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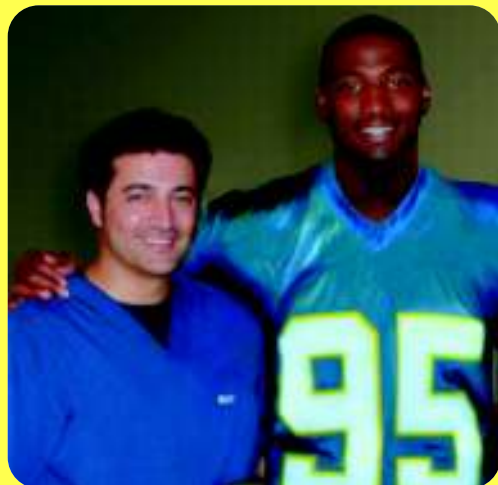
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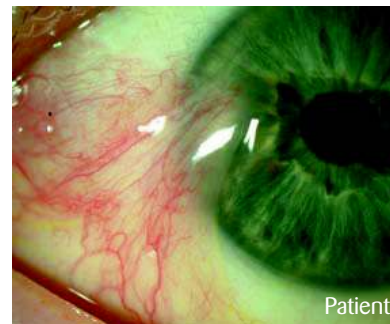
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Herbert W. Morgan

But Del Mar investment advisor **Herbert W. Morgan** — who became a retirement board member on May 4, after being nominated by San Diego mayor **Jerry Sanders** and confirmed by the city council — has declined to reveal the names of individual income sources for his company, Efficient Market Advisors, LLC, saying on his June 9 disclosure form that he “cannot disclose client names for violation of privacy.” Morgan is CEO and chief investment officer of the firm, which he lists as being valued at over \$1 million, with income greater than \$100,000.

An attachment to Morgan's filing, titled “Explanation for Nondisclosure of Economic Interests,” says that Efficient Market Advisors has nine clients that pay more than \$10,000 a year to the firm, which is 95 percent owned by Morgan and his wife **Mary**. “To the best of my knowledge none of those customers will make, participate in making or in any way attempt to influence a governmental decision,” the statement, dated June 2, says. “Eight clients are individuals. To the best of my knowledge, none of the clients has any interest financial or otherwise related to [the retirement fund]. One client is an institution. The institution does not have any business or desire to do business with [the retirement fund] or the City of San Diego.”

Morgan also says in the statement that his firm is an “SEC Registered Investment Advisor, subject to SEC Regulation S-P designed to protect the privacy of consumer financial information,” implying that federal law forbids him to reveal the sources. But is that enough to meet the legal requirement for full disclosure?

After an inquiry by a reporter last week, **Roman Porter**, executive director of the state's Fair Political Practices Commission, requested a copy of Morgan's disclosure filing from the city clerk's office for review. “We are currently looking into the issue of whether or not the client identities were properly withheld,” he said Monday.

Reached by phone this week, Morgan said he would abide by the FPCC's ruling but would have to resign from the board if required to disclose his clients' identities.

Morgan, a Republican who headed California Small Business Leaders for McCain during

last year's presidential campaign, isn't alone in withholding income sources. The retirement board's former assistant general counsel **Sheila Marie Jacobs** filed a leaving office statement last December 19 in which she declined to disclose individual sources of income greater than \$10,000 for the law office of her husband, **Bradley Jacobs**, asserting that “the names of my husband's clients are privileged.”

On the other hand, **William Sheffler**, an actuary who left the retirement board in March of this year, disclosed a list of 17 clients, each the source of income greater than \$10,000 to his firm, Sheffler Consulting Actuaries, Inc. They included Bartell Hotels, Cameron Brothers Construction, Pacific Rim Mechanical Contractors, Inc., the San Diego County Cement Masons Pension Trust, Southern California Floor Covering Pension Trust, Southern California Guniteworkers Pension Trust, San Diego County Teamsters Pension Trust, and the Joint Council of Teamsters Welfare Fund.

In addition to Efficient Market Advisors, Morgan lists a corporation, Morgan Financial Enterprises, which he values at between \$10,000 and \$100,000 as a source of income between \$10,000 and \$100,000. Its source of income is a real estate partnership, Talmadge Brothers LP, which owns “undeveloped residential land in Big Bear lakes” valued at greater than \$1 million.



William Sheffler

End of the line Long Beach-based Cuba Travel Services is taking advantage of the Obama administration's recent loosening of some travel restrictions to Cuba by offering nonstop flights from Los Angeles to Havana, allowing travelers to bypass the long-used Tijuana airport connection. The company, which plans to offer weekly charters to the island on Continental Airlines 737s starting this week, is hyping the service as giving the estimated 100,000 Cuban Americans living in California a safer way to visit their homeland, avoiding the risk of drug-cartel-related violence that has plagued the Mexican border. Under the new Obama rules, family members are allowed visits to their Cuban relatives, but most other travel, with certain exceptions for reporters, sports teams, and government officials, is still banned.

— Matt Potter



Havana

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Will Generations X and Y Buy?

By Don Bauder

As the recession grinds on, how much will Generation X and Generation Y spend? Will it be Z, as in zilch? It looks that

way for some San Diego companies that appeal to the youth market. But others aren't suffering as much, partly because of astute planning.

First, who are the Generation Xers and Yers? Generation X is that population cohort that followed the baby boomers (who were born between 1944 and 1964). Generation Xers were born between 1964 and 1984; some are middle-aged, but others are still in their 20s. Generation Y, also called the “Millennials” or “Echo Boomers,” were born between 1984 and the early 1990s. They are the offspring of the baby boomers. Some are in their 20s, some are teenagers.

Teenage unemployment (boys and girls 16 to 19) was a stunning 22.7 percent in May,

although only 38.5 percent are participants in the labor force, versus 65.9 percent for the



SpyOptic snow goggles

overall population. A recent report by Scarborough Research found that 62 percent of teens go to malls as often as or more often than they did six months ago; however, 43 percent said

they spent less on their last visit. Both Xers and Yers have experienced recessions before, but generally, they have enjoyed debt-generated affluence throughout their lives and are finding it difficult to slash spending and pay off debts. Many are overextended in mortgage and credit card debt and are traumatized by layoffs.

Orange 21 of Carlsbad targets those from 17 to 35 years of age. Generation Y is its major market. The company's pri-

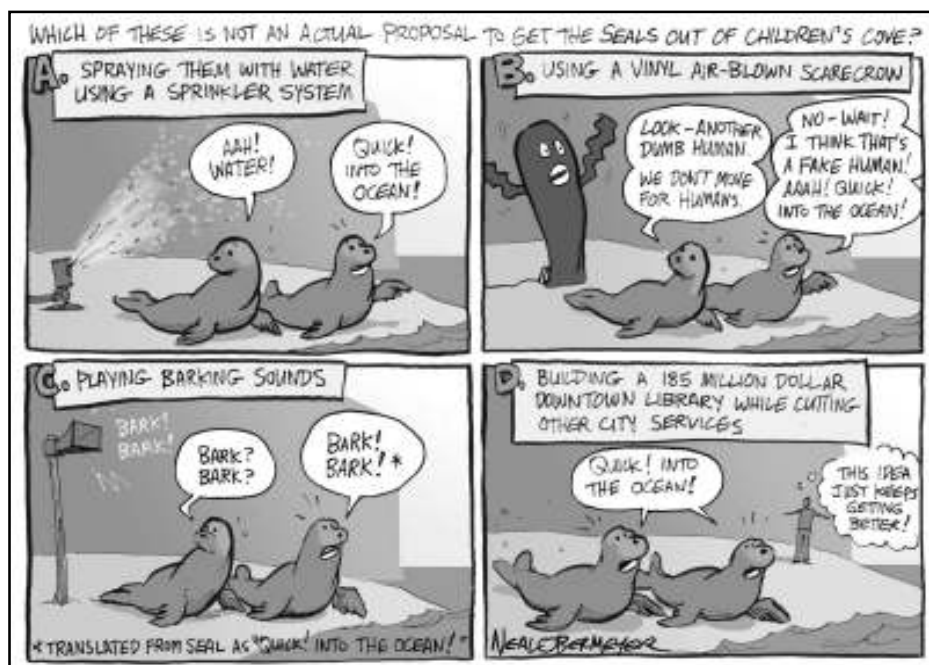
mary products are sunglasses and goggles, selling under the names Spy and SpyOptic, for action sports such as surfing, skateboarding, snowmobiling, skiing, and motocross. The company has a history of losses: the accumulated deficit is \$32.5 million. But last year, the company lost a bundle: \$15.2 mil-

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Watchdog Institute Puzzles Union-Tribune Staff: Is this a creative way for new owner Platinum Equity to pare the payroll?

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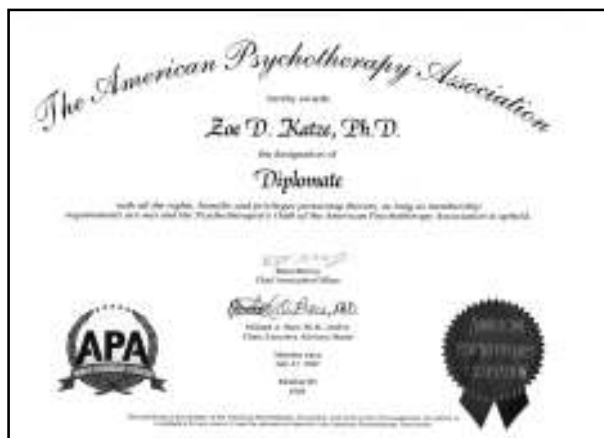
The American Board of Nonexistence

By Ernie Grimm

You know those framed certificates and diplomas that hang in your doctor's office? It's reassuring to see them, isn't it?

It's nice to know that the pediatrician who treats your children has not only graduated from medical school and survived a hospital residency but is also certified by the American Board of Pediatrics. Before having that \$4000 dental implant done, it's comforting to look up from your reclined chair and see a framed certificate from the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery hanging on the wall. The two boards just mentioned are legitimate and respected, so you'd be right to feel comforted. But what if the certificates on the wall could be had by anybody, even

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Phony diploma

reassured me," Tadros continues in his court declaration, "that he was Board Certified in his line of work of forensic psychology and that the evaluation would be confidential. I trusted and relied upon Doyne's representations about his credentials and about confidentiality, and on that basis I entered into an agreement with Doyne for him to be the custody evaluator."

Tadros, who is a psychiatrist and the vice chief of Scripps Behavioral Health Services, came to regret the decision to hire Doyne (for \$8000) upon observing the latter's methods. "Being a board certified psychiatrist," Tadros states in a lawsuit he later filed against Doyne, "I noticed that Doyne's performance was poor and substandard. I also noticed what appeared to be unethical practices, such as billing for things that never occurred, and incorrect billing records."

Tadros adds that Doyne "never contacted my therapist even once as the court recommended. In addition, I was never able to confirm the validity or truthfulness of Doyne's contact with the mother's therapist."

Doyne turned in his custody evaluation on September 30, 2005. He signed it as a "Diplomate of American College of Forensic Examiners." Unhappy with the findings in Doyne's custody evaluation and deeply suspicious of his professionalism, Tadros began investigating Doyne's

qualifications. He discovered, his court declaration says, that "The 'American College of Forensic Examiners' and the 'American Board of Forensic Examiners' are sham organizations known as 'vanity boards' or 'certification mills'...run by the same con artist, Robert O'Block, who sells fake mail-order credentials and 'diplomas.' Both of these organizations have specifically been exposed as mail-order credentialing shams in various media and professional journal articles, including...a Wall Street Journal article that called the American College of Forensic Examiners a 'mail-order credentialing organization for which the applicants need only pay \$350.00 and pass an ethics exam.'"

A 2002 article in the online journal of the American Bar Association chronicles how a psychologist obtained from organizations, one of them affiliated with O'Block, several professional certifications for his cat under the name Zoe D. Katze.

In repeated correspondence beginning in summer 2006, Tadros says he "wrote to Doyne and requested some of the records in my custody case. Doyne responded by providing me some but not all of what I requested."

The court files include a copy of Doyne's response letter, which names him a diplomate of the American College of Forensic Psychologists, not Forensic Examin-

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STRINGERS

Away at the Park

Downtown—On Wednesday evening, June 24, The San Diego Padres found themselves deadlocked in a 3-3 tie with the Seattle Mariners through the top of the eighth inning.



Petco Park

Although it was a close game, there were roughly only a dozen fans in attendance for a new event at Petco Park, "Away at the Park," at which away games are televised on the big screen outside Petco.

Approximately two weeks ago Padres President and COO Tom Garfinkel stated in a news release, "We want to capitalize on the unique environment we have here by creating more opportunities for our neighbors in the East Village and far beyond to enjoy the area."

Downtown locals and business owners have expressed mixed reviews thus far.

"It can't hurt! We definitely could use events like this to liven up the neighborhood [when the Padres are away]," says a downtown resident.

A local business owner viewed the event with skepticism: "They can't get people to come to [home] games. What makes them think they can draw people in when the Padres are away?"

A Petco Park staff member was asked if the event has been drawing in people. "No. Not really."

There are concerns that transients are being lured to the Park at the Park by televising the games

instead of attracting families and fans.

The Padres went on to lose to Seattle 4-3.

By Nathaniel Uy, 6/26

Comments

1. What's wrong with free baseball on a giant screen? Especially if you can pack a picnic and sit outside. I was there this same night. I think it's a great idea for them to offer something like this, trying to bring the community together. The night I was there, the homeless guys were enjoying the game and cheering along, paying attention to the screen. Not causing problems.

By moxymeat

8:19 a.m., Jun 28

Butt Out

Solana Beach—For city councilmember Lesa Heebner, cigarette smokers should be confined to their houses with their doors and windows shut tight when they spark up. "My father died from smoking," said Heebner during the June 24 city council meeting. "He started smoking when he was nine years old and my mom has health problems from second-hand smoke."

Heebner's comments came just before Solana Beach city councilmem-

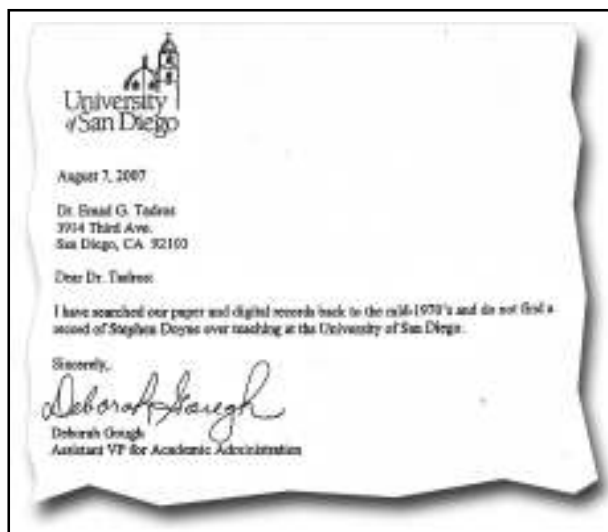


bers banned smoking at outdoor restaurants, bars, playgrounds, street fairs, and farmers' markets.

In 1992, Solana Beach prohibited smoking in the city's restaurants. Nine years later, the city was the first in the nation to outlaw smoking on public beaches.

"It's an exciting day," said councilmember Joe

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Confirmation of a false Doyne claim

a cat? How would you feel then?

Dr. Emad Tadros felt reassured when, according to court papers, he "noticed many impressive and professional-looking frames" hanging in the office of Dr. Stephen Doyne, a psychologist and well-known "730 custody evaluator" who works on custody cases in San Diego Family Court. The divorce-help web-

mental health professional to describe the parties involved and the nature of their interaction."

But the mental health professionals are not hired by the court. They're hired jointly by the parties in the custody proceedings. Tadros was in Doyne's office to decide whether to hire him to perform a 730 evaluation in his 2005 custody case. "Doyne

Will X and Y buy?

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lion, and for its most recent quarter, sales are down 36 percent, although losses are not much different than they were a year ago.

Matt Harkins, brand manager for Spy products, says customers are not cutting back on participation in action sports. The company has introduced some lower-priced products, but the more expensive ones are still selling. The financial losses are partly a matter of inventory corrections, he says. Overall, "We are prepared for a challenging retail environment for the next six to eight months."

The company has not made money since its initial public offering of 2004, when the stock price spiked up to almost \$11. It's now 80 cents. In its last annual filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the company admits, "Although we believe we have

sufficient funds to operate our business over the next twelve months, our existing sources of cash and cash flows may not be sufficient to fund our activities."

Last year, Orange 21 ran into a curious dilemma. A company that owned 14 percent of its stock was also a customer behind on its payments, owing \$429,000. Around the same time, Orange's former chief executive claimed that the company owed him \$600,000. Both disputes have been settled.

Charlotte Russe Holding sells moderately priced fashion merchandise to women 16 to 29 years old, spanning both Generations X and Y. There are almost 500 stores in 45 states and Puerto Rico. Clearly, younger women are not buying as they once did. Same-store sales (revenue in stores open at least a year) dropped 8 percent in the most recent quarter, in which the company recorded a modest loss. Charlotte Russe explains it has to mark down prices more aggressively.

The company says the "uncertain economic outlook" has negatively affected mall traffic and consumer buying. The company lost 4 cents a share in the quarter, compared with a profit of 17 cents a year ago. For 2008, earnings per share were 79 cents, down from \$1.43 in 2007.

In 2007, a special committee of the board did a comprehensive review of Charlotte Russe and determined that "significant changes were necessary to improve operational performance," according to an official filing. The company brought in a new management team. In January of this year, Charlotte Russe put itself up for sale and in March said it may have potential buyers. The company refused to be interviewed.

Carlsbad's NTN Buzztime provides interactive electronic entertainment in restaurants and sports bars — trivia quiz shows, play-along sports programs, casino-style games, and the like. It has almost 4000

subscribers. But NTN has been a loser for years. It has a cumulative deficit of \$105.4 million and lost \$6.5 million last year and \$5 million in 2007. First quarter revenues plunged 14 percent. "We may not be able to achieve or maintain profitability," says the company. One reason: topside turmoil. There have been "significant changes in executive leadership," says the company in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. One chief executive resigned in May of last year, and the interim chief resigned in November. "Changes in senior management are inherently disruptive."

That's one reason that a Cayman Islands-based hedge fund, Trinad Capital, which owns almost 15 percent of the stock, says it has evidence of mismanagement, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and waste of corporate assets. It has filed a lawsuit and announced it may attempt to wage a battle for control of the company. NTN did not respond to several

phone calls.

There are some success stories. The core audience for hamburger and sandwich chain Jack in the Box is men 18 to 34, says spokesperson Kathleen Anthony. But the addition of premium entrée salads and sandwiches attracts "a wider customer base," including women and older consumers, says Rochdale Securities, which is bullish on the company. Actually, Jack began moving toward an adult market in the 1980s, says Anthony. Now the company is undergoing a brand-reinvention process that includes upgrading its audience, with the goal of grabbing a larger demographic. The company's earnings remained flat last year, and that's not bad at all for a consumer company in this economy. In the most recent quarter, same-store sales were up 1.1 percent — good for the fast-food industry, and any industry.

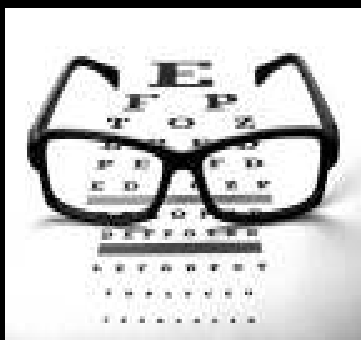
However, analyst R.J. Hotovy of stock-research firm Morningstar warns that Jack's

competitors are much bigger. McDonald's, Burger King, and Wendy's/Arby's Group control three-fourths of the U.S. fast-food business. Jack has to hustle.

In the most recent quarter, same-store sales at Carlsbad's Rubio's Restaurants were up 1.9 percent. However, the number of transactions fell by 5.8 percent. That was offset by the average check coming in 8.2 percent higher. With its prices rising in a weak environment, the company says it fears a "loss of price-sensitive customers." That could include Xers and Yers. Last year, same-store sales were down 2.4 percent, and transactions were down 5.7 percent.

Bottom line, it appears that companies only aiming for the Generation X and Y markets may have to find ways to reach us creaky old folks. But I, for one, will never participate in motocross or play a casino-style game at a sports bar. Most of us Depression babies feel the same way, I suspect. ■

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ers as was on the custody evaluation. Subsequent correspondence from Doyme contained the same appellation. But no American College of Forensic Psychologists exists. There is an American College of Forensic *Psychology*. Tadros contacted this organization. The college, Tadros says, "told me in writing they [never] heard of Doyme and they do not have Diplomates."

Tadros also called the

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American Board of Professional Psychology, which he describes in court papers as "the only legitimate certifying body recognized by all state licensing boards and the American Psychological Association.... They checked their records and told me they have no record and have never had a record of Dr. Stephen Doyme as one of their Diplomates."

Tadros filed a motion in family court to obtain Doyme's curriculum vitae and records. In June 2007, Judge Jeffrey Bostwick ordered Doyme to release them. Doyme produced

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the curriculum vitae, Tadros says, but not the records. Instead, he "appealed the family court's order. While the appeal was still pending, Doyme gave private case information to the California Association of Psychology Providers (CAPP) so CAPP would file an Amicus Brief in his favor." The association did file a brief on behalf of Doyme.

"Many of the credentials that Doyme claimed in his CV, letterhead, and to [me]," Tadros says in his lawsuit, "were false, fraudulent and misleading." The curriculum lists Doyme as an adjunct professor at the University of San Diego School of Law and an instructor at the University of California, San Diego. "However," Tadros states, "both of those Universities have denied in writing that they have any record of Doyme." Copies of those letters are lodged as exhibits in the court file.

"Doyme's CV," Tadros continues, "states he was an Instructor at California School

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of Professional Psychology/CSPP (now Alliant University). However, said University, too, has denied, in writing, having any record of Doyme.... Despite numerous formal requests by me asking Doyme to substantiate the credentials listed in his CV, at no time has Doyme done so. Doyme limited his reply to a letter from his attorney... stating the law does not require him to substantiate anything in his CV."

Tadros's lawsuit against Doyme alleges fraud, negligence, breach of contract, and violation of the California Business and Professions Code. The allegations are based on Doyme's misrepresentation of his credentials and on Doyme's divulging private information from Tadros's custody case during an October 20, 2007 presentation to a conference of custody evaluators. Tadros seeks "damages against [Doyme] in an amount to be proven at trial" plus "court costs and attorneys' fees." ■



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Kellejian, who along with Roberts brought the ordinance to the council. "This city and this council should be proud — we're lifesavers. We're saving our own life and the lives of others."

After council comments, the five councilmembers voted unanimously in favor of the ban.

By Dorian Hargrove 6/25/09

Comments

1. Now, if they could just ban politicians (including and especially the city counsel) it would be paradise there.

By refriedgringo

4:22 p.m., Jun 25

2. Hey, Councilwoman Heebner, leave your personal life out of city politics. I'd rather see angry self-serving people like yourself locked up in a room with padded walls; why don't we make that a law in the People's

Republic of Solana Beach.

By jmtrudeau

5:45 p.m., Jun 25

3. "This city and this council should be proud — we're lifesavers. We're saving our own life and the lives of others."

Oh, yes, I can think of a few ways I'd love to save these councilmembers's lives.

By SDaniels

5:54 p.m., Jun 25

4. "I think it's all about behavior. We have to model the behavior so that people understand the implications."

Behavior control — what's next, mind control?

By jmtrudeau

11:52 a.m., Jun 26

5. Well put, jmtrudeau — again.

By SDaniels

3:11 p.m., Jun 26

6. Wow, Lesa, thank you for protecting us against ourselves. And if you could please stop driv-

ing your car in Solana Beach, that would improve my health, the greenhouse gases it releases are truly damaging our health and air quality. In fact, could you ban cars completely in Solana Beach, we'd be so much healthier?

While you're protecting us by monitoring our personal habits yet ignoring the larger picture of what's really destroying our health and environment, I think you should ban alcohol for its insidious effects on families and children. And corn syrup, junk food, and overeating; we all know how obesity is wreaking havoc on our kids — could you ban...umm...food...wait, that might be a little tricky.

By seaseaknitter

7:29 a.m., Jun 28

7. Well, seaseaknitter, I think you've made a great suggestion about what kind of food should be banned — red herring in b.s. sauce, the kind jarred in transparent glass.

By SDaniels

11:08 p.m., Jun 28

8. I love that picture. I can just imagine the disappointment of all the smokers who would never get a chance to kiss those lips.

By magicsfive

11:44 p.m., Jun 28

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like a gunshot and was accompanied by a large flash of blue light.

Neighbors up and down the block came out into the alley to investigate.

The parrot was thrown from the transformer onto a nearby car. Shawn McGinnis, the owner of the car, found the bird and called animal control. The parrot had survived the blast, but its green feathers had been badly singed by the electricity. As McGinnis and others tended to the injured bird, about a dozen other parrots screeched on the wires above until animal control arrived to take the bird away.

By Casey Bollier, 6/25/09

Comments

1. It's amazing that a Fortune 500 corporation with \$11 billion in revenues last year can't get those power lines underground any sooner than 2067.

By a2zresource
8:46 a.m., Jun 26

A Static Change

Chula Vista — Deputy Mayor John McCann wants the San Diego Chargers to build a new stadium in Chula Vista. During the past few years, the councilmember has gone on the offensive to get the team to commit to Chula Vista. But now McCann, a reserve officer in the Navy, is getting deployed to Iraq for a year.

After comments from the other councilmembers, it was obvious that after McCann leaves for Iraq, the sitting councilmembers will likely disband the subcommittee.

"I think it would be a good idea to suspend the committee," said councilmember Pamela Bensoussan. "It's been over two years and nothing has happened."

By Dorian Hargrove, 6/24

Comments

1. If the Bolts were a winning franchise or had real fans that go to their

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Chargers fan

games, we wouldn't be talking about the team moving! San Diego, the only major city in Cali with no pro basketball or pro football team! We already got a bunch of fake Laker fans in SD, so when the Chargers leave are all the fake Bolt fans going to try and be RAIDER or SF fans now? Listen to me, all you fake Bolt fans, the RAIDER NATION doesn't want you, and I'm pretty sure the 49ers don't want you either!

By SpliffAdamz
9:41 a.m., Jun 25

2. I would have said it nicer than "SpliffAdamz," but the guy is so right. I went to the Universal City Walk Raider Image store to get autographs and there must have been thousands of old school L.A. Raider fans there. Now, I went to SD Chargers games when they were sad — 1999 to 2003 — [and there were] no Charger fans were in sight. the only fans present were from the opposing teams. During Raider games Qualcomm would be 70 per-

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cent Raider fans...so I agree with SpliffAdamz, you guys don't care for your Chargers unless they are winning, which is only about four years out of every decade they have been around.... Let them move to L.A., that way at least they will be in the second largest TV market in North America.

By nirpal

7:01 a.m., Jun 26

3. Spliff and Nirpal,
Nice grammar Spliff. I have read post by post from you and only when you talk about the "gangsta" Raiders do you lower your self to such BS street "ebonics." You big time thug, you. And Nirpal, you can take your Raiders, Niners, and Lakers, and... We will get a stadium built, and you will continue to lose to us for the

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next 20 years. **GO CHARGERS!**

By cabber69

6:29 p.m., Jun 26

Poachers Get Shellfish

La Jolla — Earlier this month, one lobster poacher with a history of repeat offenses was sentenced to 90 days in jail after he was caught taking crustaceans from the La Jolla Underwater Park. At the time of his arrest, he was observed using a hand line to fish for lobster. When approached by a Fish and Game warden, the man attempted to fling the fishing line into the ocean, but his efforts failed as the line was still connected to a spool in his pocket. The man then tried giving a false name, but the warden recognized him from earlier arrests. Four lobsters were found in a bag in his possession. This was the third time in the past year and a half

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the man has been convicted of poaching in the same area of La Jolla.

"I've witnessed poaching on several occasions myself and called the poaching hotline," says Dr. Ed Parnell, a marine ecologist at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, "but Department of Fish and Game enforcement is short-staffed to the point that they can't immediately respond."

Parnell and his colleagues conducted a study in collaboration with the anthropology department at UCSD and discovered that most people learned the rules of the reserve through word-of-mouth and the internet. "Clearly, that is not good enough," says Parnell.

By Cindy Winslow, 6/25/09

Comments

1. Give them 5 years the first time they get busted.

By jgorm

7:47 a.m., Jun 26

Seen a Dream Walking

Little Italy — You should have been at the barbecue held in Little Italy last Sunday. Picture it: moving up the street toward the house in a black jumpsuit was a blonde vision with perfect complexion and a figure to die for. Gleaming white teeth and a smile that would make you melt, poetry and music in her gait. Looking down you would see she had no shoes. The vision was none other than former Miss California, Carrie Prejean, recently dethroned, as all of you remember, by the king of comb-over, Donald Trump.

Yes, indeed, it was she in the flesh. She is a San Diego girl and has been dating an Italian fellow living down the street. She had come to be part of the festivities on Dove Street celebrating St. Anthony hosted by Frank and Rosalea Crevello. Prejean was charming and

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generous to a fault, posing for photographs, shaking hands, and just being an all-around delight to all in attendance. There were many mature men gathered about in the backyard. Upon hearing of her presence the stampede was on. You have never seen so many of them with such a spring in their step. What is the old saying? There may be snow on the roof, but there is still fire in the furnace.

The host, Frank, gave her a kiss. Suddenly a hush fell over the crowd. All eyes were focused on Rosalea, his wife, expecting a reaction. She just smiled. Just another day in Little Italy. Come visit and see your own dream walking.

By John Riggs, 6/25/09

Comments

1. This is your "dream?"
How sad.

By SDaniels
10:57 p.m., Jun 25

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2. "poetry and music in her gate."

Ummm, borderline porn??? Oh, wait, "GAIT"!

Still sounds drippy.

By Duhbya
4:30 a.m., Jun 26

3. You've got to be kidding me! This is the best Cali has got to offer some, skinny blonde chick? Boring!

"There may be snow on the roof, but there is still fire in the furnace."

Damn, I'm going to have to use that one with the ladies when I get old and gray on my head!

By SpliffAdamz
8:54 a.m., Jun 26

4. Borderline Tabloid article....

"Paris Hilton showed up to In and Out Burger today, and ordered her double double, animal style."

Send that to print.

By jimmypowers
2:47 p.m., Jun 26

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Carrie Prejean

5. Only a complete, slobbering idiot like Spliff calls California "Cali." How long has it been since you moved here from the Midwest gangsta? Big tough guy.

By cabber69
6:32 p.m., Jun 26

6. LOL@ cabber69's comment because it is totally true.

I went to school in the mid west and "Cali" was used all the time.

By SurfPuppy619
8:13 p.m., Jun 27

7. Um, well, now wait a minute...I was born and raised in San Diego for

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nearly 44 years. I've called California Cali, San Diego is SD, Diego or Dago, what's wrong with that?

By magicfive
5:41 p.m., Jun 28

8. "Dago," magic, really? That one I have not heard in polite contemporary society.

By SDaniels
11:09 p.m., Jun 28

9. Well, I have the tattoo...

By magicfive
11:30 p.m., Jun 28

10. ...and it's just short for San Diego. nothing more, nothing less.

By magicfive
11:34 p.m., Jun 28

11. It says "Dago?"

By SDaniels
11:34 p.m., Jun 28

12. Yes.

By magicfive
11:36 p.m., Jun 28

13. SD: The word "Dago" was used by Navy personnel during WWII to indicate San Diego, as in "I'm doing seven weeks of basic down in Dago, then heading up to Frisco for assignment." Also, one of the early KGB Homegrown albums contained a song by Pete Filacio titled "Dago from Diego." So the term has been in use in SD for many years without the implication of adverse ethnic overtones.

By Duhbya
6:21 a.m., Jun 29

14. The term has made it's way into hot rodding... A "Dago Axle" is a term for a lowered or dropped front straight axle.

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By tikicult
7:24 a.m., Jun 29

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In Bed With The Drug Cartel

Thank you for an informative story about hospital marketing ("If We Didn't Advertise We'd Go Broke," Cover Story, June 25). Our hospitals are in the front lines in

fighting the population's health problems. We can see the open competition. In order to secure the faith of the people, hospitals should advocate for the health of the people. They can do this by not aligning themselves with the doctors' union (American Medical Association) and the drug monopoly, both of which are generally regarded as advocating for their members and stockholders rather than for the health of the people.

One way to gain credibility with us is to reject the monopoly of allopathy and include naturopathy in your mix of accepted treatment protocols. Sure, you would have to stand up to the FDA and their government guns, but that is part of the education: acknowledge that the FDA is a rubber stamp for Big Pharma and actively suppresses all competing practices and products.

Hospitals are the logical nexus for grassroots efforts to diversify the modalities of disease prevention (as if there is any prevention employed now). The research in natural healing theories and practices is exploding; and if it wasn't for the AMA and FDA and Big Pharma suppression of media reporting, everyone would be well aware of the breakthroughs. But because natu-

ral products can't be patented and distribution restricted to MD prescriptions, there is no profit for the AMA and the drug cartel, so naturopathy must be destroyed.

The FDA and the Codex Alimentarius are proceeding to do just that. Already, many food supplements have been banned, and they won't stop until nothing is available except synthetic drugs. Since drugs only mask symptoms, the people remain ill and eventually end up in your hospitals. Fine, good business — if they can pay. But the trend is toward fewer covered payers and more charity cases. This will kill the hospitals, and you know it. That is why advocating for maximum diversification in preventative health modalities is in the hospitals' interest.

Don't think that the inevitable national health-care plan will cover hospitals' real costs. It won't for two reasons: One, they won't pay enough. Two, they will extend the economic monopoly of allopathy to a legal monopoly; meaning, nondrug modalities will be outlawed. This is evident in the current enforcement of the Codex in various countries already, and it was a component of the Clinton health plan 15 years ago, ostensibly, to placate the AMA and the drug cartel.

Without a cheap alternative for the people, especially the working poor (80 percent of the population), to pursue natural health maintenance at home, the hospitals will be flooded with the poor, suffering from the side effects of our killing diet and of the drugs themselves. The solution for preserving the viability of hospitals is to advocate for keeping these teeming masses out of your ERs. The AMA, FDA, and their master, the drug cartel, don't care about hospitals. So why should you be loyal to them? Be loyal to your constituency, the people who live around you. Advocate for their ownership of their own bodies. The state does not own their bodies, despite the wishes of the three entities listed above.

Pat Palmer
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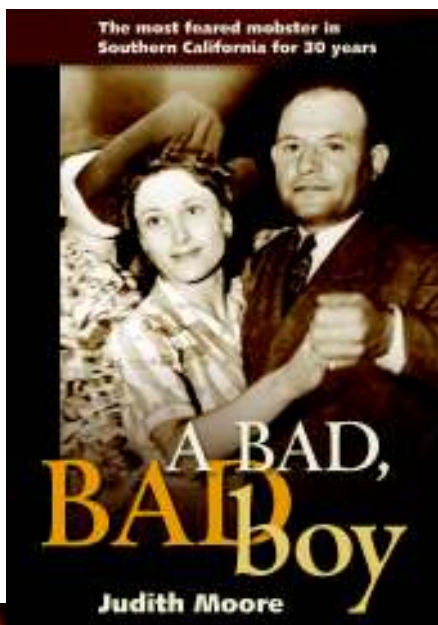
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BY PATRICK DAUGHERTY

Rich Guy Makes Good



David Braley

Well, it's the Fourth of July weekend and you know what that means...that's right, the Ligue Canadienne de Football launches its 2009 season. Or, to translate for the English-speaking rabble, the Canadian Football League (CFL) begins its 51st year of play on Wednesday.

I like the CFL for a number of reasons but mostly because it's the only professional football league to go up against the NFL and survive as a separate entity. More on that anon.

According to one legend, North American football began when McGill University (Montreal, Quebec, Republic of Canada) traveled south to play Harvard (Cambridge, Same Sex Marriage, Department of Massachusetts). The year was 1874, and the game was some sort of rugby-football derivative.

Harvard and McGill played home and home series and home team rules prevailed. Harvard didn't have enough yard for a standard rugby pitch and therefore played with 11 men, four downs, and a field dimension of 100 yards by 50 yards. When at McGill, teams used 15 players, 3 downs, and played on a bigger pitch. One hundred thirty-five years later, Norv Turner is coaching the San Diego Chargers.

As of Wednesday, the CFL had eight teams split between two divisions, East and West. Teams play 18 games over 19 weeks (one bye week), followed by a two-week playoff and then the Grey Cup. This year the season opens on July 1 and concludes with the championship game on November 29.

The CFL was officially founded in 1958. There is much more to its origins, but, frankly, I don't care and I don't have the space to bore you with it. Here's the main point: although the CFL has been down to its last dime as a more or less constant state of being, they're still with us.

There was a time during the 1950s and '60s when the CFL could make a case as being

on par with the NFL. Both leagues got most of their money from ticket sales, which evened their revenue streams considerably. In 1958 there were 12 NFL teams and 9 CFL teams. Records of one league were counted as good by the other. The NFL used to play exhibition games with the CFL. The last time an NFL team played a CFL team was in August of 1961 — the Chicago Bears beat the Montreal Alouettes 34 to 16.

Then came television and television contracts. The CFL and NFL no longer occupied the same universe, and the difference is profound. This year the salary cap in the CFL is \$4.2 million for an entire team. The NFL's salary cap is \$128 million per team. A franchise in the NFL is worth \$1 billion; in the CFL a franchise is worth \$5 to \$10 million.

If you like underdogs, you've got to like what the CFL tried to pull off in the early 1990s, slipping across the border in 1993 and setting up a club (Sacramento Gold Miners) in the U.S. of A. The following year the CFL established the Las Vegas Posse, Baltimore Stallions, and Shreveport Pirates. In 1995, the CFL organized an American South Division starring the Birmingham Barracudas, Memphis Mad Dogs, and Miami Manatees. Some teams never took the field, some moved, some folded, and the American adventure ended after the 1995 season. Not, however, before the Baltimore Stallions won the Grey Cup.

The CFL was back to being all Canadian. The league had nine franchises remaining. The Ottawa Rough Riders, founded in 1876, folded. The Ottawa Renegades, formed in 2002, suspended operations three years later. The Toronto Argonauts and Hamilton Tiger-Cats were bankrupt in 2003.

So, what's new?

News broke that David Braley, 68, Orlick Industries tycoon and current owner of the B.C. Lions (former owner of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, former chair of the CFL's board of governors, former CFL interim commissioner, and longtime big-time league power broker), had loaned the new owners of the Toronto Argonauts (David Cynamon and Howard Sokolowski) \$1 million to help them buy the team and bring it out of bankruptcy. The storied Toronto Argonauts, home team to the largest city in Canada, was sold for an unbelievable \$2 million, which also happens to be the 2008 salary of Stephen Cooper, a journeyman Chargers linebacker. Braley fronted half of that \$2 million and underwrote half the operating losses. This was done in secret. The CFL commissioner didn't know, and the public didn't know that one team owner loaned substantial money to a competitor. Turns out Braley helped other CFL teams with his money at least five other times.

The Sporting World wants to know the league's, and indeed, the public's response to this secret financial cabal.

Okay, here it is: "Thank you."

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T.G.I.F.

BY JOHN BRIZZOLARA

"We hijacked a theater and turned it into a juke joint."

Junior Wells and John Belushi must have been grinning up from wherever they are now — mumbling and slurring with cocaine-and-Tanqueray-addled approval at "Doc" Holliday's riffing over the keyboard — a faux Hammond B-3 setting — while belting into the mike, "Call it what you like, I call it messin' with the kid!"

Tropical heat clamped down THE-ATRX (pronounced "the-atics") as if it were the Philippines or a Chicago street corner on the eve of the summer solstice. No tobacco smoke wreathed the musicians and no hard booze informed the evening as the Backwater Blues Band shuffled through 12 bars of urban attitude.

"We hijacked a theater and turned it into a juke joint," said Sharon Mack at the door. Mack is agent and promoter of Backwater and other acts under the managerial wing of Hot Blues Engines. "We've been doing this every third Friday now for three-and-a-half years at this location," Mack adds, re: the hijacking. She is, herself, a performer working closely with B.L.U.S.D. or Blues Lovers United of San Diego. Tonight's juke joint is at 155 East Grand Avenue in Escondido. The show almost single-handedly belies my initial impression of Escondido weekend nights as half-rolled sidewalks in a hip-hop and '50s rock chrome-and-mag-wheeled boondock. And this blues outbreak is not as misplaced as it appears at first glance; this burg is, after all, the home of Dobro.

Onstage, the band struts through their opening, "Pick up the Phone, Simone," an original composition by Jim Gibson (guitarist) and the late John Harris. Tom Stewart, founder of B.B.B., is on drums, and Doc's son, Tommy Holliday, stands to his side playing a hollow-body sunburst Gibson, working articulate but tentative riffs at a

bassy, low volume.

"This is the best-looking group I've ever seen," Gibson schmoozes into the PA. "Course the lights aren't up... This is Tim." The singer/vocalist indicates Tim Cash on bass next to him, a bearded and bespectacled member of the Bayou Brothers as well as Backwater Blues. If he looks bookish then it is a South State Street bookie he looks like beneath a chitinous green/black porkpie hat.

On "Pick up the Phone," Gibson renders slide-work on a gray Strat, eliciting the sound of a mewling North County coyote crossed with a honeyed and crooning sidewalk lech ogling a hooker. Over the course of the evening, Gibson will coax at least three different sounds out of his guitar as if he were invoking three different voices: the coyote/skirthound, a robotic chicken clearing its throat, and a lyrical siren serenading a seaside horizon. Gibson mixes musical metaphors with more skill than I do stringing sentences.

Backwater Blues Band covered Muddy Waters, Jimmy Reed's "Peepin' n' Hidin'", and B.B. King's "Every Day I Have Got the Blues," as well as originals — some sprung on band members for the first time. The group has performed together for some 15 years and it shows.

Playing at a respectful volume in the small venue, one might wish for a slight upward crank on the volume knobs, a level at which (I was assured from the opening bars on) we would be in good hands.

"A long time ago," Sharon Mack tells me, while diplomatically soliciting a cover charge of ten dollars from seduced foot traffic along Grand, "we won't talk about how long. As a young person, I played piano and organ in our church. I learned

the blues by hearing it in gospel form. On Sunday morning, people like B.B. King and Muddy Waters would be finishing up these Saturday-night gigs at these storefronts [in Chicago], and during my rehearsal breaks I would hear the music. I couldn't get in and I couldn't see their faces, but my Dad would notice I was gone and he'd retrieve me by ear, drag me back to the church to play the gospel."

Speaking of retrieving by ear, Mack would gently buttonhole an enraptured music fan wandering in and unaware of the cover. Her manner, while welcoming, engaging, was as efficacious as any Pepper's Lounge bouncer during a Paul Butterfield engagement on Chicago's South Side in 1962. "About three years ago," she continued, "I had a terrible car accident and realized I really loved the music. In the course of cars spinning around, I went, 'I love to sing and I need to hear that stuff I grew up with, that music that's in my soul.'"

Indeed, for all the world it sounded as if that's exactly where her voice originated as she sang a capella her original lyric to "Get Real," written for a man in her life. When the chills subsided, I told her, "Someone oughta be signing you...now."

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by Barbaraella

To me, it seems a dreadful indignity to have a soul controlled by geography.

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Where are you from?" It was a simple question. But the way Jane stared back at the guy, you'd think he'd asked her to recite Title III of the Patriot Act. I knew how she felt, though not to the extent she felt it. After all, my older sister had three cities on me — she was born in Brooklyn, attended preschool in Pensacola and Corpus Christi, Texas (where Heather was born), grade school in San Diego (where Jenny and I were born) and Adak, Alaska, junior high and high school in Newport, Rhode Island, and then back in San Diego, where she and the rest of us graduated from Bonita Vista High, near the town in which my parents chose to settle, in the county in which we all currently live. Considering the involved answer, Jane's reticence made sense. We were at a coffee shop; the guy's question was the kind of small talk someone makes when his own thoughts have become tedious and he happens

to be sitting next to a couple of friendly looking women.

As the silence stretched to its breaking point, I jumped in to assist. "You mean do we live around here?" The guy nodded. "No, I live in Hillcrest, and Jane here lives in Allied Gardens, which is north of

Fromness

the College Area," I explained in an insipid tone. There was an implicit understanding that this coffee shop chitchat was a one-off deal; the principal motive for this man's speaking to us at all was to pass the time, so I had difficulty mustering enough energy for anything more than basic civility.

The thirtysomething fellow told us he was from Alaska (which explained the robust, ruddy, understated hunk look). Jane and I perked up at this common denominator, but the conversation reached an impasse when he revealed he hailed from a city on the mainland, whereas we had lived on one of the tiniest and farthest-flung Aleutian Islands. Uninterested in prolonging the halfhearted exchange with a random we'd never see again, Jane and I politely withdrew.

"I hate when people ask me that question," Jane said as we were bidding each other goodbye in the parking lot. "I never know what to say."

"Yeah, it's a tough one," I said. "I usually say

I'm from San Diego because I've lived here the longest, but that doesn't seem completely honest."

Later that evening, I selected a bottle of wine from the cupboard while David whipped up a simple dinner of eggs, Hungarian sausage, and spicy paprika. My man is American born and bred, but both of his parents spent their initial 20 years of life in Hungary before escaping to America during the Hungarian Revolution in 1956. David may not be "from" Hungary, the way I am not "from" New York, but his Hungarian roots are unquestionable when one considers his cumulative usage of paprika.

David refilled my glass, and I set down my fork and looked at him. "Where are you from?" His expression served to remind me that he'd not been privy to the line of thinking that had led me to voice the question, so I elaborated. "I mean, when people ask you, what do you say?"

"I feel like I'm not really from anywhere, in a way," David said. "But I usually say Boston because that's where I went to high school."

"Not from anywhere? Doesn't that make you feel like you're missing some sense of self?"

I knew David had been born in Baltimore and that his family moved to Chicago when he was a baby, and they moved to Boston when he was a sophomore in high school. Because he's most familiar with Boston, where his parents settled for a while before permanently moving to their vacation home on

Martha's Vineyard, I'd always considered him a Bostonian.

"It would never occur to me to think about where I'm from," David said. A smile crept at the corners of his mouth. "I'm all about where I'm going."

"Yeah, I get it, Mr. Livin' in the Now, but you had a point there," I said. "Between childhood and high school, which years are the most important when determining one's 'fromness'?"

"There was a time when most people were born, lived, and died in the same town," said David.

"Sometimes, I want to ask people to just tell me what it is they really want to know when they ask me where I'm from," I said. "Are they trying to determine my family's socioeconomic status? My ethnicity? Religion? I'm a forthright person. I wouldn't shy away from answering. Thing is, I don't think most people are consciously aware of what it is they're really trying to find out by asking a seemingly innocuous question."

"They're just making conversation." David refilled his own glass and topped me off.

"No, I don't think so," I said. "Talking about the weather, movies, books, or any other third-party thing is making conversation. When you ask someone about themselves, you're looking for information to help you shape your opinion of them. How can you judge if you don't know the facts? People are mentally lazy; we like to fit others into categories. What better guideline for categorization is there

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than the stereotypes associated with one's origins?"

"I just don't think it matters so much where someone's from," David said.

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The more I thought about the concept of fromness, the more convoluted it seemed. "Who we are is made up of a compilation of our origins and experiences," I continued. "Our origins represent the parts of ourselves we can't control, while our experiences are a by-product of our choices and circumstances. When I say I'm

Irish and Italian, there are thousands of years of history and culture attached to two little words. I come from that. I am that, to an extent."

"You are only that because you have chosen to embrace that," said David. He had a point. My "Italian" mother is actually half Greek, but since that culture never seeped into my upbringing, it is always left unsaid when I answer the ethnicity question.

"I suppose most people take some comfort from belonging to a place or tradition," David said. "It's like an anchor for them. But I guess I prefer a broader worldview. Next time someone asks me where I'm from, I think I'll just say Earth — or perhaps I'll elaborate and say, 'You know, the part of Earth where they eat lots of paprika.'" ■

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by Josh Board

a woman in the Serra Mesa area was turning 21. I got an invite to her birthday party from her mom.

When I arrived, the birthday girl's mom was cooking tacos for the crowd. I asked her what advice she's given her daughter. "To live life to the fullest. I also tell her not to stress too much. Life's too short."

I asked her if she had any other kids. "A son named Ian." Joking, I said, "Named after Ian Anderson?" She said yes, and that led to a 15-minute conversation about Jethro Tull.

A band was playing in the garage, and big screens were set up all around the house showing them as they performed. The garage was set up like a nightclub. It had a stage, stage lights, and several seats.

The party was at Jimmy's house. He told me about how he sets everything up, specifically for parties with bands. I said, "Oh, your neighbors must love that."

He told me that the neighbors are usually invited and that he's only had the cops show up a couple of times. "The band that's playing right now...they're called PK Fast. They're neighbor-



Left: Birthday girl Eden (right); Right: The Jacuzzi crew

hood kids, and they got that name because I call them 'the punk kids from across the

"He was wearing only boxer shorts, and he started yelling. He asked me to throw him a joint."

street.' They abbreviated it."

I asked him to tell me about some of the crazier parties he's had. "They've been going on at

my house since the '80s. I've had some with Goldie, the guitarist for Dio. Tommy Lee, Mötley Crüe, and a lot of other bands in the '80s used to come here. We had Blue Öyster Cult once. One of the parties I had here was filmed by Showtime. It was a Mardi Gras event, with over 500 people."

When I asked about the craziest thing Tommy Lee ever did, Jimmy had to think for a minute. "Well, that was when I was up in West Hollywood. I was crashed out on the third-story balcony, and it was 6:15 in the morning. Lee showed up, and the gate was locked. He was only wearing boxer shorts, and he started yelling. He asked me to throw

him a joint."

Jimmy told me a little about his music and went off to find me a CD.

I saw the punk band and a few of their friends hitting up the taco stand. With their hair-cuts and punk shirts, I was surprised to hear them being polite and saying "thank you" when handed a plate of tortillas. One was wearing a Sham 69 shirt. I asked them who their favorite punk bands were. One said Sublime, two said Operation Ivy, and one said a band I'd never heard of — Leftöver Crack.

Eden, the birthday girl, is a security guard at UTC. I asked her to tell me about the craziest things she's seen on the job. "There have been a few. There're sometimes problems dealing with homeless people. One threatened to kill me. He was standing in front of the food court watching people eat. I asked him to leave. We had a woman get mugged a month ago. That was a big deal."

Eden was a petite gal, and I couldn't picture her dealing with a rowdy crowd at a mall. She seemed a bit buzzed, and I asked her if it was weird to be drinking at a party with her mom. She laughed and said she's done it before. She started to tell me a

story about being kicked out of a bar, but then a few people showed up and she went over to greet them.

Her cousin came over and said, "You crashed my party in Linda Vista. It was about six years ago." I said, "I think I remember that. There were cars in the backyard that people were urinating behind. And your dad or someone was dating your babysitter."

She replied, "Yep. That was the party."

She filled me in on what some of those people are doing these days.

Jimmy threw a few logs into the fire pit, and some sparks hit a woman standing nearby. He apologized.

A reggae band started performing in the garage. And, as at most reggae shows, the smell of marijuana filled the air.

I watched some people play beer pong. A girl named Jamie was rooting for her boyfriend. I overheard a story about him having an injured finger that needed to be fused. It didn't seem to be affecting his beer-pong throws. One guy playing was getting angry at the bubble machine that was set up on the roof. He claimed the bubbles were distracting his tosses.



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I told her the two I ate tasted fine without it.

A bouncer from Moon-doggies showed up. I heard him talking about how they remodeled the place. A few minutes later, I saw him slip on something.

A cute Asian girl and

her two friends asked Jimmy if they could use the Jacuzzi. He said yes and went over to turn it on. With that request and the 25 people who had shown up in the span of 30 minutes, the party was really picking up when I had to head out.

When Jimmy walked by I said, "This reggae band is rather quiet."

"Yeah," he responded, "the neighbors will laugh. This is the quietest party I've ever had. I think the games the kids are playing are louder than the music."■

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A photograph of a body of water, likely a bay or inlet, with a sandy beach in the foreground. In the distance, a small boat is visible on the water, and a building with a green roof is situated on the shore. The sky is clear and blue.

where is everybody?

with cream-and-yellow-flowering groundcover. And you might hear him muttering to himself, because there's no one else around, "Gimme a break. This ain't no bay. This is an inland sea!"

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"People aren't coming like they used to," says Jimmy.

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bing bike, and a silent land that feels as unexploited right now as on that Thursday, September 28, 1542, when Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo spied it from his galleon, San Salvador. He was right off Point Loma, trying to decide which "harbor" to try, and he realized — just in time — that this was a tidal marsh, that the real bay was on the south side of Point Loma. He called these meandering sloughs "False Bay."

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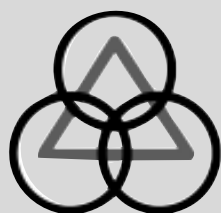
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That's one Mission Bay. The other? The flyway stopover to millions of birds, the spawning ground for billions of fish? The city virtually said "scram" to that — to the creatures, great and small, who lived here before the decision was made to create a "world-class" attraction (a term that all smaller cities — and San Diego back then was small — attach to their bigger projects).

I'm making this calf-killing circumnavigation to see if there's a "real" Mission Bay under the Club Med happy-happy façade. Whether, even with its man-made heart, it has developed a sustainable ecosystem it can truly call

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I'm not quite sure which direction to go, so I ride west under the Ingraham Street bridge to the Quivira yacht basin. One or two sea lions bark out from the bait barge moored in the middle of the basin, and I can hear the smack-smack of 100 halyards blowing against their aluminum masts. Fishing boats sit groaning against each other. The names

appear in big block letters across their transoms: The Pacific Voyager, Legend, Cortez, New Seaforth. One is hauling in her hawsers at the bait barge, heading out toward the channel; it's a large boat, with lots of people aboard. You have to wonder: Is she heading south for Cabo, San Nicolas Islands? The French island, Clipperton? Or just the kelp beds off La Jolla?

My voyage is of a more modest kind, but I still ask the first couple of people I come across which way to go. "Just start riding east," says this middle-aged guy, Jim. "The path will take you up by Fiesta Island. That's the least-civilized part of the bay. There's land up there they haven't decided what to do with yet."

"But you have no idea how civilized Mission Bay has gotten," says his buddy Ron. "We were both brought up here. When we were kids, our houses looked out over mud flats. A few fishing shacks. And ducks? This was called 'Duckville.' But you'll be surprised how much space there still is here."

Five minutes later, I'm still hanging around west of the Ingraham Street bridge when I meet another guy, Bill, who says, "You should go to Fiesta Island." He's a bright-eyed 63-year-old riding a lowrider bicycle that pulls a little trailer cart behind



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it. Looks as if he's got his life packed aboard. "There's a guy hands out free meals there tonight," he says. "Mission Bay, they look after you. And if they don't, there's always O.B. But that's across the water."

By "water," he means the San Diego River channel. How he puts it means a lot, separating "real" San Diego — and its bigger,

more famous, more legitimate bay — from here. As if this were a different country, with its own denizens, its own partisan take on things.

Half an hour later, I'm up alongside Fiesta Island. It's as Jim said. Empty. Couple of rabbits, wind whisking. Hard to differentiate from the distant rush of traffic. Could that

be the 5? There's an occasional hardscape leading down to a canopy that shelters seats at the water's edge. Farther on, beside an impromptu parking lot, a bulldozer has scraped a stretch of land, 100 feet long and 10 feet wide, from the underbrush. It turns out this is a model-plane airport. A sign lays out the rules for launching, landing, and racing. Then a tarmac-sealed road branches down to the water. Fiesta Island Road. It runs across a causeway onto a whole huge chunk of land that stretches off to the north and south. It's as desolate an island as you'd care to see, with a road bordered by tussocky underbrush, berms protecting sunken, inland plains of dirt and stress-growth underbrush. Not a tree in sight.

I keep pedaling against the flow on this one-way

island-perimeter road, circling west along its south coast, just to see if Bill's right about the free-meal handout. I can't believe anybody would pick this location to do it in. I head on till I find myself skirting the north shore of the inlet called Hidden Anchorage. Only sign of life is a distant man and a dog. Then I spot a ski-jump platform out in the water. A couple of runners puff by, then two racing-bike riders. Apart from that, it's me, a high-fly-

ing, sweet-voiced songbird, and the wind.

I search, but no hand-out, nowhere, so I turn

says a guy, Chris, when I ask what kind of wood he's using. He's in construction, so he can get

Only sign of life is a distant man and a dog.

around, and when I'm almost back to the causeway I come upon a group of twentysomething girls and boys who have started a fire in a fire ring. "Spruce,"

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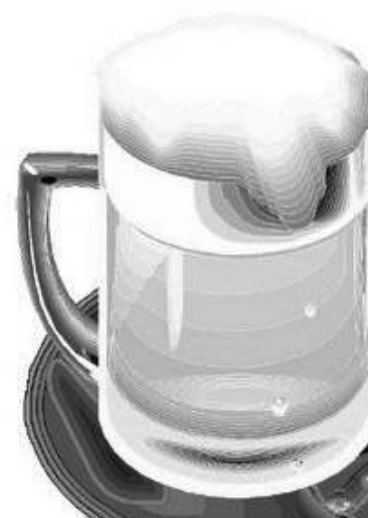
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large wild area he knows where you can really run a dog off-leash. "We're here every night," he says.

Back across the causeway, I head north, the undeveloped areas giving way to grassy, cozy water-side areas with specialized uses, such as a playground for disabled kids, and then the luxuriously maintained areas around a Hilton Hotel. From here on, it's more predictable and mowed-lawn civilized, and, yes, cute. De Anza trailer park shines across De Anza Cove, which makes it look sadly romantic. Twenty minutes later, I pass through the village's guard post. Inside, it's break-your-heart charming. Like Pompeii before the eruption, this village's clock is ticking. Difference is, people know the end is nigh. Even the residents'

lawyers concede that they don't have a legal leg to stand on. There are no squatters' rights here, no matter how entrenched and genteel the community they've created.

And genteel it is. Everything is neat, village-like, scaled down. The small yacht club, the mobile homes, the community garden, the streets with their flower names: Astor, Begonia, Camellia, Narcissus. You can see from some of the gardens that folks have retired here and created little worlds they'd always dreamed of. On De Anza Bay Drive, there's a Japanese-style house, with a perfect Japanese garden. Everything is to scale, and there are views, uninterrupted, across the artificial inlet of De Anza Cove. One perfect yacht is anchored in the middle.

No wonder the city and the developers want to get their hands on this for parkland, which would probably mean a big fat hotel and other taxable development.

Indeed, the sense that this is a doomed society is brought home at the glass-walled, smart-looking community center. I feel like a voyeur, cruising round on my bike. You can see right through the building to the pool area. There are five girls in a Jacuzzi but nobody using the pool, or the bar, or the dining room. That's it, life at the end of a lease.

I'm starting to get tired. The civilized path helps along here, but I want to move on. The sloughs of the Kendall-Frost Reserve and the Northern Wildlife Preserve shine green in the


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afternoon light. And then the path swoops you 'round Crown Point, into Sail Bay. I bike past crystal-white sand beaches and the venerable, still-charming Catamaran Hotel. Even more charming is the tight, footpath-linked community of mostly prewar cottages that make up the

our problem today?

I pass the Bahia Resort Hotel, with the Paradise Point Resort just a one-minute windsurf across the water on Vacation Isle. Then, a bridge across the Mission Bay Channel, around the Hyatt Islandia, back down to Quivira yacht basin, and it's over.

"We get the most horrific accidents."

Mission Beach peninsula community behind Santa Clara, San Juan, and Santa Barbara coves. It's San Diego's most densely developed residential community, with the smallest lots in the city. If they could make density look and feel so good in the '30s, what's

Whew. It's taken most of the day, with coffee stops at places like the Olive Cafe on Santa Clara Place, and beach stops, and hotel stops. Butt-relaxing stops. I've just biked 14 miles of pathways around an area that encloses 27 miles of shoreline. Of this, 19 miles

are sandy beaches, including eight official swimming areas.

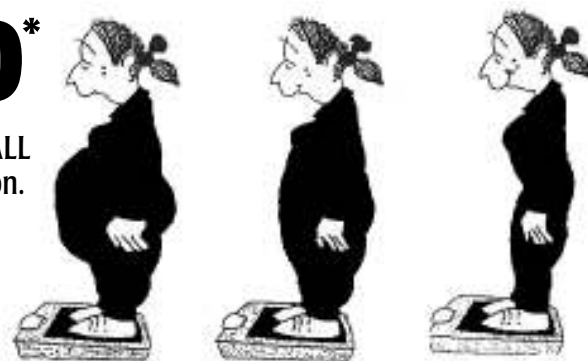
That's the thing, especially on this western side of the bay: it's all so...soigné. Just a sand-spit away, the wild Pacific pounds on Mission Beach shores, but here, all is surrealistically calm, glassy. Fantasy Island. You expect Ricardo Montalban momentarily. And, okay, this is Tuesday — but where is everybody? The white beaches, the sparkling waters, empty. Only the Mission Bay Aquatic Center, billed as the world's largest, seems to have things going on. College kids use it big-time, for credit-approved water sports. Rowing, sailing, windsurfing, CPR training.

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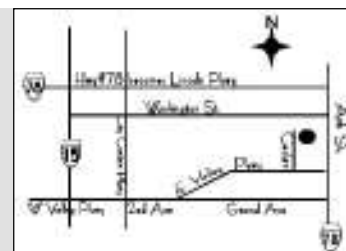
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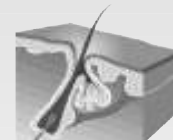


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herons in the Torrey pines and a few ducks settled in the grass here and there, you don't see a lot of wildlife. Half a century on, you have to wonder: if people and birds don't seem to want to use Mission Bay, how viable is this great man-made fun park?

"It's true, it's changed here. People aren't coming like they used to," says Jimmy, who owns Jake's Tiki Bar (Jake was his dog) on Quivira Way, more or less where I started this odyssey. Jimmy is one of the characters of the bay. So is his palm-thatched tiki bar. Inside, he has photos of Clark Gable posing with a passel of fish (at Broadway Pier, not here). There's a picture of the Mission Beach (later La Jolla)—downtown trolley in 1915, when it carried you downtown quicker than

a bus does today, 94 years later. Outside, customers have put up wooden, paint-daubed direction signs on the posts holding up the palapa. "Paris, 5672 miles." "Scottsdale, 350 miles." "Dog Beach, 50 Butt Sniffs." "Pago Pago, 4942 miles."

place. Because we do have the best place to watch fireworks. We see four [different displays] from here."

I get my friend Rod, who's a Mission Bay-based lifeguard, on the phone. His headquarters are just west of Jake's. "The thing

"If you're a duck or a fish, Mission Bay has been ruined."

"Pacers, Just a Kiss Away."

So why aren't people using The Bay? Is it the economy? "No," says Jimmy. "It's a lot of things. They used to have the Summer Pops here. They took that away. I don't know. It has become a weekend thing. A Sunday thing, a Fourth of July

I don't get about Mission Bay is nobody uses their boats," he says. "They have five marinas here. I was in Australia last year, and everybody uses their boats, every weekend. Here, they just sit in port." He says the \$625 yearly mooring fees are too cheap — you don't have to be a serious

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boater to get in. "They should make a mega-yacht marina in Mariner's Basin. You're out in the ocean in five minutes from here, whereas imagine how long it would take you to get to sea from, say, South Bay, Chula Vista." Plus, he says, Mission Bay is too shallow. "The average depth is nine feet."

Hmm. Nine feet? That means that "False Bay," nearly five centuries and many millions of dollars later, would still be impossible for Juan Cabrillo to navigate. His 100-foot galleon, San Salvador, had a draft of 10 feet and needed at least 12 feet of water.

The only people who do use the bay on weekends, Rod says, are jet-skiers. "People drive them like they're Zambonis. They just slam ahead. We

get the most horrific accidents."

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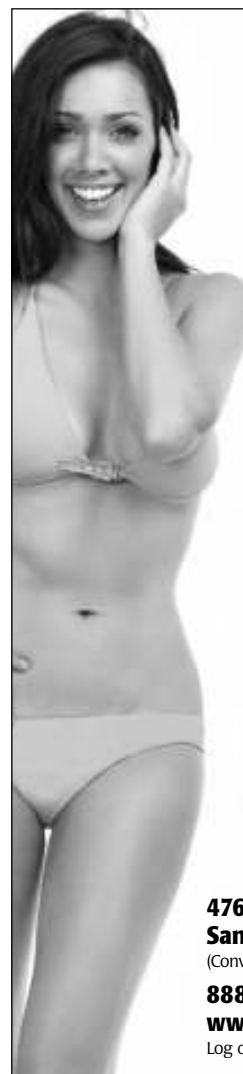
Talk to Pete Cuthbert, and you might be convinced that Mission Bay Park is a marvelous example of a small town creating a huge attraction by sheer vision and guts.

"People don't realize it today, but Mission Bay made San Diego," he says. Cuthbert is a retired San Diego city planner who was much involved in the development of recreational facilities for the area. "It gave us something other than the military to rely on. To take on a project of this size was unbelievable. We couldn't and wouldn't do it today. But with the hotels and Sea-World, it's self-supporting; in fact, it creates an awful lot of wealth and

tax revenue. And it has turned mud flats into something of real beauty."

Cuthbert says that Mission Bay's islands are made up of little bits of everything. "Six inches of the islands' topsoil is manure from sewage. The solids were filtered out. Then the dredgings from the bay, and also a little bit of El Cajon — when they were digging through El Cajon's ten feet of thick loam to build Parkway Plaza, and for Sears' basement, all that soil was transported to Mission Bay, to help build the islands. They were very creative."

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designated Rick to "supervise the work of converting Mission Bay State Park into a top-notch municipal playground." Remember, this was a town of 362,000 souls in 1945, with a six-man planning department.

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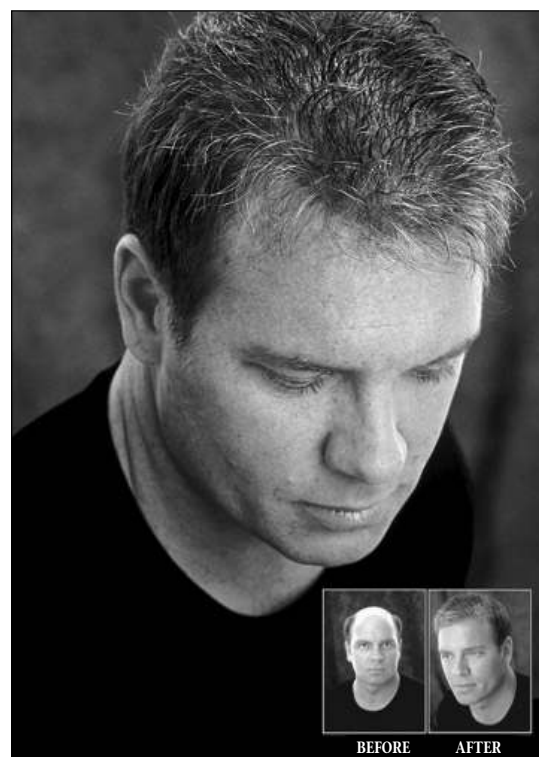
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“pushed hard for the environmental point of view but lost out to more active interests. [He] pushed for 19 ‘natural’ wildlife areas but achieved only 5. In the end, the contribution of the Kendall-Frost lands east of Rose Creek provided the principal natural area.”

The other losers were the Kumeyaay people, who had been using the sloughs for 10,000–12,000 years. Nothing was done, or probably even thought about, to accommodate a traditional way of life that depended on healthy marshland for its fish, shellfish, and birdlife.

“We used to have several year-round coastal villages,” says Michael Connolly Miskwish, an elder with the Campo band of Kumeyaay Indians and a former NASA engineer. “During the winter, our populations would swell as families came down from the mountains. It was a time of reunion. Dozens of clans would come. They would use the marsh plants to build boats with. They would use the clumps of tar that would float down from, say, L-A’s tar pits, to waterproof them. But when the Spanish settled, our only [contribution] was as labor to build a berm to stop the river from switching and pouring into San Diego Bay, which it had done regularly, silting it up. They needed deep water for their ships. But we have never been consulted, by them, or the Americans, when it comes to Mission Bay.”

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Jim Pugh was a budding environmentalist when the bulk of Mission Bay was dredged, but, as a student, he was too young for them to think of consulting him. He wishes they had.

“Is Mission Bay a

tragedy? Oh yes,” he says. Pugh is renowned for his work in saving nearby Famosa Slough, called by some the last ecologically viable remnant of Mission Bay. “If you’re a duck

or a fish, Mission Bay has been ruined. Your marsh has been taken away. Before, this used to be called ‘Duckville,’ because there were so many migrating ducks that would come

and rest up here on their flyway between Alaska and points south.”

He says it would be very hard to mitigate now. “It was a huge deal when they took this estuary away.

It’s the equivalent of dredging the San Elijo Lagoon. Almost as big as taking away the Tijuana River estuary. When they started serious dredging, in the 1950s, their target depth

was 15–17 feet. They piled all that sludge to create Vacation Island, and Ski Island, and above all, Fiesta Island.” The result is that the bay is about half as big as it was before, and more

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or less lifeless.

"I kayak," he says, "and Mission Bay is pretty boring. The shorelines are all rock revetment. There's no life there. If they had preserved [the natural shorelines of] tidal channels, there would be far more. There's only one little place where natural marsh occurs, the Kendall-Frost marsh [16 acres up near the Rose Creek inlet]. And you're not allowed in there. So you can't paddle among wildlife. There's no place where you can really see wildlife."

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Pugh says the city hasn't seen the error of its ways. "They're gearing up for another dredging pro-

gram. That is only good for ski-boat users. The waters of Mission Bay don't flush well. With deep water, when the tide comes in, and then goes out, up and down from 2–10 feet, say, only a small percentage of the water gets replaced. Remember, there's only one entrance. To make the flushing better, you need to make Mission Bay shallower, not deeper. Then it would flush far more."

He says people haven't grasped the role of marshes and intertidal wetlands.

"Tidal wetlands are where life is spawned, where fish come to have babies. They need creeks, inlets with shallow waters. Only in shallow waters does plenty of sunlight penetrate to grow aquatic plants to provide food and oxygen for the fish, and concealment for the baby

fish hiding from bigger fish, and from birds. So fewer plants means fewer fish means less food for all, including shore birds."

Pugh maintains a special disgust for the city's program of cleaning the sand for those crystal-clear beaches. "By getting rid of the seaweed, we kill all naturally occurring life, especially insects. For instance, the leaf hopper — which feeds exclusively on seaweed — he's rich pickings for shore birds. Instead, we pay for the removal of the seaweed, we dredge the natural shallow waters, and we end up, at great expense, with sparkling white sand that looks great but is actually dead, a sterile shore environment that starves birds looking for food. All except for gulls and crows. They eat our picnic

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The result? A dead zone in the Pacific Flyway, says Pugh. Millions of birds that give and get life from these marshes have had to find somewhere else to go, or starve.

"I tell you, if Mission Bay were healthy, at some times of the year the birds, the migrating ducks, would blot out the sun. They would be so many, if this place was welcoming."

Of course, some still come, in relatively tiny numbers, to the San Diego River flood-control channel, and especially to that last remnant of the original Mission Bay marshlands, the Famosa slough. But what birds are we missing? Take a big breath — the list includes coot, ruddy duck, bufflehead, northern pintail, green-winged teal, scaup, redhead, loons, more ducks such as mallards, pintails, cinnamon teals, shovelers, the great blue herons, egrets, green-backed herons, and black-crowned night herons (all dependent on California killifish and mosquito fish that should be so abundant in shallow waters), plus Belding's savannah sparrow and various shorebirds, including avocets, black-necked stilts, and killdeer, which forage and nest in sheltered areas of the wetland. Then add a whole raft of endangered birds (not surprising, given the fact that 90 percent of all California wetlands have been dug up and sealed over), such as California least terns and the light-footed clapper rail, which nests in the tall cord grass of the Famosa, and also in Kendall-Frost Reserve, and you begin to understand why San Diego County wetlands are the most threatened resource on the California coast.

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"Let the bay restore itself," says Jim Pugh. "Stop the dredging, or at least cut it down. The bay will do the rest. Let it become shallow again. Then the tides could flush it more effectively, more plant life would grow, more fish would spawn, more birds would return to eat them, diversity would return. If we really cared about balance with nature, we'd allow much more marsh to come back. Back in the '50s, they originally only planned to dredge half of the bay and to leave the rest as a wildlife refuge. But once they started dredging, they somehow couldn't stop themselves."

But, he says, one light in the dark is that the Mission Bay Master Plan does talk of returning Camp-land, the commercial campsite at the northern end of Mission Bay Park, to marsh. "Then this would become a more interesting place. People long to watch wildlife, to have it around them. They could look at the life from boardwalks built over the grasses. Back in the early '60s, I took a rowboat up one of the little creeks into Kendall-Frost, before it was put off limits. I lay down in the bottom boards, out of sight, and just watched the birds. It was incredible. Beautiful. They were all around me."

He says that at Mission Bay's Cudahy Creek, which used to run with animal blood and guts from a meat-packing plant, the marsh is already trying to come back. Unfortunately, sometimes circumstances are just too much. "Kendall-Frost Reserve is shrinking, because of waves caused by boats and by winds on the deep water. It's retreating about a meter a year."

And what of the biggest single area in the bay still largely undeveloped, 485-acre Fiesta Island? Let's not

overdevelop it, says Pugh. "From the start, it was envisaged as a 'natural place for tranquility,' an 'aquatic Mission Trails.' There again, the northern part was to be graded to return to marsh

habitat. Now they're talking of roads and shore development. That shouldn't happen."

Carolyn Chase, one of San Diego's best-known voices for the environment

and founder of San Diego's Earth Day, thinks Fiesta Island should be allowed to go to the dogs. "Mission Bay has miles of underutilized white sandy beaches for people, but at Fiesta

Island, people and their dogs are there every day. Dogs can run unleashed all around the 95 acres of the island that is fenced. Over the years, this fenced area has turned into the

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She fears that the city, to accommodate needs such as dragon-boat activities,

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and to make more “nice” areas for “corporate picnics,” will create yet another beach, and a road to access it that would cost “millions.”

“The fact is,” she says, “a group of dog-lovers who use and love Fiesta Island have formed an organization [FIDO — Fiesta Island Dog Owners] which already has 3600 members. That makes them the largest user-group of Fiesta Island. And, unlike others, they use it every day.” She says people are passionate about

keeping that section of the island wild and loose. Even the Dog Whisperer, César Milan, used this area to help rehabilitate a dog suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, Chase wrote in her magazine, San Diego Earth Times, last year. “He said it was the only place in Southern California where he could take him.”

But odds are the pressures to “gentrify” Fiesta Island will continue apace. Ever since big-hearted George Marston — a civic booster with boundless

optimism but a very conventional, conservative view of civic planning — the pressure has been to tame, bring order, and follow the “acceptable” aesthetic dictates of his — and our — day. Copying English garden design was cool. Tipping the hat to Spanish architecture was cool. Learning from the Kumeyaays’ 10,000 years of accumulated knowledge on how to guide and plan the region was not cool. Looking to strictly Mexican ideas, like planning our aesthetics around

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the basic desert nature of the land, was not either. Not unless they were themselves copying European traditions. Or — as Jennifer Luksic and Nik Kendzierski of the San Diego Historical Society write in the *Journal of San Diego History*: “Mediterranean and Iberian fantasy worlds became the focus of much of the architecture and land-use development in San Diego...Civic boosters and entrepreneurs romanticized Southern California with images of lush landscapes and environments that would appeal to the East Coast. George Marston helped to create the image that was being marketed. San Diego sold the climate and only had to create the landscape, a European landscape, to make the fantasy a reality. Historian Lucinda Eddy writes, ‘Although some visions changed over time, the image of San Diego’s ideal location, situated between mountains, desert, and ocean, and its near-perfect climate, remained intact. In addition, the conscious effort to transform the landscape from semi-arid desert to tropical paradise had an enormous impact on the selling of San Diego...’ ”

Mission Bay Park, with its “islands” of palm trees and Pepsodent-white beaches and hotels with blue pools, fits that desired take. Wetlands, sloughs, and untidy Fiesta Island dog-runs do not. Nor does bird poop, already the number-one “vandalizer” of the park. Blame the human-dependent birds — gulls, crows, pigeons, and pelicans.

Meanwhile, let’s not hold our breath for the return of a billion migratory birds, or even the vision of happy, leash-free dogs dashing through rough undergrowth. We’re on a different trip in Mission

Bay. Bring your doggie bag, please.

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But...as I’m about to head for the Number 9 bus, southbound, I get a

reminder not to be all eco-pure and doom-laden. I come across Wes Holland, here at Quivira Basin. He’s soaking wet. He just managed to capsize his sea kayak when he was coming along-

side at the jetty. He’s laughing. “I had to do it at the last moment, so everybody could see,” he says. He’s coming in to Aqua Adventures kayak center. It turns out he’s a Navy officer who’s

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If you sailed to San Diego before, say, 1900, your steamer docked at a long wharf at the foot of Fifth. To reach downtown, you had to wend through blocks of saloons, parlor houses, dance halls, and brothels, not to mention the red-light remora: roving gangs and steel-eyed land sharks after your money through means both devious

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and swift. The district stung worse than any fish.

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Now let's take that walk.

Ever since Alonzo Horton built a \$50,000 wharf at the foot of Fifth in 1869, there have been saloons at Fifth and K. In the early 1870s, Johnny Petty's Last Chance, a rough-hewn long bar with few amenities, stood at the southwest corner. The whiskey tasted like sweetened turpentine. Those of a more health-conscious bent could chase shots with water drawn from local wells. But a glass of that stuff was browner than the liquor. "You could drink it," writes Don M. Stewart, "but you would rather not."

Tillman Augustus "Till" Burnes learned the saloon business tending bar at the Last Chance, which was usually a sailor's final stop before boarding ship. Burnes had been an engraver in San Francisco, a rancher, and a hunter. In San Diego he added to these a reputation as one tough hombre. If customers got rambunctious, Till did the bouncing.

A burly, brown-eyed, five-foot-six-inch Irishman—the nub of a stogie jutting from stained teeth—Burnes bought the Last Chance in 1875 and converted it into a pre-Vegas spectacle: The Phoenix, a bar and a museum of stuffed animals in glass cabinets along one wall. Out-

side, a pepper tree drooped over a menagerie: monkeys, quail, rabbits, a 16-inch Gila monster. For a long, sad week, Burnes nursed an infirm baby leopard seal someone found at Ballast Point. When the poor pup died of consumption, the clientele drowned their sorrows with gallons of nickel beers.

Burnes swore the stuffed bat hung overhead was a vampire. The bat did draw attention, especially that two-foot wingspan. So did the anteater. But Bruin, the live brown bear in the large steel cage outside, was the main draw. Originally Burnes chained Bruin to a post. Then Frank Nelson tried to feed him and lost a finger. Thus the cage. Burnes swore Bruin was friendly, even liked the occasional nip, but he warned customers to keep their distance, especially if they had had one too many. The cage bars were far apart, and Bruin could as easily lick your face as chomp off a chunk.

An ad in the *San Diego Evening World* (August 28, 1875) says that the Phoenix rented out boats and furnished music for parties. Burnes ran an aerial messenger service. He had so many carrier pigeons, and they made such a mess, that the owners of a Chinese store behind the Phoenix tried to shoot them down.

Inside the saloon, above the blue swirl of tobacco smoke, hung a second haze. The ceiling looked like a smoldering fire, but wasn't. Clouds of cobwebs, a foot thick in places, swirled under the beams. Burnes, who got the idea from Cobweb Hall, a "sailor curio tavern" on San Francisco's Barbary Coast, imported hordes of spiders and ordered them to spin to their heart's content.

The story goes—many tales of the Stingaree are probably as much "story" as "history"—Burnes owned a stage line in Baja. In the mid-1880s, when he went south to inspect the operation, he hired a bartender vacationing in San Diego to watch the Phoenix.

Burnes came back. The ceiling was clean. The bar-

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tender, proud of his achievement, had broomed down all the cobwebs. “By God,” said Burnes, “you’ve undone the work of ten years!”

Burnes renamed his bar the First and Last Chance Saloon, and for decades it was the portal to the Stingaree. He later owned other groggeries in the district, including the most vile of them all, the Old Tub of Blood at Third and I.

From the boom years of the 1880s through the first decade of the 20th century, the Stingaree had so many saloons that they needed gimmicks to stand out. Madam Mamie Goldstein’s The Turf, a bar with an upstairs “parlor house” at the northeast corner of Fourth and J, offered culture. Goldstein hired the organist from the German Lutheran church to play familiar hymns exuding moral uplift. In the early years of the 20th century, Jim Flynn tended the Dewey bar at Third and I. A mustachioed fire-

man from Pueblo, Flynn once beat a young Jack Dempsey in the ring. Only the very drunk, or bone stupid, tried to take the measure of the man.

The Railroad Coffeehouse, across from the First and Last Chance Saloon on Fifth, had one of the better gimmicks. During the ’80s, it was illegal to sell liquor after midnight. Shortly before the clock struck 12:00, the Coffeehouse stopped serving alcohol and its specialty, free ham and eggs. The bartender pulled a white curtain over the sideboard. Closing time? Nope. Customers moseyed up to the long-legged stools at the high counter and ordered “Coffee Royal”: nasty “Stingaree lightning” poured into a mug of coffee and sold for 15 cents.

As we move up the west side of Fifth, notice that most of the bars have painted windows, usually black, and don’t have swinging doors. They have screen doors to protect

customers from San Diego’s infernal fleas. (In 1890, when the Women’s Christian Temperance Union wanted to curtail activity in the bars, they told the city to scrape paint off all the windows and remove the screen doors.)

Something else: just as Chinatown was more than opium dens and fan-tan houses, the Stingaree was never merely brothels and saloons, hopheads and black-out alcoholics. The district, which in 1911 extended from First Street east to Eleventh and from Market south to the waterline, had businesses, livery stables, “respectable” saloons and hotels. Alonzo Horton had an office at Sixth near J.

The Stingaree was also home to most of San Diego’s working class, of various races and nationalities. If you drew a diagonal line northwest from Fifth and K to First and Market, almost everything left of the line was Chinatown, which didn’t merge

with the Stingaree until around 1900.

Lower Fifth in 1887 hit you with fiddles and banjos strumming ribald songs, and plunked pianos. Booze-soaked voices croaked a song’s lyrics, sometimes on — more often off — the beat. Every open door wafted smells your way: “garlic, swill, and fried meats,” wrote a *Union* reporter (who grew a beard to infiltrate the district in November, 1887). “And the eye is pained to see one, two, or perhaps three men on each corner, so intoxicated that they can barely stand.”

Up ahead, that two-story building at 452 Fifth?

Pete Cassidy’s. Some saloons used music and the magnet of clinking glasses to create curb appeal. Others projected an upscale mien. The Green Light, on Third between I and J, tried to resemble an English inn. From its balcony you looked down on a pleasant courtyard and a fountain glitter-

ing with goldfish. Cassidy’s grimy, red-brick walls gave an opposite effect.

On March 13, 1887, police arrested Cassidy for rolling a drunk. “A bruiser by trade and rough by reputation,” wrote the *Union*, Cassidy “sponged” 75 cents from his comatose target — and got off with just a hand-slap.

Since his bar stood near the north end of the Stingaree, workers on their way home used to stop by for a cold one. Come payday, Cassidy over-served them with enough “Tanglefoot” to knock them flat and nab their cash.

If sailors made it this far up Fifth, they’d probably spent — or lost — a portion of their earnings by now. But Cassidy (and several of the local madams) found a way to make them lucrative. During the 1890s, sailors became deserters if they were Absent Without Leave for ten days. The Navy paid \$50 for each man recovered. Cassidy had

a knack — a gift, some wise-cracked — for returning AWOL bluejackets on day 11 at the dawn’s early light.

The Stingaree had fast-food eateries, known in those days as “quick and dirties.” But next to Cassidy’s, at the southwest corner of Fifth and I, the Paris Chop House stood apart. The one-story frame structure had a long crescent-shaped table similar to a bar. Patrons sat on high stools. Behind the table, the cook worked a large woodstove. He always kept coffee brewing in a pot and mutton chops frying in a pan. Why? The smoke and sizzling grease chased flies away, and the aroma cruising up and down Fifth was the best advertising in town — if you didn’t count the price, that is: a meal cost 25 cents.

Up the west side of Fifth, at 438, McNerney’s almost rivaled Pete Cassidy’s for thievery. This saloon, one of the first south of H (now Market) specialized not in rolling laborers or sailors, but in robbing “greenies” — people new to the district, or new to San Diego. “Steerers,” men who worked for McNerney’s, walked the streets looking for a well-heeled greeny to befriend and steer to the saloon for a taste.

The steerer slapped a silver dollar on the bar and ordered two beers. The silver meant “Got one.” The steerer then sat his greeny at a table. The bartender made sure the greeny’s glass brimmed with fresh foam.

A reporter for the *Union* watched the sting in 1887: “Half an hour later the [greeny] reeled through the crowd in the saloon to the yard in the rear. The [steerer] followed, but after a few minutes he returned and with a knowing wink to the barkeeper that said another ‘drunk’ had been ‘rolled.’”

“Rolling” happened so often in the Stingaree it became part of the landscape. If a drunk snoozed on his back, the perp — or sometimes just a passerby — would kick him over and pull his pockets inside-out.

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officers when he heard they were regular "rollers."

For decades, the powers that be believed that, by having the Stingaree where it was, they could secrete sin. Hindsight shows that, as Ray Brandes points out, some women in the reform movement "knew that their husbands were profiting from the red-light district or were silent partners in ownership of the land."

One unwritten rule: locals called H Street the "deadline." Upstanding citizens, women in particular, never went south of Market; pimps and sporting ladies could get arrested if they went north. But what if a Stingaree impresario crossed the line?

Wallace Leach came to San Diego in 1873 with a degree from Harvard Law and a flair for the dramatic. In court, he argued for the defense and dressed more for Paris than New Town San Diego. "He was uniformly successful in winning his cases," writes Herbert C. Hensley, "and his fellow townsmen generally admired his gifts while preferring that their women-folks have little to do with him."

In the early 1880s, Leach built a gymnasium at the northwest corner of Second and Broadway. In 1887, he converted the redwood structure into Leach's Opera House. The theater seated over 800 and doubled as an ice-skating rink.

After a show, Leach usually headed up Broadway to Horton House, where San Diego's movers and shakers gathered, and drank himself bibulous. ("When he would overstay his visit at the Horton House rendezvous," writes Don Stewart, "the next day he seemed his best in court.")

To preserve their reputations, patrons of the Horton House bar entered through the unlit door on Third Street, not through the hotel. One night, as Leach was regaling his cohorts, the door swung open and in walked his impresario-counterpart: Till Burnes.

Burnes was unwelcome north of Market — and knew it. But he made as much

money, if not more, than the local crowned heads. He may have wanted to validate his status with a cocktail at the House.

As Burnes was bending an elbow at the sleek, polished-wood bar, Leach made a crack about unwanted lowlifes. Burnes, as if bouncing a customer at the First and Last Chance, pointed to the door and said, "Outside."

Burnes and Leach assumed their stances: fists up, elbows straight down. Burnes snapped a hard right at Leach's face.

Now, normally, Leach was quick on his toes. In an 1883 murder trial, he aggravated the prosecuting attorney, Zach Montgomery, so much that Montgomery swung a silver-tipped cane at his opponent. Leach jerked his head back like a cobra and dodged the silver blur with élan.

The lawyer was less agile at Third and Broadway. Burnes caught him flush and smashed his nose.

His face a bloody mush, Leach vowed no revenge. The honey-tongued orator became silent.

Time passed. Leach now had a flattened nose and pinched nasal voice. He grew his blond hair longer but couldn't hide the permanent mementos.

In the meantime, someone somehow convinced Burnes that he had every right to drink with San Diego's finest. Burnes accepted the invitation. As he entered the Third Street door, a brusque giant bumped him off balance. When the man didn't apologize, Burnes saw red and ordered him outside.

The man, it turned out, was a professional boxer from San Francisco. Leach had hired him to inflict vengeance, systematic, bodily harm on Burnes.

John Drummond, a shell dealer who witnessed the fight, said that Burnes, who claimed he never lost a scuffle, got the most merciless beating anyone ever saw. "After it was over," said Drummond, "Burnes staggered [to the hotel steps], sat down, buried his head in his knees, and cried."

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LETTERS

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Aggregate Is Everywhere

I appreciate your coverage of the proposed Liberty Quarry conflict ("Fallbrook's Mine—A Hit or the Pits?" "City Lights," June 25). I am a resident of Rainbow and one of the 500 citizens who attended the LAFCO hearing on June 4. I spoke on behalf of saving this pristine wilderness area for posterity, since it is a one-of-a-kind place equivalent to Yosemite National Park in uniqueness.

Although the employees of Granite Construction would have you believe there are no other sources of aggregate in our area, one of the speakers at the hearing had a projected map image showing the areas in San Diego and Riverside counties that are aggregate sources, and there are dozens. Choosing the site they have chosen is purely the company's way of having an easy access to highway 15 without regard to the devastating effects a mine would reap on the surrounding area's ecological system and infrastructure. You mentioned Rosemary's Mountain, which is Granite Construction's most recent mine acquisition in the Rainbow area. This new mine is already being prepared and will be an aggregate source for the next 20 years.

One group in opposition to the Liberty Quarry that also made a very poignant 15-minute presentation at the LAFCO hearing was the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians. The proposed quarry site is sacred land for this Indian tribe. It marks the very spot where their creation legends tell of the birth of their peoples.

I realize that a journalist is required to present both sides of a conflict situation such as this, and you did a commendable job. I just felt that since you had not mentioned the Indians' request to have their sacred lands protected from devastation that you may not have been aware of this added contention in the dispute.

Marilee Ragland
Rainbow

Dope Sex

I'm writing about the "Stringers" article entitled "La Policia Scare the Pants Off Prostitutes," page 16 of the June 25 issue. I work in Tijuana, and my girlfriend is a licensed sex-care provider in Zona

Norte, in accordance with Mexican laws.

First of all, "*prostitución*" is a Mexican legal term meaning "any sex involving children, narcotics, pain, bondage, white slavery, rape, animals, the dead, orgy, weapons, and/or

sadism." Selling sex for money is not "prostitution." That is "sexual surrogacy" and is legal but licensed.

Police routinely raid women with no health licenses (because they have HIV) and bars that do not check the licenses of

women they admit. And, in Mexico, police raids are brutal. Mexican Immigration gets involved because there are many U.S. women working illegally in the sex trade, and most of them sell dope on the side.

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FBI) never get involved in the sex business, unless "prostitution" (as opposed to merely selling sex) is taking place. Police seized heroin and crack cocaine, plus thousands of dollars coming from narcotics sales.

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A friend of my girlfriend was present in one of the raids and presented her license, suffering no consequences. Those caught with dope got a different treatment, including patrons. Dope sex is “prostitution” and illegal in Mexico. ¿Comprende?

John Kitchin
via email

Comments from Reader Website

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

City Lights, by Dorian Hargrove

Published June 17

Posted by Ponzi on June 17, 9:59 p.m.

People can't enjoy picnics or letting their children play at parks anymore because they are being infested by dogs. 50% of the people do not pick up their dog waste.

Anyway, the problem used to be ants at a picnic, now it's learning you threw your blanket over a pile of dog crap.

Posted by SpliffAdamz on June 20, 3:50 p.m.

That sounds just like dog beach in OB!!! Come and enjoy walks in the sand of dog p*** and s*** while checking out the waves!!! See drunk dog owners let their dog p*** and s*** everywhere and do nothing about cleaning it up!!!

Posted by yogamuch on June 22, 10:02 a.m.

There are thousands of acres of parks available to residents and a small fraction of them allow dogs. Having off-leash designated parks helps set expectations of park users so when they go to a non-dog park they know they won't throw their blanket down on a doggy pile. Also, there are only a small number of so-called bad-owners who don't pick up after their dog.

As for the drunken dog owners at dog beach, B.S., public drinking of alcohol is illegal and you don't see drunken dog owners on the beach. Crucifying all dog owners because of a few who don't pick up, means taking measures for those who don't, keep reprimand specific, ticket those who don't pick up after their dog and designate more off-leash areas so dog owners and their dog have a place to go ... this keeps the other parks pristine.

Posted by SDaniels on June 22, 11:37 a.m.

It all sounds great in theory, yogamuch.

Posted by yogamuch on June 22, 2:15 a.m.

It's a theory that can be implemented in a practical manner.

It's very do able for the city to allocate enough off-leash areas. For example, Rose Canyon, great place to

run, hike, bike, but you can't take your dog off-leash; therefore you can't mountain bike with your dog ... too dangerous to keep them on the leash.

If there were more places you could take your dog, then parks that are not-off-leash or no-dogs would have less issues with dogs.

There are over 40,000 acres of managed parkland in san diego and less than 1% (~.001% = 41 acres (not including Fiesta Island)) of parkland designated for offleash. Fiesta Island is the largest off-leash area and Parks and Rec is now trying to change that.

With this small of a percentage of off-leash area no wonder there are issues with dogs being at non-off-leash and no-dog parks.

Dog owners are equal taxpayers and should have areas to play and exercise with their dog ... it brings joy to them just like any family wanting to bring their children to the park.

Posted by ecocamper on June 22, 3:16 a.m.

The City can add to its coffers by citing the dog owners who refuse to respect the leash laws. Step it up - I've had it with dog owners who leave piles on the sidewalk and elsewhere. And every single dog park that is created, is park taken away from non-dog owners, since, as the last sentence or your article fully

confirms, the dog parks become smelly and dirty. We non-dog owners do not like sitting in or looking at the rude remains of your pet, or watching your pet pee on everything they pass by. There is a children's playground near the municipal golf course, where dogs are supposed to be on a leash. Not even this tiny space reserved for small children is regarded as off-limits for some people's dogs. I politely mentioned to someone that the playground was for children and we'd appreciate it if his dog wasn't inside, and he stubbornly refused to take his dog outside the fence. I've been to the beach in OB at the foot of Santa Cruz, where dogs are not allowed at all. Of course there are dogs running back and forth, barking at each other, etc. You dog owners need to make the effort to care for your dog giving respect to the laws in this town. Cite the non-compliance - why have a law if you're not going to enforce it? You dog owners have your freakin dog parks - leave the other parks to the human beings they were created for in the first place. Fiesta Island and Balboa Park are special places in San Diego - to have portions of this premier recreation land set aside for dogs is about as generous as you can get. If it were up to me, the dog parks would be in Anza Borrego and the Tijuana Estuary.

Posted by yogamuch on June 23, 10:28 a.m.

I agree that disrespectful dog owners should be cited, but respectful dog owners shouldn't be fined.

Why must all parks be for kids? they scream, yell, dodge in out of people with their skateboards, destroy park benches and railings with their bike and skateboard antics, let's kick all those families and kids out of the parks gee that's rational.

Same thing should apply, kids who are ruining park assets should be fined, just like anyone who ignores the rules, but not all children should be kicked out of parks.



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MODERNIST SET DESIGN IN MID-CENTURY CINEMA

Often referred to as Hollywood Modern, this mid-century design movement is evident in the playful films of the 1950s and '60s. *Pillow Talk*, a film from the period starring Doris Day and Rock Hudson, will be screened at the Mingei International Museum. See [FILM](#), page 58.

Friday, July 3

MULAN, JR.

The San Diego Junior Theatre presents this musical retelling of an ancient Chinese legend made popular by the Disney animated film. See [FOR KIDS](#), page 60.



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"The mind acts like an enemy for those who do not control it," says the Bhagavad Gita (Hinduism's "Song of God"). Swami Tejomayananda presents a "Yoga of Meditation" lecture series expounding on Krishna's fundamentals. See [LECTURES](#), page 62.

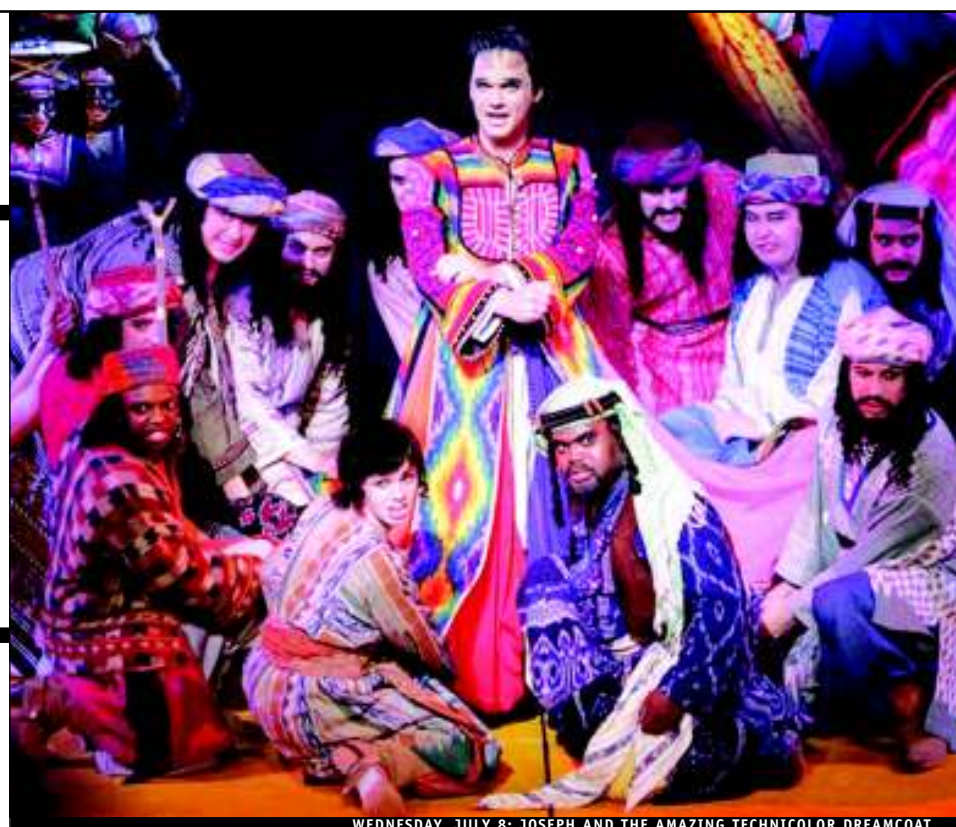
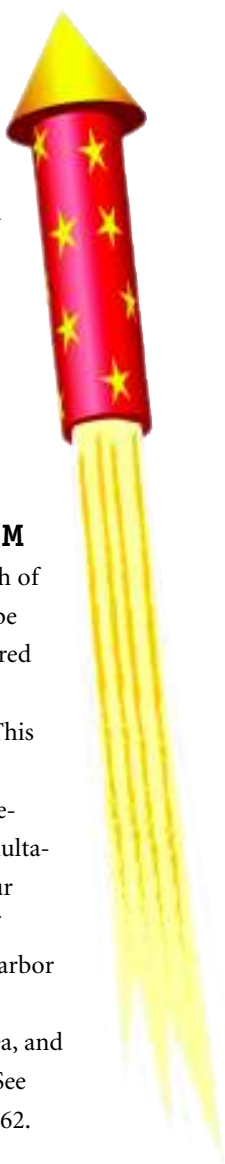
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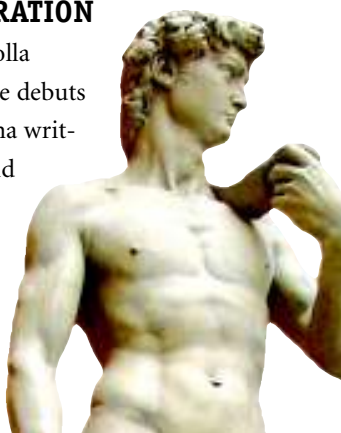


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Sunday, July 5

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Monday, July 6

MEETING OF THE MINDS

Put on your thinking cap and head to the weekly "Thinkers' Gathering" at Reds Espresso Gallery, where you and fellow savants can draw a topic out of a hat and discuss. See [SPECIAL](#), page 62.

Wednesday, July 8

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

Check out this tongue-in-cheek musical about the Old Testament's Joseph and his vibrant, magical frock. Presented by the Welk Resort Theatre. See [THEATER](#), page 104.

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DANCE

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

Ranting Banshee Caller is Graham Hempel during San Diego Folk Heritage contra dance. Beginners' dance workshop: 7:30pm. Dances taught and called, 8-11pm. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. Friday, July 3, 7:30pm; \$7. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

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Blackmail Alfred Hitchcock's 1929 thriller starring Anny Ondra, John Longden, and Cyril Ritchard screens in Little Theatre (room 3601) for "Summer Silents" series. Hitchcock shot both a sound and a

silent version so it could be shown in theaters not yet equipped for talking pictures. Silent film expert, composer, accompanist Philip Carli makes short presentation preceding film, then provides live, original piano accompaniment. 760-795-6613. Thursday, July 2, 8pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

Igor Movies in the Park series continues at Viejas Outlet Center with this animated fable by Anthony Leondis. 619-659-2070. Tuesday, July 7, 8pm; free. Viejas Casino, 5005 Willows Road. (ALPINE)

Phoebe in Wonderland Film Forum screening of 2008 film starring Felicity Huffman, Elle Fanning, Patricia Clarkson, and Bill Pullman.

619-236-5800. Monday, July 6, 6:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Seoul Train Liberty in North Korea summer film tour features documentary following "North Korean refugees seeking relative freedom in China through an underground railroad operated by a network of activists and organizations." How has "geopolitics between China, North Korea, and the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees...brought the crisis to its current state"? 619-741-8153. Friday, July 3, 6:30pm; free. Kaleo Church, 5075 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

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To get to Whitney Canyon, follow the Antelope Valley Freeway



Oak canopy, Whitney Canyon

(Highway 14) north from Interstate 5. Take the first exit, San Fernando Road (Highway 126), turn east, and enter a large Park and Ride lot. This doubles as a “free” trailhead for Whitney Canyon and for the Santa Clara Divide Road, which is a major western access into Angeles National Forest. You can also park in a lot beyond a gate to the north for a small day-use fee.

The dry and desolate landscape you behold at the trailhead hides a pleasant thing or two not far up Whitney Canyon. Using an old dirt road, head east up the canyon, which remains broad and uninteresting for the first half mile. You’ll pass under some massive

high-voltage powerlines, and then the scenery quickly improves. The canyon bottom narrows, and massive live oaks and sycamores arch overhead, creating inviting pools of shade, especially on hot summer days. The excessively gnarled appearance of the trees suggests that they are the survivors of multiple wildfires over decades and centuries of time.

Past a second set of large powerlines, and just beyond an old wall of light-colored masonry on the right, a small tributary canyon opens on the right (south) side, just shy of where the old road peters out. Poke into this little ravine, and you will soon come upon a

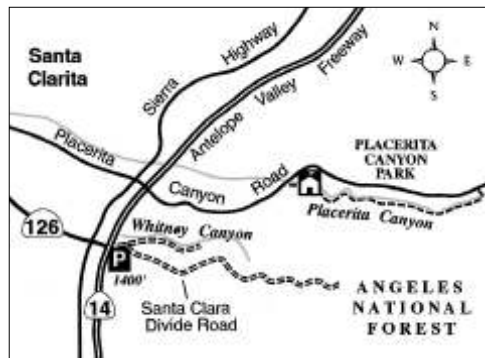
cattail-choked freshwater marsh. A covey of quail might explode from this oasis as you approach it. In back of the marsh look for an artesian sulfur spring — a clear pool of water with sulfurous bubbles coming up. This curiously deserted (in view of the rat race of traffic you left behind) and otherworldly spot is only a mile from the trailhead. When you’re ready to return, turn back and retrace your steps.

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FOR KIDS

Big Joe’s Fireworks Celebrate 4th of July, sing along with Uncle Sam and Yankee Doodle. 619-544-9203. Thursday, July 2, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Friday, July 3, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Sunday, July 5, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; \$3-\$5. 4 and up. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

Mulan, Jr. San Diego Junior Theatre presents this musical retelling of an ancient Chinese legend. Performance on Saturday, July 11, is ASL interpreted. Reservations: 619-239-8355. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 2pm; Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, July 12, \$8-\$13. 6 and up. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

Art Making with Nyiri Artist Joe Nyiri leads hands-on art-making class in conjunction with his “Recent Works on Paper from the Wiz-

ard of Oz Series” exhibition. No experience necessary. Registration: 858-581-9934. Wednesday, July 8, 2pm; free. Pacific Beach Library, 4275 Cass Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Believe in Magic? *Cinderella* performed by Puppet Express and Weaver’s Tales. 619-544-9203. Wednesday, July 8, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; \$3-\$5. 4 and up. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

Calling Decorated Strollers and Wagons! “Red, White, and Blue 4th of July Parade” through gardens for decorated strollers and wagons (no bikes or scooters). Wear red, white, and blue. 760-436-3036 x222. Saturday, July 4, 9:30am; free-\$12. Quail Botanical Gardens, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Get Creative with Sound The Mad Scientist will create variety of “wacky wavelengths and vibrations for sounds to move through.” En-

joy sounds of a singing sound pipe, a swinging sound tube, and “Dinosaur-in-a-Can.” 858-573-5007. Thursday, July 2, 10:30am; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Memorial Tile Painting Family Art Days events in conjunction with “Fabric of Survival: The Art of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz” and “Institutional Wellbeing: An Olfactory Plan for Oceanside Museum of Art.” Art activities reflect concepts, themes from exhibits. Talk with Holocaust survivor Sol Berger (11am); children of all ages can participate in memorial tile painting family art project (noon).

Berger talks with teenagers about Holocaust, answers questions about effects of discrimination and social injustice (3pm). Materials provided. 760-435-3720. Sunday, July 5, 11am; free. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

GALLERIES

“By the Dawn’s Early Light” Reception for artists whose 100 original watercolor paintings are on exhibit through July. Juror was Linda A. Doll. 619-876-4550. Friday, July 3, 5pm; free. San Diego

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Nightmares and Dreamscapes

Opening reception for group exhibition showcasing pieces inspired by dreams, nightmares, themes of light and dark. Closes Friday, July 24. 858-354-6294. Sunday, July 5, 2pm; free. Thumbprint Gallery, 3925 Ohio Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Unexpected" Opening reception for exhibition of work by six artists. Closes Sunday, July 19. 858-459-1196. Sunday, July 5, 6pm; free. La Jolla Art Association Gallery, 8100 Paseo del Ocaso, suite B. (LA JOLLA)

IN PERSON

"Art and Jazz" Danny Green Quartet performs after "ten-minute lecture on how jazz artists have influenced visual artists." 619-232-7931. Thursday, July 2, 7pm; \$10-\$20. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Poetry Annual Escondido Arts Partnership presents reading from poets of the 2008 annual. Meet poets, the publisher, regional editors; find out how to submit work for 2009 edition. Time permitting, open mike follows. 760-480-4101. Sunday, July 5, 3pm; free. Escondido Municipal Gallery, 142 West Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

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LT and Me LaDainian and Loreane Tomlinson sign their book, a memoir subtitled *What Raising a Champion Taught Me about Life, Faith, and Listening to Your Dreams*. 619-295-2201. Tuesday, July 7, 3:30pm; free. Borders Books and Music - Mission Valley, 1072 Camino del Rio North. (MISSION VALLEY)

Shanghai Girls Lisa See (*Peony in Love, Snow Flower and the Secret Fan, Flower Net, The Interior, Dragon Bones, On Gold Mountain*) discusses and signs her new book, set in California and Shanghai in 1937. 858-454-0347. Thursday, July 2, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Bold! Former governor, Democratic National Committee chairman, and physician Howard Dean signs *Howard Dean's Prescription for Real Health Care Reform*. Books for signing must be purchased from Warwick's. 858-454-0347. Thursday, July 2, 4:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Comics That Kill Stand-up comedy featuring Derek X. Cohen, Kit D., Kitty Martini, Christopher Benoit, Andrew Spano. Host: Jason Bang. 619-255-8635. Monday, July 6, 9pm; \$5. 21 and up. Riley's Music Lounge, 2901 Nimitz Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

Meet an "Erotic Epic Fantasy Author" Jacqueline Carey discusses, signs her two most recent books, *Santa Olivia* and *Naamah's Kiss*. 858-268-4747. Thursday, July 2, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

Speculative Fiction Author Larissa Lai signs the "modern fairy tale" *When Fox Is a Thousand*. 858-268-4747. Wednesday, July 8, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

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

Stand-Up in Leucadia! Performers include Erik Knowles (La Jolla Comedy Store regular), "comic shrink" Howard Richmond, Frances Dilorinzo ("Last Comic Standing"). Fee includes four-course French Caribbean dinner and show. Reservations: 760-632-8252. Sunday, July 5, 7pm; \$39. 21 and up. The Calypso Café, 576 N. Coast Hwy. 101. (LEUCADIA)

LECTURES

"ArtStop: Hevajra in Yab-Yum" Program spotlights one to three works for 15 minutes. Go "beyond the familiar and...explore multiple interpretations of works, their relationship to other San Diego

OUT & ABOUT

MULAN, JR.
San Diego Junior Theatre, Casa del Prado Theatre, through Sunday, July 12.

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Museum of Art works, provenance, and little-known facts about the artworks." Included in museum admission (\$10 general). 619-232-7931. Thursday, July 2, 12pm. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Digital Books" Genealogy librarian Mary Van Orsdol addresses Computer Genealogy Group of North San Diego County Genealogical Society. Nonmembers welcome. 858-755-1934. Tuesday, July 7, 10am; free. Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Meditation for Turbulent Times "Yoga of Meditation" lecture series presented by Swami Tejomayananda — described as

the spiritual head of Chinmaya Mission — expounding on "essential teachings" from the Bhagavad Gita. 858-549-2908. Thursday, July 2, 7pm; Friday, July 3, 7pm; free. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Project Debt Relief Seminar by attorney Larissa L. Lazarus. What can you do about your outstanding debt? 858-573-5007. Wednesday, July 8, 6:30pm; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

OUTDOORS

The Heat of Summer will most likely reach its feverish peak in inland San Diego County during the coming month — July. (Coastal San Diego is different: since its weather is greatly affected by the

slowly warming mass of ocean water adjacent to it, coastal temperatures usually peak in August or September.) The weather station at Borrego Springs commonly measures midsummer highs in the 110s Fahrenheit (the record high is 122", a reading set on June 25, 1990), but certain locales in the low-lying, barren basins of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park — notably the Borrego and Carrizo badlands — probably experience even higher temperatures. Overnight camping in the desert in summer is a relatively carefree exercise. Little or no shelter is needed and early-morning temperatures are delightfully tepid. Prospective explorers of the desert in summer should take along enormous quantities of water and inform a responsible person of their whereabouts.

A Waxing Gibbous Moon, only two days short of full-moon phase, illuminates the evening sky after dusk on Independence Day, stealing just a bit of thunder from the fireworks displays. This and every July 4 (actually July 3 at 7 pm Pacific Daylight Time this particular year) is astronomically notable for the fact that it marks Earth's aphelion — the time when our planet lies farthest from the sun (94.5 million miles.) In January, Earth is an almost insignificant three percent closer to the sun than it is now. On account of this minor irregularity, Northern Hemisphere summers tend to be slightly cooler than they otherwise would be. At the same time, the Southern Hemisphere, which experiences winter during our "summer" months, has winters that tend to be slightly cooler.

Grunion will be active on area beaches early next week (Tuesday through Friday, July 7-10), roughly during the hours of 10 pm and 1 am, following the nocturnal high tide. The small, silvery grunion tend to spawn on wide, gently sloping beaches such as Silver Strand, Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, La Jolla Shores, and Del Mar. California law allows the taking of grunion in summer (except in those areas classified as ecological preserves) by those possessing a state fishing license. The grunion must be caught by the hands only, and should be eaten (not wasted). Additional grunion information can be obtained by visiting www.grunion.org.

July's Full Moon rises impressively from the east horizon on Monday, the 6th, very close to the time of sunset. Folk names for the July full moon include "hay moon," "wort moon," "moon of blood" (in reference to mosquitoes), "blessing moon," and "thunder moon."

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

Discover Magnificent Beauty! Nature walks led by trained naturalist. "Marvel at the reawakening vegetation throughout the reserve and be enchanted by fabulous flowers along the trails." 760-436-3944. Saturdays, 10am; free. San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve, 2710 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

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, July 4, 9:30am; 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, July 4, 10am; free. Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Stroll the Garden Guided walking discussion about characteristics and needs of water-smart plants led by landscape designer Connie Beck. Learn ways to reduce water usage in landscape. Registration: 619-660-4350. Wednesday, July 8, 5:30pm; free. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (CUYAMACA COLLEGE)

SPECIAL

"2009 Cannon Invitational" Exhibition features work by Joseph Bennett (assemblage), David Fobes (duct tape), Tara Smith (paintings), and Duke Windsor (paintings). These artists were selected from the 26 artists featured in "2009 Juried Biennial" exhibition by Karen McGuire. 760-602-2021.

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"Art for Life" Artwork by 18 local artists offered for sale during Rod Mojica's charity art show benefiting Lifesharing. 619-531-8869 or 619-829-6327. Tuesday, July 7, 7pm; free. 21 and up. Basic Urban Kitchen and Bar, 410 Tenth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

"As American as Apple Pie" It's theme for Fourth of July parade with equestrians, antique cars, drill teams, marching bands, belly dancers. Parade begins in parking lot at Julian High School (noon), proceeds along Main Street. Pre-parade festivities including vintage airplane flyover (10am), patriotic speeches, town sing-along. View Julian Woman's Club quilt show in Town Hall. American Legion barbecue follows parade (fee). 760-765-1857. Saturday, July 4, 10am; free. Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main Street. (JULIAN)

"Celebraç o do Brasil" Young Global Philanthropists plan benefit for Karuna International with Brazilian food, drinks, music, performance by Sol e Mar. 888-949-8658. Thursday, July 2, 6pm; \$50. Powerhouse Community Center, 1658 Coast Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

"Music Mania!" San Diego County Fair promises numerous competitions and exhibits, including fine arts, livestock, children's art, gems, minerals, home arts; fun zone with rides, games; commercial exhibits; food; contests (bubble gum blowing, pie eating); many concerts. 858-793-5555 or 858-755-1161. Thursdays, 11am; Fridays, 10am; Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; through Sunday, July 5, free-\$13. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Red, White, and Boom New Moonlight Amphitheatre stage house grand opening celebrated during annual Fourth of July festivities. Park opens at 7am; family-friendly activities scheduled during day; food and beverage booths, picnicking, static display of vintage military equipment. Fireworks begin at 9pm.

Live musical entertainment at new Moonlight Amphitheatre starting at 1:30pm; bands include Two of Us Plus One, Grand Junction Band (2:40pm), Side Street Strutters, Fabulous Ultratones (6:10pm). Throughout evening: comedic skits by the Platt Brothers, family workshops by Lindley Lopez Circus.

Fundraising barbecue catered by Famous Dave's precedes fireworks, includes premium reserved seating for fireworks (\$65 per person). Reservations required for dinner. 760-726-1340 x1574. Saturday, July 4, 7am; free-\$65. Brenge Terrace Park, 1200 Vale Terrace Drive. (VISTA)

"The Art of Puppetry" Discover this ancient art form as you make hand puppets using cloth, papier-m  ch  , found objects. Participants will build a puppet theater, present impromptu skits. Snacks provided. All ages. Fee: \$40 per month or \$25 per class. RSVP: 619-593-2205. Wednesdays, 5pm; through Wednesday, July 29. Sophie's Gallery, 109 Rea Avenue. (EL CAJON)

Ask the Horticulturist Enjoy informative tour through garden with horticulturist David Yetz. Bring your questions. Registration: 619-660-0614 x10. Sunday, July 5, 1:30pm; free. Water Conservation

Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (CUYAMACA COLLEGE)

Beyond No Birthday Cake P&R Discussion Group gathers to gain understanding of Jehovah's Witnesses. 619-370-1027. Thursday, July 2, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Big Bay Boom The Big Bay July 4 fireworks show returns for another display over San Diego Bay. Fireworks will be discharged simultaneously from four barges placed off Shelter Island, Harbor Island, the Embarcadero area, and Seaport Village. 619-686-6200. Saturday, July 4, 9pm; free. Embarcadero, Along Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

Celebrate the Independence of the U.S.A. Lawn program hosted by House of United States. Food for sale. 619-234-0739. Sunday, July 5, 2pm; free. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

Concentration, Visualization, Meditation Learn techniques for stress reduction, relaxation during free meditation classes, as well as advanced breathing techniques and "essence of yogic philosophy." 619-640-4438. Tuesdays, 7:30pm; through Thursday, December 31, free. Pilgrimage of

the Heart Yoga, 3301 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Full-Moon Walk on Scripps Pier Explore the pier (normally closed to public) and learn of structure's history, collect plankton, dissect a squid, observe ocean conditions, and study nocturnal habits of marine life. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Tuesday, July 7, 7pm; Wednesday, July 8, 7pm; \$23. Scripps Institution of Oceanography, 8602 La Jolla Shores Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Historic 4th! Enjoy "an old-fashioned 1800s Independence Day celebration" with cow-chip tossing, sack races, needle in a haystack, pie-eating contest, many other games of the past. Keynote speaker from U.S. Marine Depot and parade (noon). Reenactors from San Pasqual Battlefield Volunteer Association demonstrate cannon firing throughout day. Patriotic music, Old Town Dancers, Los Bailadores, more. 619-220-5422. Saturday, July 4, 11am; free. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

It's Paper Theater Time! Exhibit showcases replicas of Victorian-era paper theaters as well as modern versions of the toy. During Victorian era, theatrical playhouses

printed fine posters showing architectural elements of their theater; families then created scale models of specific theaters. Condensed scripts were included in poster kits, paper doll players acted in productions. Live paper-theater performance July 11 at exhibit site. Exhibit continues through July. 858-822-5758. Thursdays, 7:30am; Fridays, 7:30am; Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; Mondays, 7:30am; Tuesdays, 7:30am; Wednesdays, 7:30am; through Friday, July 31, free. UCSD Arts Library, Geisel Library, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Meeting of the Minds "Thinkers' Gatherings" planned. Draw a topic out of hard hat or bring your own theories and hold court. 619-523-5540. Mondays, 5pm; free. Reds

Espresso Gallery, 1017 Rosecrans Street. (POINT LOMA)

Middle-Eastern Drum and Belly Dance Class Doumbek drumming class for all levels taught by Frank Lazzaro (6-7pm), followed by tribal belly-dance class taught by Sabrina Fox with live drumming (7-8pm). \$12 per class. 760-703-1487. Mondays, 6pm; \$12. WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

Uptown Parking Forum Contribute three minutes of questions, comments, or complaints about parking in "Uptown." Uptown Partnership's board of directors will listen to all remarks, provide responses on its website (or by individual email if requested). 619-

Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

298-2541. Thursday, July 2, 4:30pm; free. First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, 4190 Front Street. (HILLCREST)

SPORTS

America's Cup Finals San Diego Polo Club hosts competition and "7th Chukker Party." Preliminary matches at 1:30pm, feature match at 3pm. Parking: \$5. 858-750-6841. Sunday, July 5, 1:30pm; \$10-\$25. San Diego Polo Club, 14555 El Camino Real. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Full-Moon Paddle on Mission Bay Gain introduction to kayaking and enjoy scenic nighttime tour of one of San Diego's most beautiful playgrounds. Reservations: 619-255-0203. Tuesday, July 7, 7pm; \$20-\$65. 6 and up. San Diego Natural History Museum, 1788 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Garibaldi, Lobster, Octopuses, and You Snorkel in calm La Jolla Cove during outing hosted by Birch Aquarium at Scripps. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Sunday, July 5, 8am; \$30. 10 and up. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

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Padres vs. Astros San Diego Padres host the Houston Astros. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5000, 877-374-2784. Thursday, July 2, 12:35pm; \$7-\$57. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

Padres vs. Dodgers San Diego Padres host the L.A. Dodgers. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5000, 877-374-2784. Friday, July 3, 7:05pm; Saturday, July 4, 4:05pm; Sunday, July 5, 1:05pm; \$7-\$57. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

Running Clinic in the Park "Using Tempo Runs to Improve Your Endurance" is subject for "laid-back" educational clinic hosted by exercise physiologist, coach Dr. Jason Karp. For runners of all abilities.

Classes begin in Morley Field, at picnic tables near baseball fields. 619-546-8386. Thursday, July 2, 6pm; \$10. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

Signature Horse Show 858-481-9085. Thursday, July 2, 8am; free. Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

MUSEUMS & PUBLIC ART

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum The museum locates, collects, documents, and preserves historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related to agriculture and the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil-drilling, and construction industries. Blacksmith and wheelwright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale

train. 2040 North Santa Fe Ave., 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Barona Cultural Center and Museum 1095 Barona Rd., 619-443-7003. (LAKESIDE)

Birch Aquarium at Scripps Facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. More than 60 tanks contain marine life of Pacific Northwest, California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and South Pacific. The La Jolla Kelp Tank is a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. "Feeling the Heat: The Climate Challenge" examines science behind climate change; "Art of Deception" explores undersea camouflage. "Wonders of Water" waterplay area includes three interactive stations. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, bamboo, and wobbegong sharks. 2300 Expedition Way, 858-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

Campo Depot State Highway 94 & Forrest Gate Rd., 619-465-7776. (CAMPO)

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

gratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. 1000 Gunpowder Point Dr., 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Coronado Museum of History and Art "Ozily Yours: L. Frank Baum in Coronado" focuses on the life of L. Frank Baum in Coronado and his writings (which include the Oz books). Learn about "this Renaissance gentleman, his creativity, and his generosity." Exhibit with photographs, books, and memorabilia closes Tuesday, September 15.

Ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. 1100 Orange Ave., 619-435-7242. (CORONADO)

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

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego Glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. 413 Market St., 619-237-1492. (DOWNTOWN)

Heritage Museum An interpretive wall, replicas of the early post office and general store, and a school room are part of this museum. A mural painted by Michael Strong depicts six periods of Poway's past. Find the museum in Old Poway Park. 14134 Midland Rd., 858-679-8587. (POWAY)

Heritage of the Americas Museum More than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 B.C.) through the Ming periods (A.D. 1368-1644) are included in "The Stone of

Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China." From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments in death or as ornaments in life. See a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 B.C.-A.D. 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). Ongoing.

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

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

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

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.

"Doors from Four Cultures" — continuing through Sunday, September 6 — introduces different interpretations of that most useful and ubiquitous mechanism of daily life, the door. See doors from Japan, India, the Sa'dan Toraja culture of Sulawesi in Indonesia, and the Dogon people of Mali. 1439 El Prado, 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

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Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla Work by nine architects who lead San Diego-based architectural design firms “redefining housing design, development, and urbanization in the San Diego region and beyond” showcased in “MIX: Nine San Diego Architects.” Curators selected estudio teddy cruz, LUCE et studio architects, Sebastián Mariscal, Public (James Brown and James Gates), Rinehart Herbst (Todd Rinehart and Catherine Herbst), Lloyd Russell, and Jonathan Segal as representative of a generation of architects who have pursued sophisticated design forms aligned with a critical understanding of the economic and social context of the region. Closes Sunday, September 6.

Alice Aycock, Robert Irwin, Matt Mullican, and Robert Venturi are presented in “Abstraction for Everyday Life,” an exhibition of promised gifts and works on paper from museum’s collection, on display through Sunday, September 6. “Featured works all utilize forms of architectural drawing, rendering, and sketching to represent abstracted and evocative states and ideas, as well as the opposite — drawing plans made to create functional objects and physical structures whose origins lie in theory and subjective perception.” 700 Prospect St., 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Making Music “ON! The Beginnings of the Electric Sound Generation” presents rarely seen examples of early, electrified instruments from 1900 to 1965. Exhibit includes iconic electric and electro-acoustic guitars, lesser-known electric instruments such as banjos, violins, basses, keyboards, amplifiers, effects pedals, and unusual applications of electrification such as the electric zither. Through March, 2010.

The past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Guided tours

every Saturday, 2:30pm 5790 Armada Dr., 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

National City Depot San Diego Electric Railway Association operates museum in this historic Santa Fe depot with exhibits, video displays, trolley equipment, restored passenger car from National City and Otay Railroad. 922 West 23rd St., 619-474-4400. (NATIONAL CITY)

Oceanside Museum of Art In “Cell Memory,” artist Valentyna Roenko Simpson has created a fiber installation addressing the potential DNA holds for unlocking secrets of human ancestry. Themes of identity, ancestry, science, memory permeate her artistic vision. View installation through Thursday, July 2.

Esther Nisenthal Krinitz was a teenager in rural Poland when Nazis invaded her village; separated from their family, Esther and her sister survived Holocaust pretending to be Polish Catholics, arriving in America after war. “Fabric of Survival: The Art of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz” — continuing through Sunday, October 25 — is comprised of the 36 appliqué and embroidered panels Krinitz decided to create at the age of 50 to tell her story.

“Institutional Wellbeing: An Olfactory Plan for Oceanside Museum of Art” is a site-specific installation created by conceptual artist Brian Goeltzenleuchter exploring perception of fragrance as an art media for interior environments. Piece “playfully exploits the language of corporate aesthetics as well as new age healing to create and brand a scent for the museum using the latest in scent engineering technology.” Closes Sunday, August 9. 704 Pier View Way, 760-435-3720. (OCEANSIDE)

Olaf Wiegthorst Museum Displays paintings and prints by Olaf Wiegthorst and features exhibits of other artists’ American West art. Adjacent to museum is courtyard with cactus gardens, 20x20-foot reproduction of Wiegthorst’s painting *Navajos at Castle Creek*, and original restored home Wiegthorst

lived in for many years starting in 1945. 131 Rea Ave., 619-590-3431. (EL CAJON)

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum Complex of historical buildings includes the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunkhouse, women’s clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex. 645 Main St., 760-789-7644. (RAMONA)

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

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

San Diego Model Railroad Museum Museum celebrates American railroads with “the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train ex-

hibit” in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the “San Diego County Relief Map” exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading. The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. 1649 El Prado, 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Museum of Art “Oceanic Art: A Celebration of Form” features 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.

“Richard Avedon: Portraits of Power” features more 180 photographs of America’s power-elite, ranging in date from 1950 until Avedon’s death in 2004. Exhibition contains rarely seen photographs, including works that have never before been exhibited or published. Through Sunday, September 6. 1450 El Prado, 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Natural History Museum “Gunther von Hagens’ Body Worlds 2 and The Brain — Our Three-Pound Gem: The Original Exhibition of Real Human Bodies” showcases “the original, precedent-setting public anatomical exhibitions of real human bodies, by physician, anatomist, and inventor of Plastination, Dr. Gunther von Hagens.” Exhibition offers visitors in-depth view of the intricately designed human body, comparative anatomy showing wellness and disease, and mysterious world of the brain. Closes Sunday, October 4.

The international juried “Best of Nature Photography Show,” continuing through Sunday, September 13, includes winning images from amateur and professional photographers. Landscape, wildlife, nature-based abstract/impressionistic images shown.

“The Osa: Where the Ocean Meets the Rainforest” features photography by Roy Toft, who has been exploring, photographing fauna of Osa Peninsula for 20 years. Peninsula juts into Pacific Ocean, is located in southwest corner of Costa Rica, boasting lush rainforests, complex system of freshwater and marine systems.

Also on view: “Fossil Mysteries,” a permanent exhibition. From dinosaurs to mastodons, discover the rich fossil history of our region. Current “giant-screen films” are *Human Body: Pushing The Limits* —

Brain Power, Planet Earth: Pole to Pole and Ocean Oasis. 1788 El Prado, 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

Veterans Museum and Memorial Center Memorial to men and women who served in U.S. Armed Forces, Coast Guard, and Wartime Merchant Marine. Located in the former San Diego Naval Hospital Chapel, the museum features original service-inspired stained glass, as well as historical murals painted by Richard DeRosset. Main exhibit hall features displays, exhibits of historic artifacts, documents, photographs, memorabilia, artwork honoring men and women who served. Museum is also home to San Diego Vietnam Peace Memorial and Veterans Memorial Garden. 2115 Park Blvd., 619-239-2100. (BALBOA PARK)

Wells Fargo History Museum Museum features a working agents’ office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. Short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the 1800s; an exhibit of Concord Coach #251, a restored stagecoach built in 1867; and the Davies watch. The museum is located in the reconstructed Colorado House. 2733 San Diego Ave., 619-238-3929. (OLD TOWN)

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Pay the DJ SDSU recently remitted \$3000 to a former student who claimed that KCR, the on-campus radio

to 4 a.m. "Then, the person who was on before me stopped coming in, so they gave me 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. I played an hour

"[that] said I was a disgrace and revolting. The letters accused me of making racist comments about Jews on the air. Come on. I'm Jewish." He believes they were sent by one person, a DJ with whom he'd admittedly had a tiff.

Then Skot Norton, KCR's faculty advisor, accused Jay of drinking on the air. "He said somebody went through the trash and allegedly found beer bottles," says Jay, "[but] the trash can was outside the station in the quad area."

Jay was released from KCR in September 2006 but says that the KCR general manager and the DJ with whom he had had the falling out continued to bash his character on blogs.

"They wrote that I was gay. After I was fired they continued to ridicule me. They said I was banned from the premises, when in fact I was a student in good standing."

Last year, Jay retained an attorney, and an SDSU committee reopened the affair by launching an investigation into the matter.

"The judiciary committee

apologized to me and said I hadn't done anything wrong. That's [when I decided] to sue."

Norton was asked to comment about the fact that his administrative decision to expel Jay from the all-volunteer station just cost SDSU \$3000. "This is the first I've heard about it," he said on June 23. "I don't have much comment."

President Weber's office referred questions to Tyler Sherer, SDSU's director of government and community relations, who said he was not aware of the settlement but that he would "try to get back to you."

— Ken Leighton

Tower Bar Beat-down

Nearly two weeks after being attacked by a group of men loitering near the Tower Bar at around 1:50 a.m., the victim who sustained the worst injuries said he's recovering, and the suspect accused of stomping on his head while he was unconscious is behind bars. (Because of the nature of the attack, the victim asked not to be identified.)

According to police reports,

five to six black men wearing dark clothing went to the City Heights bar after last call but left once the bartender refused to serve them after hours. As the patrons began clearing out, the suspects reportedly attacked several customers, sending three to the hospital with head injuries and a few others with bruises and black eyes.

"I had a displaced fracture of the left orbital lobe, which means my left eye socket was cracked, so they had to do surgery," the victim says. "The doctor pieced the bone together with a protein adhesive patch to hold it in place. That's an implant that will stay in my face forever. The surgery went well. They did it all through the eye socket so I won't have any scars."

The victim said he has no recollection of the incident.

"Honestly, I don't have the slightest memory of it," he says.

"I don't remember being hit, being in the ambulance, being in the hospital. From what everyone has been saying about it,



CITY HEIGHTS FIGHT NIGHT AT TOWER

there was nothing that led up to it. It caught everyone off guard."

In a follow-up interview, the victim said the police investi-

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station, damaged his chances to get a job in radio. KCR is a free-form radio station where DJs (unpaid students and alumni) select their format and playlists. KCR can be heard online at KCRlive.com.

"I walked in to hang up a flyer," says Jefferson Jay about his first visit to KCR in January 2006. "They gave me an application, and before I knew it I was on the air." *The Jefferson Jay Show* aired Mondays from midnight

of local music during my show. I interviewed King Stahlman and [columnist] Ed Decker. People called in. It was the only



JEFFERSON JAY: "COME ON. I'M JEWISH."

show on KCR that got calls or [media] attention."

Jay says letters were sent to SDSU president Stephen Weber



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gator told him officers arrested the suspect shortly after the attack. "He had to be tazed because he ran from the cops when they went to stop him," he says. Investigators then linked the suspect to the crime by his shoeprint.

"I had a very distinguishable shoe pattern on my face for a few days, and [the suspect] was wearing the same shoes — the pattern of the shoes matched the pattern on my face."

Reports identified the suspect as Johnny W. Douglas, 26. He's being held at the George Bailey Detention Center with bail set at \$35,000. He is charged with assault with force likely to produce great bodily injury on a person and resisting an officer.

— Larry Harmon

Worthy's Cause

"Worthy Gubbins is like odds and ends, rubbish, maybe like a lucky rabbit's foot or a favorite ring," writes guitarist and vocalist Tyler Stolnack in an email. He's defining the sound and feel of his four-piece folk-rock band.

Last month, the quartet accepted an invitation from FM 94.9's Tim Pyles to record six tracks for a collection of recordings called *The Pyles Sessions*.

"[Pyles] took us to Studio West, which is a big studio in Rancho Bernardo with great equipment, and the songs were all done in one take," writes Stolnack, the son of former 91X radio personality Russ Stolnack (aka Russ T. Nailz).

In addition to hooking up the band with a professional recording session, Pyles set up a gig at the fourth annual Alex's Lemonade Stand benefit concert on July 11. The foundation raises money to find a cure for childhood cancer.

Worthy Gubbins will play the San Carlos July 4 Block Party at Lake Artemis at 1:30 p.m. For more on Alex's Lemonade Stand benefit, go to alexlemonade.org. — Dorian Hargrove



WORTHY GUBBINS MAKES LEMONADE

Record-Release Roundup

The debut album from headbangers Wolves of Eden features guest guitarist Anthony LoCoco of Deeper Purple, "a longtime friend and mentor and the best damn shredder in San Diego," according to guitarist Jason Getzel. Rough cuts have been appearing on the band's

MySpace page, and Getzel says the final mix will be influenced by listener comments. "We are letting the public in on the process, not

waiting until the finished product." Check out the new cuts when they play Riley's Music Lounge in Point Loma on Saturday, July 4.

British-born Dave Humphries, who calls himself "the man rejected by Apple Records more than anyone alive," is finishing the follow-up to his SDMA-nominated '08 album. "The Beatles and Badfinger are

still big influences," says Humphries, "so almost everything I do sounds like BBC radio circa 1970 or so." Humphries will debut new songs like "Fallin' Up to Heaven" when he performs Saturday, August 8, at the North Park Music Thing.

Another U.K. transplant, Mike Stax of the Loons, is known for his obsession with the Pretty Things. His Ugly Things Records label will reissue the Pretty Things/Philippe DeBarge vinyl LP this month, featuring a 1969 collaboration between French playboy DeBarge and the Pretties that was unreleased until Stax put it out last year. Produced by PT's Wally Waller and Phil May, Stax describes the reissue as "a new limited-edition pressing for those of you who missed out on the first pressing, which sold out almost immediately.

It's identical to the first, except the label is now green instead of orange."

Taang! Records, which earned its bones recording



BAD APPLE DAVE HUMPHRIES

Boston hardcore bands, has compilation albums planned for late summer featuring the Oysters, Attitude Adjustment, New-

town Neurotics, and Kilslug. "We have around 200 titles now," says Davit Buck, "and it's our 25th anniversary, so we're practically last-man-standing in the indie record biz. Thanks to the current vinyl revival, we now have distribution deals with Fontana Records and a whole bunch of new European outlets."

Acoustic blues guitarist Joshua Emery Blatchley is finishing an acoustic album recorded with Pall Jenkins, though at this writing he hasn't booked a release show. "I'm pretty selective about the shows I play," he says, "but I'm hoping to line up the Ché or Casbah." Scheduled for "sometime in autumn," the album will be available as an MP3 and on CD and vinyl.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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This Week
In Music

Thursday 2



JUNIOR REID AT
BRICK BY BRICK

Reggae's dancehall duke **Junior Reid** makes his home nearest the genre's roots in Kingston, Jamaica. Recording and touring since he was 15 years old, the 44-year-old former Black Uhuru vocalist doesn't spend much time there but says his worldliness informs his dub riddims. Reid's a vibrant performer who's remained relevant by working with the likes of Alicia Keys, Lil Wayne, and the Soup Dragons (!?). Check out last year's *Live in Berkeley* CD/DVD for a primer. Reid appears at Bay Park's Brick by Brick alongside **High Tide** and **Without Papers**.... Hardcore head-trippers **Long and Short of It's CAW: An Unkindness of Ravens** has been a steady listen around Reader offices this year for its Jesus Lizard juice and '80s art-core audacity. Ben Johnson's the new David Yow. Question is: what do we do with the old David Yow? (Not to worry, Jesus Lizard is back at it and will be here in October, buds!) In the mean, get geared up at Radio Room tonight with Long and Short, **Mount Vicious** (SF), and the **Archons**.... More blippage: **Heavy Cessna** lands at the Ken with **Revenge Club** and **Sneak Babies**...and bad-ass song-and-dance man **Ben Vereen** checks in at Anthology for two nights. Seriously, the cat's a Broadway institution.

Friday 3

Eddie Spaghetti and his self-proclaimed "greatest rock and roll band in the world," the **Supersuckers**, hit the beach at Canes Saturday night. Rock-rolling cow-punk style for nigh on 20 years now, the Suckers make their hay onstage and are indeed an act to be reckoned with. Couple them with Stray Cat bass slapper **Lee Rocker**, who sets the seaside stage, and you've got the ingredients for an all-out barn-burner. Check out Rocker's Alligator debut *Black Cat Bone*. Dude rules the rockabilly roost.... She doesn't care about her bad reputation, and why should she? **Joan**

Jett and the Blackhearts have had so many chart-toppers — "I Love Rock 'n Roll," "Crimson and Clover," "Do You Want to Touch Me," just to name a few. Ms. Jett and the rest'll ride the midway at the Del Mar Fairgrounds Friday night.... Else: well-aged SanFran punk band **Samiam** plays the Ken with North County warblers **Tiltwheel**...groove-oriented garage rockers **Ded Pigeons** drop on Soda Bar with dynamic duo the **Dabbers**...she-rockers **Stone Foxes** and **Anna Troy** join L.A. alts the **Tender Box** at Ruby Room...one-man band **Pant Hoots** and alt-pop act **Thin Man** split a bill at Bar Pink...and Casbah does its dance deal **Jivewire** for your pre-Fourth fling.

Saturday 4

Happy Independence Day, San Dagos. What we've got's not a lot, but it's hot. Check out the "Mayor of Motown" **Smokey Robinson** wooing 'em at the Fair. Robinson's R&B tracks have got such staying power — "You've Really Got a Hold on Me," "Tracks of My Tears," "I Second That Emotion," "Tears of a Clown," etct etct — the 70-year-old hit-maker's heyday is *still* on. Go to the show, ride some rides.... And then blues ban-shee **Lady Dottie** will don her **Diamonds** down at Casbah. Dottie's 2008 s/t Hi-Speed Soul debut is a near-perfect party platter. With rootsy rock-and-soul trio **Grass Heat**, this bill's a helluva way to keep the fireworks flying on the Fourth.



SMOKEY ROBINSON AT FAIRGROUNDS

Sunday 5

Avalon Tattoo celebrates 20 years of inking you up, San Diego. The festivities at Casbah Sunday

night include sets by country skunks the **Deere Johns** and **Old Man Malarkey** and soul slingers the **Tighten Ups**.... Ruby Room stages a subtler Sunday-nighter with Austin folkie **Elisa Ferrari** and likeminded locals **Drew Andrews** and **Joanie Mendenhall**.... Also, megasupadupa diva **Kelly Clarkson** will appear at the Fair. Apparently she's the first-ever *American Idol* winner and since has become an international sensation. Whatever.

Monday 6

Take Tuesday off, gang, cuz this week's sets to see are down at Casbah's Anti-Monday thing. You just can't miss the do-right double bill of the **Coathangers** and the **Strange Boys**. The Coathangers are all-female Atlanta breakouts whose Suicide Squeeze debut *Scramble* melds gritty indie-pop with Kim Gordon cool. And the Strange Boys are some youngsters from Austin whose punk'd R&B belies their years. Get your gloves around this year's In the Red record *The Strange Boys and Girls Club* for the proof in the pudding. *Skyscraper* compares them to Black Lips' "wild pop glee...channeling, distorting, and mending a surprising amount of influence into a cohesive, addictive collection." True, dat. (And by the way, r.i.p. *Skyscraper*. This summer's issue is apparently its last. Bummer.) Casbah's serving up sides of **Heavy Hawaii**, **Anasazis**, and **DJ Mario O**.



KELLY CLARKSON AT
FAIRGROUNDS



COATHANGERS AT CASBAH

spinning round sets. It is so on.... The only forgivable excuses for missing that one might be catching the **Bugs** and **Secretions** at Bar Pink or

Modern Rifles and **Robbers** at Radio Room. Because, y'know, they're local and stuff.

Tuesday 7

Ageless U.K. punx the **Anti-Nowhere League** lay it down at Brick by Brick Tuesday night. Front man Animal's led an ever-changing band of Anti-Nowhere Leaguers for going on 30 years and shows no sign of letting up. Last year's *Road to Rampton* finds him with his '80s Oi! intact. The "Master of Disaster" and ex-pro skater **Duane Peters**

(purportedly the inventor of the "acid drop") will set the Bay Park stage with **Cobra Skulls** (Reno), **Ashers** (featuring Mark Unseen), and kid act **Jakked Rabbits** (Slam Diego) for a punk-rock smorgasbord.

Wednesday 8

Hump-night highlights have **Copeland** hitting House of Blues. The Florida four-piece plays clean anglophilic piano pop à la Coldplay and Keane, except they're from, like, Lakeland, not England, and the arena would have to be *reeeeally* small. You can find their Tooth & Nail debut *You Are My Sunshine* (I know, right) at the "nice price" in the remainders bin somewhere between Coldplay and Keane.... Ex-Wild Weekender **Maren Parusel** — "featuring a supergroup backing band" — cozies up to Casbah with **Royal Campaign** and the **Steve Carson Band**.... While **Yes** and **Asia** bring their very British fancy-pants prog pop to Humphrey's by the Bay. (P.S. and BTW, Jon Anderson is not on the tour. It's some dude they found singing in a Yes tribute band.)

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Cowboy Bebop and Gypsy Crawl

"I went to Dead concerts with a mohawk and to Black Flag shows wearing tie-dye"

I guess I've always been an outsider," says multiinstrumentalist-songwriter Jon Ji.

"The hippies called me a punk, the punks called me a hippie, the Confederates a rebel...and the girls an angel, the devil, and a tart. I guess they were all right. I went to Dead concerts with a Mohawk and to Black Flag shows wearing tie-dye. For a while I was a hardcore goth skater punk, at least until I got tired of conforming to nonconformity."

After a classmate gave him a jazz tape, Ji says, "I started taping the jazz shows on the local college station while I was at school and listening to them when I got home. It was like Christmas every day. Seriously. Now, I was really a rebel — a 16-year-old kid listening obsessively to music of the '20s, '30s, and '40s."

Ji describes his own music as "Cowboy bebop and gypsy crawl. It's a lot like old-time jazz, like the Squirrel Nut Zippers with a little bit of groove music thrown in. Call it alterna-folk bebop-groove *sturm und drang*. Two of my favorite performers are Billie Holiday and the Violent Femmes — especially their first album. So just smooch them together with some groove, and that's what I sound like."

WHAT'S IN YOUR MUSIC PLAYER?

1. Billie Holiday and Lester Young, *The Complete Billie Holiday/Lester Young*. "The music in this three-CD set is so romantic and hip at the same time. I love the old lyrics — they were so witty, and the way these two phrase together is amazing. If you don't like this, then I feel sorry for you and your black heart."
2. Susie Arioli, *That's for Me*. "This girl is just so smooth, it's like '20s through '40s music, but

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3. Finn Riggins. "A band from Idaho. Sounds a lot like the Pixies, but even better."

4. Franz Schubert, *Complete String Quartets*. "This guy was intense. I love the twists and turns, the power of the strings, and especially the cello parts."

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MOST VISITED WEBSITES?

1. huffingtonpost.com. "Lots of news, from the same side of the political fence that I sit on."
2. superforest.org. "Trippy, progressive-art site."
3. myspace.com. "I still like MySpace and have made cool friends there. Plus that's where you find the best bands. You won't find most of that music by hanging around town or on the big blogs."
4. weatherunderground.com. "Even though we don't really experience weather in San Diego, I'm a weather junkie."

MOST DIFFICULT SONG IN YOUR SETLIST?

"Marvin Gaye's 'What's Going On' is hard because he's a much better singer than me. It's tough to mess with Marvin, but it's fun to try."

WHAT SUPER POWER DO YOU WISH YOU HAD?

"I want molecular subatomic control. I could do anything with this, but mostly I bet I'd just make moo shu chicken."

BRUSH WITH FAME?

"I played at some hotel in Carlsbad, and sitting in the lounge chair right in front of me was Gene Simmons from Kiss. He was two feet away, so I could hear everything he was saying. All these middle-aged women were coming up to him to



John Ji

have a picture taken with him doing his stick-out-the-tongue thing. He was hitting on all of them! One lady bends over to talk to him — he says something in her ear — and she stands up quickly, blushing and saying, 'But my husband is right over there.' I talked to him too, but he didn't hit on me."

WORST MOVIE?

"*Ultraviolet*, even though I like the star, Milla Jovovich. That movie was so terrible, all cliché and tacky — even her hotness couldn't save it."

DO YOU PLAY VIDEO GAMES?

"Only the Ms. Pac-Man at the laundromat. I'm not against them, I just don't have time to play. Besides, Legend of Zelda scared me."

BEST LOCAL HANGOUTS?




"Lancer's has always been my staple because everything there is so cheap. My new favorite, however, is the Soda Bar. They're always changing the music, and it's always filled with really cool people."

WHAT ABOUT YOURSELF DO YOU WISH YOU COULD CHANGE?

"My inability to quit playing golf. It's an obsession, although it does legitimize drinking at 9 a.m. Lots of musicians are secret golfers. Go ask Alice. Cooper, that is."

BIGGEST POLITICAL CONCERN?

"Health insurance and the need for nationally socialized medical coverage. I'm all for it." ■

<p>Thursday, July 2 etix</p> <p>JUNIOR REID</p> <p>HIGH TIDE</p> <p>WITHOUT PAPERS</p> 	<p>BRICK BY BRICK</p> <p>Friday, July 3</p> <p>"INDEPENDENCE BASS"</p> <p>Ricky Force • Jason • Ronni Ridda • Knottyboy Intrigued • MC Werd</p> <p>Tuesday, July 7 (every Tuesday)</p> <p>Schuga River presents</p> <p>TONGUE IN CHEEK</p> <p>Stand-up, sketch, animation & musical comedy</p> <p>Wednesday, July 8</p> <p>Skinny Magazine presents</p> <p>"BATTLE OF THE BANDS FOR VANS WARPED TOUR"</p> <p>SYNESTHETIC</p> <p>HERSHEL ABRAM</p> <p>GRANDVIEW</p> <p>5 MORE DAYS</p> <p>Friday, July 10</p> <p>An evening with</p> <p>THE MERMEN</p> <p>7/19 Acoustic Alliance • 7/29 Jimmie Van Zant Band (perf. hits from Lynyrd Skynyrd) • 8/6 Dilana (finalist of Rockstar Supernova) • 8/8 FM Revolver • River Runs Red • 8/15 Amanda Overmyer (Season 7 finalist on American Idol), Travis Larson Band • 8/20 Metal Church • 8/22 Cream Tribute (ft. Mike Keneally & Kofi Baker), OHM (ft. Chris Poland of Megadeth) • 8/30 Marcy Playground</p>	<p>Thursday, July 9 etix</p> <p>ONYX</p> <p>"THE BLACK ROCK TOUR"</p> <p>(First tour in 10 years)</p> <p>ILLA GORILLAZ</p> <p>VOKAB KOMPANY</p>  <p>Friday, July 17 etix</p> <p>FEAR</p> <p>D.P.I. • THE POSTALS</p> <p>THE AGGRONAUTS</p> 
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4th&B: 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343.

Friday, 8pm — Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations. With Southtown Generals and Hi Roots. Reggae. \$15-\$20.

Saturday, 8:30pm — Lakeside. With the Sly Slick and the Wicked. Rock.

Alpine Inn: 2225 Alpine Bl., Alpine, 619-445-5172.

Thursday, 7pm — Kemosabe.

Covers/pop/rock. Free.

Friday, 9pm — Loss of Control. Covers/rock. Free.

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300.

Thursday and Friday, 7:30pm,

Friday, 9:30pm — Ben Vereen. Jazz. \$29-\$39.

Saturday, 8:30pm — Gary Seiler & the Buffed Out Band. A tribute to Jimmy Buffet. Rock. \$10.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — Anthology House Band. Jazz. \$5.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — The Preservation Hall Jazz Band. Live. \$30.

Bar Pink: 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.

Thursday, 10pm — The Keys. Rock.

Beauty Bar: 4746 El Cajon Bl., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-516-4746.

Thursday, 9pm — The Publicists. With the Heavy Love and the Steelwells. Rock. \$5.

Saturday, 9pm — Eclipse 79. With a Beautiful View and Urban Renewal Projekt DJs. Rock. \$5.

Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.

Thursday, 8pm — '80s Heat. With Nights of Monte Carlo. Covers/standards.

Saturday, 9pm — Dead Man's Party. With Still Ill. Tributes to Oingo Boingo and the Smiths.

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Tuesday, 9pm — The Devastators. With Dub Traffic Control DJs.

Reggae. \$8-\$10.

Wednesday, 10pm — The Surrender. Alternative/rock.

The Bitter End: 770 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-338-9300.

Thursday, 9pm — Jacqueline Grace. Pop/R&B/Latin.

Wednesday, 8pm — Shant. With Code and SO3. Rock.

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Thursday, 9pm — Female Hip-Hop Showcase. Featuring Miki Vale, Vision, Pnutz, and more. Hip-hop/rap. \$5. 21 and up.

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Friday, 9pm — Acoustic Mayhem. Featuring Jesse LaMonaca and Sven-Erik Seaholm. Acoustic/alternative/soul. Free.

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Thursday, 8pm — Junior Reid. With Stranger and DJ Carlos Culture. Reggae/world. \$20.

Friday, 8:30pm — Independence Bass. Featuring Rickyforce, Jason, Ronni & Ridda, Knottyboy & Intrigued, and MC Werd. Drum and bass. \$10-\$15.

Tuesday, 8pm — The Anti-Nowhere League. With Duane Peters, Cobra Skulls, Ashers, and Jakked Rabbits. Punk. \$15.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Battle of the Bands. Winners play local Warped Tour date. \$10.

Café Sevilla: 555 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-5979.

Thursday — Gene Perry y Afro Rumba. Latin/jazz/salsa.

Sunday — Orquesta Primo.

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Wednesday — Orquesta 8.8. Salsa.

Calvin's Sports Bar and Restaurant: 28841 Old Highway 80, Alpine, 619-473-1266.

Tuesday, 6pm — Majid and His Majik Guitar. Covers/standards.

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Thursday, 8pm — Spitfiyah. With Bredren, Revival, and Tribal Theory. Reggae. \$8.

Friday, 8pm — The Supersuckers. With Lee Rocker. Rock/country. \$17.

Saturday, 3:30pm — Jacqueline Grace. Pop/R&B/Latin.

The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355.

Thursday, 8:30pm — Death Eaters. With the Old In Out, Soft Black, and Werewolves. Rock. \$5.

Friday, 9pm — Jivewire/One Nation Under a Groove. Featuring DJs Bart Blackstone, ATARI, T-Money and a live set by Triple Cobra. Electronic/rock. Free.

Saturday, 8:30pm — Lady Dottie & the Diamonds. With guests. Blues/rock/folk.

Monday, 8:30pm — Strange Boys. With Coathangers, Heavy Hawaii, the Anasazis, and DJ Mario Orduno. Experimental/punk/rock. \$8.

Tuesday, 8:30pm — Princeton. With WestFire and Jamuel Saxon. Indie/pop. \$7.

Wednesday, 8:30pm — Maren Parusel. With Steve Carson Band and Royal Campaign. Indie/pop. \$5.

Claire de Lune: 2906 University Ave., North Park, 619-688-9845.

Sunday, 6pm — Heroes Against Hunger. Charity concert featuring the Eben Brooks Band and guests.

Acoustic/alternative/rock.

The Coyote Bar & Grill: 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4695.

Sunday, 5pm — The Chris Klich Jazz Quintet. Jazz. Free.

Del Mar Fairgrounds: 2260 Jimmy Durante Bl., Del Mar, 858-755-1161.

Friday, 8pm — Joan Jett & the Blackhearts. Rock.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Smokey Robinson. With Navy Band Southwest and fireworks. R&B.



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Dirk's Niteclub: 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344.
Friday and Saturday, 9pm — TNT. Rock.

Dizzy's: 200 Harbor Dr., Downtown, 858-270-7467.
Friday, 8pm — Dusty Brough. With Eva Scow and John Martin III. Bluegrass/flamenco/jazz. \$15.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Gregory Page & Peter Bolland. Folk. \$10.

Downtown Café: 182 E. Main St., El Cajon, 619-440-5687.
Thursday, 6pm — Thursday Jam. Featuring Chet & the Committee. Blues.

Dream Street Live: 2228 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131.
Friday, 7pm — Abigail's Attic. Rock.
Saturday, 8pm — Sons of Nun. With Cyanide Vogue, Defamation League, and Soul Journ. Blues/hip-hop/rock.

Encinitas Library: 540 Cornish Dr., Encinitas, 760-334-0229.
Sunday, 2pm — Nathan James. Blues/soul. Free.

Escondido Joe's Coffee House: 119 E Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-466-2184.
Friday, 6pm — Josh Keys. With the Portraits. Acoustic/jazz. Free.

Fannie's Nightclub: 9143 Campo Rd., Spring Valley, 619-698-2204.
Friday, 9pm — Ritual Torture. Rock. Free.
Saturday, 9pm — Local Red. Rock. Free.

The Ferry Landing Marketplace: 1201 First St., Coronado, 619-435-8895.
Saturday, 2pm — The Dixieland Band. Jazz. Free.
Sunday, 2pm — The Stiletto. Bluegrass/jazz/rock.

Four Points by Sheraton: 8110 Aero Dr., Kearny Mesa.
Thursday — Federal Funk. Funk.

Fuddruckers: 8285 Mira Mesa Bl., Mira Mesa, 858-693-3916.
Tuesday, 6pm — The Bayside Dixie Stompers. Jazz. Free.

GIO Bistro & Wine Bar : 8384 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa, 619-462-9100.
Thursday, 7pm — The Burnsville Band. Blues/rock. Free.

Gallagher's Pub & Grill: 5046 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-5300.
Saturday, 9pm — Dazed and Confused. A tribute to Led Zeppelin.

Georges on Fifth: 835 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-0444.
Thursdays, 8pm — The Mar Dels. Playing every Thursday. Covers/standards/rock. Free.
Fridays and Saturdays, 7pm — Tom Barabas. Appearing Friday and Saturday nights. Pianist. Free.

The Harp: 4935 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-0168.
Tuesday, 7pm — Blues Pro Jam. Featuring Chet & the Committee. Blues. Free.

Harrah's Rincón: 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100.
Saturday, 8pm — Stone Temple Pilots. Alternative/rock. \$45-\$125.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill: 5500 Grossmont Center Dr., La Mesa, 619-713-6900.

Friday, 9pm — Tony Cummins. World. Free.
Wednesday, 8pm — Masterpiece. Jazz/rock.

House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.
Thursday, 7:30pm — Noches Rockeras. Latin. \$12.
Sunday, 8pm — Blindspot Showcase. Featuring the New Archaic, Joey Harris, Skelpin', the Shamey Jays, Blackwater Conspiracy, Marie Haddad, and Chris Leyva. Alternative/pop/rock. \$12.

Wednesday, 6:30pm — Copeland. With Sherwood, Anchor & Braille, and Meese. Rock. \$12-\$14.

Humphrey's Backstage Music Club: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.
Sunday, 8pm — Willovealot. Jazz. \$12.
Monday, 7pm — Chet Cannon's Blue Monday Blues Party. Blues.

Humphrey's by the Bay: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.

Wednesday, 7pm — Yes. Progressive rock.

The Kava Lounge: 2812 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-543-0933.
Thursday — Gypsy Rebel Rouge. Featuring Orkestra Mustachio, Wolfgang von Cope, and Con von Con. Alternative/folk/indie. Free.

The Kensington Club: 4079 Adams Ave., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-284-2848.
Thursday, 9pm — Revenge Club. With Heavy Cessna and Snake Babies. Punk.

Friday, 9pm — Samiam. With Tiltwheel and Nothington. Punk/rock.

The Kraken: 2531 South Highway 101, Cardiff, 760-436-6483.
Friday — Plato Soul. Classic to modern hits. Free.
Saturday — Custard Pie. Covers/standards.
Saturday — Ghost Riders. Covers/pop/rock.
Wednesday — Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors. Down-home Americana blues rock.

The Lumberyard Shopping Center: 937 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 619-987-1277.
Friday, 6pm — Keith Jacobson. Jazz. Free.
Saturday, 6pm — Evan Marks. Jazz. Free.

Main Stage Bar at Valley View Casino: 16300 Nyemii Pass Rd., Valley Center, 866-843-9946.
Thursday, 7pm — The Jones Revival. Rock. Free.
Friday, 4pm — Lady Dottie & the Diamonds. Blues/soul/rock. Free.

9pm — Firefly. Rock. Free.
Saturday, 4pm — Pam Lyn King & the Royal Rukus. Country/rock. Free. 9pm — Aunt Kizzy'z Boyz. Blues/rock/soul. Free.

Manhattan Cocktail Lounge: 400 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-6641.
Friday and Saturday, 9pm — Stone Wolf. Rock.

McDini's: 105 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-6771.
Friday, 9:30pm — Paradise. Funk/Latin.
Saturday, 9:30pm — Pali Roots. Reggae.

Mission Hills-Hillcrest Branch Library: 925 West Washington St., Mission Hills, 619-682-4910.
Tuesday, 10:30am — Adrienne Nims and Raggle Taggle. Celtic/jazz.

Moonlight Beach: 200 B St., Encinitas.
Sunday, 3pm — The Credentialed. Covers/rock. Free.

Neurosciences Institute: 10640 John Jay Hopkins Dr., La Jolla.
Sunday, 4pm — Gustavo Romero. Jazz.

O'Connells Pub and Nightclub: 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-276-5637.
Friday, 9pm — Club Underworld. Featuring Eternal Unborn, Antiquark, DJs B Pollard, Heather Hardcore, Narcolept, Necrotica, and Pet M1. Alternative/industrial.

Old Poway Park: 14134 Midland Rd., Poway, 858-679-8587.
Saturday, 1:40pm — The Hank Show. A tribute to Hank Williams. Country.

Old Town State Historic Park: 4002 Wallace St., Old Town.
Saturday, 2pm — Pick of the Lizard. Acoustic/bluegrass/folk. Free.

Pal Joey's: 5147 Waring Rd., Allied Gardens, 619-582-6699.
Friday, 9pm — Night Shift. Rock. Free.
Saturday, 9pm — Rock-It Science. Rock. Free.

Patrick's II: 428 F St., Downtown, 619-233-3077.
Thursday and Friday, 5pm — Missy Andersen. Blues/soul/funk.
Saturday — Kofi Baker's Tribute to Cream. Rock.
Sunday — Chet Cannon & the Committee. Blues.
Monday — The Buzzbombs. Punk/rockabilly/surf.
Tuesday — Blue Tooth. Blues.
Wednesday — 145th Street Deluxe Blues Band. Blues/funk.

Prescott Promenade: 211 1/2 East Main St., El Cajon.
Wednesday, 4:30pm — Pine Creek Posse. Country. Free.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub: 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008.
Saturday, 8pm — Dust N' Bones. A tribute to Guns N' Roses. \$15.

Red Circle Café: 420 E St., Downtown, 619-234-9211.
Thursday, 9pm — State of Mind. Featuring DJ Hektik and Armory Massive. Hip-hop/reggae. Free.
Friday, 9pm — Soul Sauce. Featuring Charlie Rock, Jaba One, and Dopeshoes. Groove/hip-hop. Free.
Saturday, 9pm — House of Rep. Featuring Serg, Myson, and Cleancut. Hip-hop. Free.

NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

You know that raspy voice. You know that tiny figure, dressed in bad-girl black. You know that flawless face with the heavy eyeliner. You know that black hair. You know that big-guitar sound punching out the three-chord rock 'n' roll. Of course you know all that: **Joan Jett** is an institution. And as with all institutions, it's easy to take Jett for granted. She hasn't had a major hit since "I Love Rock 'n' Roll" in 1981, and neither her look nor her sound has changed much since then — give or take a song or haircut (or two).

It seems a new generation will be dis-

covering Jett soon. Kristen Stewart, of the *Twilight* movies, will play Jett in a forthcoming movie about the Runaways, the all-female band Jett founded when she was just 15. (A documentary called *Edgeplay: A Film about the Runaways* came out in 2004. Jett has, in her characteristically polite and professional manner, denounced it.) The gossip blogs went nuts when Stewart was photographed sporting her version of Jett's famous mullet. The movie isn't set for release until next year, but already fashion magazine *Nylon* has hyped it by publishing an article about how to borrow Jett's look.

I hope that this next generation of fans will learn something else from Jett. She's built a career largely on her own terms, staying true to herself and her music in a way that few



JOAN JETT

rockers have. She now has her own record label, Blackheart, and is helping give a boost to young bands like Girl in a Coma. An institution? Yes, and the best kind.

JOAN JETT: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, July 3, 8 p.m. 858-755-1161.

Riley's Music Lounge: 2901 Nimitz Bl., Point Loma, 619-255-8635.
Saturday, 10pm — Anna Troy. With Jesse Nova and Holding Air Hostage. Rock. \$3.

Rock Bottom Brewery, Downtown: 401 G St., Downtown, 619-231-7000.
Friday, 10pm — Jacqueline Grace. Pop/R&B/Latin.

Round Table Pizza: 1161 East Washington St., Escondido, 760-489-0191.
Tuesday, 7pm — First Tuesday.

Featuring rotating local bands. Bluegrass/folk.

The Royal Dive: 2949 San Luis Rey Rd., Oceanside, 760-722-1911.
Friday — Nihilist. With Downfall 2012 and Lazy Cobra. Rock.

Ruby Room: 1271 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-7372.
Sunday, 8pm — Elisa Ferrari. With Drew Andrews and Joanie Mendenhall. Indie.

Sadie's Restaurant and Bar: 36657 Highway 79, Warner Springs, 760-782-2783.
Saturday, 2pm — Men in Blue. Blues/soul. Free.

Schroeder's at Tango Del Rey: 3567 Del Rey St., Clairemont, 858-794-9044.
Saturday, 5pm — Burgers and Blues. Featuring Chet & the Committee. Blues. \$5.

Scripps Park: 1133 Coast Bl., La Jolla.
Sunday, 2pm — Nitro Express. Country/rock.

Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Branch Library : 9005 Aero Dr., Kearny Mesa, 858-573-1396.
Wednesday, 6:30pm — Pau Hana. With Follow No Trends. Reggae/surf. Free.

Soma: 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.
Friday, 7pm — Unknown Motive. With Mayors of Sexy Town, True Temper, Deadbeat Babies, 2000 Tons of TNT, DJ Jon the Mod, and guest. Pop/rock. \$8.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion: 2211 Pan American Rd., Balboa Park.
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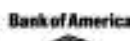
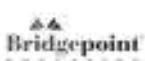
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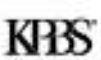
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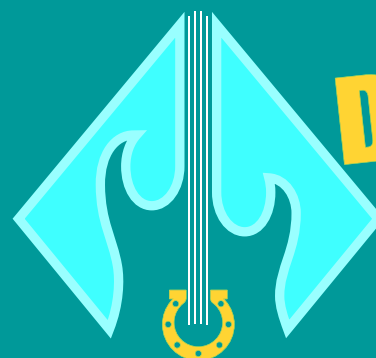
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September 10 — Cheryl Wheeler.

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July 9 — Mandrill.
July 10 — Rod Piazza & the Mighty Flyers.
July 11, July 12 — Ottmart Liebert.

NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Lady Dottie and the Diamonds is an indie-rock band retrofitted with blistering soul licks and fronted by an old-school ground-stomping R&B scorcher. They won in 2005, 2007, and 2008 for best blues at the San Diego Music Awards, but that's really not their thing. They play everything from Danzig to Rufus Thomas, and with soul — which Dottie knows all about. During a phone call from her home, she brightens when I bring up some names from San Diego's R&B club past — Fro Brigham, Ninie Brown, Jeannie Cheatham.

"I worked with Fro for 15 years," she says, "mostly at Patrick's, downtown." I wonder how it is D&D go over so well with the

youngish rock audiences they play to. "They like it because they can feel it," she says. "If you can feel something, what else is there to do but get on up?"

Lady Dottie is Dorothy Mae Whitsett, born in Alabama, one of 13 children. She moved to New Jersey and remembers auditioning on amateur nights at the Apollo in Harlem. "Back in the day, with Luther Vandross — I was right there with him trying to get in. I was there. But I didn't win."

Cooking came as naturally as singing; she is self-trained at both. "I've been cooking all my life in restaurants — hotels, motels, Holiday Inns, you know? And singing, too. I just did it. I really didn't do it [sing] for the money. If I had thought about doing it for money back in the day, you know, I'd be rich." In 1984



LADY DOTTIE AND THE DIAMONDS

she came to San Diego and started over. "I'm a hard worker, and I do things the hard way." She laughs. "But the hard way's good, too — you'll be around a long time."

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July 17 — Detroit Underground.
July 17, July 18 — Earl Klugh.
July 21 — Anthology House Band.
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July 23 — The Bad Plus.
July 24 — Trapt.
July 25, July 25 — Yesterday.
July 30 — Musicapalooza Winners: Bands.
July 31, July 31 — Lalah Hathaway.
August 1 — Martinis & Sinatra.
August 2 — Marcus Johnson.

August 5 — Paul Thorn.
August 7 — Leela James.
August 26 — The Duhks.
September 4 — Bettye Lavette.
Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.
July 9 — Venice.
July 10, July 11 — The Greyboy Allstars.
July 12 — The Swingin' Kings.
July 13 — Blitzen Trapper.
July 14 — Roots Covenant.
July 15 — Hot Buttered Rum.
July 20 — Cage.

July 23 — X.
August 2 — Rebelution.
August 3, August 4 — Toots and the Maytals.
August 5 — Dave Alvin & the Guilty Women.
August 8 — Stepping Feet.
August 20 — Cody Chestnutt.
August 22 — Arrested Development.
August 24 — Alpha Blondy.
August 27 — JJ Grey.
September 1, September 2 — Israel Vibration.
September 10 — Eddie Money.

Canes: 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780.
July 9 — Deaf Zero.
July 10 — Tony Tuff.
July 11 — Tainted Love.
July 12 — Through the Roots.
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September 4 — The Pharcyde.
September 6 — Children of the Grave.

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July 9 — Dirty Projectors.
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July 11 — The Apes of Wrath and Kill Me Tomorrow.
July 12 — Natalie Portman’s Shaved Head.
July 13 — Grizzly Circus.
July 14 — Mika Miko.
July 15 — The Germs.
July 16 — The Donnas.
July 17 — Mad Caddies.
July 18 — The Builders and the Butchers.
July 19 — MEN.
July 20 — Rhythm & the Method.
July 21 — Girl in a Coma.
July 22 — Ryan Bingham.
July 23 — Starlight Mints.
July 24 — Castitone for the Painfully Alone.
July 27 — The Handsome Family.
July 30 — Stellastarr.
August 3 — Lymbyc System.
August 5 — Bowerbirds.
August 26 — The Dirtbombs.
September 17 — The Charlatans.

Cox Arena: 5500 Canyon Crest Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.
July 18 — Il Divo.
July 19 — Joan Sebastian.
August 20 — Green Day.
August 21 — Kings of Leon.
September 18 — The Killers.

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July 9 — Incubus.
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Friday, 3rd: Matt Gerovac & the Babylon Saints
Saturday, 4th: Honkatonk
Sunday, 5th: This is Music! Hosted by DJ Kid Jagger
Monday, 6th: The Tail Draggers
Tuesday, 7th: Rich the Stitch (The Room)
Wednesday, 8th: Joe Wood
Thursday, 9th: Irish Night with Skelpin
Friday, 10th: Band in Black (Johnny-Cash Tribute band)
Saturday, 11th: Franklin Lounge
Sunday, 12th: Fire Whiskey
Monday, 13th: The Tail Draggers
Tuesday, 14th: Peter Hall
Wednesday, 15th: Joe Wood
Thursday, 16th: Irish Night with Skelpin

Friday, 17th: Blasting Company
Saturday, 18th: A.M. Vibe
Sunday, 19th: This is Music! Hosted by DJ Kid Jagger
Monday, 20th: The Tail Draggers
Tuesday, 21st: Rich the Stitch (The Room)
Wednesday, 22nd: Billy Watson
Thursday, 23rd: Irish Night with Skelpin
Friday, 24th: The Mighty Regis
Saturday, 25th: Joe Wood
Sunday, 26th: This is Music! Hosted by DJ Kid Jagger
Monday, 27th: The Tail Draggers
Tuesday, 28th: Deblois
Wednesday, 29th: Joe Wood
Thursday, 30th: Irish Night with Skelpin
Friday, 31st: RIP Carson

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August 8 — No Doubt.
August 13 — Toby Keith.
August 14 — Depeche Mode.
August 22 — Vans Warped Tour.
September 5 — Nickelback.
September 9 — Def Leppard and Poison.
September 12 — The Dave Matthews Band.
September 16 — blink-182.
October 2 — Brad Paisley.
October 10 — Marco Antonio Solis y Pepe Aguilar.
October 16 — Jimmy Buffett.

House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.
July 9 — Pete Yorn.
July 10 — Nat and Alex Wolff.
July 11 — Led Zepagain.
July 12 — Boyce Avenue.
July 12 — Bone Thugs-N-Harmony.
July 15 — Arc Angels.
July 16 — Toadies.
July 17 — All.
July 19 — Eric Hutchinson.
July 22 — Richard Cheese & Lounge Against the Machine.
July 23, July 24, July 25 — Bear McCreary.
July 26 — Van Hunt.
July 29 — Gloria Trevi.
July 30 — Angel Taylor.
July 31 — 40 Oz. to Freedom.
August 2 — Gomez.
August 3, August 4 — Toots & the Maytals.
August 5 — Pat Green.
August 6 — Los Amigos Invisibles.
August 12 — Dumpstaphunk.
August 16 — Down.
August 19 — The Cult.
August 21 — Atmosphere.
August 23 — Babasónicos.
September 4 — Mitchel Musso.
September 9 — Paolo Nutini.
September 12 — Maximo Park.
September 13 — Lupillo Rivera.

September 16 — The Gaslight Anthem.
September 18 — Gov't Mule.
September 20 — The Psychedelic Furs.
September 21 — Flogging Molly.
September 24 — Pitbull.

Humphrey's by the Bay: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.
July 9 — Heart.
July 10 — Joan Baez.
July 12 — The Indigo Girls.
July 14 — Gregg Allman.
July 15 — The Cowboy Junkies.
July 16 — Tori Amos.
July 19 — Jewel.
July 20 — Tears for Fears.
July 21 — The Moody Blues.
July 22 — Hapa.
July 26 — Chicago.
July 28 — George Thorogood and the Destroyers.
July 29 — Earth, Wind, & Fire.
August 2 — Hippiefest: A Concert for Peace and Love.
August 7 — The Alan Parsons Live Project.
August 10 — Diana Krall.
August 11 — Lyle Lovett.
August 13 — Jackson Browne.
August 14 — America.
August 18 — Tracy Chapman.
August 21 — Tower of Power.
August 25 — Chris Isaak.
August 28 — Dave Koz.
August 30 — Susan Tedeschi.
September 4 — Bob Weir and RatDog.
September 11 — Air Supply and Christopher Cross.
September 16 — John Legend.
September 17 — Bon Taj Roulet.
September 18 — LeAnn Rimes.
September 21 — The Australian Pink Floyd Show.
September 25 — The Beach Boys.



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Album: *Strength of All* (2009)

Artist: Sicarus

Label: self-released

Where available/price: *sicarus.net*, \$5; iTunes, \$2.97

Songs: 1) Changing Faces 2) Breaking Free 3) Strength of All

Band: Jon (lead vocals), KC (bass/vocals), Eric (lead vocals), Dustin (drums), Mad Scotsman (guitars/vocals)

Despite a silly album cover — skulls and crossbones, text surrounded by flames — Sicarus isn't as schlocky a metal band as one might think. Contrary to what their art conveys, the three tracks on this disc at first mix bits of trance and pop with the double-bass drums and

distorted guitars commonly associated with the metal genre. Then, sadly, it melds into an already well-carved niche.

The first track, "Changing Faces," seems a little overmixed. The drums aren't as raw as they might be otherwise, vocals slightly too front-and-center.

September 26 — Keali'i Reichel.
September 27 — Pink Martini.
September 28, September 29 — Crosby, Stills, & Nash.

Open Air Theatre: 5500 Campanile Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.

August 4 — Judas Priest.
October 17 — Snow Patrol.

Pala Casino: 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-7252.

July 12 — Michael McDonald and Boz Scaggs.

July 29, July 30 — Journey.

August 7 — Bonsallpalooza.

August 9 — Diana Krall.

September 1 — The Pretenders.

September 13 — The Gipsy Kings.

Pechanga Resort & Casino: 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, 951-693-1819.



Sicarus

"Breaking Free," the second song, follows a somewhat more traditional format, with a keening guitar background, fill-heavy drumming, and screamed lyrics. The final offering and the album's title, "Strength of All," is harmony-heavy and the band's strongest track.

While it may be too bubble-gum for hardcore metal-

heads and too...well, *metal* for the Rise Against and Shinedown set, *Strength of All* makes for an interesting listen at least.

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July 22 — Counting Crows.

August 3 — Sara Evans.

San Diego Sports Arena: 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171.

July 18 — American Idols Live.

August 29 — Ricardo Arjona.

September 1 — Pedal to the Metal Tour.

September 6 — AC/DC.

October 17 — Wisin y Yandel.

Soma: 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.

July 9 — RX Bandits.

July 10 — Scream the Prayer Tour.

July 11 — Ace Enders.

July 17 — Drop Dead Gorgeous.

July 18 — Vanguard.

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July 25 — Emery.

July 29 — Vamps.

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July 31 — Seconds From Disaster.
August 1 — Lindbergh Skies.
August 2 — Red Jumpsuit Apparatus.
August 8 — Without Warning.
August 15 — Medford Falling.
August 19 — Four Years Strong.

Valley View Casino: 16300 Nyemii Pass Rd., Valley Center, 866-843-9946.

July 9 — Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo.

August 8 — Dick Fox's Golden Boys.
August 21 — Randy Travis.

September 12 — Three Dog Night.
September 15 — James Taylor.

September 26 — The Beach Boys.
October 3 — The Temptations and the Four Tops.

October 9 — REO Speedwagon.

Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park: 5005 Willows Rd., Alpine, 619-445-5400.

August 15 — Los Lonely Boys.

October 3 — Brooks & Dunn.

Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room: 5000 Willows Rd., Alpine, 619-445-5400.

July 10 — Blues Traveler.

July 17 — Otis Day & the Knights.

July 18 — Debby Boone.

July 26 — Ultimate Music Challenge Band Showcase.

August 21 — Tony Orlando.

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Deco's Restaurant & Nightclub: *Thursdays*: Krush. Hosted by Chase Costello, Steve Kamp, Jack Kennedy, and more. Hip-hop/mashups/party rock. 18 and up. 731 Fifth Ave., Downtown. 619-696-3326.

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BY BRIAN CARVER

Artist: **Nautical Disaster**
Song: **"Your Lying Stars"** (from the CD *Interceptor*)
Heard by: **Lucas Blankartz**, North Park



Lucas Blankartz

I thought it was a pretty decent song. It started out really bass-heavy and sounded very spacey and dark. It sounds like it could have come from the '80s or pretty much any band from that era.

They're not a gothic band, but the song definitely has a darker feel to it. The over-all musicianship and composition was good; it flowed and was easy to follow. The instrumentation was pretty straightforward. They used a lot of reverb, which was good. I liked the tone. The recording was a little blown out, and it added some nice fuzz to the bass. It's dreary and drone-y, so I can imagine listening to that song in the rain when you're feeling down.

Artist: **Jimmy Powers vs. Verbz**
Song: **"Jimmy Who"** (from *The Snare & Kick Project* EP)
Heard by: **Brandon**, South Park



Brandon

It was kind of terrible, in my opinion. It was like Eminem mixed with Slug and P-Diddy. The vocals were monotone and kind of boring. The beat was not very creative; [it was] slow-paced and didn't make

me feel hyped at all. I thought he was rapping about his genitalia in the song. He kept rapping about "Jimmy," but who the hell is that? When I was younger I followed local hip-hop closely. I know what good-quality hip-hop is, and that's not it. It's just not very creative or thoughtful — the opposite of what the people around me were doing at the time. I would give him a 2 out of 10 just to be cool with the guy because he put forth the effort.

Artist: **Aepnia**
Song: **"Riding the Lie"** (from the CD *Not the End*)
Heard by: **Fouad Bachar**, Chula Vista



Fouad Bachar

The music is very nice, but if his voice was a little bit higher it would be perfect. I wasn't able to understand the lyrics much because the music was louder than the vocals. This is the type of music most

teenagers would listen to and they would appreciate it more than I do. My girls are 19 and 20, and they would appreciate it more because it's the new generation of music. It's beautiful music, and I would want to listen to it more. It had a nice beginning and climax. They have a good chance at being popular. It would be a good song to listen to in the morning before work to lift your energy so you can function through the day.

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Hard Rock Hotel: *Sunday*, 11am: Kaskade. With DJs Scooter & Lavelle, Chris Cutz, and Theron. Electronic. 21 and up. 207 Fifth Ave., Downtown. 866-751-7625.

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Spin Nightclub: *Friday*, 9pm: Christopher Lawrence. *Saturday*, 9pm: LA Riots. Electronica. 21 and up. 2028 Hancock St., Midway District. 619-294-9590.

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Fenway's Sports Bar & Grill: Every day, 3-7pm; 10pm-midnight: \$3 domestic, house wine. \$3.50 margarita, Cape Cod.

Greek Village: Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 4-7:30pm: 1/2-off beer, wine by the glass, wells.

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Tio Leo's: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 pints. \$4 wells, house margaritas.

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The Fish Market: Monday-Thursday, 3-6pm: \$3.75 draft, \$3.95 wells, \$2.95 domestic beer. \$.95 oysters, \$4 fish tacos, \$5.75 mahi mahi sliders, more.

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Fuddruckers: Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$4.50 Bud Light/Coors Light pitchers. \$1 off all beer, wine. Saturday, 10pm-midnight: \$4.50 Bud Light/Coors Light pitchers. \$1 off all beer, wine.

Gaslamp Tavern: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 pints, house wine, wells (vodka, gin, rum).

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Las Hadas Bar & Grill: Monday-Saturday, 5-7pm; 10pm-midnight: \$2 Bud Light/Coors Light drafts, \$3 margaritas, wine, wells, sangria. 1/2-off seafood bar and appetizers.

Hive Sushi Lounge: Every day, 5-7pm: \$2.49 large sake, \$1.99 drafts (+ \$.99 for sake bomb). \$.99 nigiri (one piece), \$2.99 rolls (eight pieces), hand rolls \$1.99-\$2.99.

House of Blues: Every day, 2-7pm: \$2 drafts, \$3 wells, wine, \$4 martini. \$4.95 any dish.

Jewel Box: Monday, \$2 PBR drafts. Wednesday, 6pm-2am: \$5 Jäger bombs w/military ID. Thursday, 8pm-2am: Industry Night. \$3.75 calls. Must show apron/pay stub.

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La Fiesta: Every day, 5-7pm: 1/2-price calls, wells, tap beers, house wine, house margaritas. 1/2-price appetizers: ceviche, nachos, chicken pizza, taquitos.

The Local: Monday, 4pm-close: \$3 Bud Light, Miller Lite. \$6 burgers. Tuesday, 4pm-close: \$3 Corona, Pacifico, Dos Equis. \$2.50 chicken/steak tacos. \$3 lobster/fish tacos. Wednesday, 4pm-close: \$10 big pitchers. \$2 BBQ pork slider, corn dogs. Thursday, 4pm-close: \$3 Jäger, wells, drafts, bottled beer. \$3 lobster tacos. Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 off wells, wine, drafts. \$2 off all appetizers. Saturday, 8-10pm: \$5 premium liquors.

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The Australian Pub: *Monday-Friday*, 7-9pm: \$3 Long Islands. *Saturday*, \$2.50 Karl Strauss. *Sunday*, \$3 Bloody Marys.

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Point Loma Sports Grill & Pub: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: 1/2-price appetizers.

Riley's Music Lounge: *Monday*, 4-7pm: \$4 calls. *Tuesday, Sunday*, 4-7pm: \$2.50 pints. *Wednesday*, 4-7pm: \$4 Jäger bombs. *Thursday*, 4-7pm: \$3 kamikazes, \$4 Jäger bombs. *Friday*, 4-7pm: \$3 calls. *Saturday*, 4-7pm: \$5 Long Island/Long Beach.

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Whistle Stop Bar: *Every day*, 2-8pm: \$1 off all cocktails, pints.

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Pasha drew my eye with an ad in this paper, including a coupon for a freebie appetizer platter. Hmm...a new bargain destination? Worth trying? I scurried to the website and found that the restaurant wasn't just another generic Mediterranean eatery but specifically Turkish. Now that's something fresh! (There's also the charming Bird House Grill in Encinitas, and a doner-kebab joint downtown, but that's about it for Turkish, far as I know.) The menu revealed standard Middle Eastern dishes, but also several distinctly Turkish specialties I'd never encountered before — two salads, three entrées, a dessert. Good enough for a start. And this would be third in a row for an exploration of new or newish restaurants serving various global forms of “barbecue,” after Southern and Japanese, and leading right in to July 4. Posse roundup time!

Several of my friends have traveled in Turkey. They've come back raving about their trips but not so much about the food. Still, knowing a trifle about Turkish history, I'm curious about the cuisine. First off, Turks are not generic “Middle Easterners,” even if they share a common religion in Islam. They don't speak Arabic (a Semitic language) but the totally different Turkish (a Ural-Altaic Turkic language, most closely related to Azeri and Uzbek). Their location and ecosystem tie them to Asia Minor (Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, etc.), Persia, and the Adriatic Sea, rather than the Mediterranean Arab world — think snow, not sand.

And when the Ottoman Empire swept through the rest of Asia Minor en route to Greece, its military fell in love with Armenian food (same as me) and scooped up large numbers of Armenians to serve as army cooks while they were conquering the world. Greece gained an infusion of fresh recipes from Armenia, shaping the Greek cuisine we know today, but traditional Greek dishes also gained worldwide currency, especially



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their ancient masterpiece of stuffed grape leaves — now best known by the Turkish word *dolma*. One end result of all this conquest was the settling of a huge Armenian population in the city of Izmir, which became the “cuisine capital” of Turkey, after a fashion, spreading its culinary influence (at least until the whole Turkish-Armenian thing went horribly tragic, as the empire rotted, but I'm not going to go into that in a restaurant review...). What other influences did the Turks pick up in their conquests and meld into their own cuisine? Inquiring minds want to know.

When we arrived at Pasha, we found a medium-small room with dark tablecloths, paper napkins, walls painted a light terra cotta and hung with a spare but beautiful collection of

Turkish handicrafts. The restaurant is owned by a youngish couple, the husband from Lebanon and the wife from Turkey. Both do some cooking and some serving. But the night we ate there, most of the Turkish dishes — the *malatya* (Turkish potato salad), the *etli borek* (meat pie), and the spinach *borek* — were all unavailable; they just hadn't been prepared for a midweek night.

We began with the vegetarian meze platter, for which we had the coupon. Everything on it was very pleasant, especially the lively tabouli and the light, faintly smoky baba ghanoush. (A typo on the website spells it “Babagannosh,” which sounds like Turkish/Russian-Yiddish for “Grandpa's getting a snack.”) None of the appetizers on the platter seems uniquely Turkish, or in any way dif-

DINING REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

Pasha Mediterranean Cafe & Grill

★★ (Good)

3614 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-4444, themediterraneancuisine.com.

HOURS: Tuesday–Sunday 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

PRICES: Soups and appetizers, \$5–\$22; salads, \$7–\$13; sandwiches, \$8–9; entrées, \$9–\$25 (most \$13); lunch specials, \$6.

CUISINE AND BEVERAGES: Middle Eastern (Lebanese) menu with several Turkish specialties.

PICK HITS: Vegetarian meze platter, *ali nazik* (Turkish beef cubes over eggplant salad), *patliçan* salad (eggplant salad, if not ordering *ali nazik*), shrimp kebabs, baklava.

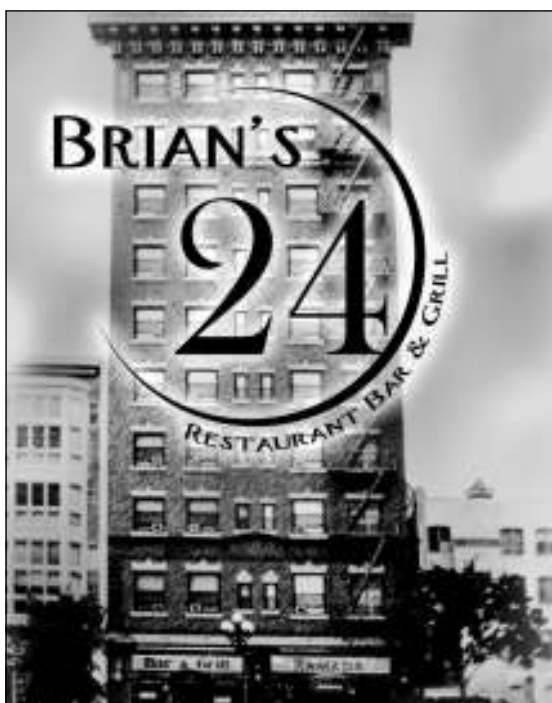
NEED TO KNOW: Loads for vegans, including three entrées (two always available). Unisex bathroom, marginally handicapped accessible. No alcohol. Halal (Islamic version of kosher) ingredients.

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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ferent from every other meze platter in town. Be sure to save some of the *çaçik* (pronounced “jah-jik,” the Turkish version of Greek *tzatziki* or Indian cucumber *raita*) and the garlic-yogurt sauce for your main courses, as dips for your grilled meats.

We also ordered the Turkish Shepherd Salad (*coban salatasi*) — diced tomatoes amended by cukes, scallion, onions, parsley, and bell pepper in a lemon vinaigrette, topped with a light snowfall of feta cheese. The tomatoes are under a lot of pressure to perform in this dish, and sad to say, they didn't: They were nearly tasteless, hard supermarket-style globe tomatoes, and June is not



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yet their season. The dressing needed more acidity for “oomph” to compensate for their blandness. “This time of year,” said Marty, “the only tomatoes worth anything are little ones, cherry or grape tomatoes.” “Yeah, even if you leave the regular ones on the counter, they never ripen and sweeten,” added the Lynne. Oddly, the leftovers of this salad improved greatly during two nights in the fridge, allowing the dressing to soak in and saturate the veggies.

The best of our entrées by far was a Turkish specialty, Ali Nazik. It features small, richly seasoned cubes of charbroiled beef served on a warm bed of tart, creamy *patlıcan* (pronounced “PAHT-lee-jahn”) salad, mashed eggplant mixed

with yogurt and plenty of garlic. It comes with grilled tomato and grilled slices of slightly spicy red pepper. It all works together, with a fine contrast between the chewy, salty meat and lush, garlicky eggplant. (The eggplant is also available separately on the meze list.) “I’d come back for this dish,” said Lynne, who lives nearby, and probably will do just that.

Shrimp kebabs came in second. The shrimps were well seasoned if quite salty, and reasonably tender. Like nearly all other entrées, they were accompanied by fluffy basmati rice, pita, hummus (standing in for the baba ghanoush promised on the menu with the seafood dishes), and the fine house salad, a lively mixture of greens, tomatoes, cukes, onions, and (in this plate alone) a few whole basil leaves.

The lamb shish kebab was flavorful with a marinade and

charring, but dry and rather tough. It set Marty, Dave, and me to reminiscing about Sayyat Nova, an exquisite Armenian restaurant in Greenwich Village, way back when I was a teen beatnik, thrilled to taste this new cuisine with my dad and stepmom. That restaurant’s rendition had a subtle, garlic-perfused olive-oil marinade for large leg of lamb chunks charred outside but rosy inside. At Pasha, the chunks are smaller and cooked medium (pinkish-brown) inside, and the marinade is more assertive, possibly, judging by the result, including an acidic, tenderizing component like lemon juice. “I think the meat’s been marinated too long,” said Dave. “The texture on the exterior, just under the char, is a bit mealy.” “And the lamb doesn’t have much lamb flavor,” Marty observed. “I don’t know whether that’s because it’s

cooked too well done or if the lamb itself is lacking.”

Unable to fulfill our hopes of a *borek*, we asked the owner whether the gyro meat in the Iskender (doner) kebab plate was house-made or bought. Bought, alas. Instead, the owner persuaded us to try a *shawarma*. Because this is a newbie restaurant with not much volume yet, the traditional *shawarma* of a huge hunk of flesh rotating on a vertical spit has proven impractical. “Instead, I cut it in slices, so the delicious marinade goes all through the meat, then I charbroil the slices,” he said. We chose beef *shawarma* over the alternative chicken breast, which dries out too easily. But the beef proved just as dry. “It’s almost like jerky!” Lynne said. “You can’t even taste the marinade, just the charring,” said Dave. Dipping the slices in *çaçik* or garlic sauce left over from

the appetizer platter helped, but only a little.

There are two desserts. The house-made baklava is flaky and nutty (with both pistachios and walnuts) but sparing on the honey syrup — much less sweet than standard versions. “I like this a lot,” said Lynne. “It’s not overwhelming.” *Kunafa* is genuinely exotic, a large wedge-shaped pastry with delicate top and bottom crusts of crunchy farina flakes, sandwiching a filling of melted mild cheeses (mozzarella and Jack or Havarti, or another cheese of that ilk). It’s topped with crumbled pistachios, lightly dressed with fragrant rosewater-scented sugar syrup, and is barely sweet at all. It’s like a cheese course and a dessert all in one.

The Turkish coffee was strong and a little bitter, with all the “mud” hiding at the bottom of the cup. It comes

unsweetened. We stirred in sugar with our fork handles (no spoons provided — yeah, it’s still a start-up).

Bottom line: Pasha is indeed a bargain. With the coupon for a free appetizer platter, the bill came to \$28 per person total, all inclusive. But I feel the restaurant isn’t making the most of its greatest potential strength. Generic Middle Eastern restaurants are a dime a dozen, some cheaper than this and some offering easier parking. In order to compete, the Turkish dishes that distinguish Pasha from the crowd should be available all the time, and I’d also like to see more of them, if the Ali Nazik — outstanding hit of our dinner — is any example. Then there’d be a reason to come back over and over and explore what could be a unique menu. Hey, flaunt it if you’ve got it, baby! ■

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Alpine

Mediterraneo 1347 Tavern Rd., Alpine, 619-445-9902. Tasteful, ambitious little trattoria with scenic patio dining. The pizzas are outstanding with airy, silken crusts. Entrées change with the seasons. Desserts are big and sweet. Expensive.

Ramon's Smokehouse BBQ 1730 Alpine Bl., Alpine, 619-445-1008. The smell of mesquite burning under fresh-cut beef rib is too much to resist — the secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire. Inexpensive.

Baja

From the United States use the prefix 011-52 when calling Mexico.

Café Français La Belle Claude 7th Street #8186-A, Tijuana. A family with their own farm outside town runs this chic Parisian outpost offering farm-made jams and cheeses, *panini*, *ciabattas*, an excellent French-dip sandwich, flaky dessert empanadas, and French pâtisserie to go with the genuine Cuban coffee. Inexpensive.

El Cid Lopez Mateos #993, Ensenada, 646-178-1809. Gourmet Mexican cuisine with unique specialties: Crisp quail with rose petal sauce proves delicious, and seasonal *chiles en nogada* (meat-

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stuffed poblano chiles with walnut cream and pomegranate) gain refinement from greaseless ground sirloin. Moderate.

La Diferencia Avenida Sanchez Taboada #10611-A, Tijuana, 664-634-3346. Mexican haute cuisine with inventive combinations. The menu re-frames the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Inexpensive.

Fonda Roberto's Avenida Cuauhtémoc #2800 (at Agua Caliente Bl., next to CESUN Universidad), Tijuana, 664-686-4687. Unusual dishes from Chef Roberto's native Puebla include *huanzontle*, the Aztecs' "red spinach" in chocolate mole sauce, and *Dedos de Moctezuma* ("Montezuma's fingers" — cactus stuffed with steak). Moderate.

La Leña Boulevard Agua Caliente #11191, Tijuana, 664-686-2920. Open-grill *charro* food with a peaceful view. Old-style BBQ steaks, surf 'n' turf combos, and big slabs of Mexican-cut *filete cabreria*, which are flabby but tender. Most arrive at your table sizzling on black iron hotplates. Moderate.

Loncheria la Poca Lucha Municipal Market, Avenida Niños Héroes #105, Tijuana. Best food stall in the marketplace? Maybe. Ask for *carne de puerco* (pork), *chiles rellenos*, *bistek ranchero*, or *higado al gusto* (liver), all around \$3. Inexpensive.

Super Antojitos Fourth St. #1810 (between Constitución and Niños Héroes), Tijuana, 664-685-5070. The house special, *mole poblano*, has complex, delicious house-made mole sauce with an enchilada, eggs, rice, beans, tor-

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tillas. Also delicious: stuffed pastries, pork rind *gorditas*. Inexpensive.

Banker's Hill

Extraordinary Desserts 2929 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-294-2132. Also 1430 Union St., Little Italy, 619-294-7001. Chef-owner Karen Krasne incorporates flavors inspired by her travels from Paris to Bali. The white cakes are food for angels. Uptown location desserts only; downtown offers light grazing meals, too. Moderate.

Hane 2760 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-260-1411. This city branch of legendary Sushi Ota is more comfortable, with bilingual chefs at the counter ex-

ercising impeccable craftsmanship, emphasizing pristine rolls and sashimi, not party rolls. The *omakas* sashimi platter offers Ota's most popular and showy creations. Moderate-plus.

Campo

Campo Diner 1367 Dewey Pl., Campo, 619-478-2888. The burgers are made from Black Angus beef, so they cost more. But there are deals, too, like the huge The Works omelet and the robust lunchtime homemade soup of the day. Inexpensive.

Cardiff

Besta Wan Pizza House 148 Aberdeen Dr., Cardiff, 760-753-6707. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you want to fill up. Inexpensive.

Trattoria Positano 2171 San Elijo Ave., Cardiff, 760-632-0111. Original recipes, wonderful fresh fish, nightly specials, excellent lamb and pastas. Upper-moderate.

Carlsbad

Knockout Pizza 2959 Carlsbad Bl., Carlsbad, 760-434-4468. It's New York pizza, only here. They make the pies

with thin, crisp crusts and toppings like meatball or garlic. Maybe their best is the Bronx Special: pepperoni, sausage, onions, olives, mushrooms, pepper, and garlic. Inexpensive.

O'Sullivan's Irish Pub of Carlsbad 640 Grand Ave., Carlsbad, 760-729-4072. Above-average pub grub, especially the moist corned beef with firm-tender cabbage, salads, and house-baked brown bread. Noisy interior, serene patio out back. Inexpensive.

Tip Top Meats 6118 Paseo del Norte, Carlsbad, 760-438-2620. Try German and American dishes like Big John's all-you-can-eat bacon, pork-link sausage, bratwurst, or ham breakfast with three eggs, home fries, and toast. Or the sausage plate: bratwurst, knackwurst, and smoked Polish. Inexpensive.

Chula Vista

Jimmy's 1198 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 619-427-7161. Also 9635 Mission Gorge Rd., Santee, 619-448-8994. Family-friendly restaurants offer a six-page plastic menu of good old-fashioned American food — huge breakfasts, big dinners like steak with all the trimmings, homemade desserts. Inexpensive.

Restaurant el Patio 410 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-9745. Old-fashioned Cal-Mex with nothing new except the Flying Saucer (fried tortilla stacked with beef, tomatoes, and a mound of salad). Otherwise, go for the *chile rellenos*, enchiladas, taco combo,

and open-faced chiliburgers. Inexpensive to moderate.

City Heights

Saigon 4455 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-284-4215. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the filling Vietnamese beef-noodle soup meal. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodles with seafood and assorted vegetables. Inexpensive.

Trieu Chau 4653 University Ave., City Heights, 619-280-4204. The menu includes Chinese, Khmer, and Lao dishes. In the morning, ask for "*djak kvai coffee dok ko*" — fried bread with Cambodian coffee, the standard French-Khmer breakfast. Inexpensive.

Uncle Joe's Pizzeria 4591 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-584-2535. Flower-strewn patio, plush interior, with sandwiches named after navy bases, rich entrées like eggplant Parmesan, chicken with mushrooms, served until midnight weekends. Inexpensive.

Clairemont

Buga Korean BBQ Restaurant 5580 Clairemont Mesa Bl., Clairemont, 858-560-1010. Aside from the BBQ meats and generous free side dishes, treats include simmered black cod in spicy sauce, miso soup with pork, stone

pot *bibimbap* (rice casserole), *mandoo* dumplings. Moderate.

Coronado

Chez Loma French Bistro 1132 Loma Ave., Coronado, 619-435-0661. In a charming, historic cottage, this bistro offers classic French bourgeois cuisine, plus some lighter, modern dishes. Don't miss Normandy-style onion soup with apple cider. Prix fixe dinners moderate, à la carte expensive.

Clayton's Coffee Shop 979 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-5425. The food is all American: steak and eggs, veggie omelets, old-fashioned waffles, sandwiches both hot and cold. Dinner specials include pork chops and homemade meat loaf with gravy. Inexpensive.

Coronado Boathouse 1887 1701 Strand Way, Coronado, 619-435-0155. Fun "aloha" atmosphere with a bay view. Herbed artichoke appetizer and fresh macadamia-crust halibut sauced with coconut milk are tasty, and the tender roast beef is USDA Prime. Moderate.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill 1107 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-5280. Try Mulligan stew served in a hollowed bread loaf or corned beef and cabbage with tender, thick slices surrounding cabbage so young and sweet it ought to be carded. Raucous inside, but escape on big heated patio. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Mistral 4000 Coronado Bay Rd., Coronado, 619-424-4000. The light, healthful, Mediterranean-style cuisine (northern Italy and southern France) emphasizes seasonal ingredients, as local and sustainably raised as possible, including herbs and some fruits grown

organically on the resort grounds. Romantic ambience with bay view. Expensive.

Peohe's 1201 First St., Coronado, 619-437-4474. Fabulous seaside venue, silly with Hawaiian decor, featuring steaks and seafood prepared with care, e.g., halibut in a lush, sassy Frangelico-touched macadamia beurre blanc. Expensive.

Del Mar

Americana 1454 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-794-6838. Casual breakfast/lunch, serious dinners, with flavors of the American melting pot and summer veggies from the chef's home garden. Breakfast and lunch inexpensive to moderate, dinner moderate to expensive.

Del Mar Rendezvous Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-2669. Longtime restaurateur Mark Sun came out of retirement to try out a new concept of contemporary Asian tapas and Chinese entrées made over with prime ingredients — clean, creative, and greaseless, with a wide choice of wines. Moderate to expensive.

Iris Food and Spirits 2334 Carmel Valley Rd., Del Mar, 858-259-5878. Seasonal California-Mediterranean cuisine, bolder and more complex than at the original, now-closed La Jolla branch. Cuisine is designed to accompany an interesting, affordable wine list. Moderate.

Market Restaurant and Bar 3702 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-523-0007. Chef-owner Carl Schroeder is all about seasonal, local, organic — and inspired culinary imagination. Menu changes but is always exciting. The vibe is "nice

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Downtown

Alambres Mexican Grill 756 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-2838. Specialty is the namesake Alambres Mexico City-style taco, usually meat or fish plus bell peppers, onions, and bacon. Inexpensive.

Athens Market 109 F St., Downtown, 619-234-1955. Owner Mary Pappas serves huge portions of honest Greek home cooking (lentil soup, *spanakopita*, meaty gyros), in a classy white-tablecloth atmosphere. Inexpensive to moderate.

Bondi Bar and Kitchen 333 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-342-0212. Huge, raucous Australian gastro-pub with splashy, fun decor, offering Aussie brews and amusing appetizers. Culinary style resembles California-fusion, but spicier, with exotic homeland ingredients. Moderate, some entrées expensive.

Darband Fifth Avenue Grill 1556 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-230-1001. Good, fresh Persian cooking, popular with local Persians. Tasty dishes include Khoresh Bademjan (baby eggplant and beef stew), Barg (marinated beef tenderloin with rice), and the vegetarian plate. Kebabs star, as do yogurt-y, cucumber-y, minty flavors. Inexpensive.

De'Medici Cucina Italiana 815 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-7228. Sinatra atmosphere, cool street patio. Fish dishes are exquisite, and anything with calamari (fresh local catch) is worth ordering. Moderate (simpler pastas) to very expensive.

Dirty Del's 499 Tenth Ave., Downtown, 619-677-3789. A cozy neighborhood watering hole near the ballpark has half a dozen tables and half a dozen sports screens, and serves big, interesting sandwiches. Inexpensive.

East Village Tavern and Bowl 930 Market St., Downtown, 619-677-2695. Big, noisy sports bar/bowling alley with creative pub grub until 2am nightly. Imagine three New York strip steaklets, caramelized onions, and melting Gorgonzola tucked into a Hawaiian sweet bun. Or try a *Panino Cubano* or herb-brined chicken wings. Inexpensive.

Edgewater Grill 861 W. Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-232-7581. Faux-fusion fare. The lighter dishes are best — not a bad place to graze on appetizers or a mini-pizza when you're starved for a water view. Entrées high-moderate to very expensive.

Gaslamp Pizza 505 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-231-7542. This joint comes alive around 2am, serving good thin-crust pizzas (vegetarian, BBQ chicken, and chicken pesto are best-o) plus wings, "halapeno peppers" and big salads to revelers seeking post-revel bal-last. Inexpensive.

Gen Lai Sen Hakka Seafood Restaurant 1065 12th Ave., Downtown, 619-239-5478. Stick to their Hakka specialties, like the sizzle plate stuffed tofu — deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in the tender centers, resembling meat-flavored roasted marshmallows. Mainly inexpensive.

Georges on Fifth 835 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-0444. The menu offers Prime and ultra-Prime steaks. Some of the best items are non-beef: the cold seafood appetizers ("lobster martini," oysters, tuna tartare). Expensive to extreme.

Harbor House 831 W. Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-232-1141. This two-story Midwesterner-friendly eatery caters to tourist families and conventioners, but the upstairs Oyster Bar is a pretty spot to watch the sailboats over a margarita and a plateful of iced bivalves. Moderate to expensive.

JJ's Sunset Deli by the Bay 200 Marina Park Way (behind the Convention Center), Downtown, 619-237-1070. JJ's delivers one heckuva harbor view plus an ambitious menu running from rib-eye steak sandwiches to a pork chop plate and sometimes a half-rack of BBQ baby back ribs. Inexpensive.

Mediterranean Café and Lounge 1352 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-515-2233. They serve a panoply of Middle Eastern and Greek food until 3 or 4 am. Best deals are probably the single lamb skewer on a roll of pita bread with hummus, tomato, lettuce, and pickles, or the meat pie on pita. Inexpensive to moderate.

Napa Valley Grille 502 Horton Plaza, Downtown, 619-238-5440. This restaurant at the top of Horton Plaza offers an elegant homeyness and sense of comfort. The Cal cuisine is good, including excellent grilled calamari. Moderate to expensive.

Pauly's Pizza Station 1050 Park Bl., Downtown, 619-231-0300. Pauly hides inside a convenience store at the City College trolley stop, making flavorful, East Coast thin-crust pies with some creative toppings — plus breakfast pizzas and calzones for when Friday night turns into Saturday morning. Open late to very late. Inexpensive.

Pierre's Place 1404 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-727-4700. Toussaint School's student-run restaurant offers pizzas and interesting dishes like Florentine breakfast *panini*, Tuscan chicken *panini*, and the Italian Special (toasted Italian roll with salami, ham *capicola*, provolone). Inexpensive.

Rama 327 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-501-8424. Ravishing upscale decor and chefs from top Bangkok restaurants offer a special experience. The menu includes some rare authentic dishes like chicken and squid with flat noodles and caramelized palm sugar, and a wicked Thai version of Chinese twice-cooked pork. Moderate.



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Red Pearl Kitchen 440 J St., Downtown, 619-231-1100. An anthology of favorite Asian dishes creatively interpreted for American palates, with touches of fusion and some original dishes. Plenty of appetizers, but main dishes and veggie side dishes tend to be tastier. High-moderate.

Rei Do Gado Churrascaria 939 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-8464. Skewer after skewer of *churrasco* (Brazilian barbecue of many meats). The buffet (included in meal price) includes side dishes, salads, fruit, and hot entrées like seafood in coconut milk, with exotic but comfortable flavors. Moderate.

Sidebar Deli 225 Cedar St., Downtown, 619-525-1444. Cal Western students clamor for lunch specials like

spaghetti and meatballs with garlic bread. Also breakfast burritos, breakfast sandwiches, French dip sandwiches, California wraps. Inexpensive.

Soleil @k 660 K St., Downtown, 619-446-6088. The fare here is simple California cuisine that won't scare the conventioners, but the outdoor dining patio is a nice spot for a light meal. Starters may include a seasonally available fried-calamari salad and crabby crabsticks. Moderate to expensive.

The Strip Club 340 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-231-3140. It's DIY grilling here; no minors admitted. You can take the USDA Choice steaks up a notch with spice blends and sauces. Other choices include burgers, chicken, ahi, shrimp, and kebabs. Inexpensive to moderate.

Westgate Gourmet Delicatessen Westgate Plaza, 1055 Second Ave., Downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your Aunt Martha for a genteel lunch that looks ritzy, costs little. Best deal is the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with seafoods. Inexpensive.

El Cajon

Paipa's Oasis Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way, El Cajon, 619-445-6002. The salad bar is surrounded by a U-shaped table laden with everything from peel-and-eat shrimp to baked cod to certified Black Angus prime rib. Moderate.

Encinitas

The Bird House Grill 250 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-944-2882. Savory Turkish cuisine includes generous plates like Iskender Kebab (mixed-meat kebab, rice, tomato sauce, house-made yogurt) and *kofte* (ground meat kebab, rice, salad, pita, and *tzatziki* sauce). Inexpensive.

Firefly 251 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-635-1066. Spacious wine-bar/restaurant features exciting wine choices and wine-bar snacks. The most popular lunch item is the Cobb salad, and at dinner there's a bourbon-and-mustard-brined pork tenderloin. Desserts and weekend brunches are strong suits. Moderate to expensive.

Firenze 162 S. Rancho Santa Fe Rd., Encinitas, 760-944-9000. Gorgeous rooms and outdoor patio, offering heaping platefuls of multiregional Italian cuisine (including two dozen meatless selections) and affordable Italian and California wines. High-moderate.

El Q'ero 564 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-753-9050. The fare includes empanadas, tapas-like small plates, and full-size entrées — most from the family homeland, Peru. Be sure to try the house's *chicha morada*, a tangy soft drink made from Peruvian purple corn. Moderate.

Saint Germain's Café 1010 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-753-5411. Not French, despite the name, but all-American. Omelets are the best-known dish — 14 three-egggers (or Eggbeaters by

request). Sandwiches run to hearty American classics (including some veggie choices). Inexpensive.

Escondido

A Delight of France 126 W. Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-746-2644. This French bakery is a delight indeed, offering authentic baguettes, brioches, quiches, and croissants, including true Parisian-style almond croissants studded with nuts and laced with almond paste. Inexpensive.

La Tapatia 340 W. Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare done low-salt and healthy style in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. Moderate.

Vincent's Sirinos 113 W. Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-745-3835. French-born chef-owner Vincent Grumel serves Gallic cuisine of rich dark sauces robbing fine ingredients, like a flavorful veal chop (no factory calf, that). Mushrooms and vegetables are the season's best and sensitively treated. Expensive.

Golden Hill

Los Reyes 2496 Broadway, Golden Hill, 619-231-0716. Also 47th and Mar-

ket, Chollas View, 619-262-6052. Regular Mex dishes served, but the soaring specialty is Seven Seas Soup, a big bowl of savory red broth clunking with giant crab legs, clams, fish chunks, shrimp, octopus, and vegetables. Inexpensive.

Turf Supper Club 1116 25th St., Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. Every night's an indoor cookout as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks, burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms. Inexpensive to moderate.

Hillcrest

The Asian Bistro 414 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-296-4119. The adventurous Thai-accented pan-Asian menu is served until 3 am. Don't miss the Louisiana fried buster crab dish named Jumping Jarvis. Lunches inexpensive, dinners moderate.

The Better Half Bistro 127 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-543-9340. The adventurous seasonal menu ranges from frog legs to game meat loaf and includes a daily house-made charcuterie platter and a different appetizer tart every night. Moderate.

Bite Bistro and Wine Bar 1417 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-2483. Modern Mediterranean tapas are most of the menu, cleverly cooked and assembled into interesting bargain-price early-bird dinners some weeknights. Individual dishes inexpensive to moderate, but they can add up.

Busalacchi's Ristorante 3683 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-298-0119. Nooks and crannies for *liaisons dangereuses*, or there's the street-side casual level. Mainly Sicilian-style tomato-sauce-dominated dishes (like *torta di melanzana*, eggplant layered with mozzarella), but satisfying. Moderate to expensive.

Celadon 3671 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-297-8424. The entrées offer sauces (red curry, green curry, etc.) with your choice of protein, but go to the chef's specialty menu to find the rarest. Among the entrées, don't miss *choo chee duck* or the Queen of Thailand's favorite, pineapple fried rice. Moderate.

Chipotle 734 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-209-3688. Several San Diego locations. This chain that McDonald's acquired cleaves to the original vision: naturally raised tender meats in authentic marinades, including fresh-grilled carne asada and *carnitas*. Rock-bottom prices.

Islander Grill 3645 Park Bl., Hillcrest, 619-297-3929. Exotic food from Guam includes chicken *kelaguen*, a citric salad resembling ceviche and brilliant coconut shrimp. Stews are flavorful: The saucy pot roast is definitely not your mother's, unless Mom's from Guam. Inexpensive.

Khyber Pass 523 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-294-7579. Fascinating Afghan cuisine. Don't miss the outstanding *aushak* (spring onion ravioli) and *mantu* (ground-meat ravioli) — both with lively yogurt sauces — and *zamarod chalow*, a spicy lamb-and-spinach stew. Moderate.

Sushi Itto 441 Washington St., Hillcrest, 619-291-6060. Also 409 F St., Downtown, 619-237-1037. This is Mexican sushi. Nearly all party rolls feature cream cheese and avocado; most include hot spice and some fake crab (surimi), too. Inexpensive.

Yakitori Yakyudori 3739 Sixth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-692-4189. Yakitori are Japan's little skewers of grilled or fried goodies, each marinated and/or garnished to flatter its nature — great for grazing. Chicken-skin salad, fried tofu, skewered pork with *shiso*, chicken heart, and octopus fritters are among the standouts. Inexpensive to moderate.

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Big Kahuna's 600 Palm Ave., Imperial Beach, 619-429-5224. A mini chain, but with true Hawaiian roots. Go for the baseball-mitt size Big Kahuna Burger or the Killer Kalua pork sand-

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Flavor Thai 4768 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3750. Mock (or real) duck with green curry is great, as is the *massaman*, the potato curry. Check out the chef's specials like *ho mok* (shrimp, green-shell mussel, and calamari with veggies in red curry sauce). Inexpensive.

Pampas Argentine Grill 8690 Aero Dr., Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. Argentine specialties feature healthy, grass-fed, grilled beef, including an Americanized version (minus organ meats) of the *gauchos'* great *parrillada mixta* (mixed grill). Good beef empanada, potatoes. Moderate.

Sunrise Super Buffet 3860 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-715-1608. Apart from all the meats, fish, shellfish, lobster (on Sundays), and novelties like stuffed mushrooms, stuffed clams, and dragon rolls, raw oysters in their shells are a big draw. Beverages included in price. Inexpensive.

Kensington-Talmadge

Bleu Bohème 4090 Adams Ave., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-255-4167. Classic French bistro, *très chic* but informal and noisy, emphasizes familiar favorites from the old-fashioned, French-

in-America, bourgeois-cuisine restaurant repertoire. High-moderate.

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A.R. Valentien 11480 N. Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolla, 858-777-6635. California cuisine emphasizing the natural flavors of in-season produce and top-quality meats and seafood; scenic setting. Very expensive.

Azul La Jolla 1250 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The Brigantine chain's upscale branch offers surf 'n' turf with a sea view. Big, tender steaks, reliably well-treated seafood. Very expensive.

The Cookie Lady Café and Bakery 7596 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-456-1640. It's soup-and-sandwich land, and good in both departments. A half-and-half of turkey sandwich (with real house-roasted turkey) and Italian wedding soup will feed you all day for near-nothing. Inexpensive.

George's at the Cove — California Modern 1250 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-4244. George's at the Cove California Modern dining room continues to serve Chef Trey Foshee's ambitious California cuisine based on seasonal ingredients and emphasizing wild seafood, local produce, naturally raised meats and poultry. Very expensive.

Harry's Coffee Shop 7545 Girard Ave., La Jolla, 858-454-7381. Down-home eatery with a pretty patio, where the ham, steak, and eggs is a favorite breakfast, as are Hot Creamy Oatmeal with strawberries, pecan pancakes, and thin, crisp waffles. For lunch, turkey burgers and the British Burger are popular. Inexpensive.

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Piatti Ristorante 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. Reserve for the garden patio to avoid indoor din. Exquisite, creative Italian dishes include fine sweetbreads, ravioli *al limone*, prosciutto-grilled romaine, and key lime-raspberry tart. Moderate to expensive.

Zenbu 7660 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-454-4540. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls. Don't miss the live local *uni* (sea urchin) served on its shell most week-ends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood. Upper-moderate to expensive.

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Ciao Bella Caffè Bar e Ristorante 5263 Baltimore Dr., La Mesa, 619-337-0238. Not your ordinary neighborhood Italian joint. Exciting dishes include Penne Ciao Bella (salmon, shrimp, and spinach in a light sauce), *cartoccio* (baked spaghetti with seafood) and San Remo pizza (with sunny-side-up eggs). Moderate.

GIO Bistro & Wine Bar 8384 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa, 619-462-9100. The vast garden patio is the main draw, however punishing the wiry patio chairs. The hit-or-miss menu of eclectic Cal-Ital-Asian-fusion offers "something for everyone" — but there's no "there" there. High-moderate.

Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room 7777 University Ave., La Mesa, 619-713-6777. This rambling roadhouse reincarnates the Turf Supper Club's DIY communal grill, adding side

dishes and desserts to the marinated raw steaks, portobellos, etc. Under 21 from 4 to 7 pm only; no reservations. Open late. Moderate.

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Little Italy

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Illume Bistro 675 W. Beech St., Little Italy, 619-550-5600. California grazing cuisine with a Mediterranean accent featuring natural, sustainable, seasonal food products in simple preparations and medium-size portions, designed for sharing. Moderate.

Indigo Grill 1536 India St., Little Italy, 619-234-6802. Deborah Scott expands her original Native-American motif, with its focus on root vegetables, game, and roasted spices. Inexpensive to moderate, dinner moderate to expensive.

Pete's Quality Meats 1742-1/2 India St., Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Aficionados line up for Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and bread crumbs. Inexpensive.

Puerto la Boca 2060 India St., Little Italy, 619-234-4900. Uncompromised Argentine cooking here, emphasizing healthy grass-fed grilled beef but also lush seafood, pizzas, and lacto-vegetarian pastas. Starters include luscious beef or corn empanadas and the filling *matambre* (rolled beef galantine). Moderate.

Logan Heights

La Doña 1784 Newport Ave., Logan Heights, 619-233-4939. This historic

café serves home cooking, Mexican style, with super-spicy salsa and meals like scrambled eggs and chorizo with rice and refried beans, *chicharrones*, *pozole*, and menudo. Inexpensive.

Sister Pee Wee's Soul Food 2971-1/2 Imperial Ave., Logan Heights, 619-236-0470. The menu depends on what Sister Pee Wee feels like cooking. You might find big pork ribs with soulful sides or fried chicken or catfish fillet with trimmings or chitlins (her specialty). Inexpensive.

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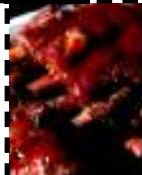
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RESTAURANTS

meals, plus daily lunch and dinner buffets. Moderate.

Hancock Street Café 3354 Hancock St., Midway District, 619-296-2060. Mario is from New York and knows his pasta. You can expect a good-value special, like spaghetti and meatballs. Sometimes he'll throw in a bottle of red wine. Inexpensive.

Mardi Gras Café 3185 Midway Dr., Midway District, 619-223-5501. N'awlins-style food to eat in, to go, or to have catered at your party. Deli-grocery also sells the ingredients, including ready-made roux, Cajun *tasso* (spiced ham), *boudin blanc* (rice sausage), and crawfish sausage in season. Inexpensive.

Mira Mesa

Buca di Beppo 10749 Westview Parkway, Mira Mesa, 858-536-2822. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Downtown. Try *penne arrabiata* with its spicy sausage or the chicken parmigiana. Standard stuff in vast family-friendly quantities, but you're having fun. Inexpensive to moderate.

Mission Beach

Red Marlin Hyatt Regency Mission Bay Spa and Marina, 1441 Quivira Rd., Mission Beach, 619-224-1234. Blissful bay view, with hotel food enlivened by Chef de Cuisine Danny Bannister. Want Kurobuta pork medium-rare? He knows the secret. And his blue crab cake is all crab, minimal filler. Expensive.

Saska's & Saska's Sushi 3768 Mission Bl., Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Venerable local steak-and-seafood joint that tries harder, from the thin home-made 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. Service till midnight or later. Moderate.

Sportsmen's Seafoods 1617 Quivira Rd., Mission Beach, 619-224-3551. The menu is devoted to the "fruits of the sea" and includes a seafood platter (shrimp, squid, clams, fish, fries, and salad). And, of course, a crispy fish 'n' chips platter. Inexpensive.

Mission Hills

Izakaya Masa 928 Ft. Stockton Dr., Mission Hills, 619-542-1354. Friendly spot serves interesting Japanese tapas. Among the hits: crunchy, spicy *chuka kurage* (jellyfish salad); fried oysters (*kaki*); ethereal fried tofu in broth; and

kara-age (spicy fried chicken). Inexpensive to moderate.

Saffron Thai Grilled Chicken 3731 India St., Mission Hills, 619-574-0177. Saffron Noodles and Saté is sit-down, all about Thai noodles and saté. Next door, take-out only, owner Su-Mei Yu serves skewered grilled chicken marinated in garlic, ginger, and spices. Delicious green curry, too. Inexpensive.

Shakespeare Pub & Grille 3701 India St., Mission Hills, 619-299-0230. English pub grub is bluff and plainspoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing). Inexpensive.

Sausage King 811 W. Washington St., Mission Hills, 619-297-4301. The German couple who run this place make 34 sausages and luncheon meats, plus 10 smoked meats like turkey, beef, Westphalian ham, Black Forest ham, and even bacon. Inexpensive.

Starlite 3175 India St., Mission Hills, 619-358-9766. The California-Mediterranean cuisine features naturally raised meats, house-made pasta and sausages, local produce. The Jidori chicken and Prime flat iron steak are knockouts; so is a toffee-chip ice cream sandwich. Nice back-patio seating. Moderate.

Venissimo Cheese 754 W. Washington St., Mission Hills, 619-491-0708. You can get a baguette-style sandwich stuffed with cow cheese, sheep cheese, goat cheese...fruity, moldy, runny, stinky... Any cheese in the house, same price: around five bucks. Even *Boschetto* cheese, with truffles in it. Inexpensive.

National City

Asian Noodle 1430 E. Plaza Bl., National City, 619-477-5390. The main dish is Filipino-style chicken soup with egg noodles — a little bland, but filling. *Siopao* (stuffed steamed buns) make a good accompaniment — or try "sweet spaghetti." Inexpensive.

Birrias, Chivos & Cheves 2401 Highland Ave., National City, 619-477-7660. Goat is what you get here, and it's good. Guadalajara style. The taste is rich but not too gamey. Inexpensive.

Filipino Desserts Plus 2220-Q E. Plaza Bl., National City, 619-479-6748. The pride of the place is the desserts, from the *ube halea* (purple yam custard) and *maja blanca* (coconut-corn combo) to the *sapin sapin* (multicolored layer cake) and fried sweet *saba* banana on a skewer. Inexpensive.

McDini's 105 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-6771. Open continuously since 1890 in various locations, now under a new owner who spiffed up the room. The eats are hearty diner-style food like Irish breakfasts, meat loaf sandwiches, roast beef. Inexpensive to moderate.

What the Chef Eats

by Pamela Hunt-Cloyd

SAUTÉED WHITE SHRIMP AND SWEET PEA RISOTTO

BY PAUL MCCABE

Executive Chef, Kitchen 1540

I grew up in a family where my mom didn't work out of the home. She was a good country cook — actually, one of the last. I mean, she was up at 4 a.m. making her own bread, which she would turn into French toast for us. She made all of her own preserves and jams and pickled everything. That's just how we grew up and that was the work ethic back then. Today, she still raises cattle. Out of all the kids, I was the one who was really intrigued by what she was doing in the kitchen. I was the one wondering, "How does bread rise?" and I really fed off her passion for food.

After high school I had an opportunity to

apprentice at L'Ermitage restaurant in Los Angeles with Chef Michel Blanchet. I almost went to CIA in upstate New York, but I dropped everything for the chance to work with Michel. He gave me my platform. I'm really into modern cooking techniques but ultimately I'm rooted in flavor. For me, it's all about the ingredients. It sounds hokey, but products, products, products. Ultimately, they speak to what the dish will become.

For example, at the restaurant we make our own charcuterie and salami, but with a twist. We're making duck prosciutto and foie gras bratwurst. We take popcorn and freeze it in liquid nitrogen and then run it

through the juicer and serve it with scallops. I like popcorn. You can eat popcorn on the couch or at the movies. And I like to take the pretense out of food. I put Pop Rocks on foie gras.

Usually on the weekends, several families go to someone's home and we all bring food and drink beer and the kids all run around. There is a Thai fried rice I make that my friends really love. I'm usually asked to bring baby back ribs or that Thai fried rice. I also have a great recipe for a pea risotto with rice. I like to put the risotto into mushrooms and stand the shrimp on top. I've made that for friends and it's great as an appetizer or an hors d'oeuvre.



INGREDIENTS

Serves 4–6 as appetizer (with leftover risotto for future side dish); minus optional shrimp and mushrooms, serves 6 as side dish or pasta course.

SHRIMP (OPTIONAL)

3 cloves garlic (minced)
¼ c. extra virgin olive oil
1T. fresh thyme (chopped)
12 large Mexican white shrimp

MUSHROOMS (OPTIONAL)

12 cremini mushrooms
3 T. extra-virgin olive oil
2 cloves garlic (minced)
salt and pepper

FOR THE RISOTTO

3 good handfuls fresh peas
5 c. chicken stock, divided use (substitute vegetable broth for vegetarian version)

Normal Heights

Cantina Mayahuel 2934 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-283-6292. Small room, short menu of fine, authentic mainland cooking including specials like complex house-made mole poblano and Oaxacan black mole, Chili Colorado (slow-cooked beef), or Yucatán seafood stew. Inexpensive.

Jayne's Gastropub 4677 30th St., Normal Heights, 619-563-1011. Clamorous interior, but you'll find sophisticated southern-European appetizers like hummus, fried calamari, and Spanish-style shrimp with garlic. Entrées run to comfort food. Grazing dinners

moderate, mains moderate to expensive.

North Park

Alexander's 3391 30th St., North Park, 619-281-2539. A spin-off of Old Venice, serving neighborhood-style Italian with Greek touches, including interesting specials and imaginative thin-crust pizzas. Loud, bright interior; sweet, dim back patio. Moderate (pastas) to expensive.

Crazee Burger 4201 30th St., North Park, 619-282-6044. You'll find creative, made-to-order burgers from beef to

buffalo, gator, and ostrich (delicious!), and even fish and veggies — each with its own individualized seasonings and sauce, plus salads, German sausages, bargain wines, and serious beers. Inexpensive to low moderate.

Hawthorn's Restaurant 2895 University Ave., North Park, 619-295-1688. When this Banker's Hill restaurant moved to new digs here, the change proved positive. Mediterranean-influenced menu choices are fewer but better, with seasonal locally grown vegetables matched to the individual entrées. Expensive.

Heaven Sent Desserts 3001 University Ave., North Park, 619-793-4758. Cookies, tarts, pies, custards, puddings,

and intricate cakes and ice cream fantasies. The style is rich and often fancy with choices ranging from American favorites to ethereal Euro-style elaborations. Inexpensive.

Lefty's Chicago Pizzeria 3448 30th St., North Park, 619-295-1720. The ultimate is Lefty's "stuffed" pizza, a 14-inch, 8-pound monster that needs one hour "make and bake" time. They do Chicago hot dogs, char burgers, beautiful spicy fries, juicy Italian beef au jus sandwiches. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

The Linkery 3794 30th St., North Park, 619-255-8778. The artisanal "slow food" cuisine here features local ingredients and made-from-



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What the Chef Eats

1 T. olive oil
3 shallots or 1 medium onion,
finely chopped
2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
14 oz. arborio rice
Sea salt and freshly ground
black pepper
2 wine glasses dry vermouth or
dry white wine
2 ½ oz. butter
3 ½ oz. freshly grated Parme-
san
½ handful mint, chopped
1 T. lemon juice, or to taste

TO MAKE THE SHRIMP:
The night before, combine
garlic, oil, and thyme, toss
the shrimp in the mari-
nade, and refrigerate over
night. When ready to pre-
pare the meal, season
shrimp with salt and pep-
per and sauté in olive oil
over medium heat until
the shrimp begin to turn
pink. Do not overcook. Set
aside.

TO MAKE THE MUSHROOMS:
Preheat the oven to 350
degrees. Toss mushrooms
with oil, garlic, salt, and
pepper and roast for 10
minutes.
TO MAKE THE RISOTTO:
Cook peas in 1 cup of
boiling stock. When the
peas are tender, drain,
puree in a food processor
and set aside.
Stage 1. Heat remain-
ing 4 cups of stock over
medium heat — not boil-
ing. In a separate pan, heat
the olive oil, add the shal-
lots or onion and garlic
and slowly sauté for about
3 minutes. When the veg-
etables have softened, add
the rice, season with salt
and pepper, and turn up
the heat.
Stage 2. The rice will
now begin to fry, so keep
stirring it. After a minute
it will look slightly

translucent, having
absorbed all the flavors
from the vegetables. Add
the vermouth or wine and
keep stirring. Any harsh
alcohol flavors will evapo-
rate and leave the rice with
the essence of the wine.
Stage 3. Once the ver-
mouth or wine has cooked
into the rice, add your first
ladle of hot stock and a
good pinch of salt. Turn
down the heat to a
medium simmer so the
rice doesn't cook too
quickly on the outside.
Keep adding ladles of
stock, stirring and allow-
ing each ladle of liquid to
be absorbed before adding
the next. This will take
about 15 minutes. Carry
on adding stock until the
rice is soft but with a
slight bite. Don't forget to
carefully check the
seasoning.

Stage 4. Remove from
heat and add the butter,
Parmesan, mint, a squeeze
of lemon juice, and the
pea purée. Stir gently.
Place lid on pan and allow
to sit for 2 to 3 minutes.
This is the most impor-
tant part of making the
risotto, as this is when it
becomes creamy like it
should be. Eat as soon as
possible while the risotto
retains its perfect texture.
TO ASSEMBLE:
Place three mushrooms
cap-side down on a rec-
tangular plate and fill the
cavity with risotto. Place
one shrimp on top of the
mushroom and continue
the process with all 12
shrimp. Drizzle the plate
with basil oil and serve.

To get other recipes from local
chefs, go to [sdreader.com](#).

scratch preparations. The focus is on
sausages. Some of the best include the
juicy “super bison Mexi-dog,” the lin-
guisa, and the Polynesian pork. Mod-
erate.
Marie's Café 3016 University Ave.,
North Park, 619-220-0142. Old-time
diner serving generous portions, 24
hours Wednesday through Saturday,
shorter hours other days. Try the three-
egger breakfast omelet with Italian
sausage, avocado, and olives. If Erik's
smokin' up some ribs (you'll smell
them half a block away), grab them. In-
expensive.

**Pomegranate Russian-Geor-
gian Restaurant** 2302 El Cajon
Bl., North Park, 619-297-4007. Geor-
gian food sings with fresh herbs, gar-
lic, touches of hot pepper. Don't miss
the world-beating beefy, herb-jungle
borscht, the lobio bean dip, and
Olivier salad. The chef slow-smokes
moist barbecued beef and pork and
cold-smokes whole trout. Moderate.
The Ritual Tavern 4095 30th St.,
North Park, 619-283-1618. A quiet,
civilized tavern serving Niman meats,
Jidori chicken, locally grown organic
vegetables, and a mouth-filling,

étouffée-thick Saddlebrush (Yankee)
gumbo that's not remotely Cajun or
Creole (it's got carrots but no okra or
file). Moderate.
Sicilian Thing Pizza 4046 30th
St., North Park, 619-282-3000. Sicil-
ian-style pizzas are inch-thick,
bready, but lighter than Chicago deep
dish. When you order, they add sauce,
cheese, and put it back in the oven to
double cook. Open late. Inexpensive.
El Sol Mexican Restaurant
2037 University Ave., North Park,
619-298-0874. Miguel “Nacho”

Madera does breakfasts and Mexican
food, including seafood (ceviche
tostada is great). But if you want the
burger, ask for his Clintonburger with
cheese and bacon. Inexpensive.

Ocean Beach

**Livingston's Chicken and Mex-
ican Grill** 5026 Newport Ave., Ocean
Beach, 619-224-8088. “Broasted”
chicken — pressure cooked in oil — is
tastier and less greasy than standard

fried chicken. Or try garlicky “potato
Jo-Jo's,” a California burrito, or pork
salsa verde plate. Until midnight week-
days; 2am weekends. Inexpensive.

**Ocean Beach People's Organic
Foods Co-Op Deli** 4765 Voltaire
St., Ocean Beach, 619-224-1387. Virtu-
ous, mainly vegan prepared dishes in-
clude garlic eggplant with beet and
onions, tempeh loaf, sweet squash and
rice, millet spinach bake, veggie shep-
herd's pie, “mango madness.” Inexpen-
sive.
Portugalia 4839 Newport Ave.,
Ocean Beach, 619-222-7678. The menu
is split between the homeland and
Brazil, including coconut-milk-
swathed seafood dishes from tropical
Bahia rarely found locally. Enjoy salt
cod fritters, fried pastry pockets filled
with shrimp, codfish with chickpeas.
Moderate.

Oceanside

Paul's Place 3671 Mission Ave.,
Oceanside, 760-721-0124. The menu
strikes a balance between American and
Greek fare. The baked Greek half-
chicken, the spiced grilled chicken
sliced over salad, and the gyros mix
with all-American three-egg breakfast
specials and meaty burgers. Inexpen-
sive.
Ruby's Diner 1 Oceanside Pier,
Oceanside, 760-433-7829. Additional
locations in Carlsbad and Mission Val-
ley. Ruby's is part of a themed '40s-
diner chain. Red-leatherette-and-
chrome booths, white walls, portholes,
old Coca-Cola signs, and that view to
Hawaii. Good-sized servings — try
their omelets. Open daily. Inexpensive.

Old Town

El Agave 2304 San Diego Ave., Old
Town, 619-220-0692. Serious Mexican
food highlighting mainland regional
cuisines, including five different Oax-
acan moles (plus a sixth from Chiapas).
Moderate.
**Jack and Giulio's Italian Restau-
rant** 2391 San Diego Ave., Old Town,
619-294-2074. The traditional Italian
entrées like veal parmigiana and fettuc-
cine Alfredo are there, but go for house
specialties like Spaghetti New Orleans
with shrimp, crawfish, and crabmeat, or
the scampi dishes. Moderate.

Pacific Beach

The Australian Pub 1014 Grand Ave.,
Pacific Beach, 858-273-9921. Try the
Road Kill sandwich (grilled chicken
breast with hot sauce and cheese) or the
huge, baroque Aussie Burger. Inexpen-
sive.
Bare Back Grill 4640 Mission Bl., Pa-
cific Beach, 858-274-7117. Also 624 E
St., Downtown, 619-237-9990. The Kiwi
owners guarantee healthy, hormone-
free, organic beef and lamb from New
Zealand — mainly in burgers, from
grass-fed organic beef burgers to lamb
burgers with wasabi dip. Inexpensive.
Broken Yolk Café 1851 Garnet Ave.,
Pacific Beach, 858-270-9655. Addi-
tional locations in Chula Vista, Carls-
bad, and Downtown. Breakfasting
P.B.ers love this place for the sundeck,
the 26 different four-egg omelets
(which you can split with your partner,
no extra charge), and the challenge of
omelet #27. Inexpensive.
Chateau Orleans 926 Turquoise St.,
Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. Charming
setting with folk art, live blues, offering
Louisiana fare in dire need of a refresher
course (avoid the jambalaya). Safest
choices: crawfish bisque, lush “purple
fries” (eggplant), gumbo. High-moder-
ate.
Gringo's 4474 Mission Bl., Pacific
Beach, 858-490-2877. This noisy, popu-
lar indoor-outdoor venue is better than
its name implies, with fresh, skillful
cooking of slightly dumbed-down, gen-
tled Mexican cuisine like you might find
in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta. Moderate.
JRDN 723 Felspar St., Pacific Beach,
858-270-5736. Beachfront dining room
and patio, with dishes covering the wa-
terfront, ranging from mac 'n' cheese to
die for to a sexy, fruited gazpacho to
swoon over. Chic, relaxed atmosphere,
great grazing, youngish crowd. Entrées
expensive.
Kabuki Sushi Restaurant 4475-C
Mission Bl., Pacific Beach, 858-270-
1986. Tempting dishes delivered to you
via boats floating along a mini-canal that
surrounds the sushi bar. The sushi chefs
have the panoply of sushi, sashimi, ni-
giri. The dragon rolls and spider rolls
are tasty too. Inexpensive to moderate.
Karinya Thai 825 Garnet Ave., Pacific
Beach, 858-270-5050. Karinya remains
true to its Thai origins. Try *tom yum
kung* (hot and sour shrimp soup), a meal
in itself served over a charcoal fire at
your table, or *pad talay*, sautéed seafoods
in spicy sauce. Inexpensive to moderate.
Joe's Crab Shack 4325 Ocean Bl.,
Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474. Addi-



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tional locations in Mission Valley, Oceanside, and Downtown. Buckets of crab or fried or grilled seafood in raucous, kid-friendly atmosphere. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Latin Chef 1142 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-8810. Peruvian and Chinese-Peruvian cuisine cooked with rare, authentic ingredients, including *canchitos* (special toasted corn kernels) to nibble instead of bread. Outstanding *anticuchos* (heart kebabs) and refreshing ceviches. Friendly owner gladly explains the food. Inexpensive.

Lamont Street Grill 4445 Lamont St., Pacific Beach, 858-270-3060. P.B.'s most romantic restaurant serves California comfort food, punctuated by bold Mex/Asian/Cajun flavors. Salmon over fettuccine in a delicate dill cream sauce is especially fine. Moderate.

Rum Jungle Smoothies and Deli 4150 Mission Bl., Pacific Beach, 858-273-2227. Rum Jungle Smoothies serves up *acaí*, the flesh of a Brazilian palm nut, for breakfast, adding your choices of granola, banana, strawberries, blueberries, mango pieces. Inexpensive.

Sushi Ota 4529 Mission Bay Dr., Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. This renowned sushi bar offers pristine seafood, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. And beauty, of course, like the sashimi of a whole small Spanish mackerel bent into the shape of a swelling sail. Moderate to expensive.

Pine Valley

La Posta 32337 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley, 619-478-5600. Old West atmos-

phere, vintage American food including hefty anytime breakfasts (bulging omelets, chicken-fried steak with eggs). Their burgers are big, their chili is legendary, and the dinner rib-eye steak can make city folks swoon. Inexpensive.

Point Loma

The Pearl 1410 Rosecrans St., Point Loma, 619-226-6100. The fare is California-eclectic and emphasizes grazing, with local produce and sustainable meat and fish. Candied pork belly, “deconstructed” shrimp nachos, wings du jour, and salmon with skin are among the hits. Moderate.

Red Sails 2614 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-223-3030. Vintage waterside eatery serves seafood and steaks of uneven quality. Start with clams on the half-shell or clam chowder. Coconut shrimp entrée is a good, guilty pleasure; finfish fare less well. Low-moderate.

Solare Ristorante Lounge 2820 Roosevelt Rd., NTC Promenade, Point Loma, 619-270-9670. Northern Italian cuisine with Asian-fusion touches like a sea bream carpaccio with lychees. The chef cooks from scratch with mainly local or organic ingredients, including Brandt beef. Pastas moderate, entrées expensive.

Umi Sushi 2806 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-226-1135. Japanese and Korean entrées such as *teppanyaki* (cooked in the kitchen) chicken/seafood/beef, Korean ribs, and excellent beef teriyaki. Sushi highlights include lemony *ama ebi*, rich garlic tuna, and spicy Crazy Boy “krab” roll. Inexpensive to moderate.

Rancho Bernardo

El Bizcocho 17550 Bernardo Oaks Dr., Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8550. This deluxe resort restaurant features cutting-edge French and Asian (but not exactly fusion) dishes made with fresh, superb local ingredients and modern “molecular” techniques, producing flavor explosions to thrill culinary adventurers. Very expensive.

The French Market Grille 15717 Bernardo Heights Parkway, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-8055. At this romantic restaurant with elegant indoor dining or a charming garden setting, the menu offers classic Gallic dishes, but ingredients and execution can be inconsistent night to night. Moderate.

Hunan 16719 Bernardo Center Dr., Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-8131. This family restaurant serves the cuisines of two spicy Chinese provinces, Szechuan and Hunan, de-spiced for SoCal suburbanites. Tea-smoked duck, eggplant Hunan-style, and shredded potatoes with pickled vegetables are tasty. Inexpensive.

Rancho Santa Fe

Rancho Valencia 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-759-6216. Every bite from appetizer to dessert is prepared and presented to delight Californians, the French...actually, anyone with taste buds. Enjoy an entrée of Prime mesquite-grilled steak, fresh fish, veal, or chicken. Very expensive.

San Marcos

Fish House Vera Cruz 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346. Also 417 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-434-6777. On a recent day, 23 different fresh fish selections were available as daily specials, on top of the regular menu. The Manhattan chowder is tasty, as is their “krab” salad. Moderate.

Santa Ysabel

The Hideout Steakhouse and Saloon 27413 Highway 76, Santa Ysabel, 760-782-3656. Colorful historic roadhouse draws Harley-riding weekend day-trippers. Cheeseburgers are the default dish. Available are a “Texas-sized baked potato,” salad, and squaw bread. Inexpensive to moderate.

Solana Beach

Beach Grass Café 159 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Solana Beach, 858-509-0632. Also 1476 Encinitas Bl., Encinitas, 760-942-2741. Imaginative breakfasts are the specialty (reservations vital on weekends). Lunches and dinners feature uneven multiethnic “coastal cuisine” with good veggies. Moderate to slightly expensive.

California Pizza Kitchen 437 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999. Additional locations in Mission Valley, Carmel Mountain, University City, Vista, Chula Vista. The Original BBQ Chicken Pizza, the chain’s first hit, is their top seller. It has barbecue sauce, smoked Gouda and mozzarella cheeses, BBQ chicken, red onions, and cilantro. Inexpensive to moderate.

Tony's Jacal 621 Valley Ave., Solana Beach, 858-755-2274. Try the La Colonia combination: just about anything with rice and beans. Turkey meat is big here, and the (real) crab quesadilla is delicious. Inexpensive.

Zinc Café & Market 132 S. Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. Vegetarian menu offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant “pizzette” (personal-size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger are tasty, too. Inexpensive.

Tierrasanta

Bud's Louisiana Café 10425 Tierrasanta Bl., Tierrasanta, 858-573-2837. Authentic NOLA favorites cooked by a friendly native, including good okra gumbo and fine roast beef po’ boys — to eat in or to go. The white-chocolate bread pudding is a masterpiece. No reservations; no tables for more than six. Low moderate.

University City

Donovan's Steak and Chop House 4340 La Jolla Village Dr., University City, 858-450-6666. Classic steakhouse atmosphere and menu, with traditional appetizers, wet-aged Prime beefsteaks gas-grilled to order (with potato and vegetable included). Sauces are extra, and a side of creamed spinach is worth its price. Very expensive.

Great Khan's Mongolian Festival 4545 La Jolla Village Dr., University City, 858-678-0950. This chain serves one big, fresh meal. Stuff your raw meat and veggies into your bowl and hand it to the chef to braise on the huge hot plate, and add noodles. Inexpensive.

P. F. Chang's China Bistro 4540 La Jolla Village Dr., University City, 858-458-9007. Additional locations in Mission Valley and Chula Vista. The decor at this busy Chinese chain (130-plus restaurants) is fun; the food is mainly mediocre, but the massive Great Wall of Chocolate dessert will knock you over. Moderate.

Venice Ristorante Italiano 4365 Executive Dr., University City, 858-597-1188. Refined northern Italian dishes include an antipasto assortment, lush pastas, and airy gnocchi, while non-clichéd entrées including duck breast with pistachios and veal rack with porcini mushrooms. Long happy hour in bar with deep discounts, otherwise upper-moderate to expensive.

University Heights

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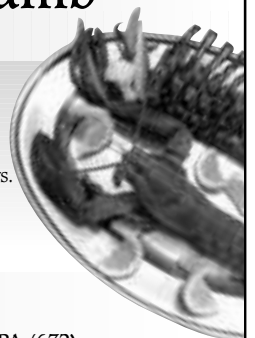
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Insider Outsider Man

Rudy has begun to “think” and “ask questions,” suspect habits in the late ’50s.

The North Coast Rep took a huge risk, on paper at least. Tom Dudzick’s *Over the Tavern* has roles for four children, ranging from 8 to 16. The safe choice: find teenage-ish actors (i.e., twentysomething), dress them young, and rely on their skills to make the characters believable. It’s been done many times — often with success, though just as often with the sense of a “stretch” — a playing down, or perking up — involved.

NCRT accepted the challenge. They cast actors the same age as the four Pazinski children. Kids! Eddie is 15; James Patterson, who plays him, is there or thereabouts. Same with Abbey Howe’s young Annie and Thor Sigurdsson’s mentally challenged Georgie. Along with seasoned technique and David Ellenstein’s smart direction, they connect with their characters’ questions and woes as if playing a twin.

This is especially true of Ian Brininstool’s Rudy. Both are 12 years old. *Tavern* takes place in Buffalo, New York, in 1959. Rudy has begun to see a widening gap between the Baltimore Catechism and the outside world. “Why,” he asks, “does God allow kids to steal change from blind Elmo’s newsstand?” Rudy has begun to “think” and “ask questions,” suspect habits in the late ’50s (expect him in ten years to have waist-length hair and an anti-war placard held high). Brininstool may not have Rudy’s specific concerns — 50 years later — and probably never saw *Father Knows Best* or *Ozzie and Harriet* or *American Bandstand*. But his puzzlement comes from an authentic — and often hilariously funny — place.

As impressive, Brininstool never plays for a laugh. He is character- (not audience-) driven. He already knows how to create a moment and

then let it go — a lesson many actors take much longer to learn.

Tavern feels like a spin-off of late-’50s family comedies. But instead of idealized fathers always at home, always attentive, even when reading the paper (throw in *My Three Sons* and *Leave It to Beaver*), the playwright injects Chet Pazinski. He runs a tavern below their apartment, where his abusive father depletes the stock. Chet had hopes — could pitch a wicked curveball — but lost them in an “accident.” Now he rules his roost with what verges on psychological torment.

Matt Thompson handles a tough assignment as Chet: the play plugs genuine emotions into a sitcom veneer. So Thompson can’t, say, De Niro the role with menace. He must maintain a balance, which he does, though on occasion the script — the end, in particular — makes him jump impossible hurdles.

In many ways *Tavern*’s about the sins of the fathers. In the NCRT production, the women shine as well. The next time someone stages *Late Nite Catechism* or *Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All*, they should cast Lynne Griffin. Her Sister Clarissa’s a pre-Vatican II, spare-not-the-rod force. Every time she raises a ruler, many in the audience cringe.

As Ellen Pazinski, an almost idealized mother, Courtney Corey moves twice as fast on Marty Burnett’s three-room, sharply detailed set. Part therapist, part smokejumper, Corey’s fine performance makes Ellen a manager of order amid ever-threatening chaos.

Edmund Rostand’s wife Rosemonde recalled a vacation in the Pyrenees. A young man complained that he had no words — other than

THEATER REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Brendan Griffin, Dana Green in *Cyrano de Bergerac*

Over the Tavern, by Tom Dudzick

North Coast Repertory Theatre, 987 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach

Directed by David Ellenstein; cast: Ian Brininstool, Courtney Corey, Lynne Griffin, Abbey Howe, James Patterson, Thor Sigurdsson, Matt Thompson; scenic design, Marty Burnett; lighting, Matt Novotny; costumes, Lynne Griffin; sound, Chris Luessmann

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Cyrano de Bergerac by Edmond Rostand

Old Globe Theatre, Lowell Davies Festival Stage, Balboa Park

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repeating “I love you” — to woo the apple of his eye. And she remained indifferent. Rostand trained him so well in the literary arts, the young man married his beloved.

In Rostand’s 1897 epic *Cyrano de Bergerac*, the title character doesn’t give young Christian a crash-course in wooing the fair Roxane. The teacher plays the student and becomes one of the world’s most courtly — i.e., platonic — lovers.

Everyone probably knows about his nose and how Cyrano became the 17th-century equivalent of a “Renaissance Man,” skilled and courageous in all things save his heart’s desire. His flaw is the opposite of hubris: he’s convinced he’s unworthy and doesn’t dare find out if Roxane could love him, which, to a post-postmodern sensibility, constitutes a negation of life (his and Roxane’s, whom he puts on a pedestal).

One of the most fascinating

aspects of Patrick Page’s commanding Cyrano at the Old Globe: where most performers accentuate the positive — the panache, the swashbuckling, the Disney of it all — Page faces the rift in the man head on. This Cyrano is layered. He admirably walks his own path but pays for being an absolute outsider (in a strange way, hyperverbal Cyrano resembles Shakespeare’s nonverbal Coriolanus, who also excels in war and walls himself off from intimacy).

Under Darko Tresnjak’s expert direction, the Old Globe’s *Cyrano* unfolds like a pageant. Anna R. Oliver’s splendid period outfits, from soft, Gascoigne blues to Dutch Masters blacks and whites, dazzle the eye (and demand kudos for the Globe’s costume shop). Christopher R. Walker’s sound merits special mention. When Page whispers, every word is crystal clear.

Cyrano is a long play — opening night ran three and a half hours — and the production showed signs of haste, especially pacing on the quick side of brisk. It’s too bad the

evening couldn’t start earlier, at 7:00 p.m. instead of 8:00, so it could spread out and move to its own internal clock and not the dictates of an 11:00 p.m. deadline or today’s chronic need for speed. ■

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The Fantasticks

This may be the most audience-participatory musical of all time. The characters are generic — a boy, a girl, fathers, etc. On a minimalist stage, the performers take an invisible step back, so you can put yourself in their shoes and relive your wake-up call from innocence to experience. El Gallo, it turns out, isn’t the one trying to remember, and when Matt and Luisa sing “Soon It’s Gonna Rain,” you reach for an umbrella. Lamb’s Players have given the musical, which ran for 17,000-plus performances, an update. Not all of it works. The set’s Vegas-gaudy, especially the yellow circles on the rear wall, which look like Lawrence Welk’s bubble machine on ’roids. Director Deborah Gilmour Smyth’s cast is multicultural, a refreshing change from the white-bread original (1960), in which outsiders are Other and the El Gallo is Latino, for once (though his voice sounded strained, Mauricio Mendoza gave the abductor strong physicality). The game ensemble cast, including Craig Noel Award-winner Antonio T.J. Johnson, boasts a standout performance: Robert Smyth has a lark as Henry, the old thespian for whom trying to remember — anything — is a tale of untold heroism.

Worth a try.

LAMB’S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH JULY 26.



Restoration

Free Gift

Community Actors Theatre presents Israel Horowitz’s drama about a young African-American woman who sells insurance to a middle-aged white widow and, in the process, discovers an unexpected connection. George Bailey directed. COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, 2957 54TH ST., COLLEGE AREA. 619-264-3391. 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 3PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH JULY 19.

Hedwig and the Angry Inch

Cygnat Theatre completes the circle, closing its Rolando Stage doors with the rock musical that opened them. Hedwig’s still angry (in this more polished version, directed by James Vasquez, angry-er) about his botched sex-change operation, which resulted in a “Barbie Doll crotch.” As his nemesis, Tommy Gnosis, wows fans next door with pilfered tunes, Hedwig tells a life story to which few compare. As Hedwig, his wig a platinum tsunami, his outfits recalling *Rocky Horror*’s Frank N. Furter — whom he has also played — talented Matthew Tyler belts (“Tear Me Down”) and croons (“Origin of Love”) with equal panache. As Hedwig’s husband Yitzhak, a bearded roadie and Willie Nelson lookalike, Katie Alexander has the chops when her spotlight finally shines. The backup band kicks. Although the sound system’s more attuned to the music than the dialogue (portions of the story blurry), in a way even that works, since

Hedwig’s no headliner. He bares body and soul in the Aztec mini mall.

Worth a try.

CYGNAT THEATRE — ROLANDO, 6663 EL CAJON BLVD., SUITE N, COLLEGE AREA. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 6PM AND 10PM SATURDAYS, 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 9.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Welk Resorts Theatre presents the tongue-in-cheek musical about the parable of Joseph and his brothers with different styles of music. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DR., ESCONDIDO. 888-802-7469. 1:45PM AND 8PM THURSDAYS, 1:45PM FRIDAYS, 1:45PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 1:45PM SUNDAYS, 1:45PM TUESDAYS, 1:45PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

The Lonesome West

It’s as if Martin McDonough read Sam Shepard’s *True West* and said, “Yeah?” In Shepard, brothers trash their mother’s house. In McDonough’s “savage comedy,” it seems, every time Valene adds a new plastic saint to his figurine collection, someone in Leenane adds to its reputation as the murder capital of Europe. Triad Productions, whose admirable goal is to “reach a new generation of theatergoer,” offers a staging that makes up in energy what it sometimes lacks in theatrical savvy. Things would

improve, immediately, if the actors became less enamored of their Irish accents and more concerned with communication, and they spoke out and up, instead of to the floor. The best scenes are steeplechases, choreographed by Scott Andrew Amiotte, in which the brothers rip, smash, and even blow up parts of Kris Kerr’s rustic set.

Worth a try.

TENTH AVENUE THEATRE, 930 TENTH AVE., DOWNTOWN. 8PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY, 8PM SATURDAY, 4PM SUNDAY, THROUGH JULY 5.

National Comedy Theatre

Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it’d be more exciting if done competitively. National Comedy Theatre resembles an athletic event. Using suggestions from the audience, they play “Emotional Sympathy,” “Blind Line,” and “Freeze Tag,” with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners get booed; quick wit rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledge failure, abundantly, then forget it). It makes for a lively, often funny evening.

Worth a try.

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Restoration

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Angels and Demons — Although the Dan Brown novel was written before *The Da Vinci Code*, the screen adaptation of it (directed again by Ron Howard) takes care to situate itself afterwards with a reference or two to the returning hero's "recent involvement with, shall we say, Church mysteries" and his consequent strained relations with the Vatican: a sequel, not a prequel. Which one came first scarcely matters. It's just another day in the life of a Harvard symbologist (Tom Hanks again, with a hair trim), spearheading, by virtue of his scholarly tome on the secret society of the Illuminati, a beat-the-clock investigation into the kidnap of four cardinals in line for the vacant papacy, the one-by-one, hour-by-hour murder of them in spectacular fashion in far-flung corners of Rome, and, for the *pièce de résistance*, the scheduled midnight demolition of Vatican City. Sportingly, the mastermind behind this diabolical plan has thought to provide cryptic clues to the Path of Illumination, leading from murder site to murder site to bomb site. Perhaps the built-in benefit of its earlier position in the bibliography of Dan Brown is that the plot can't top *The Da Vinci Code* in nonsensicality and grandiosity. To cancel that, it does try. And try and try. With Ayelet Zurer, Ewan McGregor, Stellan Skarsgard, Armin Mueller-Stahl. 2009.

● (GASLAMP 15)



My Sister's Keeper

Away We Go — Director Sam Mendes travels the sunnier side of *Revolutionary Road*, travels it, together with a playful, lovey-dovey, loosey-goosey couple expecting their first child and looking for a spot to put down roots, to Phoenix, to Tucson, to Madison, to Montreal, to Miami, evoking little sense of place anywhere outside of the lived-in house they left behind. This unmarried couple — a blackly bespectacled John Krasinski, bespectacled even in bed, even under the covers in the act of cunnilingus, and a bronze-skinned Maya

Rudolph, a shade warmly and expansively photographed — escape the suburban bourgeois stereotype of *Revolutionary Road*, or any recognizable stereotype for that matter ("Are we fuck-ups?"), although all along the way they run into assorted models of parents who do not escape stereotype: the true itinerary of this plainly signposted road movie. (Bump. Falling Rock. Wrong Way. Dead End. Keep Right.) The folksy pop songs on the soundtrack perhaps seek to hem them in, but the best thing about them, and the film as a whole, remains their

individuality (he wants to marry, she won't; she's of mixed race and no parents; he's got a breast fixation; etc., etc.), an individuality not best expressed in their looks of supercilious amusement and bemusement in the face of all those bad parental stereotypes. The upshot, even so, is a show of courage and optimism, just not a very convincing show. With Maggie Gyllenhaal, Allison Janney, Jeff Daniels, Catherine O'Hara, Paul Schneider. 2009.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Brothers Bloom — Self-admiring con artistry that sets the ideal of the "perfect con" as one where everyone involved gets what he wants. If that includes the wary viewer, the ideal is missed by miles. With Adrien Brody, Rachel Weisz, Mark Ruffalo, Rinko Kikuchi, Robbie Coltrane, and Maximilian Schell; written and directed by Rian Johnson. 2009.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 7/2)

Chéri — A compaction of two Colette novels, written by Christopher Hampton and directed by Stephen Frears, about the *grand amour* between a brink-of-retirement Parisian courtesan and the androgynous bastard son of an already retired courtesan, the older woman (Michelle Pfeiffer) hitching her wagon to the younger man (Rupert Friend), who after six years together opts to uncouple and then recouple with a woman his own age, the bastard daughter of yet a third courtesan. The mismatch in ages (twenty-three years in real life) is so acutely felt as to give the occasional impression that the film is actually about something more than Belle Epoque clothes, décors, hairstyles, gardens, cars. The proper tone, however, is a struggle, the hardest labor coming from the arch omniscient narrator (director Frears himself), the lilting, mincing, never-letting-up music of Alexandre Desplat, and above all Michelle Pfeiffer, drawing out her vowels in an attempt to convey jadedness and sophistication and to keep pace in that regard with the predominantly British cast, short of doing a full-blown British accent. Kathy Bates, Felicity Jones, Frances Tomelty, Harriet Walter. 2009.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 7/3; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Departures — Japan's Oscar-winner for foreign film is without apology in the sentimental mode, a classification now out of fashion if never (secretly) out of favor. Di-



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rected by the veteran Yojiro Takita, it tells of a laid-off cellist, self-admittedly second-rate, who returns from Tokyo to his hometown and answers an ambiguously worded want ad — “working with departures” — expecting something like a travel agency and finding instead an “enconfining” service, preparing corpses for burial in front of an audience of their survivors: “It’s a niche market.” The vocation, though taken to with initial distaste, turns out to be a tailor-made cinematic spectacle — a testament to the Japanese capacity to transform a chore into a ritual and an art — and the little drolleries of the awkward early stages do not prepare us for such breathless high points as the first time we see the old master at work on a body or the first time the squeamish wife sees her husband, the new apprentice, at the same work. If, especially in those early stages, the apprentice is a bit overacted by Masahiro Motoki, a bit pop-eyed and drop-jawed, he is more than made up for by the restraint, the repose, the composure of his master, Tsutomu Yamazaki, a face familiar from the works of Juzo Itami, *The Funeral*, *Tampopo*, *A Taxing Woman*. The emotional effect might have been more powerful, or at least met with less resistance, without the syrupy background music. But that’s just part of the all-over lack of apology. Manipulation the film may be, but deft manipulation. 2008. ★★★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Il Divo — Paolo Sorrentino, making like an Italian Oliver Stone, rifles through “the Spectacular Life of Giulio Andreotti” (in the words of the subtitle), seven-term Prime Minister rumored to have Mafia ties and blood on his hands, less a character than a caricature in the interpretation of Toni Servillo, jug ears, humpback, hands folded

monklike across his stomach, gliding around as unnaturally as Nosferatu. The florid direction is apt to call to mind, more than Stone, early Bertolucci, bestrewn with operatic or at least music-video dabs and splashes. The tangled politics and turbid narrative admit only an air of knowingness and a tone of insinuation, no actual clarity. 2008. ★ (KEN, THROUGH 7/2)

Downloading Nancy — Internet thriller with Maria Bello, Jason Patric, Rufus Sewell, and Amy Brenneman, directed by Johan Renck. (GASLAMP 15, FROM 7/3)

Drag Me to Hell — Sam Raimi horror film for those who like their sadism to be gleeful. An old-fashioned gypsy curse, cast by an old gypsy of unprecedented repulsiveness (rotten dentures, coughed-up phlegm, milky eye, etc.), falls upon a girlish loan officer (Alison Lohman) who already has enough troubles in her life — a glass ceiling at the bank, her boyfriend’s disapproving mother — without the upchucked insects, the projectile nosebleed, the sacrificed kitten, and so forth. It’s all in a spirit of fun, looking for laughs as much as chills, though both searches somehow taking away from the other. The philosophical debate between the psychologist boyfriend (Justin Long) and an Indian fortune teller (Dileep Rao), strictly for laughs, may be the least adulterated scene in the movie. Lorna Raver, David Paymer. 2009. ★ (GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Easy Rider — The Vietnam generation’s anguish and paranoia about America, acted out in three contrasting styles by Peter Fonda, who strikes mythical postures and meditative profiles, Jack Nicholson, who chews up the scenery and the other actors like an indomitable ham, and, the strongest of the three, Dennis Hopper, who turns in a naturalistic Method version of a zonked dope freak. Directed by Hopper. 1969. ★★★★★ (KEN, 7/3 THROUGH 9)



Public Enemies

Food, Inc. — Educational as well as motivational film about where our food comes from and where else we can turn. Documentarian Robert Kenner, guided largely by activist authors Eric Schlosser (*Fast Food Nation*) and Michael Pollan (*The Omnivore’s Dilemma*), goes behind the persistent “pastoral fantasy” of agrarian America (“The reality is a factory. It’s not a farm, it’s a factory”), explores the monopolization by multinational corporations, takes offshoots into health hazards like E. coli, diabetes, and obesity, avoids the easy temptation to turn stomachs, maintains the whole while a calm and rational tone, and wraps things up with Springsteen’s rendition of “This Land Is Your Land.” All in all, a useful introduction or summary, depending on your initial level of awareness. 2009. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Girl from Monaco — An introspective attorney, in the midst of a high-profile murder trial, falls under the spell of a miniskirted coquette who would appear to have slept with half the male population of

Monaco, including the lawyer’s taciturn bodyguard. Mildly amusing clash of personalities, and, in proportion, mildly disconcerting when it takes a mildly grim turn. Always a pleasure to look at, shot by Patrick Blossier with clarity, sheen, and a full spectrum of color. Fabrice Luchini, Roschdy Zem, Louise Bourgoin, Stéphane Audran; directed by Anne Fontaine. 2008. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 7/3)

The Hangover — Sledgehammer comedy about four buddies (Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis, Justin Bartha) who go to Vegas for a bachelor party and wake up the morning after with no memory of the night before, a tiger in the bathroom, a baby in the closet, and the mystery of a missing bridegroom. Boys will be bores. With Heather Graham, Ken Jeong, Jeffrey Tambor, and, as himself, Mike Tyson; directed by Todd Phillips. 2009. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; LA PALOMA; MISSION

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Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs — Computer-animated sequel in 3-D, with the voices of Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, Simon Pegg. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 7/3)

Imagine That — Investment advice from the mouth of a seven-year-old babe, relaying tips from invisible friends beneath a security blanket. Eddie Murphy, as the profiting father who learns to value his daughter for more than money, seems often foolish, occasionally peevish, never actually funny. With Yara Shahidi, Thomas Haden Church, Nicole Ari Parker, Ronny Cox, and Martin Sheen; directed by Karey Kirkpatrick. 2009. ● (GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Land of the Lost — Will Ferrell, a time hole, some decent prehistoric creatures, and a total lack of discipline, an utter uncertainty whether to spoof the Lost World sort of adventure story or to make dumb jokes about any damn thing. With Danny McBride and Anna Friel; directed by Brad Silberling. 2009. ● (PALM PROMENADE 24)

Moon — Speculation on the anomie of the self-knowing human clone, a reasonable stand-in for the self-knowing human. Writen and directed by the British team of Nathan Parker and Duncan Jones respectively, it’s a nice little piece of short-story-sized science fiction freighted with reminders of *2001* — some of *Silent Running* as well, less burdensome — and stretched out to just barely endurable length. As in its eminent forebear, the human cast is very limited, mostly Sam Rockwell in a dual role — at one point playing pingpong with himself in the same frame, at numerous points matching the ostentatious torment of Bruce Dern in *Silent Running* — supported if not upstaged by a talking computer called GERTY 3000 (smarmy voice of Kevin Spacey) instead of HAL 9000. A sufficient innovation in design is the emblematic Smiley Face that signals the computer’s “mood,” or alternatively a Frowny Face, Quizzical Face, or Noncommittal Face, every bit as expressive as the Jack-in-the-Box of fast-food TV ads. It’s quite astonishing how even the most modest-budget science fiction now approximates the nonpareil special effects of the Kubrick monument of forty years ago. 2009. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

My Sister’s Keeper — An eleven-year-old girl, “engineered” in a petri dish to be a genetic match for her leukemic older sister, sues her parents for “medical emancipation” — a recipe for a Lifetime Channel movie, with an extra cup of butter in Caleb Deschanel’s lighting. Outside of the never-say-die mother, the drama is designed for minimum stickiness and maximum lubrication. Indeed, the dilemma could have been cleared up with a simple family conference in lieu of a court date. Compared with the other tearjerking tactics, the interlude of teen romance between the sick sister and a fellow cancer patient is persuasively gentle. With Cameron Diaz, Abigail Breslin, Sofia Vassiliava, Jason Patric, Alec Baldwin, Thomas Dekker, and Joan Cusack; directed by Nick Cassavetes. 2009. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION

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Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian — For the requisite sequel, the locale shifts from N.Y. to D.C., which opens the door to some new characters and creatures (e.g., Albert Einstein bobblehead dolls, which, when brought to life, inconceivably contain Einstein's actual brain), along with some old ones packed up at the Natural History Museum for storage at the Smithsonian, while the human hero, Ben Stiller, backtracks from a lucrative career as an infomercial huckster (the glow-in-the-dark flashlight) to reclaim his true niche as a night watchman. Of the new, Amy Adams as a dashing Amelia Earhart and Hank Azaria as a lisping nefarious pharaoh — or more accurately, animated wax figures of these — earn high marks for indefatigable professionalism in hopeless circumstances. With Owen Wilson, Steve Coogan, Robin Williams, Christopher Guest, Bill Hader; directed by Shawn Levy. 2009. ★ (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Proposal — Anne Fletcher's contemporary romantic comedy has a premise no more ridiculous than something that might once have featured Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray. The editor-in-chief at Ruick & Hunt Publishers, a transplanted Canadian ice queen slash wicked witch of the north, now threatened with deportation for an expired visa, commands her lackey to marry her, true love following along lickety-split. The rotelike working-out of the premise appears heedless of the ridiculousness and therefore increasingly ridiculous, heedless in particular of the age difference between Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds, obvious to the naked eye. The two stars nonetheless display a polished smoothness if something less than a Golden Age luster. With Mary Steenburgen, Betty White, Craig T. Nelson, Malin Akerman. 2009. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; 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)

Public Enemies — John Dillinger re-vamped for a new century, more particularly Michael Mann-handled: high-def video, flattened perspective, eye-crossing closeups, jittery hand-held camera, frenetic cutting, amped-up sound, and the legendary Lady in Red is now (truth be told, among much romanticizing) the lady in orange skirt and white blouse. Pretty Boy Johnny Depp, not to be mistaken for Pretty Boy Floyd (a fleeting appearance by Channing Tatum), is characteristically bland as Dillinger, but Christian Bale as crime buster Melvin Purvis looks like he means business when taking aim with rifle and pistol or firing a tommy gun from the running board of a speeding car. Marion Cotillard, Stephen Lang, Stephen Dorff, Billy Crudup, Lili Taylor, Branca Katic. 2009. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; 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; FROM 7/3)

Raiders of the Lost Ark — Director Steven Spielberg and executive producer/co-writer George Lucas pay homage to the cliffhanger serials of the Thirties and Forties — and they pay handsomely, pumping the project so full of money, production values, and technical razzle-dazzle that it no longer remotely resembles its grade-B models. Not intending exactly a

spoof, but not maintaining entirely straight faces either, Spielberg/Lucas seem to want to play both sides of the street, to have both the innocent thrill and the sophisticated titer. Some will find that this two-facedness tends to lower the level of excitement, that although the action is consistently lively it is also without real suspense, and that the viewer is always required to meet the moviemaker more than halfway and fake a response that otherwise would never be extracted by such rudimentary perils as a shower of poison darts, a roomful of human skeletons, a blanket of furry spiders, an army of sadistic Nazis photographed with shadows crawling up their cheeks. The essential point to be made about *Raiders* is that it is really just a kiddie movie — a kiddie movie *de luxe*, but a kiddie movie all the same. With Harrison Ford and Karen Allen. 1981. ★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 7/2 THROUGH 5, 8:30 P.M.)

Revanche — Tantalizing if ultimately unsatisfying thriller by Austrian writer-director Götz Spielmann. An ex-convict employed as a custodian in a Viennese house of ill-repute is carrying on in secret a heart-felt affair with an immigrant Ukrainian sex worker deep in debt to the slave-driving owner. The ex-con, on a dutiful visit to his

failing grandfather at a small farm in the country, next-door neighbor to a uni-formed policeman and his wife, sizes up the local bank as an easy knockover, a fast exit from servitude. It all sets up nicely, and it develops unpredictably, and it unveils (so to speak) a surprise nonending. Feelings about this last are apt to be mixed. If we're going to be dragged through a seedy sex club, past some stickup clichés (the girlfriend: "I have a bad feeling"; the boyfriend: "Nothing can go wrong"), and into a classic revenge scenario pitting two tortured men, cop and robber, in a game of cat-and-mouse, then we might not be prepared to ascend to the high-minded summit that Spielmann has in his sights. He must bear some culpability for our baser expectations. Johannes Krisch, Irina Potapenko, Ursula Strauss, Andreas Lust. 2008. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 7/2)


The Soloist — A *Los Angeles Times* columnist (Steve Lopez by byline) finding a story in a homeless schizophrenic classical musician, and making something of it, is quite different from a team of filmmakers finding the same story predigested. What they chiefly make of it is a couple of out-sized performances by Robert Downey, Jr., and Jamie Foxx. Director Joe Wright devises a nice subjective effect when the cellist's

solo part is joined in his mind's ear by a full orchestra, drowning out the passing traffic in a freeway tunnel. But the accompanying birds soaring over the city are a bit much. As are the Jupiter-landing psychedelic lights accompanying a rehearsal of the L.A. Philharmonic. A sprinkling of flashbacks to How He Got Here adds little but filler. With Catherine Keener, Tom Hollander, Lisa Gay Hamilton, Stephen Root. 2009. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

Star Trek — Enjoyable prequel, thirty years after the same-named debut of the series on the big screen. The chaotic and incoherent prologue might somewhat smother the emotional punch of the birth of James Tiberius Kirk at the same moment as his father's death, but the reintroduction of the old familiar characters — the assembly of the changeless crew for the maiden voyage of the U.S.S. Enterprise — can't help but be fun for initiates. Chris Pine's Kirk, sounding as though modelled on no weightier a prototype than Christian Slater, starts out an obnoxious punk and fails to advance very

far beyond that. Zachary Quinto's Spock, on the other hand, has some big ears to fill and fills them fully, achieving that elusive goal of undemonstrative intensity. If it's fair to say that the film, rather than stand on its own, benefits from the groundwork of its forerunners — if it safely and securely goes where others have gone before — it would also be fair to object that the speedy evolution of special effects since the last *Star Trek* outing, seven years previous, serves to render the "ensuing" adventures anticlimactic. Topping what came before — a petty enough creative impulse in the first place — is in effect topping what came "after." That may not constitute disrespect, but it constitutes disproportion. Director J.J. Abrams's preference for the rambling Steadicam and the trembling closeup reveals him further to be a man of trend as opposed to a man of tradition. With its gigantic hands-of-Freddy-Krueger enemy spaceship, its Mad Max-y tattooed heathens, and its gratuitous CG monsters, the film is, by the standards of the franchise, skimpy on ideas, apart from a bit of time-travel abracadabra that

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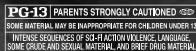


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SANTEE

Santee Drive In
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri.-Sat.; **Star Trek** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat.; **Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat.; **Up** (PG) Fri.-Sat.

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10
Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)



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Otay Ranch 12
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POWAY
Poway 10
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)



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San Marcos 18
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My Sister's Keeper (R) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Food, Inc.** (PG) (10:15 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Away We Go** (R) (10:00 12:15 2:45) 5:00 7:30 10:00; **Chérie** (R) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:30
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The Hangover (R)

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OCEANSIDE
Mission Marketplace 13
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enables Spock to be two places and two ages at once. Which is to say, enables Leonard Nimoy to play a part. Karl Urban, Anton Yelchin, Zoe Saldana, John Cho, Simon Pegg, Eric Bana. 2009.
★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Summer Hours — Three French siblings scattered around the globe (Charles Berling, Juliette Binoche, Jérémie Renier, in order of prominence on screen) must dispose of the valuable family estate, including a couple of Corots and Redons, after the sudden death of their seventy-five-year-old mother (Edith Scob, still elegant even if a long way from the dainty angel of prime Franju, *Eyes without a Face*, *Judex*, *Thérèse Desqueyroux*, *Thomas the Imposter*). Although the development may be talky and slow, it approximates the flow of life, and it noses around a substantial subject and theme, the severing of roots, the dissipation of family, the detachment from tradition. The emotional payoff, not just the final scene but at least the final three, while gentle and muted, is distinctly felt. Written, directed by Olivier Assayas. 2008.
★★★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 7/3)


The Taking of Pelham 123 — Buzzed-up remake of the 1974 hijacked-subway thriller, a handy yardstick of early-21st-century style: photographic gimmicks (pixillation, slow-motion, blurs, zooms, whatnot), throwaway car crashes, outlandish one-man heroics from the deskbound train dispatcher, inflationism in theme and plot as well as in ransom demand. It took some smarts to retrieve from the vaults a good film that's not well known, but it took some stupids to lose the focus on average New Yorkers under the gun. John Turturro is blessedly low-key as the NYPD hostage negotiator, and Denzel Washington tries valiantly to play down to his character's status in the bureaucracy, but one or two men can't counteract the mood-swinging, scenery-chewing villainy of John Travolta. With James Gandolfini, Michael Rispoli, Luis Guzman; directed by Tony Scott. 2009.
★ (CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Tale of Despereaux — Charmingly sincere fairy tale of forgiveness, revolving around a kingdom known for its soup, the dark days that befall it, and its truthful, fearless, chivalrous deliverer, an undersized mouse with oversized ears and ego. A magnificent cast if you could see them, if, that is, they weren't hidden behind stiff and wooden computer animation: Matthew Broderick, Dustin Hoffman, Sigourney Weaver, Emma Watson, Tracey Ullman, Kevin Kline, Frank Langella, William H. Macy, Stanley Tucci, Ciarán Hinds, Robbie Coltrane, Frances Conroy, Richard Jenkins. Based on a book by Kate DiCamillo; co-directed by Sam Fell and Rob Stevenhagen. 2008.
★★ (PALM PROMENADE 24, 7/8, 10 A.M.)

Terminator Salvation — Alias *T4*. If, as an exercise in nostalgia, you can recollect the delectable feeling at the end of *T1* (as it was not yet known) — a storm on the horizon, a bun in the oven — you would be hard put to look upon its three successors as anything but a redundancy, a prosaic elucidation of the better-left-unsaid, an undermining of the original concept, an overplaying of the dealt hand, an extraneous climax overextended into an anticlimax, nothing to

SEEN ON

DVD



Dust Devil

TRENT S. REID


Cinephile

Shot in Namibia's Skeleton Coast during the death throes of Apartheid, *Dust Devil* is a challenging cross-genre mix of sociopolitical critique and perhaps too-personal exploration of shamanic mythology and consciousness. Labeled a serial killer film, it is more about characters fatalistically drawn together for transcendence from mortality, memory, and corporeality. The box set includes a work print, production diary, the still-timely Afghanistan documentary *Voice of the Moon*, and a CD of Simon Boswell's Morricone-inflected score. I found the supplements insightful about the film and its broader context. The director seems drawn to regions of ancient unrest and well able to convey that on screen.

DUST DEVIL (South Africa/England) Miramax, 1993
List price: \$39.99

do with aesthetics, only economics. That probably won't trouble the army of thrill-seekers, immune to nostalgia, who can content themselves with thunderous sound effects, video-game action, music-video atmospherics (desaturated color, clouds of smoke, sheets of rain, showers of sparks), comic-book dialogue ("Point a gun at someone, you better be ready to pull the trigger"), and a hodgepodge of robots more "primitive" in design, but not in FX technology, than the Arnold Schwarzenegger model: a towering Transformer-bot, road-worthy motorcycle-bots, amphibious alligator-bots, airborne Stealth-bots, metal skeleton-bots. With Christian Bale, Sam Worthington, Anton Yelchin, Moon Bloodgood, and Bryce Dallas Howard; directed by McG. 2009.
● (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen — Autobots vs. Decepticons, Round Two, a blur of liquidy computer-generated metal (robot design by trash compactor) and a mass — no, a mess — of contradictions: apocalyptic pomposity and low com-



Mamma Mia!

PETER MAXWELL

Filmmaker, Plein Aire Painters of Santa Ysabel, California

Robert Bresson's films spanned much of the 20th Century. In 1967 he directed *Mouchette*, which casts an intriguing light on the life of the young title character as she deals with an abusive father, dying mother, and the scorn of schoolmates in the French countryside. Although probably not a good "first date" movie (unless one's friend is a cinéaste), it is a timeless piece that holds up well.

On a lighter note is *Mamma Mia!* and its happy repertoire of ABBA songs. Sophie (played by the cheerful Amanda Seyfried) brings enthusiasm and joie de vivre to the screen as her marriage day approaches on a beautiful Greek isle. The DVD posts words on the screen in sync with the lyrics for aspiring karaoke singers!

MOUCHETTE (France) Criterion, 1967
List price: \$39.95


MAMMA MIA! (USA) Universal, 2008
List price: \$26.98 (two discs)

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edy; heavy combat and light casualties; a too-fast pace that attains two and a half hours and total boredom (except perhaps for John Turturro's succinct "one-man-alone" soliloquy). With Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox, Josh Duhamel, Tyrese Gibson, and Ramon Rodriguez; directed by Michael Bay. 2009.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Under Our Skin — Andy Abrahams Wilson's documentary on Lyme disease and the controversies around its diagnosis and treatment. (GASLAMP 15)

Up — Pixar computer cartoon weaves a web of delusional whimsy around a cantankerous old widower, not too dissimilar to



A Bittersweet Life

JOHN DACAPIAS

Cinephile

Strangers on a Train introduced me to what is possible in film. A look at a diseased psychopath, Robert Walker, and the moral dance he plays with the irritating (sorry, everyone) tennis pro he befriends on a train (Farley Granger). Keep your eye on Hitchcock's daughter being choked to death and the frenzied fight on an out-of-control carousel.

For something completely different: *A Bittersweet Life*. A most exquisite look at the conflicted life of the right-hand man of a major crime boss (whew!) No one else besides the South Koreans can make a climactic shootout and a fight scene as well shot as someone taking a quick bite of a chocolate dessert!

STRANGERS ON A TRAIN (USA) Warner Home Video, 1951
List price: \$26.98 (two discs)

A BITTERSWEET LIFE (South Korea) Red Sun, 2005
List price: \$19.95

low and Styrofoam; no reason, that is, outside the limits of taste and talent among the Pixar people. The one glaring success in the picture is the oversized wide-eyed multicolored exotic bird, its resistance to anthropomorphization, its intractable maniacal birdiness. Co-directed by Pete Docter and Bob Peterson. 2009.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Whatever Works — Unmistakably minor effort from Woody Allen, despite throwing in our faces an older-man-younger-woman relationship. (Take *that*, make of it what you will.) The older man is diplomatically not Allen himself, but an Allen surrogate, Larry David, in the role of a neurotic misanthropic hypochondriacal self-acclaimed "genius," once considered for the Nobel Prize in physics, who peppers his speech liberally (or perhaps we should say intolerantly) with epithets like "moron," "cretin," "idiot," "imbecile," "zombie," "mental midget," "inchworm," and "earthworm." Allen has long exhibited a tendency towards intellectual snobbery, but he has never before let it so boundingly off the leash. ("Let me tell you right off," the protagonist addresses the camera directly, "I'm not a likable guy.") And so, notwithstanding the mask of the surrogate, that's thrown in our faces as well. David, unlike so many Allen actors who end up sounding like Allen impersonators, proves to be a strong enough presence to escape Woody Allen if not strong enough to escape Larry David. The Larry David, that is to say, of *Curb Your Enthusiasm*, slight discrepancies aside. With his rapid gravitation to a raised voice, he refreshes Allen's writing in much the way the British accents refreshed it in *Match Point* or the Spanish accents refreshed it to a lesser degree in *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*. A new mouthpiece, a new set of pipes. And the judgment about the unmistakably minor effort deserves a caveat. The minoriness of Allen's efforts has become, besides a regular feature of them, a major part of their attraction. He is no longer out to set the world on fire. He is just out to keep the candle lit. With Evan Rachel Wood, Patricia Clarkson, and Ed Begley, Jr. 2009.
★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Year One — Anachronism-littered buddy comedy about a hunter and a gatherer expelled from their primitive village and followed through a Biblical landscape of Cain and Abel, Abraham and Isaac, Sodom but not Gomorrah: "What transpires within the confines of the walls of Sodom, stays within the confines of the walls of Sodom." Michael Cera, who couldn't remain a contemporary adolescent forever, preserves his delicate and diffident line-delivery even in the rough company of Jack Black. And Hank Azaria, as a fervent Abraham, gets a lot out of the word "God," and he gets it out *a lot*, sounding like a blend of the televangelist, the man who hits his thumb with a hammer, and the cat with a fishbone in its throat. The now routine outtakes in the closing credits carry the usual implication of trying desperately at the last minute to make up for the dearth of laughs in the preceding ninety. With Olivia Wilde, Juno Temple, and David Cross; directed by Harold Ramis. 2009.
● (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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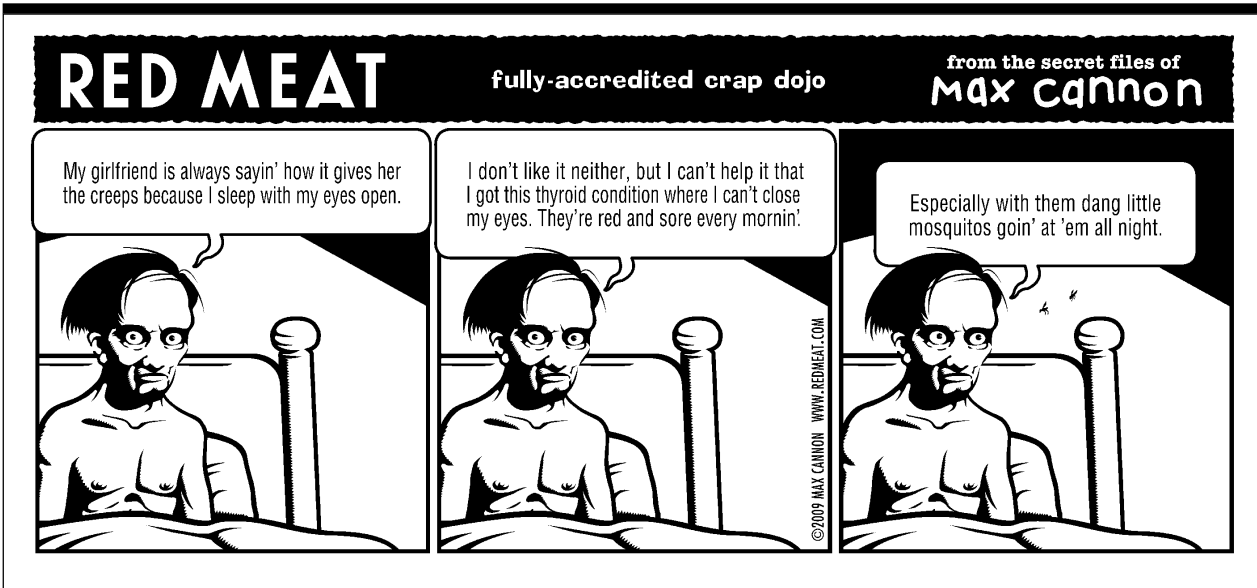
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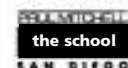
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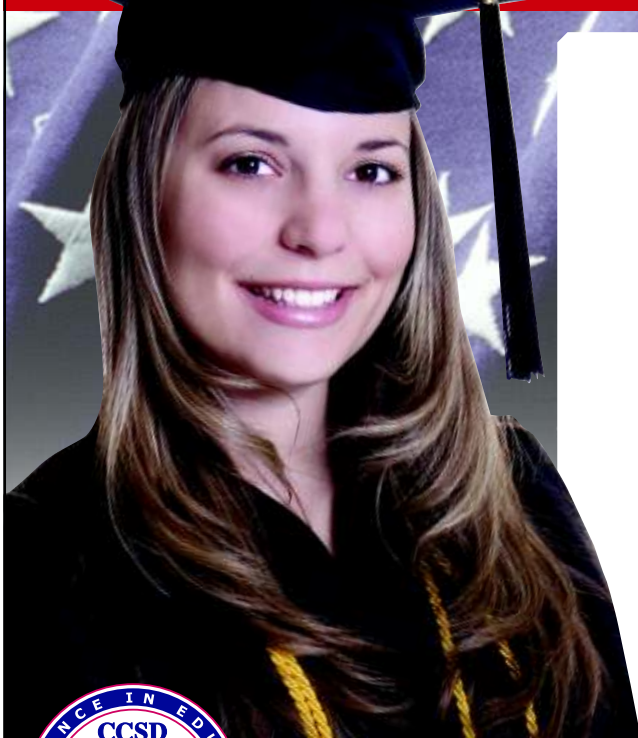


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- 2. What actress, currently seen in *Twilight*, is set to portray Joan Jett in a biopic about Jett's teenage rock group the Runaways?
- 3. Naomi Wise was intrigued this week to discover that Pasha Mediterranean Cafe and Grill was more than "just another generic Mediterranean eatery" — in fact, its cuisine is specifically what?
- 4. Josh Board crashes a party with a local punk-rock group providing the music — "the punk kids from across the street." What name do they go by?
- 5. "Pork al pastor" — at Fidel's Little Mexico, for instance — refers to pork in what style?
- 6. What three ingredients go into Mama Gum's Magic Mix for treating gum infection?
- 7. What personality defect does songwriter Jon Ji wish he could change in himself?
- 8. Barbarella's squeeze may be "American born and bred," but his folks, it turns out, are from where?
- 9. Don Bauder reports that unemployment was a "stunning" 22.7 percent in May in what segment of the population?
- 10. Outside of what local music venue did a patron become victim of a beating?

Last week's answers

- 1. Portugalia. (p. 93)
- 2. The Zeros. (p. 68)
- 3. The Big Kahuna burger. (p. 94)
- 4. From working at gas stations across the street from each other. (p 66)
- 5. Sky. (p. 80)
- 6. "Cupcakes." (p. 25)
- 7. San Diego, Tijuana, and Jalisco, Mexico. (p. 65-66)
- 8. His grandmother. (p. 70)
- 9. Emily Haines. (p. 82)
- 10. 17,000. (p. 89)

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- 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. 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) 5 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

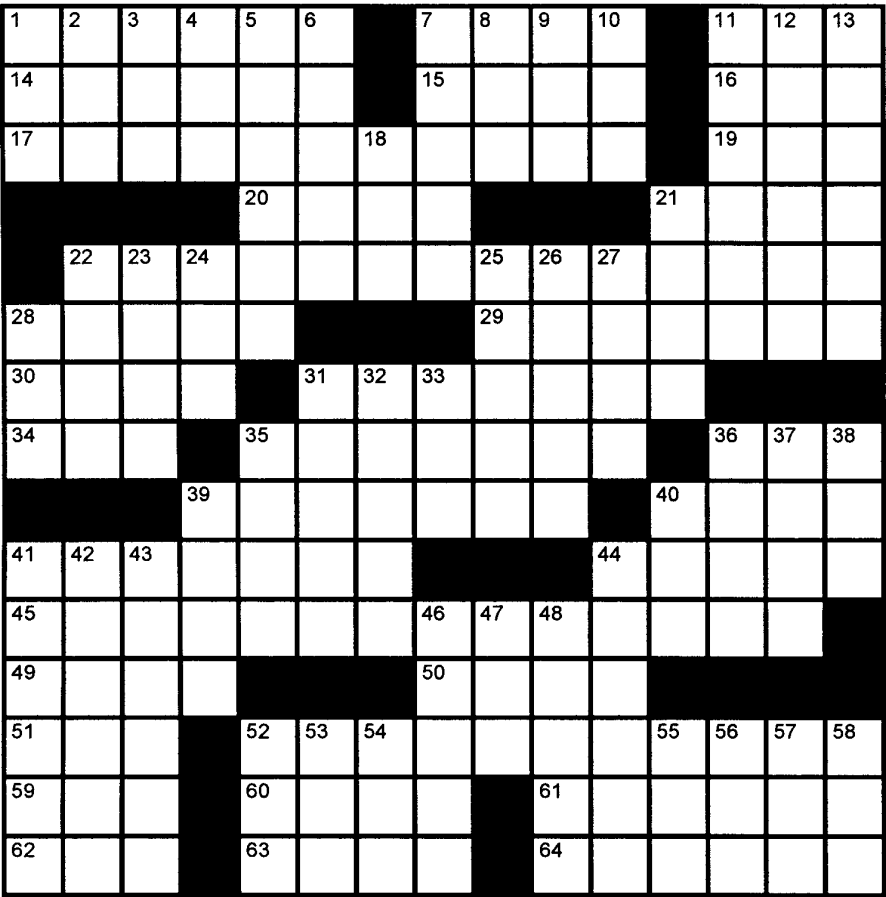
1. Representative of California's 8th District
7. "Love the skin you're in" company
11. Prefix with tourism
14. Best
15. ____ gras
16. Kind of scene
17. Name of the shop where Tom Hanks likes to purchase flowers?
19. 1979 thriller "____ in Icarus"

20. TV explorer
21. Memo heading
22. Name of the store where Tom Cruise likes to get pet toys?
28. Bush Supreme Court nominee
29. Ends up
30. Jared of "Panic Room"
31. Sign of trouble
34. Turk's topper
35. Name of the salon where Nicolas Cage likes to get a trim?
36. Faucet
39. They have canopies
40. Part of a suicide squeeze
41. J. Crew mailing
44. Nick name?
45. Name of the ethnic restaurant where Deborah Kerr likes to eat?
49. Loudness unit
50. Burn the surface of
51. PC monitor
52. Name of the store where Matthew McConaughey likes to make pottery?
59. Suffix with polymer
60. Homer's daughter
61. Turns inside out
62. Homer's neighbor
63. Walk heavily
64. "Gracias" response

Down

1. Suffix for many a computer file attachment
2. Electric ____
3. "Summer Girls" boy band
4. Above, to bards
5. Decided, parentally
6. "There, there"
7. Gift ____

8. CNN's Dobbs
9. Intend (to)
10. Opposite of "naw"
11. Oscar-winning rap star
12. Like sandpaper
13. Preoccupy
18. Stab
21. A party to
22. Take off
23. Triscuit alternative
24. "How was ____ know?"
25. WWII German sub
26. Final Four games
27. Cake froster
28. 1980s TV title character
31. The fifth element
32. Lay ____ (fail miserably)
33. They don't play the field: Abbr.
35. E.____ bacteria
36. 9Lives flavor
37. Prefix with matter
38. Bake sale org.
39. Bogus
40. "Rubbish!"
41. "Grey's Anatomy" test
42. What Richard III offered "my kingdom" for
43. Camped out
44. Made an effort
46. Equally peeved
47. Born: Fr.
48. Saw regularly
52. Peek seen from Zurich
53. "Open ____ midnight"
54. Prefix with lateral
55. He's a doll
56. Good name for an investment adviser?
57. Inc., in England
58. Cryptologist's org.



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Circle T-shirt size: M L XL

Personal Message: _____

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THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner. Number indicates successful entries.

Flo Abena, Rancho Penasquitos, 24. Happy 233rd Birthday USA!
Mary Arana, Encinitas, 24.
Shannon Barry, Pine Valley, 24. I'll start to count backwards, and when I am through...
Olga Betteridge, Ocean Beach, 24. I am sick...
Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 24. Words are inadequate and...
Charlotte Brown, Clairemont, 24.
E. T. Cage, Carmel Mtn., 24.
Gary Dismukes, Scripps Ranch, 24. Happy Sixth-and-a-Halfth Birthday, Nicholas!
Jeff Doerner, Clairemont, 24.
Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 24. Here comes the Bikini Whale!
Ron Meyer, Santee, 24. Much easier than last week!

Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach, 24. New and improved...sdmm.org.
Jim Odell, Vista, 24. I sent correctly last week. Does Reader renege?
Julie Osburn, North Park, 24. I thought I was going completely bankers last week.
Eric Sandquist, Allied Gardens, 24. No love for solving last week's puzzle.
Ted Scafidi, Hillcrest, 24. Aaah! Back to normal!
Eddie O. Spaghetto, Coronado, 24. Mistress O'Kinko! I am your obedient you-know-what! (CIUM)
Glenn Walker, Pacific Beach, 24. You are what you think. Nourish the mind.

Ric Witt, Clairemont, 24. Only through adversity can you discover a true friend.
Sheila Agahan-Price, Oceanside, 23.
Lucy Alderson, Chula Vista, 23. Ring the bell, gr: Hooray!
Martha Awdziejewicz, Clairemont, 23.
Jeff Battles, Ocean Beach, 23. I think we pulled it off. Good job, baby!
Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 23. I miss John Lennon more, but RIP Michael.

Vince Cuseo, Vista, 23. That Night Train's a mean wine!
Carolyn Dalton, Escondido, 23.
Gerard Dermody, Encinitas, 23. Almost missed deadline but scientist in me had ion it.
Ron Hootman, Santee, 23. Hoot 101: Good to be able to go! Yeah!
George Jackson, Oceanside, 23.
Anna McCutcheon, Downtown, 23. www.paintwithdan.com - high quality, low prices, BBB A+ rating.

Gil Patricio, San Diego, 23. I'm ready for a holiday weekend!
Robert Phillips, Downtown, 23. I must have it wrong because I don't get it.
Jerry Riccio, Rancho Bernardo, 23. The freedom to dissent is our country's greatest asset.
Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 22.
Glory Cadenhead, Clairemont, 22. Fame and glory.
Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 22. A butterfly, at best, is a caterpillar dressed.
Alfred Egaran, San Diego, 22. Happy Anniversary to my beautiful wife April. Thank me later!
Iggie Guerrero, Bay Ho, 22.
Sara Khwaja, Poway, 22. Well, that was awkward, no?
Joe Maginn, Mission Beach, 22. This one was a lot easier than last week.
Elaine Marume, Oceanside, 22.

Kyle Matzke, Vista, 22. Democrats' Energy Bill: Poorly thought out, but what's new?
Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside, 22. To Obama: Why are we still at war?
Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 22. Back in the saddle again.
Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 22.
Dave Small, San Carlos, 22.
Gayle Studer, Mission Valley, 22.
M. Zimmermann, Vista, 22. I've been gone awhile, did I miss anything?
Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 21. Shaq going to the Cavs is the next step - champs!
Ben Cooper, Gaslamp, 21. How could this puzzle be so difficult, yet so lame?
Donna Cresta, Chula Vista, 21. Ski, are you reading the Sudoku notes?

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Kurt Dornbusch, Mission Valley, 21. *Pot's not legal, don't show me your card.*
Anne Hinton, Point Loma, 21.
Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 21. *Happy 4th to all! Kiera! Bodo!*
Martin Soblick, Del Mar, 21.
Tom Somich, Clairemont, 21.
Kay Stefferud, Carlsbad, 21. *Let's get T-shirts in Yosemite.*
Elenore Stephens, Potrero, 21. *P-town 4 life.*
Thelma Strickland-Hicks, Del Mar, 21. *Peter, Kasun, Shaul - you rule! Bill, thanks for ice cream.*
Steve Wilson, Spring Valley, 21.
A. T. Certik, Bonita, 20.
Jim Corbett, San Diego, 20.
Dale Duffala, La Jolla, 20. *Jon - thanks for the gig! Boogie on!*
Marie Grace, College Area, 20. *Hi to tree trimmer on College Ave 6/20.*
Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 20. *My dogs Abby, Spencer, and Dante do, too!*
Ellie Hoey, Spring Valley, 20. *I love New York.*
Richard Hutchings, Santee, 20.
Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 20. *Welcome back, crossword!*
Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 20. *When you send a link - open it and surprise!*
James C. Nelson, El Cajon, 20. *Go Padres.*
Elizabeth Rainbolt, Mission Valley, 20.
Jack Rohrer, Clairemont, 20. *Too many celebs killed by sycophant doctors.*

Jay Sato, Carmel Valley, 20. *Food and rides at SD County Fair - the best ever!*
Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 20. *Did anyone else miss their fix last week?*
Lisa Torrescano, Spring Valley, 20. *Congratulations Yoli and Brando!*
Leo Baggerly, Encinitas, 19. *Men need to explain the world - not necessarily correctly.*
Wally Chapman, Chula Vista, 19. *This was easy compared to last week.*
Maria Coda, Oceanside, 19. *Hi All!*
Sue Coffey, Southwest SD, 19. *Tim - 70 min.! No way.*
Billy Horton, Santee, 19.
Willie McGee, San Diego, 19. *We don't need no stinking shirt.*
Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 19. *Achieve Nirvana in one step! See last week's message!*
☛ Chris Peterkin, Scripps Ranch, 19. *Last week's puzzle - no problem after five margaritas!*
Don Prince, Serra Mesa, 19. *Come on PETA - a fly? Give me a break!*
John Prince, Serra Mesa, 19. *Everywhere, it's what you make. It's all too much, George.*
Estevan Soto, Chula Vista, 19. *Please don't shoot - it's just me, Queen Horse Stealer.*
Bob Vollmar, La Jolla, 19.
Westie, San Diego, 19.
Jen Barnes, University Heights, 18.
☛ Victor Correa, San Ysidro, 18. *I hate the wash rack.*

Marty Ferullo, Pacific Beach, 18. *Living in paradise!*
Scott Heimer, Mission Valley, 18. *Why don't I get credit for last week?*
Julie Hocking, Normal Heights, 18. *Go crazy!*
P. Drew Papas, La Jolla, 18. *Happy Anniv, honey!*
Tom Seaman, Alpine, 18. *Thanks for coming Michelle and Tyler.*
Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 18. *Happy 60th Birthday, Pop!*
George Elam, Vista, 17. *Summer is finally here.*
Ken Hanson, Clairemont, 17.
Gerard Hoskins, Bonsall, 17. *Thank you to all veterans. We owe you so much.*
N.C. Lyman, Poway, 17. *Baby Cakes - Happy Birthday June 26th. I love you. Always!*
Matthew Rosello, San Diego, 17. *It is gone.*
Nathaniel Uy, East Village, 17. *What a great week Tubs!*
Tom White, University City, 17.
Dennis Beabout, Temecula, 16. *Jesus loves you.*
Bruce Bell, South Park, 16.
Philip Blase, San Diego, 16. *Then off to Phuket!*
Jack Tripp, San Diego, 16. *Where is Mike? Duchess.*
Mike Deliman, Santee, 15. *Eschew obfuscation.*
Thisbury Krakatoa, San Diego, 15. *I'm back!*
Tom Laurin, Chula Vista, 15. *Stick with me, kid; I tell ya we'll live like kings!*
Linda Millsberg, Santee, 15.
Donald Millsberg, Santee, 15.
Karen Steeppy, Bonita, 15.
Donna Swing, La Mesa, 15.

Peter Woodbury, Chula Vista, 15. *In theory there's no difference between theory and reality.*
William Cushing, Rancho Bernardo, 14. *Hi, Hon. What do you want for dinner?*
S. Depka, Vista, 14. *Here's to life!*
Jack Hawkins, Encinitas, 14. *When you quote a crossword is it word for word?*
Carol Rabner, Escondido, 14.
Robin Suter, La Mesa, 14.
Glen and Tesi Chavira-Cournoyer, Chula Vista, 13. *Nerts on the editorial error - T-shirts for everyone!*
Marilyn Contreras, El Cajon, 13.
Marilyn Cooper, Chula Vista, 13. *Last week made Sponge Bob sad! Today is a new day.*
W. Hodgson, Escondido, 13. *"Editorial error" - free T-shirts for all. Well, at least ten.*
Michael Lodahl, Mission Valley, 13. *We're excited for you to arrive, Stella!*
Denis Rees, Alpine, 13. *Last week's was easier!*
Don Romero, Ramona, 13. *I miss you Mei Ling - love you!*
Eddie and Andrea Schroder, Carlsbad, 13. *Welcome to SoCal, Matt. Enjoy your stay.*
E.M. Hutchings, Santee, 12.
☛ Phil Nichols, Escondido, 12. *Oh why?*
N'Namdi Sikumbuzo, Serra Mesa, 12.
Mike Van Nordheim, Poway, 12. *Congratulations Rian and Nick.*
Joseph Gold, San Diego, 11. *Nerts rhymes with shirts. T - XL.*
Paula Henderson, La Jolla, 11. *Black tee if possible.*
Jon Hutchens, Encinitas, 11.

Jane Reilly, University City, 11.
Stacey Street, North Park, 11. *And we're back in the game!*
David A. Weim, Chula Vista, 11.
Susan Williams, North Park, 11. *Happy Birthday to our son Graham!*
Sean Holt, Ocean Beach, 10.
Jenny McReynolds, Linda Vista, 10.
John C. Pipes, Lemon Grove, 10. *Are you happy with the change?*
Avril Varga, Poway, 9. *Have a great July 4th.*
Thomas E. Woolf, La Jolla, 8. *Once more - into the breach!*
Ron Akers, Sabre Springs, 7. *Little Broken Arrow had a Green Acres farm. EIEIO.*
Jean Marie Barnes, Grantville, 7. *And Jayne!*
Alice Bryant, Mission Hills, 7. *I'll miss you always, my little Prettyfoot.*
Jan Dawson, North Harbor, 7. *Show your stripes - wave your flag. Hurrah! God bless America!*
Jane Depka, Mission Hills, 7. *Thanks Susie!*
John Willis, National City, 7. *Hey Mariana - where have you been?*
Becky and Thomas, La Jolla, 7. *Twos harder than the ring toss. Happy Birthday to us!*
Gerry Halpern, Point Loma, 6. *Herb: Good times in SF and SR.*
Janet Kaye, Linda Vista, 6. *I like Michael!*
William Nowatnick, Allied Gardens, 6. *I want to love you (PYT), pretty young thing...*
Big Lex Torres, San Marcos, 6. *Big all over.*
John Clapp, Lakeside, 5. *If at first you don't fricasee, fry a hen.*
Ramiro Murillo, Chula Vista, 5. *Descansa en paz Michael.*

Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 5. *I'd like to thank my Higher Power.*
Lidia Ayala, Golden Hill, 4. *Get a Sports Chalet Visa. My job depends on it!*
☛ John Halac, Escondido, 4.
David Campbell, Carmel Valley, 3. *Happy B'day CMO.*
Jim Chris, San Diego, 3. *I don't want to die broke. 'Tis better to die owing.*
Bob Lagandaon, Chula Vista, 3. *Bros before oops. Pals before gals!*
Joe Musser, Encinitas, 3. *Gaudeamus Igitur.*
Angela Sturman, Ramona, 3.
Zona Wahrenbrock, San Diego, 3.
Jacque Glick, El Cajon, 2.
Matthew Horr, Hillcrest, 2. *Stay out of the garbage Giuseppe!*
Jerry Klusky, East Village, 2.
Richard Markson, Indio, 2. *Cheers.*
Gina Watson, Chula Vista, 2. *For Mr. Watson.*
Dan Broder, North Park, 1. *Thanks Rachel and Kyla for helping!*
Lisa DiPalma, Allied Gardens, 1. *I play games at boxerjam.com.*
Kurt Eriksmoen, Pacific Beach, 1. *NOSU. Go Bison.*
Joy Goldstein, San Diego, 1. *Finally tried and email first.*
Haley Hodnett, San Diegp, 1.
☛ Claire Phillips, Clairemont, 1. *First time entrant. Had fun with puzzle.*
Dave Tomasin, San Diego, 1.
Cindy Traisi, Ramona, 1. *Support the Fund for Animals Wildlife Center.*

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Jack Moore
Musician
San Diego

After every gig, I hear I look like Tony Iommi, the guitarist for Black Sabbath. I'm in a Sabbath tribute band, so I'm going for that look. I also hear I look like Frank Zappa a lot because of this goatee. Usually it's drummers that tell me that. If I didn't have the goatee, I'm guessing I'd never hear that comparison.




Kyle Andrews
Accountant
Carlsbad

I often get told I look like Scott Ian of Anthrax, even though my goatee isn't nearly as long as his. In fact, I get told I look like a lot of bass players from heavy-metal bands. Someone will sometimes come up and not even be sure which band. They'll just say, "You look like a bass player." I ask them which bassist, and they'll say, "I don't know. All of them." I'm not sure, but maybe a lot of bass players are bald.




Anne Carazzo
Entrepreneur
Clairemont

Well, you just told me I looked like Courtney Cox. I don't usually hear that. I've heard Sandra Bullock, which I don't see. She has brown eyes. I used to get Jennifer...oh, what's her name...Jennifer Connelly. I got that one often. I'm lucky because those are attractive women. Sometimes when people say you look like someone else it's not a good thing.



Elisha Arden
Caregiver
Rancho Mission

I used to get told Barbra Streisand a lot. Over the years, I've probably heard that about 20 times. It doesn't bother me. Her and Cher are my idols, so it was always nice to hear.



Robert Swan
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- 2) Each week we're printing a list of everyone who submits the correct answers to the previous week's puzzles. See this week's contenders below.
- 3) When you successfully complete a puzzle, we'll also print a brief (10 words

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4) 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.
5) Entries must be faxed to **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:

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7) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.
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9) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.
10) Employees of the Reader and their immediate families are not eligible.

EASY:

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MEDIUM:

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HARD:

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EVIL:

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EASY:

Mary Arana, Encinitas, 9. Congrats, Shanita!

☛ Joy E. Fernandez, Chula Vista, 8. Proud to be an American! Love it or leave it!

Don Prince, Serra Mesa, 8. Shadows sway- seem to say- tonight we'll pray for water.

John Prince, Serra Mesa, 8. Rudimental sedentary intensive subsistence cultivation Mediterranean cultivation

Alfred Egaran, San Diego, 7. Boy you should have known by now. Eazy duz it!

John Pertle, Santee, 7. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, Receive God's imputed righteousness.

Jim Koziol, UTC, 6. Let's go to the beach!

Cherie Calvo, San Diego, 5. Summer is here!

J. J. Cwiak, San Diego, 5. 10 - 4

Nancy Teruya, San Diego, 5.

Emma Gonzales, Chula Vista, 4. It's fun to play this every week

Eric Anderson, Escondido, 3. Save H2O-Xeriscaping is EASY!

Bob Lagandaon, Chula Vista, 3. Mick Jagger outlasted Michael Jackson?!

Flo Abena, Rancho Penasquitos, 2. Got to leave that nine to five upon the shelf

Erin Nogle, Ocean Beach, 2. Happy Birthday Dad! Love Erin

Nancy Teruya, Rancho Penasquitos, 2.

F. Guillaume, Pine Valley, 1. Trop Facile! Papi le fait aussi

Michael Lodahl, Mission Valley, 1. Stella, we're so excited for your arrival!

Jenifer McKinley, Oceanside, 1. I love cookie puss!

Tristan Meyers, El Cajon, 1. One Bad ass mistake America #3

Alberto Orozco, Spring Vally, 1. All day every day freaks from the hall- Zorro

MEDIUM:

Frank Kuzniar, Carlsbad, 9. Qui desiderat pacem, praeparet bellum.

Paul Boland, Bay Park, 6.

Tiffany Renteria, San Diego, 6. My Turtle is on a mission. My turtle is fearless.

Dave Small, San Carlos, 6.

Shannon Barry, Pine Valley, 5. I'll get you my pretties, and your little dog too!

Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 5. RIP Ed, Farrah, MJ,

Billy Mayes, and Gale Storm

Neil Gibbs, , 4. Medium equals logic fun. Hard equals brain pain!

Kodukso, Poway, 4. I would run from Iran

Sylvia June, El Cajon, 3. Happy 1st bday to little

Bob Lagandaon, Chula Vista, 3. Hello Bhurd!

Dora Diaz, Escondido, 2. I am sofa king we todd did

Ryan Harris, San Diego, 2. RIP MJ! Your music will live on forever!

Terri Hutchinson, San Diego, 2. To Annie and

Mary, British Rockstars- Love Ya!

Bernie Malihan, Mira Mesa, 2. A-B-C it's easy as

1-2-3. Hello Bhurd!

Tom Stam, Lakeside, 2. Pauly- help is on the way

Joel Suzuki, Mission Valley, 2.

Zina Wyman, Carlsbad, 2.

David Campbell, Carmel Valley, 1. Happy B-Day Cuic

Sharon Dany, La Mesa, 1. Is it T-shirt time yet?

Margalet Elliott, Rancho Bernardo, 1. Robert

Michael is a great painter!

Thomas F., Pine Vally, 1. Jacky& Lucette de la soupe svp

☛ Eric Gutierrez, Vista, 1. Warden says lights out.

Gotta go!

Willy Kell, Valencia Park, 1. We'll Miss you Michael

and Farrah heres your name Kennis

Colleen Porter, La Mesa, 1.

Jack Rohrer, Clairemont, 1. Will try for some cotton

over here

Jose Villanueva, San Diego, 1. In Memory of

Michael Jackson 1958-2009

Michael White, Clairmont, 1. The King is dead!

Long live the King!

Andrea Zolezzi, San Diego, 1. Look mom my

name is ...

HARD:

Martha Awdziejewicz, Clairemont, 9.

Howard Donnelly, Mission Valley, 6. Beyond evil!

Mandy Smith, Boulevard, 4. For Michael get well

quick

Jane Flammang, Encinitas, 3.

Jeff Loeb, San Diego, 3. Thanks for the brain strain

Chris Siemens, San Diego, 3. When will wooly wear

woven wool?

Marty Sinigayan, Point Loma, 3. I wanna rock with

you...RIP MJ

John Strauch, Point Loma, 3. Hike the county and

beyond with the Monday Manicas!

Ginger Truschke, San Diego, 3. As James Brown

says, "Please, please, please!"

Dennis Beabout, Temecula, 2. Jesus loves you

Tiu Dexter, San Diego, 2. For the best wife! Ria!

Lisa DiPalma, Allied Gardens, 2. I should be doing

something else.

Eileen Sprague, Oceanside, 2. Glad to be part of the

Sudoku...

Thomas , UTC, 1. Only hard this week

Sue Coffey, Southwest SD, 1. Evil is too evil

Claude Dillard, Escondido, 1. We will miss you Ed,

Farrah, Michael, and SDSU ...

☛ Paulette Greenway, Oceanside, 1. Have yet to

complete an evil!

Michael Hartman, Fallbrook, 1.

Ray Hunt, Rancho Penasquitos, 1. Babes Beware!

Brandon's in the house!

Rebekah Mathieu, San Diego, 1. Take a look at

God's creation

McBride Family, Encinitas, 1. Ran out of time to

solve evil

Caroline McKinley, Oceanside, 1. Happy Birthday

Janet!

Danielle Meutzer, North Park, 1. We're going to

New York!

Mynor Morales, San Diego, 1. I love my David

Melanie Mylenie Adrian Anthony

Nicolas Sarkozy, Paris, France, 1. M'en fous. Je me

tape Carla Bruni

Eddie O. Spaghetto, Coronado, 1. Are the hard...

Stacey Street, North Park, 1. We're going to the Big

Apple!

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Paul Wright, Lemon Grove, 1. I'll go back to "Evil" someday

EVIL:

Daniel Aames, Carmel Valley, 9. How many ways to fill in a blank 9x9 grid?
Joe Arbusto, Rancho Penasquitos, 9. Michael Jackson is poetry in action! RIP Jacko!
Jean Bradley, Spring Valley, 9. Much easier than last week, I love you too. CALL.
Jeff Doerner, Clairemont, 9.
Linda J. Hall, La Mesa, 9. Hi Greg from Linda and Steve
Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 9. Independence Day! Kiera! Bodo!
Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 9. Will have to miss next two weeks
Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach, 9. less than eleven words can only begin to describe...sdmm.org
PJ Mole, Point Loma, 9. It's only good if you don't use a computer
Michael Panther, Point Loma, 9. I'm the master man who survives the fire
Gregory Parsons, Carlsbad, 9. To have freedom, give it; to have peace, make it.
Jim Piburn, Point Loma, 9.
Don Reckles, Carmel Valley, 9. The present is a point just passed.- David Russell
Joe Steinbach, Clairemont, 9. ...all men... are endowed by the creator with... rights
Susan Williams, North Park, 9. Happy Birthday Braham!
Barry Xin, San Diego, 9.
Olga Betteridge, Ocean Beach, 8. ...with loooove...
Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 8. Numbers can't quantify how much I adore you
Mike Bullock, Rancho Bernardo, 8.
Clyde Christie, East Village, 8. "The joy is in the journey, walk slowly"...auth unkn
D. Faulkner, University Heights, 8.
Paula Henderson, La Jolla, 8.
Patrick Henson, Lakeside, 8. I have done 9, but who's counting...
Julio Magno, San Diego, 8. US Postal Sudoku Expert
William Quinter, San Diego, 8. Don't clobber the clabber girl

Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 8. Happy Anniversary Erin, and Happy 4th of July!
R. Sloan, Normal Heights, 8. Happy Bday Jason!
Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 7. so many RIPs this week and 2 Padre wins!
J.C. Uribe, San Ysidro, 7.
Harry Walker , La Jolla, 7. MW I'm tired of being your CF Aloha!
Steve Wilson, Spring Valley, 7.
Myrna Wosk , La Jolla, 7. Team Art and Myrna, YEAH!!!
Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 6. Michael Jackson found dead? I suspect Bubbles the Chimp!
Guy Fernandes, Pine Valley, 6. I will sleep with my T-shirt. I swear
Evelyn Greco, San Diego, 6. Hi to all my Wavehouse friends
Zdenek Hostomsky, La Jolla, 6. Jiri Dedeczek is coming this week!
Linda Kokel, Tierrasanta, 6. Sunnyvale here we come.
Susy Parnell, La Mesa, 6.
Ric Witt, Clairemont, 6. If gun control prevents homicides, how do you explain Mexico?
Mark Xitco, San Diego, 6. Great!
Bliss Beedle, Encinitas, 5. love me forever
Larry Clark, Clairemont, 5. Happy Birthday to Cookie and Sherry World's best twin sisters. Larry
Ron Lucero, San Diego, 5. Keep San Diego Bay clean.
Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 5. www.geocaching.com
Chuck Merritt, Spring Valley, 5.
Roberto Mora, San Diego, 5. This message has a maximum ten words with fifty letters. Count
Elizabeth Rainbolt, Mission Valley, 5.
Larry Terbell, Golden Hill, 5.
Pat Witman, South Park, 5. Not so Evil
Delfin Bernardo, National City, 4. Hephep Hurray to Tony Bong and J-J
Robert Crumrine, Downtown, 4. What happened to Obama's stimulus promise with BOA
☛ Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 4. My cat Izzy wishes you a happy 4th!
Scott Heimer, Mission Valley, 4. Happy 4th of July!

Andrew Klapoetke-Reese, Hillcrest, 4. Happiness is having a scratch for every itch.-Ogden Nash
Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 4. I'd like to thank my higher power
Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 4.
Tom Thetford, Lemon Grove, 4.
Jeff Vaglio, Poway, 4.
Edwin Bell, Escondido, 3. "Great one more down."
Thomas Daley, San Diego, 3. The older the fiddle the better the tune
J. Klein, Mission Beach, 3. He's 455 away, he's gonna hit about a 2 iron
Gary Lorenc, Encinitas, 3. Is that the best you can do? Bring it on!
Uy Ngo Quoc, Vista, 3. It smells like up dog.
Skully, San Diego, 3. Bike night Desi 'n friends Wednesday at 7pm-by SDMRACING.
Ed Vicino, El Cajon, 3. Have you see my Hammer?
Emilia Avanes, San Diego, 2. Ratatouille Stry chnine
Andrew Bartlett, Ocean Beach, 2. Diana, Harrison, Carlton and Daphne, I love you all!
Mary Beavers, San Diego, 2. This puzzle was extra tough!
Joseph Conway, University City, 2. Hello Artemisa!
Donald Erwin, San Marcos, 2. Congratulations to Linda & Bob on your fabulous new home
William Gavin, Monte Serena, 2. Happy b-lated dad's day daddy!
☛ Charlie Hoge, East Village, 2. Lost my shirt in the stock market
Susan Irwin, Ocean Beach, 2.
Eden Isordia, La Mesa, 2. Every heart beats true for the red white and blue
James Manns, La Jolla, 2. Thanks for the nice T-shirt but... Surf team??
Bruce Ness, Mira Mesa, 2. Does Mary Bentley still play Sudoku? Please call me.
Michael Nowatnick, San Diego, 2. Neither one of us is chinese
Amanda Peruchiti, El Cajon, 2. I love D and I with all my heart!
Ted Tarris, Serra Mesa, 2. I hope I didn't baba-booeey this one!
Joi Taylor, Mission Valley, 2. I don't know!
David Thygeson, Poway, 2. Congratulations Suzy! Stanford is a big milestone towards your dream.

Glenn Walker, Pacific Beach, 2. Rest in peace, Michael. You touched us all so beautifully.
Chris Bahick, Carlsbad, 1. Thanks Li!
R.J. Carino, San Diego, 1. I love you Sai, Ruy and Nes
Debra Druther, San Diego, 1. I'm ready for Hammer time!
Tim Flanagan, Hillcrest, 1. "they call me Manatee."
"Yeah right seacow!"
Lily Gonzalez, Logan Hights, 1. OK! This makes nine
Hary Graf, Poway, 1.
Matthew Horr, San Diego, 1. Mario, you stay out of the trash, too!
Matt Huber, Collage Area, 1.
Richard Johnson, San Diego, 1.
Steve K., Ocean Beach, 1.
Mike Lopez, El Cajon, 1. July 9th-incubus-cricket wireless theater be there
Marichu Magana, Mira Mesa, 1. what I do at 6am, while on vacation
Vishwa Mohan, Poway, 1. Clear hard point. Then you are easy
William Nowatnick, San Diego, 1. Well, I'll say this, you've been doing yer homework!
Cathy Page, El Cajon, 1. Incubus-new CD- Monuments& Melodies inspired me
Starr Powell, Escondidio, 1. Oh Snap!
David Ross, Santee, 1. For liberti tietjens Rock on dude!!
Edvin Shahmorian, Escondido, 1. Edvin loves Jealee forever!
Dalia Sosa, San Diego, 1. I love you Danny, buttercup and sunshine
Yukd T. , San Diego, 1. I'm still waiting. Jeff get in the game!
Chris Thelen, University Heights, 1. I'm sorry things didn't workout Christina. I'll miss you!
David Tomasin, San Diego, 1. Scratch the medium put me down for evil
Barbara Varga, San Diego, 1. Good triumphs over evil!
Caryolyn Woodbury, Chula Vista, 1. Correct tire pressure gets more miles/gal.

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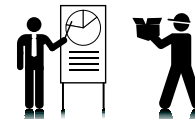
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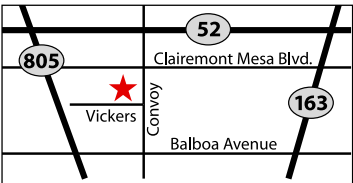
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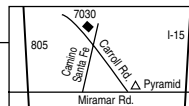
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Compelling Explanations

— A month after her client was accused of a March attempted murder, attorney Frances Hartman spoke up for him to a reporter. “[My client] is an exemplary young man,” said Hartman, describing fourth-year Camden, N.J., medical student Brett Picciotti, 26, who was charged with shoving his girlfriend off a second-story balcony but who denied that he pushed her. “This is an aberrational charge,” Hartman said. “I think

there’s an explanation. I’m just not prepared to give it to you right now.”

— Lorena Alvarez was charged with aggravated battery in April in Lake Worth, Fla., after allegedly crashing her car into her boyfriend’s pickup truck, thus endangering her two kids, ages seven and one, who were with her. She explained to police that her boyfriend was about to drive off drunk and hitting him was the best way to prevent danger to other motorists. ... John Angeline was charged with fatally running over gas-station attendant Haeng Soon Yang in Mossy Rock, Wash., in April after she tried to stop him from leaving without paying for \$34 in fuel. Angeline, captured nearby, explained to police that he had run over the woman because she looked like she was about to “cast a spell” on him.

Ironies

— On April 8, the New Hampshire house of representatives debated a bill to outlaw discrimination against “transgenders” (those born of one sex but who identify as the other), and the legislation passed by one vote. Coincidentally,

April 8 was the state’s Tartan Day, and by tradition, male lawmakers of Scottish ancestry wore kilts to work. Thus, some opponents of giving greater protection to “men” who wear skirts were men who were that day wearing “skirts.” (In any event, the state senate subsequently rejected the bill.)

— Environmental activists Raoul Surcouf and Richard Spink set sail from Bristol, England, in May on a 40-foot boat outfitted with solar panels and a wind turbine to attempt the first carbon-neutral crossing of Greenland’s polar ice cap (a journey being monitored online in Bristol by 25,000 schoolchildren). However, 400 miles off the coast of Ireland, hurricane-force winds destroyed the boat, and the crew was lucky to be rescued by a nearby ship — a tanker carrying 680,000 barrels of crude oil.

— In Los Angeles on March 29, hit-and-run drivers killed two pedestrians: an 18-year-old female college student and, hours later, a 55-year-old Guatemalan-American construction worker. As is not unusual, according to the *Los Angeles Times*, the LAPD went into massive “over-drive” to find the woman’s killer but handed the

other homicide off to “a lone detective with little more to go on than hope.” ... On April 25, in Washington, D.C., the murder of a black teenager was reported in two sentences of that day’s *Washington Post* while nearly 10 times the space was devoted to the colonoscopy of a panda at the city’s National Zoo.

Recurring Themes

— Public urination continues to be dangerous. In April, a 23-year-old man tumbled off a bridge over the Minnesota River in Bloomington, Minn., just before 5 a.m. while attempting to urinate. He fell 30 feet but survived. And in March, tugboat captain Kevin McGonigle fell off his boat into the Campbell River near Victoria, British Columbia, while attempting to urinate. He was rescued after 70 minutes, clad only in T-shirt and pajama bottoms, and could not have survived much longer in the frigid waters.

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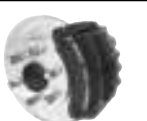


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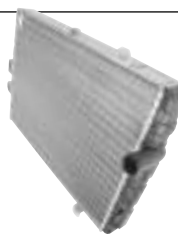
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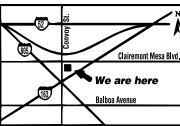
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BACK WHEN *in the Reader*

Thirty Years Ago

The straw had been piling on the proverbial camel's back for some time before Duncan Shepherd's critique of Woody Allen's *Manhattan*. Now I fear the dromedary has suffered irreparable spinal damage. My problem with Shepherd is that he goes overboard in extolling minor films (*The Champ*, *Dawn of The Dead*) but is incapable of finding merit in movies on important subjects (*The Deer Hunter*, *Manhattan*).

— LETTERS: "GEEKS BEARING GIFTS?" *Hank Johnson, July 5, 1979*

Twenty-Five Years Ago

According to people who knew both Bates and [Monsignor] Spain, the two soon became lovers. Though Bates claimed to have a job selling advertising for the St. James church newsletter, Spain assumed full support of his friend. Bates had been a social user of cocaine for years, and Spain soon joined him in using the drug.

How did the monsignor justify

his active homosexuality, given his position as a priest sworn to celibacy? Spain has said that, doctrinally, celibacy was only applicable to women in the church.

— "THE SUDDEN DEPARTURE OF WILLIAM SPAIN," *Neal Matthews, July 5, 1984*

Twenty Years Ago

If looks could kill, the wild turkey might already be extinct. This unattractive bird once populated nearby mountain areas; now there are only a dozen or so left roaming near Descanso. But state fish and game officials are considering the release of wild turkeys in the Cleveland National Forest.

"I think it's the biggest waste of taxpayers' dollars available," says Philip Unit, a bird specialist with the Natural History Museum in San Diego. "Why spend money trying to introduce wildlife that never lived here in the first place?"

— CITY LIGHTS: "FISH AND GAME TYPES TALK TURKEY," *Brae Canlen, July 6, 1989*

Fifteen Years Ago

Once a week I load my car with heaps of vinyl, drive to a 20-minute-distant record store and unload. So far I've parted with 700 jazz LPs, and the store guy's comments always make for good two-way barbershop conversation.

How can I part with *Dixieland Jam* by the Eddie Condon All-Stars, he wonders in earnest. Vic Dickenson plays trombone on only half the cuts, I tell him, not mentioning that I can't stand Eddie (one of his faves). Haven't I listened, he asks, really listened, to Tom Harrell's *Stories*? Okay, I say, he's a diagnosed schizophrenic (and the cover shows him as a disembodied face in shadow), but his playing is *so* conventional.

— "SLAYER PLANET," *Richard Meltzer, June 30, 1994*

Ten Years Ago

Eddie Vedder, a one-time Encinitas local, had wanted to stage a show at his hometown theater, La Paloma. He tried to do it with his band Pearl

Jam in 1994 and again in 1995. But leaks about the shows and the fears of crowd control led to their cancellation.

It was different this time. Vedder's management contacted La Paloma owner Allen Largent on the Monday before the show. Largent was able to keep the show under wraps until he put the words "EDDIE VEDDER, 2 SHOWS, TONIGHT" on the marquee at 1:30 p.m. last Saturday.

— BLURT, *Ken Leighton, July 1, 1999*

Five Years Ago

Hey, ladies! Let's hear it for men! Give a shout out now to the body masculine! (Here's to five o'clock shadows, Adam's apples, square jaws, and rough skin. To lats, six-packs, thighs, hams, calves, tri's, bi's, and pecs.

Now, you ask me, the male physicality wasn't built for aesthetics. Those angles and edges, the purely functional proportions: men's bods are too utilitarian, at least for my



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taste. (I prefer a woman's gentler curves, that smallness, the supple delicacy; that's just me.) But I guess we can all thank God and natural selection that most women see something to like in male height and hairiness, in big hands, broad shoulders, squareness, and heaviness.

— "MEN'S SUMMER SWIMSUIT ISSUE," *Geoff Bouvier, July 1, 2004*

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He was right. Mama Gums (*mamagums.com*, 1-866-626-2486) to the rescue. That's the unofficial title held by Sheila Wolf, RDH, an oral-health consultant who has worked as a dental hygienist since 1971. "Over the years," she says, "I've been cleaning teeth and empowering people to take control of their mouths. There was a Surgeon General's report in 2000 that backed up something I'd been seeing for years — it linked the health of the mouth to the overall health of the body. Any kind of chronic inflammatory condition can be dan-



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gerous. Other studies have connected heart disease and stroke with periodontal infections."

The familiar term "gingivitis," she says, "is the name for the early stages of gum infection. You might have tender or swollen gums, pain or itching, a receding gum line, or blood when you spit in the sink after brushing. If blood comes out, then bacteria can get in. Periodontal infections are open wounds in your mouth. If bacteria get into your bloodstream they can travel to your other organs, and even cross the placenta in a pregnant woman. We've been taught to brush and floss and see our dentists twice a year, but that doesn't address the whole issue of bacteria."

As she says, "It's not just cleaning the teeth, it's disinfecting the mouth. On my website, I have a formula for what I call Mama Gums' Magic Mix. It's a tooth powder that you make yourself, mixing a half-cup of baking soda with a teaspoon of salt. Then you mix hydrogen peroxide — which kills germs on contact — with water, half and half. Wet your toothbrush with the peroxide mix, put some of the powder into the palm of your hand, make a paste-sludge, and brush with that. It's so simple and cost-effective, and you will have amazing results. It kills germs on contact!"

Of course, tools aren't enough — there's also technique. "You need to brush your gums as well as your teeth. And you need to brush at a 45-degree angle, so that you are actually forcing the Magic Mix between the tooth and gums. That's why I say to use a soft or very soft bristle toothbrush. I show patients how to do this during my consultation." The consultation, or "oral wellness session," runs for three to four hours and costs \$390, "though I never turn away someone who cannot pay that amount. I do many things in the session; one is taking a plaque smear from the person's mouth. I'll put it under a phase-contrast microscope and let them see all the little critters that are living in their mouths. It's not just bacteria — we could see things like red blood cells, yeast cells, parasites. If we see lots of white blood cells, there's likely an infection. Once patients see what's in their mouths, it becomes a motivation for them to take control."

For all those places a toothbrush can't reach — e.g., between the teeth — "you should use something else. I don't stress dental floss, because only 10 to 12 percent of people ever floss. But if you're driving a lot, I'll teach you how to use a toothpick while you're in the car. Or if your job entails being on the phone, I'll show you how to use a little brush that goes in between."

The capper to all this disinfecting is a good old hosing down — irrigation. "It's a huge part of oral

hygiene because it massages the gums, it flushes out food debris, and — if you put a little hydrogen peroxide or other antiseptic in the basin with the water — it delivers medication under your gums. You can buy an inexpensive Water Pik, or if you prefer, I sell a really good Swiss-made brand on my website: Hydrofloss [\$98]. It's the Cadillac of irrigators, but a Ford will get you to the store as well. So get what you can afford." For morning multitaskers, she also sells the Plaque Blaster (\$29.95), which hooks up to your shower.

Wolf is a true believer in her simple routine; she says it can reverse even bad conditions in the mouth. "If someone starts using my protocol — Magic Mix and irrigation — they can reverse gingivitis in 10 to 14 days. They will notice that they have no more bleeding gums, their mouth feels fresher, and their breath is nicer. I even had one patient who was told she needed \$6600 worth of gum surgery. Within two weeks of using my protocol, she had her gum problem under control, and she avoided the surgery. And we have turned severely infected gums into healthy gums in three months."

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Staff size: 9
Sunday school enrollment: 125
Annual budget: n/a
Weekly giving: n/a
Singles program: no
Dress: semi-formal
Diversity: mostly but not entirely Caucasian
Sunday worship: 9 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
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The white church buses parked in the dirt lot outside Mountain View Community Church looked downright old-timey. The huge white church building rising up behind them was anything but. Inside was high and wide and cool and green, with plenty of carpet and acoustic paneling on the walls to absorb the ringing music pouring from the band. "Let's give it up for Jesus!" cried the bandleader, and the congregation gave it up. He and his guitar wailed and rified, the backups harmonized, and a stylish grayhead stirred in overlays from

an electric clarinet.

Lately, as I make my way from church to church, certain notions have been hitting me with startling force. Sunday's gobsmacker assailed the notion of Christian belief in a friendly, fluffy God, cheerfully loving the world from up in heaven. After singing a song with the chorus "I am a friend of God" repeated again and again, the bandleader asked, "What's so significant about that? The Bible says that before you received Christ, you were considered an enemy of God. Those are the most terrifying words I could ever hear someone say. The most powerful being ever saying, 'You are my enemy.' But when we receive Christ, we are called God's friend."

The singer did a fair bit of this lyrics-based preaching, to the point of calling for a kind of examination of conscience prior to singing a song that begged God to "break all my guilt and all my shame." "The problem with a living sacrifice is that it can crawl off the altar anytime.... If there's something that's distracting

you, something taking you off the altar of God...ask the Lord to obliterate it. Every dream... that's become an idol — obliterate it."

Pastor Youngkin, too, paused over dark possibilities in his expository sermon. His text was Ephesians 2, and to join Paul in emphasizing the Gentiles' plight before Christ's coming, he quoted Catullus: "The sun may set and rise again, but once our brief life is set, there is one unending night."

Post-Christ, however, things looked better for those not included in God's original covenant. Youngkin's sermon veered toward the cheerful, and a smile tugged at the corners of his mouth as he preached. "God loved the world and He wanted to redeem it. The Jews existed, not for themselves, but for the rest of the world. God was going to put Himself on display through a nation, and ultimately bring a messiah through that chosen nation. He said to Abraham, 'The nations of the world will be blessed through you.'" Ephesians: "Christ Jesus...is

our peace, He who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through His flesh."

"The Jewish temple had four courts," explained Youngkin, "the outer court for the Gentiles, the court for the Jewish women, the court for the Jewish men, and then for the priests. In 70 AD, the temple was destroyed, and Paul is making a veiled reference to the destruction of the temple. He's saying that in Jesus Christ, all those walls of separation are gone. We're all one in Christ, with the same benefits and privileges" — and responsibilities. "Nothing thrills our hearts like relationships that are harmonious; nothing breaks our hearts as much as relationships that are ruptured. We're supposed to love each other. It's very hard to love someone when you're critical. Jesus Christ is saying, 'I've taken on the judgment of God, so quit judging each other over your petty differences.' If you won't partner with what God has done, you're outside of His will."

In place of the temple,



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content	★★★
delivery	★★★★
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Poor to satisfactory	(none)
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said Youngkin, stood a new structure: the church. Where there had been Jew and Gentile, there was now a "third race" — as Paul had it, "a dwelling place of God in the Spirit."

"So often, we revel in the fact that 'I'm saved, I'm forgiven, I'm going to heaven,'"

concluded Youngkin. "Paul is saying, 'I want you to think outside of "me." Start to see yourselves as a people group, the place where God wants to put on display His love. The church is the most important social entity on the planet. Because Jesus Christ is the hope of the world, I believe it can be seen in Scripture that the hope of the world is the church. We are God's dwelling among His people. Let's be the church that God would have us be. Let's be the lovers that God would have us be."

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