Karinya remains true to its Thai origins. The *tom yum kung* (hot and sour shrimp soup) is a meal in itself. Steaming away with its fierce little charcoal fire at your table, the hot pot holds plenty of shrimp, and you can taste the essential mushrooms, lemon grass, ginger, lime juice, cilantro, and of course *nam pla*, Thai fish sauce. A nice counterpart to the hots of the soup are the Fresh Spring Rolls, filled with tofu and vegetables and mint. Another sizzler: *pad talay*, a sauté pan full of mussels, shrimp, squid, and other seafood in a great spicy sauce. The recipe's from Koh Samed, an island like the one featured in *The Beach*. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

**Michele Coulon Pastries** 7556-D Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-5098. The daughter of Don Coulon (retired chef-

owner of the Belgian Lion restaurant) presides at this delightful little café/bakery. (Look for it behind the octagonal sandwich shop that fronts its mini-mall.) Every ingredient is fresh and of top quality. Cakes are light, moist, rich, and available as wholes, slices, and even "miniatures," plus you can choose tarts, chocolates, ice creams, and breakfast pastries. Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**The Pannikin — La Jolla** 7467 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-5453. Also in Del Mar and in Encinitas. Oh, sure, the inside of this converted bungalow is cool, with its woody-green tables of different heights and cool damsels with animal temp-tattoos on their arms serving you. But here at Pannikin's La Jolla outpost, the outside's the "in" spot, with its brick and earth tones and weathered timber and sixties rainbow tables. But you have to make it through the lap-top-clacking, cell phone-blabbing crowd who use this as their garden office and Very Important Meeting spot. Musicians, grad students, and school kids also show up to munch twigs and nuts and think serious thoughts. Breakfasts are mostly steamed-egg variations, including the popular Greek eggs and a filling breakfast burrito. For lunch, a mild chicken curry is a nutty treat, and "pan-wiches" such as ham or tuna are fresh, generous, and worthy, though the retros among us will be looking for a salt lick all the way home. La Jolla and Del Mar three meals daily, Encinitas breakfast and lunch only. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Saska's & Saska's Sushi** 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Venerable, local steak-and-seafood joint that tries harder, from the broth-thin homemade teriyaki sauce (sweet up front, fading to bitter ginger) for the well-cooked (if mild-flavored) fish to the cut-on-the-premises aged beef. The interior's low wood-slat ceilings, driftwood beams, dim light, and red leather booths combine with the stay-up-late kitchen to make the space

feel like a cozy haven, a respite from the brighter buzz of Mission Beach. The wine list runs the gamut from Cook's sparkling wine to Cristal champagne, stopping along the way at an interesting (if expensive) collection of reserves. Next door is the restaurant's serviceable sushi bar (858-488-7255) and two-story patio dining. Lunch weekdays, brunch and lunch weekends; dinner seven days. Sushi bar open nightly, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Moderate. — *A.M.*

**Sportsmen's Seafoods** 1617 Quivira Road, Mission Beach, 619-224-3551. Fifty years ago this restaurant-fish market was a tuna cannery, part of San Diego's late-lamented fishing industry. The same Sicilian family still owns it, and still knows everything about fish and how to cook it. The menu is devoted to the "fruits of the sea" and includes a wonderful seafood platter (shrimp, squid, clams, fish, fries, and salad). And, of course, a crispy-crunchy fish-and-chips platter. Eat outside on deck, contemplating the small ships on the bay. They buy seasonal catch from local fish-boats and also sell it at their attached retail market. They're famous for smoking fish for the fishermen. Open daily, lunch/early dinner. Retail market closed Monday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

## BAJA

*From the United States use the prefix 011-52 when calling Mexico.*

**Big Boy Restaurant** 9892 Agua Caliente Boulevard, Tijuana, 664-686-3788. Besides having excellent Mexican-American food, this Big Boy knock-off draws some of the most interesting people in Tijuana — journalists, lawyers, cattle ranchers, politicians, Baja's heavy hitters. Day or night, Big Boy is always busy. Gringo food's no problem. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, sausage, chorizo or ham, plus hash browns or frijoles, toast, juice, and endless coffee. No-

body will object if you sit sipping the free refills till the moon comes up. But you won't — you'll crack and order more when you smell the popular, macho "royal" hamburger, with two beef patties, smoked ham, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, and salad. Or the chicken breast marinated in tequila with cilantro, guacamole, and beans. Vegetarian upon request. Open 24/7. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**La Casa del Mole — Tijuana** Paseo de los Héroes #10501 (between Lázaro Cárdenas and Misión San Diego), Tijuana, 664-634-6920. Herminia Amador dreamed of bringing the flavors of her native state of Puebla to Tijuana. That meant one thing: mole poblano, Mexico's major sauce statement. Like its other two locations, this flower-filled restaurant features the complex, sweet, dark sauce combination of maybe 20 different spices, chiles, nuts, and chocolate. Sit down here, and your big question is: What's going under your mole? Thigh or breast of chicken? Pork? Perhaps enchiladas? Your call. Prices are so reasonable you can try several variations. Whichever, when you bite in for the first time, you're dialing direct back to the earliest days of the conquistadors in Aztec, Mexico. Start with mole poblano, learn its wine-like complexities, then move on to other moles, such as ranchero and verde. Open 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Mercado Sobre Ruedas** Colonia Lucio Blanco (from Tijuana, on toll road, take first Rosarito exit; turn left at third), Rosarito. Don't miss this huge flea market that materializes every Sunday (from morning until midafternoon) a couple of miles north of the tourist part of town. Its dozens of food booths offer a vast variety of local treats, ranging from barbecued mutton (*borrego*) to savory Jalisco-style goat stew (*birria de chivo*), to all manner of tacos, made-to-order hotcakes with syrup, "Mexican hamburgers," and Sno-Kones (don't worry about the ice; by law, it has to be made with purified water). The food is

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## CENTRAL

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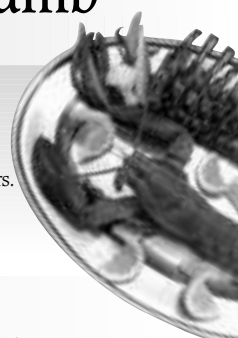


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**Arrivederci** 3845 Fourth Street, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. However you picture an idealized Italian restaurant — sprawling café; on the strada or little cozy corner as in *Moonstruck* — somehow Arrivederci is it. The straight-from-Rome look of the crowded sidewalk deck and yellow-and-white awning helps. The menu is a big yet familiar regional potpourri. Reliable standards include *vitello bel monte* (veal in a brandy cream sauce with tomatoes), “straw and hay” (*paglio e fieno al pesto*), pale yellow-and-green pasta with string beans and pine nuts in a delicious pesto sauce, or shellfish pasta dishes like linguine *mediterraneo*, with clams, mussels, and big garlicky shrimp. Part of the fun is bumping chairs. Think dining car on a narrow-gauge railroad — you’re that close to the next table. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *E.B.*

**Dakota Grill and Spirits** 901 Fifth Avenue, Downtown, 619-234-5554. The name may hint at cowboy cooking, but look for simple mid-American comfort food at one of the many local eateries under the Cohn Restaurant Group aegis. A typical entrée includes a hunk of red (or “the other white”) meat cooked on a wood-fired grill, smeared with a pre-cooked sauce that, for better or worse, first meets its mate on the plate. Meat-avoiders will find fish and poultry dishes, too. Tasty taters but dull veggies come with most entrées. Desserts run to fruity favorites like cobblers, crisps, and upside-down cake. Treats from the wide-ranging beverage list include three-glass wine flights in four styles of wine, and a pleasant house brew, Dakota Pale Ale, that suits the food. The two-floor restaurant offers big plush booths, tall windowed walls, and a piano player gliding from rinky-dink 1950s pop to

Fats Waller stylings and Ellingtonian riffs. Valet parking. Full bar. Lunch weekdays; dinner nightly. High moderate to expensive. — *N.W.*

**Dublin Square** 554 Fourth Avenue, Downtown, 619-239-5818. The entire pub was handcrafted in Waterford, shipped over, and installed (by Irish craftsmen) in the Gaslamp. The exterior indeed resembles a real (but very new) Dublin pub; the interior has authentically dim lighting and spirited Irish music, including live bands (acoustic but loud) during happy hours and some evenings. If you’re looking for food, too, there’s a fine corned beef and cabbage, resembling the corned beef of Katz’s Deli on the Lower East Side — it’s that wee touch o’ the garlic that does the trick. Other choices include Guinness beef stew, shepherd’s pie (made with ground beef), steaks, lamb medallion, fish-and-chips, and grilled fish, plus standard pub grub. Lunch and dinner (including Irish breakfast anytime) daily. Moderate. — *N.W.*

**Emerald Chinese Seafood Restaurant** 3709 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6888. Arguably the best Chinese restaurant in the county, here’s where local Asians (of all nations) go for both casual family dinners and special feasts of Hong Kong specialties. When you dig in, you’ll know why. Menu (trilingual in Chinese, Vietnamese, and English) emphasizes seafood and gourmet delicacies of the South China coast, plus lunchtime dim sum carts daily. The staff is bilingual and crisply helpful, and the specialties are well worth exploring. Reservations accepted for all meals, including weekend dim sum brunches. Few dishes include MSG; diners can request none in made-to-order dishes. Live fish tanks, full bar, serviceable wine list. Mainly moderate, with moderate splurges like live fish and Peking duck easily balanced by inexpensive down-home dishes (unless you insist on shark fin or bird’s nest). Open

daily from lunch until midnight or later. — *N.W.*

**The Fish Market** 750 North Harbor Drive, Downtown, 619-232-3474. There’s something fishy about these crowded, noisy, ever-multiplying restaurants — namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed, or panko-fried seafood, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consistent among locations. All the raw seafood is processed at the chain’s Northern California facilities, so when the menu refers to a “local” species it merely means it’s from somewhere in the Pacific. Small retail fish market in the downtown branch offers slightly fresher products than at most supermarkets. Identical products and dishes are served in the dining room, the oyster bar, and at Top of the Market. But the sushi bar is emphatically the top Fish Market venue, with just-right rice, pristine seafood, and expert preparation. The Ichiban Hamachi (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding. No reservations, but the space is vast so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del Mar at 640 Via de la Valle, 858-755-2277; mini-branch near Fashion Valley, 2401 Fenton Parkway, 619-280-2277. — *N.W.*

**Inn at the Park** 3615 Fifth Avenue, Banker’s Hill, 619-291-0999. Gay and straight mingle nightly at the piano bar of this charming spot (although Fridays are *très gai*), brought together by lively performances of Broadway show tunes. Across the aisle is the dining room, where the fare could be described as Log Cabin Republican cuisine — despite a touch of mango here, chipotle there, it’s mainly the nice, conservative, meat-and-potatoes comfort food that the regulars here prefer. Wilder hits include calamari fritto misto, duck breast, and coconut-lime crème brûlée. But mainly, this is one of the world’s sweetest scenes, always fun for a drink and a bite. Lunchtime weekdays, the scene shifts to

the rooftop Top of the Park, for scenery with the sandwiches. Reservations advised, as hotel guests have dibs on tables. — *N.W.*

**Kensington Grill** 4055 Adams Avenue, Kensington-Talmadge, 619-281-4014. This long-standing, comfortable-but-sophisticated neighborhood restaurant has found a fine formula for flavorful, seasonal California cuisine with adventurous touches of Asia and Mexico. It’s way beyond what most neighborhoods would expect. Well-known local chef Hanis Cavin (a big, low-key guy) proves an alpha griller, ensuring that every bite is cooked precisely until it’s done, not a second longer. Almost everything is more than tasty. Most desserts come from upscale sister-restaurant Laurel, although the house-made choices are fine, too — no baby-food sweets here. Wine list is adventurous with lots of affordable choices; full bar. Small parking lot attached. Always a few dishes for vegetarians and a vegan entrée. Reservations recommended. Dinner nightly. “Early-bird” three-course dinner moderate; regular menu moderate to expensive. — *N.W.*

**King’s Fish House** 825 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 619-574-1230. To find King’s in the mega-mall, go slightly west of Fuddrucker’s and follow the line of cars to the free valet parking. It’s a chain, but it’s a classy chain, offering fish and seafoods of a crusty that’s well above average, including crustaceans from a live tank and a half-dozen varieties of pristine oysters. Generously-sized entrées come with soup or salad (including a Caesar that’s above suspicion) and two hefty side dishes. The vast menu of American-style preparations changes daily to reflect the fresh catch, and includes some rotating regional specialties (e.g., New Orleans, Hawaii, New England). Don’t miss the prawn pot-sticker appetizer, if available, and for dessert, the miraculously light bread pudding. The atmosphere is good-timey

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**The Original Pancake House** 3906 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740. Starve yourself for eight hours, then come in here and order up an Apple Pancake — a foot-wide, batter-filled, five-egg paradise pelted with slices from two Granny Smith apples and baked till it puffs up like a golden mini-superdome. Cinnamon cinches it. The German Pancake, or its kid brother, the Dutch Baby, are good oven-baked alternatives, as is the really, really filling mushroom omelet, which comes with three pancakes. Oh, and the Eggs Michael: sausage patties and poached eggs lost somewhere under a mushroom-sherry sauce. The whole atmosphere — striped gold-and-cream wallpaper, dainty cups, shelves of ceramic dogs — feels like it's the fifties and your granny took you here when you were five. Okay, it's a nationwide franchise, but it's a comfy franchise, from Oregon. All-day breakfast only, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. Other locations at 14905 Pomerado Road, Poway, 858-679-0186; 160 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, Encinitas, 760-943-1939; 435 South Melrose Drive, Vista, 760-758-3441. — *E.B.*

**La Posta de Acapulco** 3980 Third Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-8982. (Also in Lakeside and Spring Valley.) People have been coming to this orange-and-white drive-through-without-cars for 20 years. One of the main reasons is the *carne asada* burritos. Rich-tasting, fresh, generous. Folks sit around the outside benches right next to Washington Street, oblivious to the traffic. Also much loved here are the *chile verde* and the quesadilla with *carne asada*. For breakfast, think chorizo burrito. And for value, just to fill you up, you can't beat the bean tostada. You can drink *horchata*, a rice drink, or *jamaica*, made from hibiscus flower, to complete the picture. Open 24 hours in Hillcrest. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*


**Sally's Seafood on the Water** One Market Place at Manchester Grand Hyatt, Downtown, 619-358-6740. One of the city's favorite romantic restaurants. Sally's is an outbuilding behind the Grand Hyatt at the edge of Seaport Village and boasts lovely scenery, with cityscapes or bay views seen through picture windows or enjoyed from the outdoor patio in fair weather. The fare is Asian-fusion, emphasizing seafood and also offering sushi and sashimi. An appetizer sampler for two makes delicious shared grazing, as does a raw tuna and salmon Napoleon layered on fried wonton strip, while black cod with miso-orange broth is a sensuous entrée. Another option is reserving the "chef's table" in the kitchen for a custom-made meal. The mostly Californian wine list is rather steep, with plenty by the glass (at high markups), plus a serious sake list on the sushi menu. Full bar. Long walk from the hotel garage (with validated self-parking) but no barriers to mobility devices; dining room noisy at times. Lunch and dinner daily. Expensive. — *N.W.*

**El Sol Mexican Restaurant** 2037 University Avenue, North Park, 619-298-0874. Miguel "Nacho" Madera cooked at Danny's Palm Bar in Coronado for 18 years. In 1994, President Clinton came to town and the Secret Service

came to Danny's with a big order for burgers. Instant fame! Now Nacho has his own place and serves the same burgers with the spice recipe even the Secret Service couldn't get out of him. He also does breakfasts and the whole range of Mexican food, including seafood (*tostada de ceviche* is great). But if you want the burger, ask for his Clinton-burger with cheese, bacon, and french fries. Open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Soltan Banoo Persian Eatery & Tearoom** 4645 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-298-2801. It's colorful, small, and intimate. This two-room café pulsates with multicolored cloths, midnight blue cushions, Aladdin-shaped pitchers, and samovars. What you're eating is basically Persian health food — most Persian fare is healthy food anyway. Try the pomegranate soup, made of spinach with lentils, beans, wheat, and pomegranate juice, or the strawberry tabbouleh salad. Lamb is often a part of dishes. *Ghormeh sabzi* is a lamb stew. *Kouftel-Berenji* is a ball of basmati rice with lamb, eggs, onions, and plums. The selection of teas includes Caspian, decaffeinated peach, and a few others. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Stingaree** 454 Sixth Avenue, Downtown, 619-544-0867. This huge restaurant has a nightclub on the mezzanine and an outdoor lounge on the roof. The Mediterranean food by chef Antonio Friscia comes in three plate sizes — little, medium, and large. It's a built-in invitation to graze and share if you want to keep it light before you go dancing. The fare features premium, naturally raised meats, wild fish, and local organic vegetables. The rich international wine list is steep, but there's plenty by the glass; full bar. Friday and Saturday nights, dinner is a three- or four-course prix fixe only (your choices from the à la carte menu), but that gets you free entry into the club. Reservations advisable, urged



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for weekends. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Very expensive, but special three-course menu is just \$40. — *N.W.*

**Taste of Africa Cuisine** 5241 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-583-5788. This is one of the main gathering places for Somalis in San Diego, but they welcome others to sample their food, which is a combination of African, Italian, Arab, and Indian influences. Fish plays a big role in the diet of a country that boasts the longest coastline in Africa, but so does lamb and goat meat. Start with a *fadareshin*, a mixed plate of roasted goat meat, fried fish, basmati rice (the Indian influence), and a pile of spaghetti — common since the Italians came to colonize. No meal is complete without bananas, which are mixed in with pretty much everything, especially

soups. Open three meals daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Taste of Szechuan** 670 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1668. Friendly staff serves up standard Szechuan Mandarin fare at this archetypal Chinese restaurant. Szechuan Garlic Shrimp is number one on the list of twelve House Specialties for good reason. This tangy dish of crispy, deep-fried shrimp is one of their best. Not often seen on the menus of strip-mall Chinese restaurants, the Szechuan Orange Fish is also recommended, but don't be misled by the "hot and spicy" star next to this item. As with any of their "spicy" offerings, the heat in this dish barely registers. Spice lovers should ask for an extra kick. The Toffee Banana and Toffee Apple desserts may tempt you, but unless you have a dentist on-call, it's best to pass on these super-sticky sweets. Inexpensive lunch specials. Open till midnight Monday through Thursday, 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday, Sunday until 10 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — *B.D.*

**Tofu House** 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-576-6433. This stylish little eatery is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes. Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the *soontofu* soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom) with raw egg drop you drop yourself and a side of tasty fresh kimchi. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food — Tofu House serves vivid ethnic food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *M.N.*

**Top of the Market** 750 North Harbor Drive, Downtown, 619-234-4867.

The upper-crust upper floor of the downtown Fish Market (see Multiple Locations listing) has largely the same food as the downstairs, plus a few luxury items (e.g., abalone) and occasionally some creative appetizer specials. Prices are about 25% higher for identical items, in exchange for a slightly elevated view and a dressier, white-tablecloth setting that's almost formal by San Diego standards — flip-flops and tank tops aren't allowed on men, and collared shirts (e.g., polos) are suggested at dinner. That doesn't mean that the atmosphere is quietly gracious — the room's just as huge, packed, and raucous as the lower realms, even on the terrace. Reserve, and expect a short wait anyway. Elevator provides wheelchair access. Open daily. Expensive. — *N.W.*

### NORTH INLAND

**Bolsa Vietnamese Restaurant** 9225 Mira Mesa Boulevard #118, Mira Mesa, 858-693-3663. "The name 'Bolsa' isn't Vietnamese," says Kim Trang. "It's Spanish for 'bag.'" She's playing on words here: Trang once owned Pho Bolsa on University Avenue, and every Vietnamese knows *pho bo* is Vietnam's most popular quick meal, a beef rice noodle soup. At this location, Trang still makes excellent *pho bo*, but she has 122 other items as well, including fried catfish with ginger fish sauce, healthy (nonfried) Vietnamese spring rolls, or egg rolls with lettuce and mint in which to wrap them (sprinkled with *nuoc mam*, Vietnamese fish sauce). We're talking family-style cooking. Come

once and Trang will remember you and everything you ate — even if it was just *pho bo*. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Firenze** 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, Encinitas, 760-944-9000. This big, beautiful, gracious restaurant (located in the same mall as Harvest Ranch Market, just north of Rancho Santa Fe) offers both a handsome interior and a romantic fire-lit patio. The well-spaced tables are laden with huge portions of accomplished, multiregional Italian cuisine and reasonably priced Italian and California wines (with half-price wines Monday nights). Vegetarians will rejoice in the two dozen meatless selections. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, dinner only on Sunday. High moderate. — *N.W.*

**Madras Café** 9484 Black Mountain Road, Mira Mesa, 858-695-6229. In the same strip mall as Ashoka the Great, this family-friendly café features the savory vegetarian cuisine of South India. It's distinctly different from the standard North Indian menus, centering on numerous varieties of stuffed pancakes — from thin, crisp (and irresistible) crepe-like *dosas* stuffed with vegetable curry to lacy rice-flour *aapams* drenched in coconut milk to hefty, fritata-like *uttapams*. (Try the last with the delicious, not-too-spicy chili-onion stuffing.) Puffy *poori* bread and tamarind rice are spectacular. Order your dishes in the sequence you hope to eat them — that's usually how they come out of the kitchen. And don't expect hovering "Raj"-style service — it's just not the Tamil way. Seasoning is generally mild to accommodate kiddies; spicy sauces are on the table. No alco-

hol. Open Tuesday through Sunday with buffet lunches and à la carte dinners. Inexpensive. — *N.W.*

**Mille Fleurs** 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will — everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations recommended. Very, very expensive, but less costly and less formal on "Bistro Wednesdays" when simpler food is served. — *N.W.*

**O-Nami** 240 East Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido, 760-738-7522. This Japanese buffet offers everything from miso soup and sukiyaki to a host of salads, including several variations of *sunomono* (cucumber salad). Then there are teriyakis, sashimis, and a plethora of sushi rolls. Among the winners are the California roll with *masago*, tempura shrimp roll, guacamole roll, and Philadelphia roll. Skip the dry egg rolls and head for the corn crab cakes, teriyaki chicken, tempura shrimp, and veggies. Desserts offer fresh fruits, bite-size cake options, and go-back-for-seconds green tea ice cream. The food is

fresh, the presentation artful, and the staff friendly and efficient. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *S.M.*

**Super Buffet** 8998 Miramar Road, Mira Mesa, 858-566-1888. Curly-haired stone lions greet you outside one of the grander dining halls in the county. "The biggest buffet of San Diego" claims the menu, "with over 200 items daily." Start at the Mongolian grill. Pick your raw prawns, chicken, pork, beef, *satays*, and hand the plate-load to the Iron Chef. He'll stir-cook them on the hotplate for you. You'll need hiking boots to cover the endless rows of steaming chafing dishes. Must-eat: the fresh sashimi, like salmon and tuna — mouth-wateringly scrumptious. And try the chicken feet (they taste a bit like cow tongue, or brains). Open daily, brunch through dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Vivace** 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-3773. If you ever wished to eat like the Medicis did, here's the place for it. This lovely hotel-restaurant at a gorgeous resort showcases Italian haute cuisine which is simpler and more natural than the French equivalent. You'll find inventive combinations of first-class ingredients, skillfully executed and beautifully presented with none of the culinary clichés of the *mamma mia* joints. Reservations urged. Valet parking free for diners. Resort-casual — no hats, shorts or jeans, or sandals — but room may be painfully noisy if patrons get too festive. Dinner seven nights. Four-course tasting dinner a relative bargain, but wine list may blow the budget. Moderate (pastas and risottos) to very expensive. — *N.W.*



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## NORTH COASTAL

**Le Bambou** 2634 Del Mar Heights Road, Del Mar, 858-259-8138. No mere “*pho* joint,” this lovely restaurant serves the sophisticated Vietnamese cuisine of prewar Saigon — and the owners’ daughters serve it in the flower-be-decked dining room with grace, intelligence, and evident pleasure in teaching Westerners about the cuisine. Appetizers (most of them designed for rolling with fresh herbs in lettuce leaves and eating with your hands) are varied and of superb quality. Few restaurants here do the royal delicacy of ground shrimp on sugar cane so well. Most of the house specialty entrées are equally accomplished. Lacqué duck, sautéed shrimps or scallops in tamarind sauce, and Star of the Sea curry are outstanding. The gently priced wine list abounds in the fruity whites that go so well with this cuisine, while beer-quaffers can enjoy Vietnam’s own “33” brand. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Low moderate. — *N.W.*

**Bully’s** 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-1660. Despite the plasma TV sports screen, this place is very sixties. For example, dark, woody, plush red booths. And always crowded. Word is, they serve more prime rib with au jus and horseradish than any eatery in San Diego. The Petite Cut 8 ounce, their smallest, fills you plenty, with its baked potato and salad. But just once, come here with your main squeeze and order up the “full cut for two.” It hangs ten over the edges. Or go bonkers and order the 32-ounce cut (available in Mission Valley) — just to watch your neighbors’ eyes bug out. Not flush? Try the Bully Burger, French dip sandwich, or calamari sandwich. Lonely? Go to the horseshoe-shaped Low Bar. Lunch and dinner daily. — *E.B.*

**El Callejon Restaurant** 345 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-634-2793. This is a Mexican restaurant with a difference: Instead of the standard boring border foods and combo plates, it offers a long menu of genuine, zesty mainland dishes, some with original spins on traditional themes. Shrimp *zarandeados* with a rich sauce of chiles and beef in cilantro sauce are some of the delights. There’s even a *parillada* (mixed grill) to serve two. The atmosphere offers more pleasures. At lunchtime, the dining room seems like a serene hacienda. Evenings the restaurant may turn into a rollicking community center, where multi-generational families and groups of friends fill the dining rooms and spill onto the sizable patio hidden in back. Mariachi band on Fridays and Saturdays. — *N.W.*

**The Calypso Café** 576 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-8252. This “Calypso” has nothing to do with Caribbean music (or food), despite its tropical tiki-hut decor. The cuisine is French, ranging from old warhorses like onion soup and coq au vin to new-fangled Gallo-Cal-Italian-Pacific Rim hyphenates. The traditional dishes are generally the most successful. Mussels are the house specialty, and their rapid turnover here ensures freshness. Although there’s nothing revolutionary coming from this kitchen, the cooking is generally agreeable. Dinner nightly, reservations advised. Upper moderate. — *N.W.*

**Jake’s Del Mar Waterfront Grill** 1660 Coast Boulevard, Del Mar, 858-755-2002. Offering surf and turf by the sea, Jake’s not only hugs the oceanfront, with a patio overlooking the waves, but has a smaller patio next to Powerhouse Park, with its fragrant mimosa plants, where you can walk off the calories. A branch of the well-known Hawaiian chain, Duke’s, Jake’s fare is competently cooked, if not inspired. The seafood may flaunt fusion-y, sugary touches,

while steaks are Prime or high-grade Choice. Portions are huge — the tasty Dungeness crab cake appetizer is sizeable enough for a substantial lunch, offering loads of crab and little filler. Location is very popular with locals and tourists both, so reservations urged for any meal, essential for the à la carte Sunday brunch. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday, dinner nightly, brunch Sunday. Lunch and brunch moderate, dinner expensive. — *N.W.*

**Paul’s Place** 3671 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-0124. This restaurant looks like a McDonald’s or Wendy’s (the building used to be a franchise) and the food comes fast, but it’s no chain. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek half-chicken, the spiced grilled chicken sliced up on a salad with pita bread, and the gyros (all at earthy prices) mix with all-American three-egg breakfast specials with home fries. Lunch offers include meaty hamburgers, gyros with fries, or a surprisingly tasty turkey burger. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Ruth’s Chris Steak House — Carmel Valley** 11582 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley, 858-755-1454. Flash-cooked steaks from fine (albeit wet-aged) USDA Prime, topped with butter and parsley, are the hallmark of this 95-location chain. All side dishes are à la carte, sized for two or more. The broiled tomatoes — caramelized with a touch of sugar — are a delight, and potatoes are offered in eight guises. Starters include gooey stuffed mushrooms and an outstanding take on America’s now-ubiquitous seared ahi. But there’s another side to this restaurant. True to its New Orleans origins, it offers a number of Louisiana dishes cooked in the rich, delicate, non-spicy manner of a French plantation (or old NOLA stalwart Antoine’s) including shrimp remoulade; a thin tomatoey gumbo; an atypically creamy BBQ shrimp and a terrific, authentic bread pudding drenched in whisky sauce.

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**Vigilucci's — Encinitas** 505 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-7332. In the Land of 10,000 Tratorias, this is one of the most popular — and for good reason. The restaurant's motto, "a little piece of Italy," is actually accurate. Freshness, simplicity, and savvy seasoning — that's Italian. The pastas are luscious (try the comforting cannelloni with an unusual stewed meat stuffing) and the flavorful entrées come with honest fresh vegetables. The staff is bouncy and jokey, the wines are mainly affordable, and spir-its run high. Of course it's crowded, so reserve to avoid a long, hungry wait. Other locations include Vigilucci Cucina in Carlsbad, Vigilucci's Pizzeria in Leucadia, and Vigilucci's Seafood and Steakhouse in Carlsbad. — *N.W.*

## SOUTH BAY

**Galley at the Marina** 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. This is a great place to relax, take in the view, and decide which yacht you're gonna buy when you win the lotto. It's run by Fran Muncey, widow of Bill Muncey, San Diego's greatest speedboat-racing champion. The tasty, bargain-priced happy hour specials (3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday) make a visit worth the trip west of I-5: have a 1/2-pound hamburger with french fries, chicken Caesar salad with sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Next morning, catch the breakfast favorite: biscuits and sausage gravy with eggs. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

**Island Wok** 922 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6835. This tiny indoor-outdoor-takeaway café is a standby with locals, especially the high school crowd. It serves good Vietnamese-Chinese food and plenty of it. The owner, Xuan, makes scrumptious fresh (not fried) Vietnamese spring rolls wrapped in rice paper with shrimp, pork, or chicken and vegetables in the middle. But most customers go for the steam-table combination plates. You always get chow mein, fried or steamed rice, and a fried spring roll to start off, and then

## What the Chef Eats

### FISH TACOS WITH STREET FRUIT

BY CHEF DEAN THOMAS

*Executive Chef, Barona Valley Ranch Resort & Casino*

I started out as a dishwasher for an Italian chef. One day, his cook didn't show up and he said, "Come on over here." I haven't left the kitchen since. That happened even before high school (I kind of lied about my age to get that job). I don't even think I was 15.

Thirty years ago, when I started cooking, no one cared who was in the kitchen. But everyone's into cooking now. The Food Network has had a lot to do with that. Chefs have become superstars in the public's eye. One of the reasons is the chef compe-

titions, which I love to compete in. Some chefs look at competitions as a way to beat the other guy, but to me, it's a way to self-motivate and challenge myself. And I love helping others do that. A chef has to think fast. We have to come up with solutions quickly because we are in an immediate-satisfaction business. You serve somebody something and they either like it on the first bite or they don't.

At Barona, I oversee 12 different restaurants. At any given time, I can be a plumber, babysitter, chef, leader, or menu writer. At

home we cook everything and anything too. My wife is also a chef, so we kind of fight over who gets to cook. We like mostly simple food and eat to the season. We love braised items in the winter. To me, that is the most passionate form of cooking. And when apples or citrus are in or figs are growing in our backyard, that's what we're eating.

Fish tacos are great any time of year in Southern California. I use a locally brewed ale, organic cilantro, microgreens, and sustainable local-caught halibut. The "street fruit"



served with the fish taco is a great representation of the cultural diversity in our state. The bottom line is that you can taste good food that is prepared with love. There's a difference.

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*Best user comments from Reader website*

#### Savanna Grill, El Cajon

This place deserves a positive mention. I am a retailer myself, and I know service and I love food. Our server, Sean, was the most upbeat guy we have had serving us in months! He was helpful, friendly, and cheerful. We have three kids under the age of four and he treated each one like an adult and served them as well. My wife and the kids loved him. Ask for Sean; you will enjoy him. As to the food, everything we had was great! My wife is South African and SA's LOVE meat. Ruth Chris is our favorite steak house, and she said, "Next time I want a steak we are coming here!" So now we have two favorite steakhouses. The salads and oysters Rockefeller were very good too. It is not a cheap place to eat (nice steaks never are), but the food and atmosphere make it worth the prices. It is NOT just a steak house. The menu is BIG, and they will have something for everyone. From king crab, to roasted hens, fish, hamburgers (I had one and it was excellent), and even a kids menu for \$5.95. (The Mac and Cheese was all consumed!) Give the place a try and review them if they deserve it!

By **LeoHamel** 1:23 p.m., Mar. 24

#### Point Loma Seafoods, Point Loma

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#### Rice, downtown

Excellent meal! Seared scallops are to die for and fairly priced (as were all the appetizers). Entrées are a bit exhorbitant, price-wise (about 10–15 percent too high, paying for the atmosphere), but altogether worth it for the unique food and presentation and impeccable service. Bad acoustics (we could hear a table across the room) but comfy booths. We all need an indulgence sometime, so treat yourself and enjoy!

By **kathyp** 9:59 p.m., Mar. 28

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 1 lb halibut fillet, skinless and cut into eight 2 oz. strips vegetable oil

**STREET FRUIT**

1 bunch chives  
 1/2 jicama, peeled and cut into batonette (2 inches x 1/4 inch x 1/4 inch); makes about 8 pieces  
 1/2 cucumber, peeled and cut into batonette (8 pieces)  
 1 slice watermelon, peeled and cut into batonette (8 pieces)  
 1/2 papaya, peeled and cut into batonette (8 pieces)  
 1/2 mango, peeled and cut into batonette (8 pieces)  
 2 limes

pico de gallo spice (to taste)

**TOPPINGS**

3 limes (juice and zest)  
 2 tsp granulated sugar  
 3 oz. queso fresco, crumbled  
 1/2 pint container Connelly Gardens cilantro microgreens (or substitute 1 cup minced cilantro)  
 8 five-inch corn tortillas, grid-dled to warm  
 3 oz. crème fraîche (preferably Bellwether Farms)

**HOW TO DO IT**

Begin by preparing the beer batter. In a small bowl, mix the flour and cornstarch together. Using a whip or eggbeater, blend in the ale and soda water until smooth. Season with pico de gallo spice and salt to taste. Reserve batter.

Slice fish and reserve in refrigerator.

Then make the “street fruit.” Plunge the chives into boiling water for two seconds and remove. Submerge immediately in ice water. Peel and cut all the vegetables and fruits (from jicama to mango) into batonette pieces, two inches long and 1/2 inch wide. Squeeze the juice of two limes over the fruit and dash with the pico de gallo spice. Toss lightly. Create eight bundles by including one piece of each fruit and vegetable in each bundle. Tie the bundles with the blanched chive strings.

In a large frying pan, heat about 2 inches of oil to 350 degrees. Dip the fillets into the beer batter; shake off excess and deep fry in the oil. When golden, place onto paper towels to drain.

In a small bowl, mix the juice and zest of three limes, sugar, and queso fresco together. Toss with the cilantro microgreens right before serving.

Fill each freshly cooked corn tortilla with a piece of batter-fried halibut; top with crème fraîche and the tossed, flavored micro greens and queso fresco. Serve each taco with a bundle of fruit.

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## EAST COUNTY

**Fix Me a Plate Café** 9168 Fletcher Parkway, La Mesa, 619-466-6084. Chef-owner Jimmy Pomier was executive chef at the great Juke Joint Café, and now he's got his own place to serve up whopping portions of authentic Cajun and Louisiana-style soul food. His oyster po' boy is (as France's Michelin Guide might say) "worth a detour," as good as it gets this far away. His gumbo is eccentric; his deep-fried chicken gizzards with aioli are fun. His delicious étouffées are among the highlights of the long menu (on which not all dishes are available all the time). Skimpy wine and beer selection, and BYOB is strictly forbidden, but the lemonade is okay. Lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday (with break in between). Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W.

**Johnny B's** 4728 Fourth Street, La Mesa, 619-464-2465. This "Burgers and Brew" bar is a real 1950s place with burgers to die for and good bar snacks, including a zesty jalapeño dip. Play pool, watch TV, hide from your ex on the smoker's patio out back. On Sundays (1 p.m. to 7 p.m. only), their ten-ounce New York steak, fries, beans, and salad is a must-eat at a rock-bottom price. Open daily, lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, three meals Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B.

**Ranas.Com** 9683 Campo Road, Suite A, Spring Valley, 619-589-1792. With 33 Mexican restaurants in the area, this Mexico City eatery has got to be good. It's a cheery place with lime green walls and orange accents. Cooking from the capital tends to be less bitingly hot than some northern food, with unexpected taste combos, like *pollo en salsa de cacahuete* (an almost Thai-tasting chicken in peanut sauce which comes with rice, beans, and tortilla). *Aztec huarache* (cactus with potato, cheese, lettuce, sour cream, and salsa) is also easy to love. Inexpensive. —*E.B.*

**Tyler's Taste of Texas** 576 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-444-9295. Unfussy home cooking. Some dishes outshine others. The slab of smoky ham steak that comes with the first-rate breakfast is in itself enough to rouse the sleepiest appetite. Expertly sautéed onions and mushrooms lend flavor to fried potatoes and omelets, respectively, while pebbly-smooth hash and gingery sweet potato pancakes give the lineup character. For lunch and dinner, the Texas menu features Texas-style barbecue (chicken, beef, pork, and sausage) that's sufficiently smoky, but a little uneven in texture. The barbecue beef is reliable and the sweet-sour sauce shows well on the chicken. Pleasant surprises: a substantial, peppery cornmeal crust on the tender catfish and the fried green tomatoes, and the rich stock in the vegetable soup. All-you-can-eat catfish Wednesdays and Fridays. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive to low moderate. —A.M.

**West Coast Barbecue** 606 Lake Murray Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-462-3663. This relocated revival of the popular former Bekker's BBQ serves pit-smoked Texas-style "cue" that seems more like the Bushes of Crawford, Texas than the soulful south: Meats are leaner and less smoky. Best bets are the full-flavored ribs (beef, baby back, spare) and chicken wings. Other cuts (brisket, pulled pork, chicken) run a little dry. The red soppin' sauce is thin, very sweet, with some tang but no heat. Most sides are rather bland, regionless picnic fare except for the good pinto beans and the outstanding, authentic Texas bean-free chili, well seasoned and classically garnished with chopped white onion and melted yellow cheese. It deserves promotion to an entrée. Dessert is a choice of canned-fruit cobblers topped with shortening pie crust. Beer and house wine; small outdoor patio. Low-moderate, inexpensive for shared takeout. Full catering services available; not confined to BBQ. — N.W.



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The Old Globe is staging Michael Hollinger's *Opus* in its temporary faux-Cassius Carter — *requiescat in pace* — playing space.

Designer Lindsay Jones handles the quirks and potential dead spots, of what is essentially a large museum room, with ease. The cast, playing the members of a string quartet, can stand anywhere on Kate Edmunds's bare, particle board-like floor and speak clearly for all to hear. Water boiling for Dutch tea in the next room has just the right whistle.

What Jones does with his other assignment is as impressive. Most sound effects are unexpected (only in hindsight does the dog's random bark occur at the perfect moment). In *Opus*, you can see Jones's coming. At various times, the quartet reaches for the two violins, viola, and cello. In the symphonic equivalent of "air guitar," the actors fake playing them. They slide the bows with verisimilitude but don't attempt the fingerings, say,

for Beethoven's *Opus 131* (another telltale sign: there's no rosin on the music stands). At the precise moment when the bows hit the strings — and after a while you'll find yourself inspecting each touch for the slightest infraction — the music begins. Sights and sounds fuse.

Jones has the "performed" music emerge, it would seem, from the instruments themselves. Sometimes he moves the music from the stage to speakers behind the audience: it drifts up and then out, as if, in the case of the Beethoven, it's headed home to heaven.

*Opus* moves pretty much as expected: out of backstage chaos comes an astonishing order. The all-male Lazara String Quartet, named for the fictitious Pietro Lazara, has gained an international reputation. They won a Grammy for their Bartók, have recorded almost all of Beethoven, and will perform at the White House before an estimated 15,000,000 American TV viewers. The President, a raging Philistine, wants "Hail to the Chief" and — of such stuff is Muzak made and somnolence assured — Johann Pachelbel's Canon in D.

Six days before the command performance, the viola player, Dorian, disappears. He has Beethoven's temperament and possibly a glimpse



Katie Sigismund, Mark H. Dold in *Opus*

*Opus*, by Michael Hollinger

**Old Globe Theatre**, Simon Edison Centre for the Performing Arts, Balboa Park

**Directed by Kyle Donnelly**; cast: Jim Abele, Jeffrey M. Bender, Mark H. Dold, Corey Brill, Katie Sigismund; scenic design, Kate Edmunds; costumes, Denitsa D. Bliznakova; lighting, York Kennedy; sound, Lindsay Jones  
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of the master's genius. Dorian's tantrums have driven the others nuts. But his complaints and proddings have honed them into a unit (when the score says "Sforzando," he determines just how suddenly surprising it should be). Elliott,

first violinist, self-appointed leader of the group (and Dorian's ex-lover), says the viola player crossed a line.

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date for the job thus far doesn't make music, says Elliott, "he extrudes notes." Enter young Grace. She chose the viola, years ago, for the way it looked. In her audition, she performs far better than her résumé says she should. She joins the group and hears utopian harangues about "four equal voices" and choices built on "consensus" and losing "all awareness of who's who and there's just the music" — and she wonders if all the rumors about the group's legendary bickerings, some life-threatening, are true.

The script unfolds as if written in haste. The characters are stencil-thin, and — except for a coda that's a gratuitous lulu — the plot moves predictably toward the Big Event with few Sforzando-like surprises. At its best, *Opus* is about the collaborative process and how an artistic whole can be far greater than its parts ("never perfect," wise Dorian says, "just closer"). When the characters bicker about interpreting a musical passage, they not only fill the stage with passion, they reveal themselves in detail.

If a play calls attention to an artistic collaboration, it's hard not to inspect the production's inner workings. The Old Globe's *Opus* resists such a perusal, however. As if each character were an instrument and each scene a different tempo, director Kyle Donnelly has melded her fine ensemble cast into the fluidity of music. Each one brings more to the role than exists in the text. Jim Abele gives controlling Elliott layers of toxicity. Jeffrey M. Bender's Alan plays second violin with a second banana's infectious sense of humor. Mark H. Dold makes Dorian a loose cannon, locked and loaded. Former UCSD students Corey Brill and Katie Sigismund shine as Carl (the cello player whose bad news fuels the plot) and as Grace. Sigismund's portrayal of the gifted young woman, thrust into a male fraternity and having to find her place, is so precise you'd swear she's based it on an exact model.

The play talks a great deal about the oneness musicians can achieve. The director creates a memorable visual by showing us the quartet the moment

after. They excelled. Now, strung across the stage, they look back into the fading light as if waking from a dream. They were the music — to paraphrase T.S. Eliot in *Four Quartets* — at least while the music lasted. ■

## THEATER LISTINGS

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**All This and Moonlight**  
Scripps Ranch Theatre presents Charles R. Johnson's romantic comedy about "love, complete with severe side effects." Charlie Rendeau directed.  
SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 10455 POMERADO ROAD, SCRIPPS RANCH. 858-578-7728. FRIDAYS, 8 P.M. SATURDAYS, 8 P.M. SUNDAYS, 2 P.M. THROUGH APRIL 11.

**Be Aggressive**  
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**The Cradle Will Rock**  
Stone Soup Theatre presents Marc Blitzstein's agitprop "play in music" [1937] "about corruption, greed, and deception." Larry Foreman attempts to combat wicked businessman Mr. Mister. Lindsey Duuos Gearhart directed.  
TENTH AVENUE THEATRE, 930 TENTH AVENUE, DOWNTOWN. SUNDAYS, 7 P.M. THROUGH APRIL 26.

**Facing East**  
The title refers to graves situated to face the rising sun. Come the End of Days, the chosen will fly to heaven. In Carol Lynn Pearson's drama, Andrew McCormick faces east before his time, and his religion has banned him from a blessed afterlife. He was a gay Mormon, excommunicated from the church. So conflicted between body and soul, Andrew committed suicide at age 24. His parents, Ruth and Alex, stand before an open grave and conduct a second funeral service: this time with the truth.

Alex, a radio celebrity famous for his one-minute spots about fatherly advice, faces the hypocrisy of never heeding his own words. Ruth lives for eternity. Admitting her son is gay threatens her ultimate status. Andrew's death shatters three lives: his parents' and his lover Marcus's. The play and the tightly crafted Diversionary production move not toward a grand rebuilding, but more a potential, albeit incomplete, repatching of traumatized shards (Amy Gilbert Reams's autumnal set mirrors the task at hand: it's a reconstructed tree, the trunk axed blocks of wood nailed together). To be remembered for her direction of *Terra Nova* last year at Compass Theatre, Marybeth Bielawski-DeLeo serves the play, and some quirky rhythms, well. John Polak's Alex loves to hear himself talk but has the courage to speak words he never thought he would. Scott Striegel plays Marcus like a building that's been neutron bombed. And Dana Hooley does a remarkable job as adamant Ruth, providing depths to a character who, in

lesser hands, would just become a monster.  
**Worth a try.**  
DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-220-0097. THURSDAYS, 7:30 P.M. FRIDAYS, 8 P.M. SATURDAYS, 8 P.M. SUNDAYS, 2 AND 7 P.M. THROUGH APRIL 5.

**Killer Joe**  
In Ansel Smith's moldy trailer on the outskirts of Dallas, there are no secrets, or boundaries. He and wife Sharla work for a living, but just enough to keep the grime-streaked fridge stocked with beer. Son Chris deals cocaine but owes \$6000 to his connection. How to raise the money? Easy: murder his mother for her life insurance. After all, he and his father agree, she's just a "beat-up old nagging ugly alcoholic woman." Ansel has misgivings, though. "You're gonna kill somebody?" he asks Chris. "You can't even tell time!" They hire "Killer Joe" Cooper, a detective who moonlights as a hit man. Since the Smiths are broke and Joe wants a retainer, he takes 20-year-old virgin, sleepwalking Dottie Smith in

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trade. *Killer Joe* is Tracy Letts's first play (he wrote the 2008 Pulitzer-winner *Autumn: Osage County*). Savage, creepy funny, and riveting, *Killer* unfolds like *Tobacco Road* and *Curse of the Starving Class*, with a dash of *Greater Tuna* (reimagined by Charles Whitman) thrown in. Compass Theatre's production, even with some annoying tech problems, captures the play's rabid, rats-in-a-cage essence (also Letts's ironies: *Killer* may be the only American drama in the last 50 years that lauds the virtues of TV: as long as the tube beams, the Smiths are narcotized by the flickering light). Lisa Berger's direction never flinches at the violence, frontal nudity, or the characters' unmasked atavism. Don Pugh's Joe — , slow, precise, fussy neat, is always an inch from exploding — and when he does, Michael McK-eon's intricately detailed set gets a monster trashing. Amanda Cooley Davis, her hair like a mop, makes Dottie both an innocent and a ghoul, the one an outcome of the other. Joe Baker, Judy Bauerlein-Mitchell, and Mike Sears also contribute. As does Rob Hurlbut's inventive sound design, not just the thunder and loud TV and radio, but every time that dog barks next door, trouble brews.

***Worth a try.***

COMPASS THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE, HILLCREST. 619-688-9210. THURSDAYS, 8 P.M. FRIDAYS, 8 P.M. SATURDAYS, 4 AND 8 P.M. SUNDAYS, 2 P.M. THROUGH APRIL 5.

### A Midsummer Night's Dream

OnStage Playhouse presents Shakespeare's romantic comedy about "star-crossed, criss-crossed, and uncrossed" lovers. Daniel Zisko directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AV-ENUE, CHULA VISTA. 619-422-7787. THURSDAYS, 8 P.M. FRIDAYS, 8 P.M. SATURDAYS, 8 P.M. THROUGH APRIL 4.

### National Comedy Theatre

Improvitational 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 de-frocked 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 Ac-troTurf. 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 refresh-ing parts of the contest: people ac-knowledge failure, abundantly, then forget it). It makes for a lively, often funny evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

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### Opus

The Old Globe Theatre presents Michael Hollinger's drama about a string quartet, preparing for a per-formance at the White House. Then the violinist disappears. Kyle Donnelly directed. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. THURSDAYS, 8 P.M. FRIDAYS, 8 P.M. SATURDAYS, 2 AND 8 P.M. SUNDAYS, 2 AND 7 P.M. TUESDAYS, 7 P.M. WEDNES-DAYS, 7 P.M. THROUGH APRIL 26.

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### A Waltz Dream

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nine boxes, three rows each, joined by steel girders (the guy behind me said, "It's the *Hollywood Squares*"). Even when not in use, or masked by drops, the white elephant dwarfs the performers. The night I caught the show, several members of the audience stood and applauded. And some in the versatile cast de-served the ovation, if not the musi-cal. Marie-France Arcilla's "Mill-worker," about doing the same routine every 40 seconds, caught the grind of the job ("my body is a tool"), though the other actors, blandly miming the movements, could put their backs into them more. Danielle Lee Greaves's "Just a Housewife" and "Cleanin' Woman" enrich the evening. Newer bits, like Charlie Blossom (a potential serial killer whom Nehal Joshi made so bizarrely nonthreatening he evoked laughter) misfire. The remake needs reworking: pare away the meta-theatrical packaging, roll up its sleeves, and be unafraid to get its hands dirty.

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*The overall cleanliness and bloodlessness stay true to the period.*

To feel affection for the grade-Z science-fiction films of the Fifties, especially as their descendants get ever more deluxe, is perfectly natural and no cause for shame. (A Not-Guilty

Pleasure.) To set out in the 21st Century to make a grade-Z science-fiction film of the Fifties, a purportedly shelved

and now salvaged programmer named *Alien Trespass*, is another matter. It is, from whichever end you choose to look at it, the height of unambition or else depth of ambition, striving for badness, hiding behind badness, winking at badness, absolving badness.

Director R.W. Goodwin, a veteran of the *X-Files* series, does a decently good job of the badness, as well as a decently good job of suppressing his smirks over it. His cast, most notably Eric McCormack as the pipe-smoking scientist possessed by an invader from space and Jenni Baird as the plucky protofeminist coffee-shop waitress, play along with the gag and don't give the game away. Some of the rear-screen

projection and the indoor outdoor sets can arouse a genuine nostalgia for see-through studio fakery. The overall cleanliness and bloodlessness stay true to the period. And the image

musters up a passable imitation of 1950s Technicolor, even though the use of color in that genre would tend to signal a grade-A production (*The War of the Worlds*, *Forbidden Planet*, *This Island Earth*, etc.), while the one-eyed bug-eyed monster and the "biogenic phase disrupter" (synonym for ray gun), among other special effects, are patently grade-Z.

At feature length, the joke inevitably wears thin, but it can be unexpectedly plumped up again at a moment's notice, as when, for example, the townsfolk and the tentacled monster come together at a screening of *The Blob* at the local bijou. The joke there, or at least the funny part of the joke, is not that the movie-within-the-movie mirrors the movie-without (a monster amok at a movie theater); the joke, rather, is the



*Alien Trespass*

attractive notion that anyone ever would have been moved to scream out loud at a thing like *The Blob*. You still might be better off watching *The Blob* itself or one of its actual contemporaries, wherein, for all the achieved badness, the filmmakers were trying their level best. That's not only nobler; it's funnier.

*Monsters vs. Aliens*, a machine-made cartoon from DreamWorks, credited to co-directors Rob Letter-

man and Conrad Vernon, is in some ways, but not in a budgetary way, not so different from *Alien Trespass*. It posits a secret government quarantine of benign monsters modelled on such Fifties archetypes as the aforesaid Blob, the four-fifths-human Fly (except now a Cockroach), Mothra, the 50-Foot Woman (a girl-power placebo), and perhaps, since I can't be bothered to think of a closer approximation, the

Creature from the Black Lagoon. Nor can I be bothered to contemplate the intentions and implications of the gung-ho military commander's resemblance to caricatures of George W. Bush or of the evil alien invader's resemblance to caricatures of Barack Obama. None of the figures, human or non-, merits a second glance as a work of graphic art. And the insufferable insouciance of the premise, fully and accu-



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## SEEN ON DVD



*Step Brothers*

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Terry Gilliam's *Brazil* serves up a tale of a man's battle for freedom and independence. Criterion gives the film a stunning treatment in this box set, which includes the director's cut, the studio-released version (with a happy ending), and a documentary about the battle the director went through to get his version released.

Sometimes life is easier when it is reduced to slapstick and fart jokes, so what better film than *Step Brothers*, starring Will Ferrell and John C. Reilly?

**BRAZIL** (England) 1985, Criterion Collection  
List price: \$29.95

**STEP BROTHERS** (USA) 2008, Sony Pictures  
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*Baby Einstein*

### EDOARDO MÜLLER

Conductor, *Rigoletto*, San Diego Opera

My two recommended DVDs are *Meet the Orchestra* from the series *Baby Einstein*. I have four grandchildren, and I enjoy so much this DVD for the way it presents all the instruments of the orchestra. Beautiful and involving for children and adults.

The second one is *Verdi's Requiem*, conducted by Herbert Von Karajan with Luciano Pavarotti and other great singers. I need sometimes to immerse myself in great interpretations like that. It gives me motivation for doing my best when I do music.

**BABY EINSTEIN: MEET THE ORCHESTRA** (USA) 2006, Disney  
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*Bicentennial Man*

### KIRSTIN CHÁVEZ

Mezzo-soprano sings Maddalena, *Rigoletto*, San Diego Opera

My first pick is *Bicentennial Man*, with Robin Williams. I love this movie because it highlights all the most noble of human traits, and most of them are found within the "spirit" of a being who began existence as an android. Makes me cry every time.

Then there's *Love Actually* — what a film! All the different kinds of love that you can imagine, played out in a series of interwoven vignettes. Heartbreaking and heart-warming all at once. It gives me hope in this most basic of human needs — love.

**BICENTENNIAL MAN** (USA) 1999, Touchstone  
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**LOVE ACTUALLY** (England) 2003, Universal  
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that are prone to a certain sameness, and the combination of the two into one film doesn't produce a sense of difference so much as a doubled same-ness. Slickly done, nonetheless.

*The Haunting in Connecticut*, about a bedevilled family housed in a converted funeral home, has the advantage of not being a remake of a horror film I refused to see in the first place: *My Bloody Valentine*, *Friday the 13th*, *The Last House on the Left*, a virtual trend. It also has the advantage of being a "true story," thereby curtailing certain kinds and degrees of excess. Now, I realize it would be ruled irrelevant if I testified that I myself know a couple who live in a converted funeral home in New Mexico and who have had no experience of flickering lights, banging doors, charbroiled ghosts, or a malignant shower curtain. But then, these friends of mine, more than welcoming of manifestations, don't have a teenage son on an experimental cancer drug that opens the gateway to another time, another dimension. There is, even so, a routineness and a staleness about all that; and in the direction of Peter Cornwell, there's a compulsion to oversell it. The mass disentanglement at the climax had no need to be oversold. Virginia Madsen, Martin Donovan, and Elias Koteas lend it some useless respectability.

*I Love You, Man*, co-written and directed by John Hamburg, demonstrating a better ear than eye, is a guy comedy with an original angle. A woman's man with a well-developed feminine side suddenly feels the lack of a male comrade when the time comes to pick a best man, belatedly casting about for a buddy to cultivate. The lapses in taste — no, the eager, steady assaults on taste, the projectile vomit, the fart commentary, and so forth — lower expectations early on. But the personable Paul Rudd in the pivotal role has plenty of opportunity to show off his gifts, particularly in his forced efforts to be a guy's guy, more particularly when inanelly or inarticulately tongue-twisted, the urge to be witty running way ahead of the brain's ability to come up with some wit. His spirited slippage into a Jamaican cadence is a crack-up. Jon Favreau does well, too, as a churlish noncontender for buddyhood. And, in the part of the leading contender, the least you can say for Jason Segel of *Forgetting Sarah Marshall* is that he keeps his pants on. ■

## MOVIE LISTINGS

All reviews are by Duncan Shepherd. Priorities are indicated by one to five stars and antipathies by the black spot. Unrated movies are for now unreviewed. Thousands

of past reviews sorted alphabetically, by year of release and by rating, are available online at [SanDiegoReader.com](http://SanDiegoReader.com).

**Adventureland** — Post-college comedy with Jesse Eisenberg, Kristen Stewart, Ryan Reynolds, Bill Hader, and Kristen Wiig, written and directed by Greg Mottola. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; 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; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 4/3)

**Alien Trespass** — Reviewed this issue. With Eric McCormack, Jenni Baird, Robert Patrick, Dan Lauria, and Jody Thompson; directed by R.W. Goodwin. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 4/3)

**As It Is in Heaven** — A world-class Swedish symphony conductor (Michael Nyqvist, a big, strong Richard Burton-y pocked face) moves back to his native village with a bad heart, whips the church choir into competitive shape, upsets the local bluenoses, shelters abused women, wins the heart of the budding Jezebel, draws out the village idiot, leads the group to Austria for a "Let the People Sing" contest. Corny, overly dramatic, histrionic, and probably crowd-pleasing. With Frida Hallgren, Helen Sjöholm, Ingela Olsson, and Lennart Jähkel; directed by Kay Pollak. 2004. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

**The Black Balloon** — The embarrassments of having an ADD autistic brother when you're trying to fit in at a new school: him running down the street in his undies and into a stranger's house to use the toilet, him smearing poo on the rug, him popping your new girlfriend's tampon into his mouth, etc. The embarrassments extend to the mawkish uplift. With Rhys Wakefield, Luke Ford, Toni Collette, Erik Thomson, and Gemma Ward; directed by Elissa Down. 2008. ● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 4/3)

**Che: Part One** — First half of Steven Soderbergh's four-and-a-half-hour worship service in honor of Che Guevara, conducted in Spanish with English subtitles, really two distinct movies. This first, in wide screen and in roomy frames, operates a time shuttle between vivid color re-enactments of the overthrow of Batista in the late Fifties and grainy black-and-white *faux* news coverage of Guevara's visit to New York in the mid-Sixties for interviews with the press and speeches at the United Nations. Nothing is sustained (the shuttle runs continuously) until the extended battle in the last reel or so. We instead get scenes, glimpses, moving snapshots of the Lifestyle of the Revolutionary and Famous: walking through the woods, resting up, slapping comrades on the back, exhorting the troops, etc. There are no rises and falls in the narrative contour, just a kind of flatline. Benicio del Toro and Demián Bichir can pass for Guevara and Castro as well as anybody could in the same beards and hats, and with the same pipe and cigar. Catalina Sandino Moreno, Santiago Cabrera, Elvira Minguez, Julia Ormond. 2008. ★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 4/3)

**Che: Part Two** — The free-standing second half of Steven Soderbergh's worship service, in narrower screen than the first half, and in less vivid color and no black-and-white, unfolds a contrastingly chronological account of Guevara's final year, 1966-67, his ill-fated attempt to do in Bolivia what he had done in Cuba. As in the first half, there is an extended battle toward the end of it, and prior to that a lot more of

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rately summed up in the title, hides behind — instead of an alibi of badness — a smokescreen of computer wizardry, 3-D diversion, jaded in-jokes, capitalist confidence. Hides, but not successfully.

*Sin Nombre* concerns another kind of alien invader, the heartbreakingly lovely Honduran immigrant (Paulina Gaitan) who makes her perilous way, with father and uncle, through Mexico en route to Texas and New Jersey. Her path converges with that of a sensitive, pensive Mexican gangbanger (Edgar Flores), a teardrop tattoo by his right eye, who runs afoul of his blood brothers. First-time filmmaker Cary Koji Fukunaga offers a soft-hearted view of a hard world, seeking out tender innocence and then stomping it for our horror and pity. The illegal-alien film and the gang-life film are both genres



authentic-feeling shots (in similarly roomy frames) of the lifestyle of a revolutionary, in addition to a worrisome increase in the hero's asthmatic wheezing. His post-battle execution is as lovingly dragged out as any screen staging of the Crucifixion. Richard Fleischer's average-sized 1969 film of the same name, minus the *Part One* and *Part Two* but plus an exclamation point, with Omar Sharif and Jack Palance as Guevara and Castro, was doubtless a Hollywood travesty, but that at least made it somewhat fun. (Jack Palance by his lonesome makes anything somewhat fun.) Soderbergh's corrective is no travesty and no fun. Benicio del Toro, Franka Potente, Joaquim de Almeida, Lou Diamond Phillips. 2008. ★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 4/3)

**The Class** — Free adaptation of François Bégaudeau's nonfiction chronicle of a single year of teaching French, or trying to teach it, to a group of restive fourteen- and fifteen-year-olds at a melting-pot public school in a rough district of Paris. Bégau-deau essentially — and needless to say, convincingly — plays himself on screen, under the fictitious monicker of M. Marin, and the students are nonprofessionals chosen with no eye to beauty and glamour, but a sensitive eye to a variety of shapes and shades. Laurent Carot, best known for *Time Out* and *Heading South*, has directed the piece with standardized documentary affectations — an air of improvisation, a raw digital image, a bobbing camera and floating frame, no background music — and the teaching sessions are far less compressed than in the typical school film of minute-and-a-half classes and saved-by-the-bell. (Many of the nuances of language and accent are unavoidably lost in the English subtitles.) The circle of action is strictly confined to the school grounds, and any parents who enter into the picture must come to campus to do so. There is no continuous story arc, although the disciplinary proceedings against a chair-rocking troublemaker from Mali become the focus of the final stretch. By then we have gotten to know a few of the students quite well, while others are still getting noticed for the first time. It all feels irrefutably and exasperatingly real; and the teacher, a youthful figure given to Socratic sparring with his charges, wins our admiration for his equanimity under the constant stress. A misunderstood use of the word “skank” (as it is translated) in class discussion can be readily pardoned. For all that, the drawback of the rigorously realistic movie is that it seldom adds up to more than the sum of its parts. This isn't the exception. 2008. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 4/3; GASLAMP 15)

**Confessions of a Shopaholic** — The addition nightmare played as comedy, very frothy and formulaic and materialistic comedy: a dozen maxed-out credit cards of an aspiring fashion writer, and rapacious consumer, in Manhattan (“They said I was a valued customer. Now they send me hate mail!”). The effervescent Isla Fisher dives into the role as if it's her one shot at stardom, and she hits a small jackpot out on the dance floor with a Spanish fan in hand. Hugh Dancy, Krysten Ritter, Kristin Scott Thomas, Leslie Bibb, Julie Hagerty, Joan Cusack, John Goodman; directed by P.J. Hogan. 2009. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18)

**Coraline** — A piece of 3-D stop-motion animation about a little girl with blue hair and ski-jump nose (everyone hears her name as Caroline, and her last name of Jones will only encourage confusion in anyone who remembers the Morticia of TV's *Addams Family*, Carolyn Jones), who, unhappy with her preoccupied parents, is lured into a parallel universe of idealized replicas — a sort of Stepford Mom and Stepford Dad — but for their button eyes.



The Black Balloon

Her price to pay for permanent residence in this universe is to trade her own eyes for buttons: “Soon you'll see things our way.” (Distant echoes of *Invaders from Mars* and *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*: the lobotomy bugaboo.) Director Henry Selick, heretofore of *The Nightmare before Christmas* and *James and the Giant Peach*, pays a lot of attention to landscape and surface, such that the film cultivates an aggressive tactility. But the dream world opens the door also to a self-indulgent succession of oddities and bizarreries — here a mouse circus, there an audience of Scotties — without much narrative drive. And it's plainly a higher priority to be dark and edgy and Tim Burton-y than to be kid-friendly. The catered-to adult is still apt to feel something extra was needed, and the distracting 3-D neither provided it nor disguised it. With the voices of Dakota Fanning, Teri Hatcher, John Hodgman, Ian McShane, Keith David. 2009. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Crossing Over** — Unctuous liberalism and clumsy manipulation on the broad subject of illegal aliens: Mexican, Australian, Iranian, Korean, Nigerian, the whole

rainbow, in multiple plotlines with a *Crash*-like incidence of coincidence. (The physical beauty of the female aliens helps, of course, to fuel liberality.) Embarrassment eclipses enlightenment. Harrison Ford, Cliff Curtis, Ray Liotta, Ashley Judd, Alice Eve, Alice Braga, Summer Bishil; written and directed by Wayne Kramer. 2009. ● (GASLAMP 15)

**Doubt** — From the prize-winning stage play by John Patrick Shanley, an ambiguous drama of possible priestly pedophilia at a Catholic school in the Bronx. The playwright, perhaps best known to moviegoers as the writer of *Moonstruck* and writer-director of *Joe versus the Volcano*, handles the direction of his own work on screen, and the freedoms of the medium enable him to detail operations of the parish to almost anthropological ends: the nuns' rising and dressing in the A.M., the altar boys' preparations for Mass, the crosscutting contrast between the bloody-roast-beef and red-wine dinner table of the jovial priests as against the silent and austere table of the milk-fed nuns, the students' coed dance lesson to “Blame It on the Bossa Nova,” and so

on. (The time, as the aforesaid musical selection would suggest, is early Sixties, the time of the playwright's own Catholic boyhood in the Bronx, although the sermon on communal despair after the JFK assassination — one of three pithy sermons in the script — could easily have been recycled post-9/11.) The three principal characters are types: the progressive priest who believes in a “friendlier” church that moves with the times, a friendliness that may or may not have gone too far in embracing the school's first black student, a vulnerable target; the hidebound and humorless old nun (“Penmanship is dying, all across this country”) whose hawklike vigilance zeroes in on the priest; and the innocent and idealistic novice, young and pretty, who wants to believe the best of everyone. The clash of personalities, strictly limited by the play's title and tactical guideline, illuminates not so much as the players. Meryl Streep, over-acting awesomely, is not only a holy terror as a nun but as a thespian, booby-trapping every scene with unforeseeable little diversions, inventions, stratagems, embellishments. Philip Seymour Hoffman and Amy Adams, no slouches themselves, appear to enjoy their one scene alone together in the courtyard, no one to steal it from them, no one to show them up or slap them down. With Viola Davis and Joseph Foster. 2008. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; GASLAMP 15)

**Duplicity** — Entertaining enough game of industrial espionage, kicked off, behind the credits, with a slapstick soundless slo-mo fight on the tarmac between the ungainly Paul Giamatti and Tom Wilkinson. The repeated doubling-back in time proves to be more exasperating than clever, but writer-director Tony Gilroy, going light after *Michael Clayton*, hasn't abandoned his conscience. And he has written some breezy dialogue, despite the major windbreak of Julia Roberts. On the other side, Clive Owen nicely holds up his end. 2009. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSS-MONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Edge of Love** — The private life of Dylan Thomas, with Matthew Rhys, Keira Knightley, Sienna Miller, and Cillian Murphy, directed by John Maybury. (KEN, 4/3 THROUGH 9)

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Calendar

MOVIES

*Land*, returns with another period piece, the period of pre-WWI, a period that appears to predate color, in an all-brown, almost sepia palette. The faithful Finnish wife of a violent drunken Swedish dockworker is a nice character, and her chaste relationship with a studio photographer who encourages and nurtures her “gift of seeing” is nice too. (Much more could have been done to illustrate the “gift.”) Troell’s heavy hand isn’t altogether crushing. Maria Heiskanen, Mikael Persbrandt, Jesper Christensen. 2008.  
★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Fast and Furious** — Action sequel with Paul Walker, Vin Diesel, Jordana Brewster, and Michelle Rodriguez, directed by Justin Lin. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSS-MONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 4/3)

**Gomorrah** — Worm’s-eye view of the Neapolitan underworld: obscure relationships and operations; occasional slaughter; broad expanses of banality. The unfamiliar actors and the *vérité* camera create a plausible impression that it’s all really happening, whether or not you can make much sense of it. Based on the nonfiction best-seller by Roberto Saviano; directed by Matteo Garrone. 2008.  
★ (KEN, THROUGH 4/2)



Che

**Gran Torino** — Clint Eastwood, director, serves Clint Eastwood, actor, a nice fat one, a softball lobbed right down the middle of the plate and effortlessly belted over the fence: a sort of Grumpy Old Man version of Dirty Harry, a scowler and a growler (looking and sounding uncannily like a dog in defense of a T-bone), a new widower who has seen his Detroit neighborhood taken over by Hmong immigrants (“HUM-

mong,” in his two-syllable pronunciation), a hard-ass retiree defined by a pair of prized possessions, the M-1 rifle that commemorates his service in the Korean War and the ’72 Gran Torino that commemorates his life’s work on the Ford assembly line. The character’s blatant bigotry toward his Asian neighbors, whereby he runs through every applicable epithet in a thesaurus of slang (past “fishhead” and “gook” all the way to

“zipperhead”) is somewhat problematic. Eastwood’s endearing presence in the role automatically takes the edge off the racism in a way that just wouldn’t happen if the role were occupied by, say, Gene Hackman, Rip Torn. And taking the edge off the racism is not altogether a good idea, regardless how many laughs you get out of it. What ultimately redeems him and his film is not the conventional, formulaic, soft-

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

Bargain showtimes are in parentheses.

CENTRAL

CLAIREMONT

**Town Square 14**  
4665 Clairemont Drive (877-789-6684)  
**Adventureland** (R); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **Slumdog Millionaire** (R); **12 Rounds** (PG-13); **Watchmen** (R)

DOWNTOWN

**Gaslamp 15**  
701 Fifth Avenue (877-789-6684)  
**As It Is in Heaven** (Not Rated); **Che: Part One** (R); **Che: Part Two** (R); **The Class** (PG-13); **Crossing Over** (R); **The Curious Case of Benjamin Button** (PG-13); **Doubt** (PG-13); **Good** (Not Rated); **Gran Torino** (R); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **The International** (R); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **Taken** (PG-13)

**Horton Plaza 14**  
Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)  
**Adventureland** (R) Fri. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:45, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Coraline** (PG) Fri. (12:05, 2:35, 5:05) Sat.-Sun. (12:05, 2:35) 5:05; **Duplicity** (PG-13) Fri. (1:15, 4:25) 7:20, 10:10 Sat.-Sun. (1:15) 4:25, 7:20, 10:10; **Fast and Furious** (PG-13) Fri. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:15, 5:00, 5:30) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:30, 3:00) 4:15, 5:00, 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30; **Knowing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:55) 3:15, 6:45, 9:40; **The Last House on the Left** (R) Fri. (12:50, 4:10) 7:05, 9:35 Sat.-Sun. (12:50) 4:10, 7:05, 9:35; **Madagascar 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.

7:35, 10:05; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri. (12:10, 2:25, 4:40) 7:10, 9:25 Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 2:25) 4:40, 7:10, 9:25; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri. (12:40, 1:10, 2:55, 4:05, 5:10) 6:40, 7:40, 9:00, 9:55 Sat.-Sun. (12:40, 1:10, 2:55) 4:05, 5:10, 6:40, 7:40, 9:00, 9:55; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) Fri. (1:05, 4:20) 7:15, 9:45 Sat.-Sun. (1:05) 4:20, 7:15, 9:45; **Watchmen** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 3:10) 6:30, 9:50; **The Wrestler** (R) Fri. (12:20, 2:50, 5:20) 7:50, 10:20 Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:20, 7:50, 10:20

LA JOLLA

**La Jolla 12**  
8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)  
**Adventureland** (R) Fri.-Sun. 12:05, 2:40, 5:20, 8:00, 10:45; **Duplicity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30) 1:10, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; **Fast and Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:10, 2:45, 5:25, 8:05, 10:40 Sun. 2:45, 5:25, 8:05, 10:40; **He’s Just Not That Into You** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 12:15, 3:30, 6:50, 10:05; **I Love You, Man** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:40) 2:15, 5:05, 7:45, 10:30; **Knowing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:50) 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:35 Sun. 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:35; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:10) 12:00, 1:40, 2:30, 4:15, 5:00, 6:45, 7:25, 9:15, 9:55; **Taken** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 12:25, 3:00, 5:30, 7:55, 10:25; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:35) 1:25, 4:10, 7:05, 10:10 Sun. 1:25, 4:10, 7:05, 10:10; **Watchmen** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:45) 2:35, 6:15, 9:50

**La Jolla Village**  
8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)  
**The Black Balloon** (PG-13); **Everlasting Moments** (Not Rated); **The Great Buck Howard** (PG); **Slumdog Millionaire** (R); **Sunshine Cleaning** (R)

MIRA MESA

**Mira Mesa 18**  
10733 Westview Parkway (800-326-3264)  
Call theater for program information.

MISSION VALLEY

**Fashion Valley 18**  
7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)  
**Adventureland** (R); **Confessions of a Shopaholic** (PG); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **The Last House on the Left** (R); **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **Taken** (PG-13); **12 Rounds** (PG-13); **Watchmen** (R)

**Mission Valley 7**  
7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)



**Fast and Furious** (PG-13) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Monsters vs. Aliens 3D** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:30; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 6:00 8:15 10:30; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) (12:00 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; **I Love You, Man** (R) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; No 10:15 Sun.; **Duplicity** (PG-13) (10:45 1:45) 4:30 7:30 10:15; **Knowing** (PG-13) (10:30 1:30) 4:15 7:15 10:00; No 10:30 Wed.; No 7:15 Thu.; **Kidtoons Presents Earth Day** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

**Mission Valley 20**  
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)  
**Adventureland** (R) Fri. (10:55) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45, 11:55 Sat.-Sun. (10:55) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; **Duplicity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05) 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:25; **Fast and Furious** (PG-13) Fri. (10:10, 10:50, 11:30) 12:10, 12:50, 1:30, 2:10, 2:50, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 5:25, 6:10, 6:50, 7:30, 8:10, 9:00, 9:35, 10:15, 10:55, 11:45 Sat. (10:10, 10:50, 11:30) 12:10, 12:50, 1:30, 2:10, 2:50, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 5:25, 6:10, 6:50,

hearted and simple-minded warming of relations with the two weakly acted Hmong teenagers next door, and not the tighter focus of wrath on the Asian street gang that’s terrorizing the neighborhood, and not even the expediently plotted climactic act of karmic restitution (which in honesty had slim chance to work out as planned). No, none of that. What redeems him and his film, lending it, for all its entertainment value, a sense of gravity and personal conviction, is simply its place in line in his ongoing penance for the offhand violence, the incalculable casualties, of his earlier career: its place behind *Unforgiven*, *A Perfect World*, *Mystic River*, etc. Once was not enough. It was not just lip service, like an obligatory number of Hail Mary’s after a long-postponed trip to confession. It was, so it would appear, a genuine conversion, a revelation. This stands as the further proof of it, and further refinement of it. With Bee Vang, Ahney Her, Christopher Carley. 2008.  
★★★ (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**The Great Buck Howard** — Affectionate and amiable portrait of a fading mentalist (a blissfully hammy John Malkovich) modelled on The Amazing Kreskin, whose fortunes have been on the downslide since Johnny Carson left *The Tonight Show*. Colin Hanks, as a law-school dropout hired to be the new road manager, is our innocent eyes and ears; and his real-life father, Tom Hanks, deigns to put in a couple of appearances as his reel-life father. The tackiness of the title character and his stage act to some extent infects the entire enterprise. With Emily Blunt, Ricky Jay, Steve Zahn, and Griffin Dunne; written and directed by Sean McGinly. 2009.  
★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**The Haunting in Connecticut** — Reviewed this issue. With Virginia Madsen,

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**  
1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)  
Call theater for program information.

**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)  
Call theater for program information.

LA MESA

**Grossmont Center 10**  
5500 Grossmont Center Drive (877-789-6684)  
**Adventureland** (R); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG)

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Rancho San Diego 15**  
2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264)  
**Adventureland** (R) Fri. (11:10, 1:50, 4:35) 7:15, 10:05 Sat.-Sun. (11:10, 1:50) 4:35, 7:15, 10:05; **Duplicity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:35, 2:45) 6:50, 9:45; **Fast and Furious** (PG-13) Fri. (11:00, 11:20, 11:40, 12:00, 2:00, 2:20, 4:40, 4:20, 4:40, 5:00) 5:20, 7:00, 7:20, 7:40, 8:00, 9:40, 10:00, 10:20, 10:40; **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13) Fri. (11:15, 11:45, 1:45, 2:15, 4:10, 4:50) 6:40, 7:05, 9:35, 10:10 Sat.-Sun. (11:15, 11:45, 1:45, 2:15) 4:10, 4:50, 6:40, 7:05, 9:35, 10:10; **I Love You, Man** (R) Fri. (11:55, 2:35, 5:15) 7:55, 10:35 Sat.-Sun. (11:55, 2:35) 5:15, 7:55, 10:35; **Knowing** (PG-13) Fri. (11:05, 2:05, 4:55) 7:45, 10:45 Sat.-Sun. (11:05, 2:05)



4:55, 7:45, 10:45; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri. (10:50, 1:30, 4:00) 7:10, 9:35 Sat.-Sun. (10:50, 1:30) 4:00, 7:10, 9:35; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri. (11:30, 12:10, 1:55, 2:50, 4:30, 5:10) 7:30, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (11:30, 12:10, 1:55, 2:50) 4:30, 5:10, 7:30, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30; **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG) Fri. (12:05, 2:30, 5:05) Sat.-Sun. (12:05, 2:30) 5:05; **Taken** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 7:35, 9:55; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) Fri. (11:25, 2:10, 4:45) 7:25, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (11:25, 2:10) 4:45, 7:25, 10:15

Santee

**Santee Drive In**  
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)  
**Fast and Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 8:00, 12:25; **Knowing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:05p.m.; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 8:00, 11:40; **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 9:50p.m.

South Bay

Chula Vista

**Chula Vista 10**  
Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)



**Fast and Furious** (PG-13) (11:30 1:45) 4:15 7:15 9:45; **Adventureland** (R) (11:00 1:45) 4:30 7:15 10:00; **Monsters vs. Aliens 3D** (PG) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 5:45 8:00 10:30; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) (12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:30; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) (11:45 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13) (11:15 1:30 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **I Love You, Man** (R) (12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:15 10:45; **Knowing** (PG-13) (11:15 2:00) 4:45 7:45 10:45; **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:30 10:00; **Last House on the Left** (R) (12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Kidtoons Presents Earth Day** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

**Otay Ranch 12**  
Eastlake Parkway at Olympic (858-558-2262)  
**Adventureland** (R); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG-13); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **Taken** (PG-13)

**Palm Promenade 24**  
770 Dennery Road (858-558-2262)  
**Adventureland** (R); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **The Last House on the Left** (R); **Madea Goes to Jail** (PG-13); **Mon-**

**sters vs. Aliens** (PG); **Paul Blart: Mall Cop** (PG); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **Slumdog Millionaire** (R); **Taken** (PG-13); **12 Rounds** (PG-13); **Watchmen** (R)

**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)  
**Adventureland** (R); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **12 Rounds** (PG-13); **Watchmen** (R)

North Inland

Carmel Mountain

**Carmel Mountain 14**  
11620 Carmel Mountain Road (877-789-6684)  
**Adventureland** (R); **The Class** (PG-13); **Doubt** (PG-13); **Duplicity** (PG-13); **Fast and Furious** (PG-13); **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13); **I Love You, Man** (R); **Knowing** (PG-13); **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG); **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG); **Slumdog Millionaire** (R); **Taken** (PG-13)

Escondido

**Escondido 16**  
350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)  
**Adventureland** (R) Fri. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55, 10:40 Sat.-Sun. (11:45, 2:30) 5:15, 7:55, 10:40; **Duplicity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 3:40) 7:20, 10:35; **Fast and Furious** (PG-13) Fri. (11:40, 12:00, 1:40, 2:00, 2:20, 2:40, 4:20, 4:40, 5:00, 5:20) 7:05, 7:25, 7:45, 8:05, 9:45, 10:05, 10:25, 10:45 Sat.-Sun. (11:40, 12:00, 1:40, 2:00, 2:20, 2:40) 4:20, 4:40, 5:00, 5:20, 7:05, 7:25, 7:45, 8:05, 9:45, 10:05, 10:25, 10:45; **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13) Fri. (12:25, 1:35, 2:55, 4:10, 5:25) 7:10, 7:50, 9:35, 10:20 Sat.-Sun. (12:25, 1:35, 2:55) 4:10, 5:25, 7:10, 7:50, 9:35, 10:20; **I Love You, Man** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 3:30) 7:00, 9:55; **Knowing** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45, 4:00) 7:15, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (12:45) 4:00, 7:15, 10:15; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri. (11:50, 2:15, 4:50) 7:15, 9:40 Sat.-Sun. (11:50, 2:15) 4:50, 7:15, 9:40; **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 3:50) 6:45, 9:30; **Taken** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30) 6:50; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 3:20) 7:30, 10:30; **Watchmen** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:50) 9:50

Fallbrook

**River Village 6**  
5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)



**Fast and Furious** (PG-13) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:30 10:00; **Monsters vs. Aliens 3D** (PG) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 5:45 8:00 10:30; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) (12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:30; **I Love You, Man** (R) (11:45 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; **Duplicity** (PG-13) (11:00 1:45) 4:30 7:15 10:00; **Knowing** (PG-13) (11:15 2:00) 4:45 7:45 10:45; **Kidtoons Presents Earth Day** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu. No 11 am-3:00 pm shows Tues.-Thu.

Poway

**Poway 10**  
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)



**Fast and Furious** (PG-13) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Adventureland** (R) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Monsters vs. Aliens 3D** (PG) (10:00 11:00 12:15 1:15 2:30 3:30) 4:45 6:00 7:00 9:30; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) (10:30 12:45 3:00) 5:15 7:30 10:00; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) 8:15 10:45; **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13) (11:30 1:45 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **I Love You, Man** (R) (11:15 2:00) 4:30 7:15 9:45; **Duplicity** (PG-13) (10:15 1:00) 4:15 7:15 10:15; **Knowing** (PG-13) (10:45 1:45) 4:45 7:45 10:30; **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG) (10:45 1:15 3:45) 6:00 8:30 10:45; **Kidtoons Presents Earth Day** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

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)  
Call theater for program information.

North Coastal

Carlsbad

**Plaza Camino Real**  
2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)  
**I Love You, Man** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:25, 4:45) 7:00, 9:20; **Knowing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 1:55, 4:35) 7:15, 9:50; **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:45

Del Mar

**Del Mar Highlands 8**  
El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)



**Fast and Furious** (PG-13) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Adventureland** (R) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Monsters vs. Aliens 3D** (PG) (10:00 11:00 12:15 1:15 2:30 3:30) 4:45 6:00 7:00 9:30; **12 Rounds** (PG-13) 8:15 10:45; **The Haunting in Connecticut** (PG-13) (11:30 1:45 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **I Love You, Man** (R) (11:15 2:00) 4:30 7:15 9:45; **Knowing** (PG-13) (10:30 1:30) 4:15 7:30 10:30; **Race to Witch Mountain** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; **Kidtoons Presents Earth Day** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

**Flower Hill 4**  
2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)



**The Class** (PG-13) (2:45) 8:00 10:45; **The Great Buck Howard** (PG) (10:00 12:30) 5:30; **Sunshine Cleaning** (R) (10:30 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Duplicity** (PG-13) (10:45 1:45) 4:30 7:30 10:15; **Slumdog Millionaire** (R) (10:15 1:15) 4:15 7:00 10:00 No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

Encinitas

**La Paloma**  
471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)  
**The Reader** (R) Fri. 6:00, 8:35 Sat.-Sun. (3:20) 6:00, 8:35

La Costa

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## MOVIES

Martin Donovan, Kyle Gallner, Amanda Crew, and Elias Koteas; directed by Peter Cornwell.  
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**He's Just Not That into You** — As an explanation of romantic incompatibility, the catchphrase title is stunningly unillumi- nating, no matter which of its six words is stressed. (On screen, the third one stands out in green from the white of the rest, but that seems an arbitrary reading.) Satisfied with the what and incurious about the why, it tends to slam the door on further discus- sion. The screen treatment of Greg Behrendt's and Liz Tuccillo's best-selling advice book, illustrated by way of a ficti- tious mating game for five women and four men, is similarly incurious. It's... just... not... that... *into*... anybody. Its objects of study remain light on personalities, preferences, professions, particulars of any type. The stubborn superficiality, even so, puts up no impenetrable barrier to enjoyment. The filmmakers grapple with real and eternal and universal issues, in precisely the same sense that their puppets, the characters, grapple with them: the transmission and in- terpretation of signs and signals, the exer- cise of power and will, the preservation of self, the hope of happiness. Ken Kwapis, while not a director of impressive imagina- tion, is an efficient traffic cop, maintaining good spacing and smooth flow; and his ace cinematographer, John Bailey, oils up the



Duplicity

action in luscious, flattering, sunsetty pinks and oranges. There are plainly too many characters, too uneven in numbers, for happy endings to be arranged across the board; and such arrangements are tricky enough to be not readily apparent from the start. As far as they can be made, they fall well short of Jane Austen, but they never- theless are deftly brought off, and they offer, for the susceptible, a couple of squeal-with- delight climaxes. Jennifer Aniston, Drew Barrymore, Jennifer Connelly, Ginnifer Goodwin, Scarlett Johansson, Ben Affleck, Kevin Connolly, Bradley Cooper, Justin Long. 2009.  
★★ (LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**I Love You, Man** — Reviewed this issue. With Paul Rudd, Jason Segel, Rashida Jones, Sarah Burns, Jon Favreau, and Jaime Press- ley; directed by John Hamburg.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The International** — A murky exposé of big-bank chicanery, not stopping short of paramilitary hit squads, is only a posturing

pretext for some pretty slick thriller maneu- vers: the foot chase in pursuit of what turns out to be an empty car; the nifty detective work that reveals the presence and identity of a second shooter at a political assassina- tion in Milan; the tailing scene on the streets of New York that leads to a running gun battle at the Guggenheim; the bugged assignation in a Turkish mosque. Tom Tyk- wer's very precisely balanced — or just as often, precisely unbalanced — composi- tions proclaim an iron hand. With Clive Owen, Naomi Watts, Armin Mueller-Stahl, Ulrich Thomsen, and Brian F. O'Byrne. 2009.  
★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Knowing** — A schoolgirl's sealed submis- sion to a time capsule fifty years ago seems to have predicted every major calamity up to the present and beyond. A couple of au- thentically nightmarish disasters and a cou- ple of creepy moments with a group of silent stalkers known as the Whisper People provide small compensation for the

dragged-out overwrought climax (the slow movement of Beethoven's Seventh once again gets dragged out, too) and the linger- ing plot questions. With Nicolas Cage, Chandler Canterbury, Rose Byrne, and Lara Robinson; directed by Alex Proyas. 2009.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSS- MONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MIS- SION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Monsters vs. Aliens** — Reviewed this issue. With the voices of Reese With- erspoon, Seth Rogen, Hugh Laurie, and Kiefer Sutherland; directed by Rob Letterman and Conrad Vernon.  
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**Race to Witch Mountain** — Disney re- visits the titular summit, thirty years later, but not to pick up the paranormal adoles- cents in middle age. (Kim Richards and Ike Eisenmann, the original kids of *Escape from...* and *Return to...*, can be spotted in bit parts.) The action is ineptly directed by Andy Fickman, and Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson explores his comic range as a Vegas cabbie, a very short journey. With Anna- Sophia Robb, Alexander Ludwig, Carla Gugino, Ciarán Hinds, Tom Everett Scott. 2009.  
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Reader** — Stephen Daldry's tight and trim adaptation of the Bernhard Schlink best-seller on German war guilt and the fil- ial estrangement of the postwar generation. It begins in 1995 in the frigid colorless anti- septic Berlin apartment of Ralph Fiennes, lit by way of Vermeer, but soon it retreats to his adolescence in 1958, his incarnation in a very dissimilar young actor named David Kross, his scarlet fever, his torrid summer affair with an older streetcar attendant played by Kate Winslet, and his habit of reading to her in bed and bath: *The Odyssey*, *Huckleberry Finn*, *The Lady with the Little Dog*, *Lady Chatterley's Lover* ("This is disgusting," huffs the naked lady beside him). In school, his Lit. teacher broaches the universal theme of secrecy — a nudge to us viewers — and it's clear that the boy's secret is his older lover. But what's hers? Again it's clear, from the shaded and shift- ing emotions of the unfailingly fascinating Winslet, that there's a lot going on inside which we don't know about. And not be- cause Winslet, as the torrid affair abun- dantly lays bare, is to any degree inhibited. It would not be giving away too much to re- veal that several years later, when our pro- tagonist has enrolled in law school, his ad- vanced seminar attends for educational purposes a war-crimes trial in which his former lover is unmasked as an S.S. officer at Auschwitz. It's still clear even then, from all the shading and shifting, that she har- bors secrets. The provocation of the protag- onist to divulge his own secret and to inter- pose himself in the proceedings becomes quite urgent and suspenseful, although in both courtroom and classroom the film has now entered a polemical mode that can only be termed uncinematic. All the same, David Hare, the screenwriter, is a fastidious wordsmith; and even if the film drags on a bit once the time line catches up to Ralph

## User Reviews — MOVIES

Best user comments from Reader website

### Step Brothers 2008

I just watched *Step Brothers* on DVD, and I thought it was brilliant! It's a coming-of-age story about two 40-year-old geeks that live with their parents. Sure, you might say the plot was outrageous and the characters were over the top. You might even say that everything in the movie was nothing but childish potty humor. And, yeah, I'd have to agree with you! Nevertheless, I thought *Step Brothers* was an intriguing exploration of maturity with a strong message about being true to yourself. The movie really pulled through with surprisingly compelling performances by an excellent cast despite the idiotic premise. So if you're sitting around with nothing to do tonight, I'd definitely recommend renting it.  
By **eco\_ninja** 7:42 p.m., Mar. 18, 2009

### I Love You, Man 2009

This movie is really a must-see comedy! It didn't try too hard to be funny and really captured the man-man friendship. Paul Rudd's character is getting married and has no best man. He's never had a real guy friend before and so starts looking for one, but it's just not that simple and, of course, he meets some real weirdos — hilarity ensues. Luckily he happens to meet a cool guy played by Jason Segel who does a great job at being funny without going over the top. Most of the movie is about their growing friendship, letting loose, and having fun. I can't wait to see it again!  
By **kris10x99** 7:11 p.m., Mar. 23, 2009

### Duplicity 2009

*Duplicity*, the new caper movie with its expensive production values, locations, and big-name stars should be much better than it is. Julia Roberts, Clive Owens, Paul Giamatti, and Tom Wilkinson head the high-priced cast. But it's writer and director Tony Gilroy who tries too hard to top his last Oscar recognized film, *Michael Clayton*. In *Duplicity*, Gilroy reverts to time shifting to tell his convoluted story, and the cinema experience is like playing pick up sticks, with no sense or clarity until the ending, when a single stick is left.  
By **alansegal** 8:31 a.m., Mar. 29, 2009

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Fiennes, drags on seemingly to justify his place on the payroll, it eventually comes to a satisfying end in a highly charged sit-down between him and Lena Olin, a concentration-camp survivor. The clean clear color and the pinpoint focus (Chris Menges and Roger Deakins, co-credited as cinematographers) belie the moral muddiness. 2008.

★★ (LA PALOMA, FROM 4/3)

**Sin Nombre** — Reviewed this issue. With Paulina Gaitan, Edgar Flores, Kristian Ferrer, and Tenoch Huerta Mejia; written and directed by Cary Koji Fukunaga.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 4/3)

**Slumdog Millionaire** — Feverish daydream, partly amorous, partly avaricious, around an unschooled Bombay teenager who, hoping to reconnect with his childhood sweetheart, climbs toward the top prize on the Indian *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?* It breaks down into three time zones, shuffled together in a jumble: the game show itself, the torture and third degree of the contestant by police who presume he's cheating, and the flashbacks to the life experiences that explain how he could answer the questions. Much squalor and brutality, but filmed by Danny Boyle with a heedless, almost uncaring, exuberance and exhibitionism. Dev Patel, Freida Pinto, Irfan Khan. 2008.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Sunshine Cleaning** — Thin slice of American nutloaf, the main ingredients of which are two Albuquerque sisters partnered in the business of "Crime Scene Cleanup." (A pre-credits shotgun suicide demonstrates the need.) Amy Adams, a single mom in an adulterous affair with an old boyfriend, is a roller-coaster actress overtly sharing every little rise and fall of feeling, while Emily Blunt, as her irresponsible junior, maintains a shivery tension, not exactly steadier but at any rate not as wide-ranging. And Alan Arkin, as their crackpot entrepreneurial father, is evidently on board for luck: seeing as how he was in the "indie" hit *Little Miss Sunshine*, maybe there's box-office mojo in the combination of Arkin and *Sunshine*. Clifton Collins, Jr., is easily the most appealing as the one-armed model-airplane hobbyist behind the counter of the cleaning-supplies store. Jason Spevack, Steve Zahn, Mary Lynn Rajsckub, Eric Christian Olsen; directed by Christine Jeffs. 2009.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA COSTA 6, FROM 4/3; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Taken** — A ring of Albanian white slavers (Middle Eastern buyers) has the bad fortune to shanghai the virgin daughter of a retired American superspy — "I was a pre-venter," he understates — on her first morning of vacation in Paris. There is no satisfaction in the quick-as-a-blink detective work that leads him to them, only satisfaction, for those who can take it, in watching him mow them down, a Weedwacker in a field of dandelions. (Too late to "prevent" the kidnapping, but not too late for the defiling.) Nor is there satisfaction in watching an eye-lifty Liam Neeson playing Steven Seagal. Nor in watching the native director, Pierre Morel, sell out his country on top of himself. Catharsis, you learn anew, can't come out of crud. A hot shower afterwards would be your closest approximation. Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen, Olivier Rabourdin. 2009.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**12** — Russian revision of *Twelve Angry Men*, slightly "opened up" to no benefit (the makeshift jury room is a gymnasium), still stagy, wordy, overacted, mired in lengthy monologues, spun out in excess of two and



The Haunting in Connecticut

a half hours. With Sergey Makovetsky, Sergey Garmash, Sergey Gazarov, Valentin Gaft, Alexey Petrenko, Yuri Stoyanov, Mikhail Efremov, and Nikita Mikhalkov; directed by Mikhalkov. 2008.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 4/2)

**Two Lovers** — The movie itself was rather overwhelmed by the advance announcement that its star, Joaquin Phoenix, was hereupon retiring from acting to pursue a career in hip-hop. It is a movie easily overwhelmed, an intimate little indie directed and co-written by James Gray (*The*

*Yards*, *We Own the Night*, both with the selfsame Phoenix), about a suicidal jilted suitor who has moved back home with his parents in Brighton Beach and toils by day in their dry-cleaning store. In aid of his recovery, they try to set him up with a business associate's nice, sweet, kind daughter (the Hilary Swank-y Viessa Shaw), whose professed favorite movie is *The Sound of Music*. "That is a good movie," he allows. "Underrated." But he, for his part, only has eyes for Trouble: the "completely fucked-up" drug-abusing girl next door (Gwyneth Paltrow), or more exactly girl upstairs and across the court-

yard, who is deep in an affair with a married man. The simple story, a tony takeoff on Dostoevski's often-filmed White Nights, doesn't have far to go and takes a long, slow time to get there. Phoenix's striking discomfort in the leading role — the adolescent awkwardness in his body, the Herculean effort of speaking clearly and audibly — inevitably raises the question of whether his discomfort is the character's or the actor's. Either way, it works in the role, but the question is a distraction. With Is-

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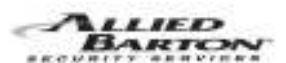
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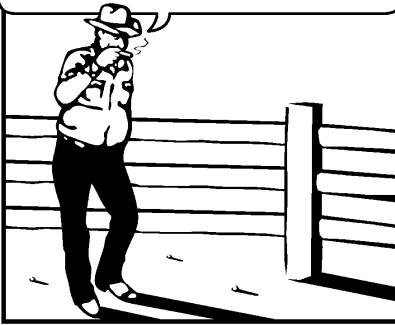
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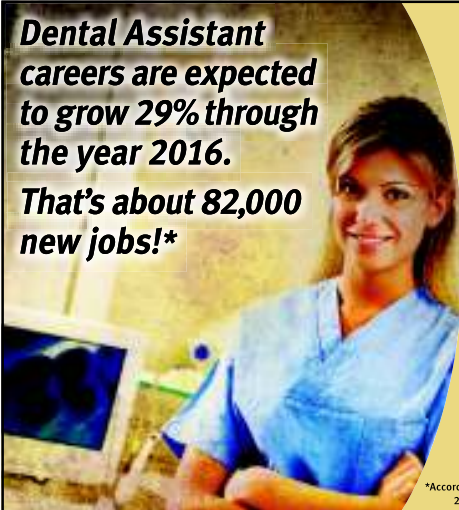
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1) Each week we're printing a list of EVERYONE who submits the correct answers to the previous week's puzzle. See this week's contenders below.

2) When you successfully complete a puzzle, we'll also print a brief (10 words or less) message that you've written. This is optional, but it's a great way to express yourself. You may submit a new message weekly. We reserve the right to reject offensive text.

3) We're keeping 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 7:00 a.m., Monday.

4) Entries must be faxed to **619-231-0489** or **619-233-7907** 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, or scanned and e-mailed to: [puzzles@sdreader.com](mailto:puzzles@sdreader.com). Submissions must be attached to e-mails in JPG format, 800 by 800 pixels, maximum file size of 1MB. Submissions that don't fit the format will not be counted or viewed.

5) 10 Reader T-shirts are awarded weekly to contenders chosen randomly! And now for the really small print:

1) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.

2) Late entries 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

- With 67-Across, sitcom that debuted in 1965
- With 66-Across, drama that debuted in 1993
- Acronym on a Valentine's Day card
- Lobbies with glass ceilings
- \_\_\_\_ Raton, Florida
- Lug
- Reality show that debuted in 2005
- Dorothy's aunt and others

- Flying movie monster of the '50s
- Part of a science course
- Labor day?
- With 49-Across, sitcom that debuted in 1982
- Well-balanced
- Entice
- Like an egg
- Like Chianti
- Variety show that debuted in 1980
- "Excusez-\_\_\_\_!"
- Gathering clouds, e.g.
- Ancient region of present-day Turkey
- "Take off!"
- See 29-Across
- "You're on!"
- Rejoices (in)
- Tea biscuit
- Parseghian of Notre Dame
- Technological advance of the 1950s ... and this puzzle's theme

62. "Right on!"

63. Many

64. "Criminal" singer Apple

65. Loch \_\_\_\_ monster

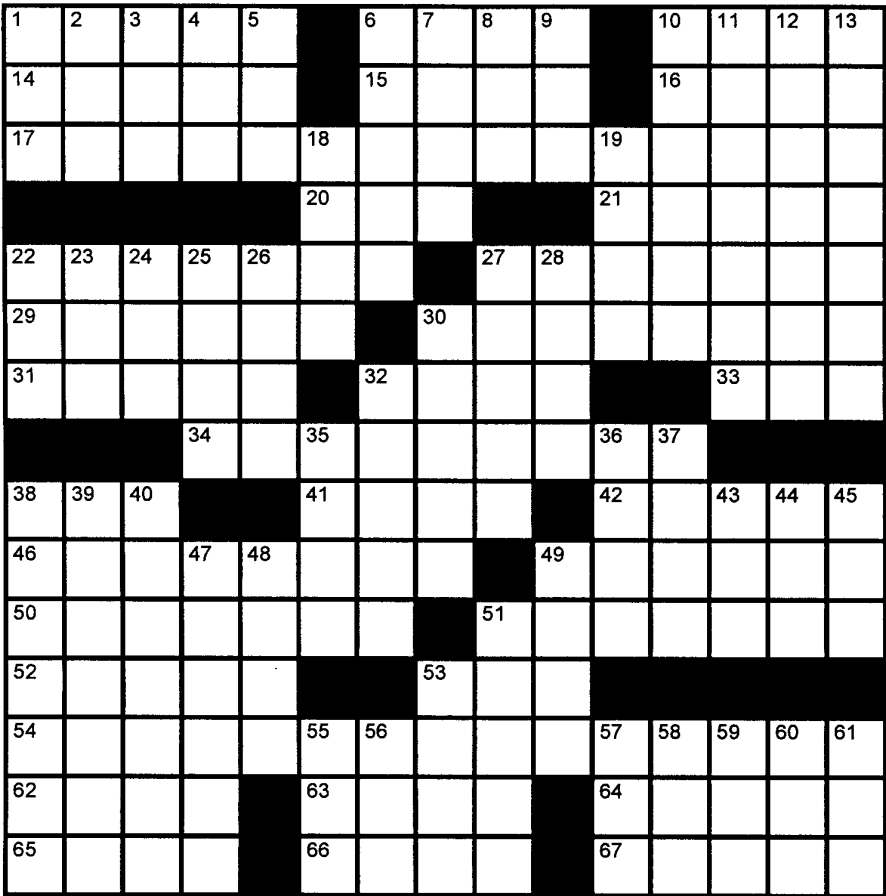
66. See 6-Across

67. See 1-Across

### Down

- Shoot the breeze
- MapQuest suggestion: Abbr.
- Verdi's "\_\_\_\_ tu"
- A, in Austria
- Henpeck
- Certain WMD
- British hooligans

- Wildlife threat, briefly
- \_\_\_\_ trader
- Moved with authority
- "Crooklyn" actress Alfre
- 1988 Bush campaign adviser
- "New Frontier" president
- Yogi, for one
- Novelist \_\_\_\_ Easton Ellis
- Chi. clock setting
- Hotfoot it
- Freddy Krueger's street
- Awards for A-Rod
- "My So-Called Life" actor Jared
- Lower oneself
- Reverse
- Space \_\_\_\_
- Maximum or minimum
- Stuff of legend
- Prefix with suction
- It may be revolving
- Diagnostic aid
- Result
- Pads for pumps
- "\_\_\_\_ won't!"
- Ending like -like
- Fool
- Papal capes
- Upper: Ger.
- Czech, e.g.
- Nine-time New York City Marathon winner Waitz
- Sluggish Moises
- "Running" amount
- House add-on
- "\_\_\_\_ tree falls in the forest ..."
- [Not my mistake]
- Super ending?
- Air Force \_\_\_\_
- "Illmatic" rapper



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## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner. Number indicates successful entries.

**Flo Abena, Rancho Penasquitos, 12.** "Alekhya, thanks for the assist."  
**Cecile Alcaraz, Chula Vista, 12.**  
**Mary Arana, Encinitas, 12.** "Happy Birthday I, J, C, and N!"  
**Jen Barnes, University Heights, 12.** "Respiro."  
**Shannon Barry, Pine Valley, 12.** "Two was the rat who jumped on his shelf."  
**Olga Betteridge, Ocean Beach, 12.** "Married life is like a strawberry: sweet, delicious, irresistible."  
**Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 12.** "Who needs a T-shirt when you have love?"  
**Charlotte Brown, Clairemont, 12.**  
**Marvin A. Brown, Clairemont, 12.**  
**E.T. Cage, Carmel Mtn., 12.**

**Phillip Castle, Carlsbad, 12.** "Opening day is almost here..."  
**A.T. Certik, Bonita, 12.**  
**Gary Dismukes, Scripps Ranch, 12.** "What happened to T.G. I. F.? We miss John B.!"  
**Jeff Doerner, Clairemont, 12.**  
**Bette Eberhardt, Pine Valley, 12.**  
**William Edwards, Kensington, 12.**  
**Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 12.** "Look out, PGA, Tiger is back!"  
**D Faulkner, University Heights, 12.** "Bicycling is for total fitness."  
**Rand Feura, Santee, 12.** "Eat at Sarai's? Oops...lost a few!"  
**Justin Finke, Sorrento Valley, 12.**  
**Barney Firks, Ocean Beach, 12.**

**Kyle Matzke, Vista, 12.** "Univ. of Wisconsin Women's Hockey rules. '06, '07, and '09 champions."  
**Bob Maxwell, Coronado, 12.** "The results are in."  
**Anna McCutcheon, Downtown, 12.** "Celebrate spring with fresh new paint! paintwithdan@yahoo.com - free estimates."  
**Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach, 12.** "Four out of 11 weeks you morons have misspelled sdmm.org."

**Pam Mecklenborg, Pacific Beach, 12.** "Check out Cash Cab."  
**Ron Meyer, Santee, 12.** "Get well fast, Dad. Glad you're home."  
**Elizabeth Noll, Alpine, 12.** "Why you stuck-up, half-witted, scruffy-looking nerf-herder!"  
**Jim Odell, Vista, 12.** "In the interest of accuracy, it was unvanquished."  
**Julie Osburn, North Park, 12.** "Congrats, Ethan, on your school award - way to go!"

**Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 12.** "Dirty dozen."  
**Gil Patricio, San Diego, 12.** "Brace for impact!"  
**John Pertle, Santee, 12.** "Urgent! Read John's Gospel. Believe its testimony. 20:31; 3:16."  
**Robert Phillips, Downtown, 12.** "Keep this in mind: doctors are only practicing medicine."  
**Matt Read, La Mesa, 12.**  
**Don Reckles, Carmel Valley, 12.** "Happy Birthday Grandpa Joe. Glad to celebrate together. WLY, KDRS."  
**Jerry Riccio, Rancho Bernardo, 12.** "A good day to raise the sales tax - April Fool!"  
**Eric Sandquist, Allied Gardens, 12.** "Turn off some lights and enjoy the stars."  
**Tom Somich, Clairemont, 12.**  
**Glenn Walker, Pacific Beach, 12.** "Don't blame Obama. The 16th Amendment is the culprit."

**Ted Scafidi, Hillcrest, 12.** "A dull tool is a dangerous tool."  
**Mark Wilde, Spring Valley, 12.** "Natalie, Desiree, and Steele - you are the greatest. I love you!"  
**Ann Winder, Hillcrest, 12.** "Happy Birthday Mom. 92 and going strong."  
**Ric Witt, Clairemont, 12.** "Good fortune is th residue of diligent preparation."  
**Sheila Agahan-Price, Ocean-side, 11.** "Patiently waiting for Talia Joy."  
**Lucy Alderson, Chula Vista, 11.** "When the tupelo goes poop-a-lo I'll come back to youp-a-la."  
**Martha Awdziewicz, Clairemont, 11.**  
**Jeff Battles, Serra Mesa, 11.** "You make me feel all and warm and glory."  
**Garry Cadenhead, Clairemont, 11.** "Happy Bday Abe."

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**Leslie Chase, Campo, 11.**  
"Orange wildflower weekend, wow! Thank you!"  
**Jon Connor, Oceanside, 11.** "The path of the righteous man is beset on all sides..."  
**Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 11.**  
"Sorry, Margaret, missed one; never again on page one!"  
**Craig Curtis, Escondido, 11.**  
"Which C.P. Supergenius just saved CSUSM \$30,000? Craig who? Curtis!"  
**Vince Cuseo, Vista, 11.** "PC load letter? What the f@ck does that mean?"  
**Carolyn Dalton, Escondido, 11.**  
**Pat DePew, San Diego, 11.**  
"Cruising on Ryndam in April! To Copper Canyon."  
**Gerard Dermody, Encinitas, 11.**  
"RN with ESP and TLC: a sooth-sayer/soothsayer."  
**Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 11.**  
"Quit these puzzles soon or we'll all need an exorcist!"  
**Alfred Egaran, San Diego, 11.**  
"Let's go Padres!"  
**Harry Engel, La Jolla, 11.** "Good-bye Sister Mary Elizabeth."  
**Manny Faria, Point Loma, 11.**  
"Pooh, I hope you had a great time at home."  
**Marie Grace, College Area, 11.**

**Bill Griffin, Crest, 11.** "This one was hard (that's what she said)."  
**Iggie Guerrero, Bay Ho, 11.**  
"Granny Nanya loves Preston!"  
**Bryan Hartman, Golden Hill, 11.**  
**Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 11.**  
"Bela Lugosi's dead."  
**Anne Hinton, Point Loma, 11.**  
**Ron Hootman, Santee, 11.** "Hoot 101: definitely not in this week. And yet!"  
**Ernie Hsu, San Diego, 11.**  
☛ **Mary Hutchings, City Heights, 11.** "No T-shirt yet. Comment for 3/19 is not mine."  
**George Jackson, Oceanside, 11.**  
**Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 11.**  
"Back in the saddle! Hi-ho Kiera and Bodo!"  
**Jim Koziol, UTC, 11.** "Let's go blue!"  
**Frank Kuzniar, Carlsbad, 11.**  
"When in debt, cut up the credit card."  
**Lane and Gaby Litke, Chula Vista, 11.**  
**Joe Maginn, Mission Beach, 11.**  
"It's ok, I do my best work from behind."  
**Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 11.**  
"I like durian - King of Fruit."  
**Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside, 11.**  
"Bike to work - every day!"  
**Irving Metzger, San Diego, 11.**  
"Miraculous Marcia."

**Rumir Miravalles, San Diego, 11.** "Congrats, Colleen, on your graduation."  
**C.J. Muellner, Spring Valley, 11.**  
"Randomly submitted submission for randomly awarded T-shirt. Pls and ty."  
**Marge Nelson, El Cajon, 11.**  
"Heartland Lions We Serve."  
**Elizabeth Rainbolt, Mission Valley, 11.**  
**Dave Small, San Carlos, 11.** "Reel in the years."  
**Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 11.** "Too soon we get old, too late we get smart."  
**Elenore Stephens, Potrero, 11.**  
"P-town 4 life."  
**Thelma Strickland-Hicks, Del Mar, 11.** "Hey Marcey, thanks for making the lovely necklace for me!"  
**Pamela Swain, College Area, 11.**  
"Oops!"  
**Jim Vaughan, Carlsbad, 11.** "This puzzle was a pain in the neck!"  
**Nedda Viscovich, Cardiff, 11.**  
**Bob Werner, Bay Park, 11.**  
**Steve Wilson, Spring Valley, 11.**  
**M. Zimmermann, Vista, 11.**  
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**Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 10.**  
**Jay Berkowitz, La Jolla, 10.**  
"Ohmigosh! Jorrie really retired!"  
**Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 10.**  
"Just want to say I love everyone - no everybody!"  
**Sue Coffey, Southwest SD, 10.**  
"Can't you put the puzzle online?"  
**Donna Cresta, Chula Vista, 10.**

**Kurt Dornbusch, Mission Valley, 10.** "We love and miss you, Tony."  
**Joe Griffin, Crest, 10.** "Sitting in Cancun, sipping a margarita, working my puzzle."  
**Greg Harkless, San Diego, 10.**  
"You'll have to answer to the Coca-Cola company."  
**Julie Hocking, Normal Heights, 10.** "Go crazy!"  
**Ellie Hoey, Spring Valley, 10.**  
"Happy Birthday Neil."  
**Richard Hutchings, Santee, 10.**  
"This should be #!! if correct."  
**Jerry Jones, Oceanside, 10.**  
"Gotta envy those one-entry winners!"  
**Sara Khwaja, Poway, 10.** "Hey Gabe, how is Manila?"  
**Thisby Krakatoa, San Diego, 10.**  
"Study, children, study hard."  
**James C Nelson, El Cajon, 10.**  
**Don Prince, Serra Mesa, 10.**  
"Republicans spent like a drunken sailor the past eight years."  
**John Prince, Serra Mesa, 10.**  
"...and the trees themselves will tell you what to do."  
**Janie Redmond, Cardiff, 10.**  
"Michaela P. Ocean Knoll, distinguished citizen."  
**Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 10.**  
**Tom Seaman, Alpine, 10.**  
**Marjorie Stewart, Point Loma, 10.**  
**Gayle Studer, Mission Valley, 10.**

**Rich Tschiegg, Scripps Ranch, 10.** "Rock 105.3 Ashlee's Dance Party, www.kioz.com - that's me!"  
**Kierkegaard Victoria, San Diego, 10.**  
**Bob Vollmar, La Jolla, 10.**  
**Westie, San Diego, 10.** "Mmm! Dulce de leche."  
**Ken A., Ocean Beach, 9.** "I am the king of the epic '80s chase!"  
**Clemencia Angus, Linda Vista, 9.** "My personal message is, as always, peace."  
**Mike Bullock, Rancho Bernardo, 9.**  
**Maria Coda, Oceanside, 9.** "Hi All!"  
**Ben Cooper, Gaslamp, 9.** "What's your ETA for dinner at Sara's restaurant?"  
**Jim Corbett, San Diego, 9.**  
**George Elam, Vista, 9.** "Make mine a Jack Daniel's on the rocks."  
**Edward C Horbett, Jr., Crown Point, 9.** "Aya is here."  
**Billy Horton, Santee, 9.**  
**Cornelia Lewis, Alpine, 9.** "Life in balance."  
**Steve Lundquist, San Diego, 9.**  
**B.J. Lundquist, San Diego, 9.**  
**Wayne Mathieu, Clairemont, 9.**  
**Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 9.**  
"Number 9, number 9, number 9."  
☛ **Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 9.**  
"Congrats to Joshua and Trinity. It was a beautiful wedding!"  
**Michael Panther, Point Loma, 9.**  
"Nope. Let's go, boys."

**P. Drew Papas, La Jolla, 9.**  
**Jay Sato, Carmel Valley, 9.**  
"Happy Birthday, Adrian, from Bryan, Jay, Molly."  
**Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 9.**  
"Go Aztecs!"  
**Martin Soblick, Del Mar, 9.**  
**Robin Suter, La Mesa, 9.**  
**Marie Turock, North Park, 9.** "I am because death, the destroyer of worlds."  
**Nathaniel Uy, East Village, 9.**  
"Dear Mommy, Happy Birthday! Love, Roxy."  
**Tom and Jenn, Mira Mesa, 8.**  
**Leo Baggerly, Encinitas, 8.**  
"Quod erat determinandum."  
**Dennis Beabout, Temecula, 8.**  
"Ok, my son won a T-shirt, is it my turn?"  
**Wally Chapman, Chula Vista, 8.**  
**Victor Correa, San Ysidro, 8.**  
"Pick up!"  
☛ **William Cushing, Rancho Bernardo, 8.** "Thanks Amber and Jason for watching O'Reilly."  
**Don Erickson, Carlsbad, 8.** "Hi, Kathy."  
**Scott Heimer, Mission Valley, 8.**  
"See you at the tea party!"  
**Lizzy Henry, Encinitas, 8.** "When life hands you dilemmas, make dilemmae."  
**Gerard Hoskins, Bonsall, 8.**  
"Hang on, it will be alright."  
**Tom Laurin, Chula Vista, 8.**  
"Don't do it for the shirts, but for the glory!"

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**Bev Longdon, El Cajon, 8.** “*Hi Lukie, Taylor, and Austin!*”  
**James Mayfield, Bay Park, 8.** “*9/11 was an inside job used as pre-text for war.*”  
**Aleksa Mendive, Normal Heights, 8.**  
**G.R. Morse, San Diego, 8.** “*Evita lives.*”  
**Cindy Pellett, University Heights, 8.** “*I’m rooting for you, Stuart A.!*”  
**Chris Peterkin, Scripps Ranch, 8.** “*When I slam Obama my correct entries aren’t entered. Coincidence?*”  
**Carol Rabner, Escondido, 8.**  
**Connie Rittichier, Poway, 8.**  
**Jack Rohrer, Clairemont, 8.** “*I’m late jumping o the bandwagon, but go Spartans!*”  
**Matthew Rosello, San Diego, 8.** “*It is gone.*”  
**Estevan Soto, Chula Vista, 8.** “*What did the farmer say when he lost his tractor?*”  
**Andrea Vollmer, Vista, 8.**  
**Dave Washington, La Jolla, 8.** “*For ye were sometimes in darkness but now light...*”  
**Tom White, University City, 8.**  
☛ **Philip Blasé, San Diego, 7.** “*Then to markets of Morocco.*”  
**Evelyn Bowser, Hillcrest, 7.** “*Sell that house.*”

**Marilyn Contreras, El Cajon, 7.**  
**Chris Donnelly, Carlsbad, 7.**  
**Ben Doverdahl, San Diego, 7.** “*I’m working the crops!*”  
☛ **Terry Golden, Clairemont, 7.**  
**Joaquin Guerrero, San Marcos, 7.** “*Children, quit asking what your country can do for you!*”  
**Ken Hanson, Clairemont, 7.**  
**Letty Hernandez, Chula Vista, 7.** “*Congrats, Alexa, on your ribbon.*”  
**Martha Klages, Encanto, 7.** “*Aw, come on, pick me!*”  
**N.C. Lyman, Poway, 7.** “*Baby Cakes, you are my best friend. I love you.*”  
**Alex Moran, San Diego, 7.** “*The cat in gloves catches no mice. -B.F.*”  
☛ **Denis Rees, Alpine, 7.**  
**Eddie and Andrea Schroder, Carlsbad, 7.** “*Look out, taxpayers. Obama thinks you’re rich!*”  
**Sal Vitale, Pacific Beach, 7.** “*Did you miss me?*”  
**Stephen Wilder, Rancho Bernardo, 7.** “*Somewhere I’m on the sead!*”  
**Isabella Busch-Sorrenson, Ocean Beach, 6.** “*You don’t buy wands at Hogwart’s.*”  
**Susan De Masi, Fallbrook, 6.** “*I want Ollie. Now!*”  
**Jenny Hughes, Escondido, 6.**

**Mike Deliman, Santee, 6.** “*Is it 1984 yet? Atlas Shrugged.*”  
**Joy E. Fernandez, Chula Vista, 6.** “*That’s what I’m talkin’ ‘bout, son!*”  
**Joseph Gold, San Diego, 6.** “*Ooga-booga.*”  
**Linda Millsberg, Santee, 6.**  
**Noah Najbert, Mira Mesa, 6.** “*Happy Birthday Dad!*”  
**Don Romero, Ramona, 6.** “*I need a T-shirt for Mei Ling!*”  
**Donna Swing, La Mesa, 6.** “*Happy Birthday, Rosemarie, April 2.*”  
**Barbara Varga, San Diego, 6.** “*On the hunt for Stacy’s man!*”  
**Michael Williams, Downtown, 6.** “*Pagusan that cc monitor is not sleep therapy.*”  
**Elizabeth Wood, Poway, 6.** “*Cell phones cause cancer!?*”  
**Peter Woodbury, Chula Vista, 6.**  
**Dustin Beabout, Temecula, 5.** “*New state: Massachsetts! Typo Patrol!*”  
**Jim Hitchcock, Chula Vista, 5.** “*Surf team shirt rocks.*”  
**Stephanie McNicol, Rolondo, 5.** “*Let your heart rule your head tonight.*”  
**Donald Millsberg, Santee, 5.**  
**Cindy Pancer, Pacific Beach, 5.** “*How about 5 correct, get a T-shirt?!*”  
**Rubber Chicken Research Team, Mission Hills, 5.** “*Running around like a pork chop.*”  
**N’Namdi Sikumbuzo, Serra Mesa, 5.**  
**Armando Vargas, San Ysidro, 5.** “*Baseball is here! Go Dodger blue! For 717.*”

**John Willis, National City, 5.** “*Is that my coffee cup?*”  
**Brian and Suzanne, Point Loma, 4.** “*Happy Birthday Suz!*”  
**Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 4.** “*Aha! Octet plus one equals nonet.*”  
**Carlos Chamberlain, Bonita, 4.** “*Amanda is coming home for Spring Break.*”  
**Steve Gunsolly, Normal Heights, 4.**  
**Dara Hetzel, Escondido, 4.**  
**E.M. Hutchings, Santee, 4.**  
**Misty McDaniel, Lakeside, 4.** “*Happy Birthday Anette!*”  
**Stacey Street, North Park, 4.** “*Spr!Ng into spr!Ng the right way.*”  
**Michell Thitathan, Downtown, 4.** “*Go, go Rigoletto. San Deigo loves the opera!*”  
**Anastacio C Armintia, Mira Mesa, 3.**  
**Max Calhoun, Vista, 3.** “*I can’t dance ‘cause my feet are much too wide.*”  
**Mariana Garcia, Chula Vista, 3.** “*This is my cup.*”  
**Sandra Groves, Bonita, 3.**  
**Cindi Heida, Poway, 3.** “*Is it bad kama to wish bad karma on some-one? LOL.*”  
**Gail Jones, El Cajon, 3.** “*Thanks for the shirt, but where’s my name?*”  
**Steve Kassiotis, San Diego, 3.** “*O.B. rock. Gnothi, Seanton, should B4, 3 + a Tee?*”  
**F.A. Nalu, El Cajon, 3.** “*Good workout.*”

**Jane Reilly, University City, 3.**  
☛ **Tom Stam, Lakeside, 3.**  
**Doris Yu, San Diego, 3.**  
**P.J. Patel and Steve Thomas, Mission Valley, 2.** “*Pet sitting, dog walking. jamboreepetcare.com*”  
**Chris Baker, Huntington Beach, 2.** “*I love San Diego.*”  
**Kerry Cook, Bay Park, 2.** “*Happi-ness is solved puzzles.*”  
**Arturo de la Vega, La Mesa, 2.** “*That’s two four two.*”  
**Nicole Kennelly, La Mesa, 2.** “*Clear thinking at 5 am!*”  
**Neil E. Lien, Escondido, 2.**  
**Tammy Lin, San Diego, 2.**  
**Debbie Rosier, Coronado, 2.** “*Going to the desert with Pat and Chubs!*”  
**Geri Sappington, Clairemont, 2.** “*Ray - you are my sunshine.*”  
**Jane Yang, San Diego, 2.** “*C’mon T-shirt. Big bucks, no whammies, stop!*”  
**Becky and Thomas, La Jolla, 1.** “*We’re having a nana good time!*”  
☛ **Bruce Cook, Cardiff, 1.**  
**Jose Cruz, San Diego, 1.** “*Literacy saves!*”  
**Tom Gibilisco, Lemon Grove, 1.** “*The Tom Mom Team undefeated?*”  
**Linnea Goetz, Clairemont, 1.** “*I rule!*”  
**Estefano Hill Jr., El Cajon, 1.** “*I will win a T-shirt...ha ha!!*”  
**Ana Jacala, Downtown, 1.**  
**Jason Kron, Lakeside, 1.** “*Puzzles are getting harder or I’m getting older.*”

**Stephanie Lesne, Ocean Beach, 1.** “*Kickball, baby!*”  
**Elvern Orr, Coronado, 1.**  
**E.J.K. Powell-Holmes, Bay Ho, 1.**  
☛ **Carolyn Rico, Clairemont, 1.**  
**Shannon Rico, Clairemont, 1.**  
**J. Roncelli, Encinitas, 1.** “*I adore you, R.B.A, and I am thrilled to be your wife!*”  
**Bill Stevens, Bay Park, 1.** “*Back again.*”  
**Mike Van Nordheim, Poway, 1.** “*Take responsibility.*”  
**Nik Vogel, Oceanside, 1.** “*Doing good is the enemy of doing the best.*”  
**Joyce Wiedenhoff, Carlsbad, 1.** “*About face!*”  
**Susan Williams, North Park, 1.** “*Bookish in North Park.*”  
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## Sporting Box

p.18 fiction *should be* friction

## Crossword Puzzle

p.120 Massachsetts *should be* Massachusetts

**Karen Guarnotta (San Diego) \$70**

## Events Listings

p.64 danger *should be* dangerous

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**Armin Moths (San Diego) \$40**

## Tales of Real Men

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## Movie Listings

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**Kilian Roever (San Diego) \$20**

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**Don Reckles (San Diego) \$10**

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## Stringers

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## What's That You're Writing?

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## Of Note

p.86 Wynton *should be* Branford

**Mtume Salaam (San Diego) \$30**

## Classical Music Listings

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**John Mann (San Diego) \$10**

## Events Listings

p.58 participate *should be* participates

p.64 Lyceum Theater *should be* Lyceum Theatre

## Music Listings

p.84 Vangaalen *should be* VanGaaalen

**Karelyn Kimokeo (El Cajon) \$30**

## Tales of Real Men

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## Tin Fork

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**Linda Cox (San Diego) \$20**

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## SurfDIEGO

Name: Michael Janzen

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Miss work for surfing? “No. Get up earlier and do both.”

A few months ago, surfers congregated at Tourmaline Surf Park in Pacific Beach. The mayor and two city council members gathered with the surfers. They regarded a new brick-and-granite installation, a memorial etched with a longboard surfer on a slow, steady wave. Beneath the engraved photo, the inscription reads, “Surf well, share aloha, share waves without judgment.”

Michael prepares his longboard for a ride and sets it in the bed of his pickup. Holding the rails of the truck, he kicks one foot back, grabs it, and stretches his leg. He repeats to stretch the other leg. “Winter surfing’s better,” he says. “The waves are better; it’s just colder.” To keep from stiffening up in the frigid water, Michael advises, “Surf as much as possible; the more waves you catch, the warmer you stay....



“See that rock out there? That’s called Grimace.” He points to a crag protruding from beneath the white foam close to the beach. “There was a guy in a boat—a 30- or 40-footer—as close as Grimace, and he was trying to surf,” he says

incredulously.

Michael says he’s sacrificed a lot for surfing. “I tore my meniscus and had knee surgery. Thirteen days after surgery, I stood up on my first wave. Same day I got my stitches out.”

The sky is cloudy but

not threatening rain. Michael pulls his board from his truck and passes the memorial on his way to the water to share the gentle waves.

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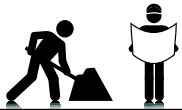
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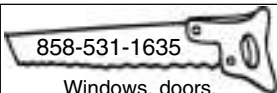
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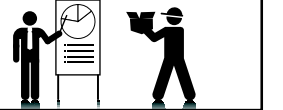
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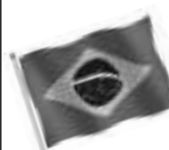
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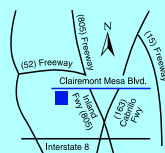


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Corrie Vance  
Waitress  
Point Loma

I've been on TV twice. Once was in Europe. I was running a marathon there, and it's small in Europe. I lived there for a while. They showed me talking to a runner. Then I was on the Disney Channel when I was younger. That was a lot of fun. I got to throw paint at people.



Bill Dusting  
Letter Carrier  
University City

Yeah. You probably saw me on TV. I was the mailman that was at the house in University City when that F-18 went down. I heard a *bang bang* and thought things were turning ghetto. I looked up and saw the guy ejected out and wasn't sure which way to move. I was interviewed by all the news stations, and women started giving me gratuitous hugs after that. Now people drive by the area, and if they see me, they'll ask me what it was like being there. I was interviewed by stations in Australia, which is where I'm from. I then got a bunch of calls and emails from people I hadn't heard from in years.



Melanie Sponselee  
Dog Day-Care  
South Park

There were different times I have. When I was little, in a commercial for Pool Town; I saw the spot run a few times. I was on Food Network for Pizzeria Luigi's when I worked there. And in between those two times, when I was 15, my friends and I were on the news. We were in line for an Aerosmith concert, and we were just yelling and screaming, waving our hands in the air.



Andy King  
Photographer  
Alpine

I hate to admit this, but I was on *Jerry Springer*. This was before the days of all those fights. It was about a woman stalking me. My friend signed us up for it, and there were the three of us there. They did a lot of shady stuff. They had an empty chair, and they wouldn't let you hear what the other people were saying. They gave us these things called "Springer money," which you could spend all around that area. They put us up in a nice hotel in Chicago. And, I also got on *Talk Soup*, back when Greg Kinnear was hosting. They showed the highlights from [the *Springer* show].



Spencer Mead  
Contractor  
Mount Helix

I was interviewed by Rod Luck. Is that the guy's name? The one from KUSI? My dad owned a company; it's a series of stores that deals with outdoor and adventure equipment. We were both interviewed at the park by him and on TV.



Ron Kirkpatrick  
Pipe Fitter  
Imperial Beach

I was on TV when I was ten years old. A guy was killed down the street. That was when I lived in L.A. And Fox News was there. It was around 7:00 p.m., and I just rode by on my skateboard and ended up being in the shot.

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— Belgian workers take sick leave nearly four times as often as U.S. workers, mostly attributed to Belgian law, which grants full salary the first month and then government-guaranteed 80-percent pay indefinitely. A recent study, noted in a January *Wall Street Journal* report, found that only 5 percent of Belgian leave-takers were proven malingerers, but that the biggest medical problem now is easily diagnosed “depression” (exacerbated by the worsening economy), leading to free-form medical leave-taking and creative treatments often unchallenged, such as for the man who frolicked on the soccer field, bought an Alfa Romeo, and reconnected with old friends (all of which, said his doctor, lessened his depression).

**Fine Points of the Law**

— On successive days in January in a courthouse in Sheboygan, Wis., 17-year-old Alan Jepsen and 17-year-old Norma Guthrie were each charged with sexual assault for having consensual sex with their respective 14-year-old, opposite-sex companions. However, Jepsen was charged with a felony, and Guthrie was charged with a misdemeanor.

— In January, a judge at Britain’s Bristol Crown

Court dropped the case against a 20-year-old man accused of robbing a driving instructor because the victim-witness was “too believable” in her testimony to the jury. Judge Jamie Tabor explained that the victim had only seen the defendant for a split second, but that she appeared so sincere and courageous that the jury probably regarded her courtroom identification of the man as more authoritative than the mere glimpse deserved.

**Compelling Explanations**

— Australia’s Queensland Rail agency disclosed in January that it would quickly offer refunds to passengers on a Cairns-to-Brisbane train that crashed just outside Cairns, but reiterated at the same time that it would not pay refunds to survivors of a November 2008 Brisbane-to-Cairns train crash that killed two and injured nine. The difference, according to a Queensland Rail general manager, was that the 2009 trip was just getting underway from Cairns when it crashed, but that the 2008 trip, also near Cairns, was “95 percent over” by the time the deadly crash occurred.

**Not My Fault**

— Timothy Hoffman, 26, was awarded \$76.6 million by a jury in Viera, Fla., in January for

becoming paralyzed in a 2003 incident when, on a dare, he dove headfirst into the Indian River, which, unknown to him, was about a foot deep at that point. One reason for the large judgment may have been that the defendant, C&D Dock Works, one of whose employees may have been the one that issued the dare, is bankrupt and did not defend itself at the trial. (There was also evidence that Hoffman may have solicited the dare himself.)

— Paul Sanchez, 67, an “occasional” golfer, filed a lawsuit in Brentwood, N.H., in February against the Candia Woods Golf Links for a 2006 incident in which his approach shot hit a yard marker in the fairway, bounced back, and struck him in the eye. Sanchez claimed the course owners were negligent in placing the sign in the fairway and also should have warned him that balls would bounce off of it.

**Ironies**

— (1) The \$500,000 top prize in Alaska’s January statewide lottery, to benefit victims of sexual assault, was won by Alec Ahsoak, 53, who is a twice-convicted sex offender. (2) Sweden’s *Hal-lands Nyheter* newspaper reported in January that a police officer had endured four operations at a private clinic in Gothenburg to correct a

birth condition that made one leg shorter than the other, but operations on the longer leg cut off too much, so it is now shorter than the leg that used to be the shorter one.

**Oops!**

— In January, assistant coaches Scott Coy and Darren DeMeio, of the Westminster College (New Wilmington, Pa.) football team, who were in Nashville, Tenn., for a coaches’ convention, were seriously injured during 4 a.m. horseplay-wrestling at their hotel. The men, who weigh a combined 525 lbs., crashed through the double-paned window in their fourth-floor room and fell to the ground in their underwear.

**Dogs Causing Trouble**

— A 70-lb. pit bull jumped on a car’s gearshift at a carwash in Pryor, Okla., in November, sending the car out of the bay, to circle the lot briefly. ... A 19-year-old man had several toes shot off on a hunting trip in January in Forrest City, Ark., when his dog jumped onto a shotgun in the front seat of his truck.

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# Reader Pop Quiz

### This week's questions

1. Pioneering rock journalist and Encinitas resident Paul Williams's footsteps can be heard on what classic Doors single?
2. Wolfgang Puck's new San Diego restaurant has a name ("Jai") that supposedly translates from Thai as \_\_\_\_.
3. Don Bauder reports that bankruptcy filings are up \_\_\_\_ percent in San Diego and Imperial counties compared with a year ago, for the 12 months ending in February.
4. Name the recording studio in El Cajon's industrial region that has hosted the likes of Lady Dottie and the Diamonds, the Heartaches, and the Lanterns.
5. In the play *Opus*, the Lazara String Quartet is scheduled for a command performance at the White House. Six days before showtime, though, the viola player does what?
6. Many bars and restaurants have a happy hour; Baja Betty's in Hillcrest has what?
7. The Dexter Romweber Duo pulls into town on Thursday, April 2. Barnaby Monk reminds us that the Athens, GA, hitmakers were previously known as what?
8. The legally challenged name "North to North Park" for a popular local music fest has now been changed to what?
9. Matthew Alice explains how the pseudoscientific Kinoki pads purportedly suck toxins and parasites out of the body through what part?
10. Local rocker chick/deejay Anya Marina has been known to call her sensitive singer-songwriter persona by what name?

### Last week's answers

1. Watain. (p. 70)
2. The Three Rappers. (p. 80)
3. A grill. (p. 22)
4. "Less than a month." (p. 103)
5. Pop jazz. (p. 86)
6. Sunglasses. (p. 97)
7. The Homosexuals. (p. 78)
8. At 726 Ninth Avenue. (p. 70)
9. Puerto La Boca. (p. 95)
10. Alcohol, Eddie Van Halen. (p. 93)

Last Week's Winners:

Gordon Kanteena, Ken Marsh, Graciela Polick, Sergio Ghio, and George Jackson

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First, everyone else wandering the store on a Tuesday afternoon is also laid off. Then there's the gut-deep fear that a blue vest and nametag will be my next uniform.

I should have followed the advice of one of my colleagues. Just after our layoff meeting, we stood in my cube awkwardly, unsure of what to do. Suddenly, he sighed. "I'm going to Denny's for a Grand Slam and then I'm

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Don't need one.  
Aren't you freezing?  
Nope.  
So you're not bothered at all by the cold?  
That depends. By "the cold" do you mean the temperature, or the people who are cold?

Confused by your lack of discomfort, cold people will demand an explanation, but no explanation will satisfy them.

Why aren't you shivering?  
Maybe I'm just tougher than you.  
HA!  
That wasn't a joke.  
I know. That's why it was funny.

The best strategy is to give them an explanation that'll kill the conversation and hopefully make them go away.

I'm sick, and have a fever.  
It's contagious.  
Hiuuuuighly contagious.  
I gotta go.  
Riiiiiiiiight.

Be patient with them and take heart, because come summer, chances are your roles will be reversed.

I'm sick and have chills.  
It's contagious.  
Hiuuuu. Never mind. Point taken.  
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## Thirty Years Ago

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[S]o recognized was he that, according to a Channel 39 poll taken in 1977 (which led to his hiring in June that year), he was the second most familiar person in San Diego, behind Mayor Pete Wilson.

— CITY LIGHTS: **"TROUBLESHOOTER GETS FIRED,"** Bill Ritter, April 5, 1979

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

For nearly ten years, since Ampex released "Tobacco Road" by Jamul in 1971, not a single San Diego rock band was able to land a recording contract with a major record company, and this fact prompted many local bands to feel there was some

sort of jinx associated with our city.

— CITY LIGHTS: **"LOCAL GROUPS GROPE,"** Thomas K. Arnold, April 5, 1984

## Twenty Years Ago

Remembering Ocean Beach, for radio talk-show host/former mayor Roger Hedgecock, is remembering the place where he learned to surf. Soon a small blue square of ceramic will share this significant item from Hedgecock's personal history with the world. Or at least those inhabitants thereof stepping on the square as they walk along Newport Avenue.

Hedgecock's tile, along with perhaps 2000 others, will be placed late this summer in the sidewalk of Ocean Beach's main drag.

— CITY LIGHTS: **"TIME AND TERRA COTTA,"** Mary Lang, April 6, 1989

## Fifteen Years Ago

As I drove up and down Mission Boulevard in Pacific Beach — site of this year's MTV Spring Break shooting — watching youthful crowds walk up and down the sidewalk, I

thought their lives could have used a little organization. That Saturday-night scene presented a sad mien to anyone expecting spring break teen mayhem.

Instead, police lined the median strip near Santa Clara Point, having broken up the one party they'd discovered. Elsewhere, college kids stood in obedient lines outside restaurant/bars on Garnet Avenue, while at music spots like Club Emerald City, bouncers took an inordinate amount of time to scrutinize IDs.

— REVIEW: **"U-N-I-T-Y,"** Gina Arnold, March 31, 1994

## Ten Years Ago

When you first told me a French village existed in Oceanside, I laughed. Impossible! But when I investigated further, I discovered you were correct.

They called it "Oceanside's best-kept secret" — an enclave of 75 French Norman-style homes along the Pacific. They said the little 28-

acre community of white-and-blue-trimmed houses resembled a French fishing village on Brittany's coast. They said both places were called Saint Malo.

— **"HALFWAY BETWEEN DISNEYLAND AND THE SAN DIEGO ZOO,"** Susan Vaughan, April 1, 1999

## Five Years Ago

Next week is the grand opening of the city-financed Petco Park baseball stadium, and the council is set to keep on partying. Tucked away in an agreement between the city and the Padres adopted back in February 2000 is a clause establishing the "City Suite, a Private Suite on the Club Level between first-base and third-base with a seating capacity inside and outside of the Suite of not fewer than 22 persons." In addition, "the City as an owner shall be entitled to one admission ticket for each seat in the City Suite for each Event, including Padres Games, free of charge."

And while common citizens are being urged to carpool or take the



San Diego Reader, April 5, 1979

trolley to the new stadium, or otherwise fork over big money for parking, the city council will be able to "use and occupy 15 VIP parking spaces for all Events at the Ballpark Property, at a location to be designated by the Padres in the immediate vicinity of the Ballpark Structure."

— CITY LIGHTS: **"AMERICA'S FINEST SEATS,"** Matt Potter, April 1, 2004

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Senior pastor: Nicholas Dempsey
Congregation size: 2000 families
Staff size: 7
Sunday school enrollment: 634
Annual budget: n/a
Weekly giving: n/a
Singles program: yes
Dress: casual to semi-formal
Diversity: mostly Caucasian, Pacific Islander, and Asian-American
Sunday worship: 9 a.m., 11 a.m.
Length of reviewed service: 45 minutes
Website: sttheresecarmel.org

I was just thinking that this particular stretch of Del Mar Trails Road reminded me of some ancient Italian village (only with more yard space and much bigger houses), when a bend in the road opened a vista to the valley beyond, a vista dominated by a huge copper dome topped with a cross — an exclamation point for that Italian echo.
The church is new enough that the outdoor Stations of the Cross, highlighting various moments in Jesus’ life from His condemnation onward, are not yet in place along the outdoor Walk of Faith. But the plan, said dea-

con John Fanelle, was for the Stations to end at the entrance to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. From the church brochure: “The chapel represents the risen Christ — the fifteenth station heralding the Resurrection.”
“The Stations started as a penance service,” explained Fanelle. “People who sinned were sent to the Holy Land to walk the Way of the Cross. Over time, that became impractical, and in Germany, they started setting up stations. The number of stations varied, all the way up to 21.” Many churches feature just 14, concluding with Jesus’ burial in the tomb; it’s an appropriately downbeat note for the penitential season of Lent, when the Stations are usually emphasized. But Friday’s Stations included Number 15: The Resurrection. A note in the text explained that “the Passion of Christ is meaningless unless the Resurrection is kept in mind.”
Because the Stations were not yet installed, the service was held inside the church. About 70 congregants attended, many of them relative youngsters, their

subdued voices echoing in the dim vastness as they sang: “Were you there/ When they crucified my Lord... Were you there/ When they crowned Him with the thorns...” Fanelle processed forward toward the great bronze crucifix, its dark visage tinged with purple from the spotlights below. “Lord Jesus,” he prayed, “for 2000 years, the Church has gathered to remember — to relive — those final hours of Your earthly journey... In Your suffering and death, You reveal to us the truth about God and man.... Help us to become worthy to share in the Passion and the Resurrection.”
Fanelle then spooned incense into a holder on a chain and made the long walk to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, returning with a consecrated Host cupped between his hands. He placed the Host in a red-and-gold monstrance on the altar that served to display it to the people. From that point on, no one sat; the service involved a mix of kneeling and standing, with frequent shifts between the two. (My right knee had begun to twinge by the time Simon

of Cyrene helped Jesus carry His cross at the Fifth Station, which included the prayer, “Help us to see in the sufferings...of our lives a share in Your Cross.... Console us in the belief that we bear all things in union with You.”)
The congregation remained in their places throughout. In order to mirror Jesus’ progress through the streets of Jerusalem, Fanelle led the prayers from various parts of the church — now alone in a far corner as Jesus was condemned, now in the midst of the people as Jesus fell the second time. (By which point, the empurpled crucifix was wreathed in haze from the pot of incense.)
Each station began with Fanelle praying, “We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You.” Everyone genuflected and answered, “Because by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.” Then Fanelle read from Scripture — usually the Gospel account of the Passion, but occasionally bits of the Old Testament. Isaiah’s “It was our weaknesses that He carried” accompanied Jesus’ second fall, and Psalm 118’s “I lie prostrate in the dust;

John Fanelle
Stations of the Cross at St. Therese of Carmel Catholic Church Del Mar
Sermon content: no sermon, delivery: no sermon, Liturgy: ★★★½, Music: congregational band: ★★★½, Snacks: no snacks, Architecture: ★★★, Friendliness: ★★
Poor to satisfactory: (none), Good: ★, Very good: ★★, Excellent: ★★★, Extraordinary: ★★★★★

shepherd, I shall not want.” Then Fanelle offered a prayer, and the congregation stood and sang a verse to the tune of the 13th-century hymn “Stabat Mater.” Each verse heralded the next station; before the death of Jesus, they sang, “Life eternal, death defiant/ Bowed his head — the world was silent/ Through his death came life anew.”
(This was the traditional form; on alternating Fridays, Fanelle leads another Stations of the Cross based on the 1991 Good Friday service conducted by Pope John Paul II.)
What happens when we die?
“I think we get to enjoy the love of God like you’ve never, ever imagined,” said Fanelle, before adding a story from the previous week’s homily about the difference between heaven and hell. What it came to was this: in hell, people loved themselves and suffered; in heaven, they loved each other and rejoiced.
— Matthew Lickona

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