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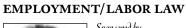
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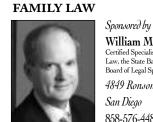
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By Don Bauder

ow would you like to buy a whole year's home-delivery subscription to the *Union-Tribune*, Thursday through Sunday,

for \$29.95? That's particularly enticing, because if you want only six months of the same thing, you pay more than double: \$72. And if you want a year for Friday through Sunday — only three days each week — you pay \$123, four times as much.

Goodness gracious! Those are anomalous prices. Yet they are listed as "basic prices" in the *Union-Tribune*'s March 29, 2009 newspaper publisher's statement to the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC), the outfit that rides herd on publications' circulation claims.

According to the audit

Neal Obermeyer

bureau, basic price is "the price at which the publication may be purchased by anyone at any time." First I called the U-T to ask what it would cost me to get a oneyear subscription of Thursday-Sunday papers. Answer: \$134.16. I asked a friend to call. Same answer: \$134.16. Then I called the *U*-*T* and said that the \$29.95 was a basic rate listed with the Audit Bureau of Circulations. Could I get that rate? Answer: "That's a special promotion for customers that receive their third renewal notice."

Clearly, that rate doesn't go to anyone at any time.

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Was this a scam? Use of deep price slashes to pump up lagging circulation? The strategy is questionable, but I wouldn't call it a scam.

I noticed that the Orange County Register had a similarly incongruous rate: \$37.11 Thursday-Sunday for a whole year, but \$66.82 for a half year; Friday-Sunday was \$144.78, almost four times what Thursday-Sunday went for.

I called the Register and

asked if I could get that \$37.11 rate. "It's no longer available," I was told.

I called and emailed the U-T's head of circulation and got no response. But Larry Riley, vice president of circulation of Orange County Register Communications, was very helpful. "Newspapers have a tradition of discounting," Riley said. "Newspapers may have 50 different prices," including deals for college students, senior citizens, etc.

Hey, I understand that. I have haggled for both new and used cars. I have put in lowball offers for real estate. I have shopped at the Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, where every price is listed but none is firm.

For years, the audit bureau would say that if a newspaper got at least half the listed price, the deal would count as paid circulation. "In March of 2006, the ABC relaxed their discount policy and allowed us to cut by 75 percent and still count it as paid circulation," says Riley. Then this year, the board decided

Matt Potter

is on vacation.

that anything goes: if a newspaper can fetch only a penny, the transaction qualifies as paid circulation.

There is a difference with the *Register:* if you got the \$37.11 rate back when it was available, you would have had to pay the entire sum up front. If you called the *Register* and specifically inquired about that low price, it would have been quoted. If you asked something like "What's the cheapest price available?" you would have been told about the \$37.11, says Riley.

Riley uses flexible pricing to match the desires of advertisers. A certain number of households in a certain zip code might find in their mailbox an offer to buy the paper at the super-low basic price. It's an example of target pricing. About 12 to 15 percent of people in the market get the low basic rate. "I can't offer deep discounts marketwide," he says.

At the *U*-*T*, you don't have to pay the \$29.95 up front, according to an order taker. I asked some former *U*-*T* circulation executives about that incredibly low \$29.95 basic price. "It sounds like smoke and mirrors," said one. "When I was there, we didn't do anything that drastic."

"It's incongruous but allowed," said another.

"I was never involved in pricing issues, but I do remember that we had a heavily discounted rate in Temecula," said Jules Veuger, a former circulation manager.

Neal Lulofs, senior vice president of the Audit Bureau of Circulations, said that since a newspaper can now be sold for a penny and recorded as paid circulation, the basic prices listed with his organization probably won't be as important.

For now, it appears that only about 30 of 700 audit bureau members have been using the deep-slash strategy. In some cases, Media-News Group, the financially troubled Denver-based owner of a number of papers, including some in Southern California, has had 12-month basic rates that are lower than 3-month rates. In any case, circulation salespeople have for years had the latitude to slash prices - now, to almost nothing.

So what is the Union-Tribune's circulation, anyway? Beginning in recent days, the U-T has been listing "readership" on its front page. In late July, daily readership was listed as 672,612 and Sunday as 876,325. However, according to the audit bureau, daily circulation as of March 31 (the last report) was 261,253, a good deal less than half of so-called readership. Sunday circulation was 330,848, also far less than half what the *U*-*T* claims is its readership.

The U-T is using numbers from Scarborough Research. It defines daily readership as the number of adults (18 or over) in the local market who "read or looked into" the printed version at least once during the past five days. Sunday readership is the number of adults reading or looking into the paper at least once during *continued on page 8*

An End to the Evil Euc

By Joe Deegan

n 1909, newspaper magnate Edward Willis Scripps began planting eucalyptus on the San Diego ranch he'd bought 11 years

earlier. Those trees and their descendents have become the signature emblem of today's Scripps Ranch. So in mid-May, local residents were shocked to hear what sounded like clear-cutting in their forest. Preparing against fire danger, the City of San Diego had ordered the removal of large swaths of mature and healthy eucalyptus trees in open-space areas. The work was being paid for with a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant, approved in Decem-

community's open spaces. He and other Scripps Ranch activists argue that it's bark, leaves, and other ground debris that fuel fires, not healthy eucalyptus trees.

Still, after parts of Scripps Ranch were burned in the 2003 Cedar Fire, it seems natural that some residents would blame the eucalyptus. "When the firestorm hit our community," Dingeman tells me, "and we lost so many houses, it seems someone spread the rumor that the eucs had flared,



Will Lofft

Later in the article, Williams blamed the 1991 fire danger.

"Of the many eucalyptus species that evolved with fire," wrote Williams, "none is more incendiary than blue gum. 'Gasoline trees,' firefighters call them." He went on to argue that although fire doesn't kill blue gums, it helps spread the trees by popping their seedpods, while the trees stimulate fire with their oils, debris, and hanging bark, all "designed to carry flames to the crowns. Blue gum eucalyptus doesn't just burn, it explodes, sending firebrands and seeds shooting hundreds of feet in all directions."

Is San Diego's fire department dependent on some such characterization for understanding the Scripps Ranch situation? According to local resident Will Lofft, most eucalyptus trees in Scripps Ranch are red gum. Blue gum does grow in the river valley south of Pomerado Road, but it was only the debris underneath the trees that burned during the Cedar Fire. Extremes of heat and wind are needed before the red gums will burn. The ridge just to the east of Scripps Ranch was the only place they burned in the Cedar Fire. "And because of the wind, everything in sight burned up there. There is not a history of fire in the continued on page 8

<u>STRINGERS</u>

Summer Storm

Bay Park—Some residents of the 5100 block of Savannah Street were woken up at 4 a.m. on August 15 to a humming sound and the sound of a severe rainstorm. I went out to stand on the sidewalk to experience such a major rain and found it wasn't raining at all. The water that was flooding my porch was coming down the sidewalk from a broken water main. My neighbor called the water department, but they already knew about it. While I quickly showered and washed dishes, Jeff went to talk to the crew of men who had come out to deal with the problem. But a policeman shined a light in his face as if to say, "What do you want? Go away."

The water was ultimately shut off at 5:06 a.m. At 8:15 a.m., I woke again and found a crew working to fix the broken pipe. Mike, a contractor hired by the City to help with cleanup and personal property damage assessments, told me the water should be turned on by tonight. A



The 5100 block of Savannah Street

truck with water to fill up our buckets will be along later. While assessing the damage to the contents of one neighbor's garage, Mike pointed to another neighbor's house and told me that person had his living room flooded.

By Karen Guarnotta, 8/17

Invisible Dog and Man with Knife

Kearny Mesa — Last Thursday morning, August 13, anyone driving the I-15 north trying to get on SR-52 found a middle-aged man assaulting vehicles and stopping traffic. The



man was screaming that he had been assaulted and ran back and forth across the connector, pounding on vehicles and screaming at drivers. A goodhearted Samaritan on his way to work stopped to try to get the man to safety, but failed. Traffic backed up for miles. Six CHP units responded to the incident, located the man, and were able to clear the connector. The man said there was an invisible dog and man with a knife after him. There were no weapons found, only a hat that the man had been waving around. Everything was brought back to normal with no prisoners taken, but traffic backed up for hours afterward.

By Candie Smith, 8/17

Ouch

Rancho Santa Fe — At approximately 1:45 a.m. on Thursday, August 13, **Rancho Santa Fe Fire Pro**tection District firefighters and California Highway Patrol officers responded to the scene of a traffic incident where a car had collided with a a power pole, causing it to 🖓 collapse near the intersection of Rambla de los Flores and Calle Chaparro.

The CHP communications center reported that $\frac{1}{2}$ the wires from the fallen $\frac{2}{3}$ power pole were exposed continued on page 113



ber 2007, and matching City funds.

It didn't take long for a Scripps Ranch planning group and community activists to protest, and by early June, the City had put a moratorium on the eucalyptus removal. But according to Bob Dingeman, the City's contractor left debris lying about "after the chainsaw massacre." Dingeman, who is 87, has acquired the moniker "Mister Scripps Ranch" for his 30 years of work helping protect the

flamed, and burned. This was a patent lie, as none — repeat none — were reported or documented. This lie kept being repeated and suddenly became part of the San Diego fire department's spiel.

"The lie," Dingeman thinks, was propagated "by the group of people who advocate eliminating all nonnative trees and especially the 'dirty euc.' This group of people is well known in California. We have tried to counter their claim, but it keeps comClear-cutting in Scripps Ranch

publication's regular column.

ing up all the time, despite

repeated reports [to the con-

trary]. We have asked the fire

department to put out a state-

ment of facts on fires and

eucs, but they have elected

a 2002 "Incite" column in

Audubon magazine called

"America's Largest Weed." The

article's writer was Ted

Williams, who still pens the

A likely provocateur was

not to do so."

Williams opened with these words: "If you smell like a cough drop when you stumble out of the California woods, it's because 100 of the world's 600 species of eucalyptus grow there. None is native. They were imported from Australia during the second half of the 19th century as we were hawking our redwoods to the Aussies. 'Wonder trees,' the eucs were called, because they shot up in coastal scrub and vast redwood clearcuts."

Oakland Hills Fire on eucalyptus and noted that the City of Oakland suddenly faced a barrage of negligence lawsuits because nine years earlier it had been warned about the trees'





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the past four Sundays.

That's a lot different from circulation. And more favorable to the *U-T*, whose daily circulation has plummeted 31 percent and Sunday swooned 27 percent in the last decade. Sunday single-copy sales (such as those purchased from vending machines) have plunged 56.9 percent in the past five years, the biggest drop among newspapers with circulations above 100,000.

Scarborough now has what's called an "integrated newspaper audience" for publications. It purports to measure the percentage of adults in a market who have read the printed edition or visited the website during the past seven days. Under this concept, the *U*-*T* reaches 67 percent of the local market in a week. There is some skepticism about those Scarborough estimates.

And now the big question: Will we see the "penny press" again? Beginning in the 1830s, some newspapers were hawked for a penny. In the 1830s and 1840s, there were three penny-press papers in New York City alone. Now that newspapers can sell a paper for one penny and count it as paid circulation, are prices going to plunge? It's more likely they will go up. In the past, papers always figured that they got their revenue from ads, not circulation. So circulation per se was often unprofitable. But now that the ads are not coming in, papers have to get revenue from circulation. According to the Columbia

Journalism Review, the New York Times, which recently raised prices even as circulation dropped, will soon reach the point at which circulation revenues will pass ad revenues.

Says Riley, "More and more papers will be raising prices. There is no doubt about it. Advertisers are struggling, and they have been subsidizing the cost of circulation. Now circulation departments have to generate more revenue."

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lower eucalyptus forests of Scripps Ranch," says Lofft. Yet the idea that "crown

fires" were the culprit in 2003 seems to control the fire department's thinking, says Lofft. He says he's been arguing with the department since February for a more rational approach."Crown fires mostly happen where there are dense pine forests and the flames jump across the tops of the trees. Here, fires spread in the weeds and native ground cover. Eucalyptus forests actually make it difficult for the ground cover to grow. And they block wind gusts."

Lofft and I are standing where the City's tree removal came to a halt in June. The strip of several hundred yards parallels Scripps Ranch Boulevard on one side and a row of homes on the other. To the north lie scattered bark and logs of varying sizes, from a few inches to two and a half feet in circumference. To the south, trees are still standing all the way to Pomerado Road.

"The guy who owns that house," says Lofft, pointing up the hill, "couldn't see the boulevard before the tree removal. Now he sees license plate numbers on cars going by. Another house had 80 mature trees removed from behind the property. People liked to look out their back windows into the forest. That's a big reason they bought here. Our community plan promises that the eucalyptus forests are part of Scripps Ranch living."

Writing on a website called Scripps Central, Lofft maintains, "The fire department is still driven by fear of any perceived form of liability and armed with federal grant money to spend by 2010." Besides the fire department, the Park and Recreation Department's Open Space Division played a large role in addressing the eucalyptus situation in Scripps Ranch. According to Lofft, Open Space is motivated by a mission to remove nonnative vegetation.

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"There are pressures from some of the more radical environmental organizations," he writes, "to remove nonnative trees and federal directives to protect native plants — all aimed at our forest."

Scientific work in Australia, says Lofft, suggests that eucalyptus groves retard fires. "According to scientists down under, the eucalyptus may actually reduce the risk both by killing the flammable brush underneath them and by forming windbreaks as well as fire breaks which knock down burning brush embers airborne in 50-mileper-hour winds.... The fear is that the fire department, while trying to eliminate as many eucalyptuses as they can to reduce fire danger, will...increase the real danger to the community and simultaneously destroy its character....

"The final issue is one of finances," Lofft continues, "and there is real risk that if the City resumes its current plan of cutting tens of thousands of mature trees in Scripps, it will run out of funds with the job only partly complete.... There are 117 sites planned for the same fate as 'Ground Zero' on Scripps Ranch Blvd. They would basically destroy some large part of the forest and leave the rest untouched - the worst of all worlds."

Save Our Scripps Ranch Trees is an ad hoc group that may influence the City's ultimate action. With the moratorium on tree removal still in effect, representatives met with fire chief Tracy Jarman on July 29 to discuss the group's "position paper" on the brushmanagement program.

The position paper addresses discrepancies in the City's environmental document on the brush-management program, saying the report did not "adequately disclose the environmental impact" of the program to FEMA. The environmental report's discussion of neighborhood characteristics and aesthetics highlights the argument. For instance, the environmental report states that the plan "would serve to minimize any potential impacts to mature trees, and.... No mature trees will be removed with the proposed brushmanagement zones...."

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In the process of writing their paper, members of Save Our Scripps Ranch Trees discovered that the law firm of Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitek had expressed concern about the aesthetic effects of the City's brush-management plan. After the firm quibbled with some of the plan's requirements, according to the position paper, the City "clarified their position by stating that 'Current proposed brushmanagement regulations do not require removal of mature trees.'

The position paper makes recommendations for negotiation with the City. It suggests a priority ranking of actions, "beginning with the removal of underbrush and ladder fuel [including lower tree limbs] first, followed by the removal of dead trees and severely diseased trees — both identified in advance with and canopy thinning/pruning."Where there are no eucalyptus trees, "The City should thin and remove brush.""Selective eucalyptus saplings should be retained to maintain the long-term health of the eucalyptus-forested areas." And "selective areas of brush should be retained to prevent lowflying embers from undisrupted propagation, otherwise known as 'a bowling alley effect.' "

Gordon Boerner and Bob Ilko, leaders of the Scripps Ranch Civic Association, tell me they are optimistic. At the July 29 meeting, they say, Chief Jarman listened intently. She promised to reconsider the brush-management plan for the Scripps Ranch forest and to announce any change of direction soon. But the City is still waiting for a legal opinion on its options from the city attorney's office. Boerner writes me by email that unless the City acts quickly, any brush-management approach may be too late to reduce fire danger.

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Thanks for the excellent article on the San Diego Serial Inebriate Program ("Hope for the Hopelessly Drunk," Cover Story, August 13). This is something that all of San Diego can be very proud of. For readers who want even more info, go to *SanDiegoSIP.org.* Name Withheld

via email

Too Bad

I'm calling about the story "The Park After Dark" ("City Lights," August 13). It's too bad that your writer only interviewed one person about the minimart that they're talking about, the City Liquor House — the liquor store at the corner of Fifth and Elm. He should have interviewed some more.

And as far as the homeless people not being a problem around Elm and Fifth — they're a major problem around Elm and Fifth. They're always panhandling, they're drunk, they hang out in front of that store and drink. I've seen them go in there and buy beer, walk around the corner and drink it and go back and buy another one, go back out to the corner and drink it, and come back. It's just too bad that the guy who wrote your story, Joe Deegan, only interviewed one guy that he found in the liquor store and that guy happens to like that store and wouldn't say anything bad about it at all. It's just really too bad he didn't tell the whole story the right way. Name Withheld via voice mail

Spot-On, Refreshing I'm calling about the article

by Joe Deegan, "The Park After Dark" ("City Lights," August 13), and I just wanted to let you know, that article was spot-on. And Leo Johnson wasn't correct in what he said about the homeless problem. I called Caltrans (because the homeless are sleeping under the bridge near City Liquor House), the City parks people, the rangers, everybody I could possibly call, because last year it was just hell in this neighborhood. That article was spoton about the problems, and it's so refreshing. I mean, a thousand thank-yous for that.

As a neighbor, here at Sixth and Elm, behind City Liquor, it's horrifying. It's getting a little bit better because they give them tickets now in the park. At the corner of Sixth and Elm, it was a drug-dealing, alcoholparty haven 24/7. They'd get their liquor in the morning, and then they'd walk, loudtalking, from the corner of Fifth and Elm to the corner of Sixth and Elm. Then they'd walk up in the park, drink all day, deal drugs up there. I've had to call the police hundreds of times on these people. So the woman that talked in that article and Deegan's writing that article, she was exactly right. We've got our neighborhood back, finally — we're getting it back. But it's been a tug-ofwar between the liquor store and the transients that just won't go away, and particularly there's a redheaded guy with a tall brunette that came into the neighborhood two years ago. They sleep under the bridge — they're still under the bridge, Caltrans' bridge. This guy's got a caravan of friends that he drug into this neighborhood. It's getting better with the help of the San Diego Police, and the park rangers do a fantastic job. The article made my day.

Jerry Dusak Centre City

Real Mexico In Tecate

About tourism and Tijuana ("Tijuana Tailspin Hurting San Diego," "City Lights," August 13), tourist agencies on both sides of this issue are losing a huge opportunity. Run van/bus shuttles over to Tecate. Bring the tourists

into Tecate for an afternoon! So far there is minimal "discouraging news" from Tecate. And Tecate has always

Tecate. And Tecate has always been more like "real Mexico" than Tijuana.

Name Withheld via email

Sick Of Media

Re "He Can't Be Gone" ("Stringers," August 13). The young man that was killed in this tragedy was like a son to me. No one knows the true story about the details regarding his death nor what led up to it. I cannot believe you would publish this with no regard to the family and friends he left behind. The media and its sensationalism make me sick. There was no need to print the graphic details of this tragedy and opinions of the people that wrote it and were supposedly quoted in it. There are so many people suffering as a result of what happened, and I am disgusted that you would print anything like this. Shame on you.

> Name Withheld via email

Patrick's Analysis

I just read Patrick Daugherty's "Preseason Hotsheet" article ("Sporting Box," August 13) and would like the name of his crack dealer. He obviously has some football knowledge, but it seems to fade when he mentions our hometown Chargers. He mentions Pittsburgh has to play the "functionally disabled" franchise of San Diego this upcoming season. What were you watching last year, Patrick (are you a Patriots fan?), as the Chargers played Pittsburgh in the playoffs and even though Pittsburgh was the better team (eventual champions), we hung in there and played them well. The Chargers have been perennial playoff participants the last five years and have a roster completely stacked with talent. ESPN has us as the sixthbest team entering the season, and all of our stars appear

STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP BY MATTHEW ALICE

Hey, Matt:

A ship was christened the other day. I believe it was named after the soldier that jumped onto a grenade during combat, saving his troops.

The soldier's mother was breaking the bottle of champagne. It looked to be a silver bottle. Champagne flew everywhere but the bottle didn't. She later spoke and seemed to be holding this "champagne bottle" in her hand. Did someone wise up and decide that breaking glass all around where people would be boarding wasn't a good idea? What's the deal on the bottle? — Michael C., Harbor Island

If breaking glass seems like a major danger, consider the Vikings, who christened their boats with the blood

of human sacrifices. But that was maybe 2000 years ago, before the age of flying glass and litigation.

Hard to find a group of people more superstitious than sailors, so it's no surprise that ship christening — the blessing of a boat and its crew for safe voyages — has been around that long. Romans used water. Medieval England switched to a goblet of wine. When women were allowed to christen a ship, in the early 1800s, they switched to wine in a bottle. The christener was to pitch the bottle at the ship's bow hard enough for it to break. If it didn't break, well, bad luck would follow in the vessel's wake forever.

The biggest christening change came when one christener, who apparently threw like a girl (um, because she was one), missed the ship and beaned a spectator. Thereafter, the bottle was attached to the ship by a rope and to the christener by a ribbon. The christener cut the ribbon, which released the bottle to swing toward the ship and, with luck, smash.

Today we use two different methods to propel bottle toward ship. A sort of catwalk is built so that the christener can get close enough to the ship's bow to smash the champagne by hand. Or the rope-bottle-ribbon method is used when the ship's bow is too far away from the christener.

The christening you saw was probably the launch of the *Jason Dunham* at Bath, Maine, named for Marine corporal Dunham, who sacrificed himself for his men. Mom Dunham stood close enough to the bow to smash the bottle herself, and the glass was held in place either by a mesh net around the bottle (a very common device) or by tape applied so the bottle would break but pieces would be held in place. The silver color would suggest it was the latter. The bottle she held later was probably a replica for her to take home and display. STRATION BY RICK

GEARY

Grandma Alice is lucky enough to know some highplaced mariners at the Holland America Line, so she checked in about their christening methods. They launch their behemoths with the rope-on-bottle method, so the bottle breaks on the ship's name on the bow. He also noted that before the big day, they go through many, many rehearsals, testing the breakability of the bottle, the explodability of the champagne, and the containability of the glass inside the mesh sleeve. This is done not only to make sure the spectators are reasonably awed but because,

as in days of very, very old, it's still considered bad luck for the bottle to remain unbroken. Ship lines make sure the champagne is warm so it will explode spectacularly. And christeners are called sponsors or, in more traditional terms, the godmothers of the ships. Christening has morphed from a religious ceremony to a big publicity opportunity. Recent cruiseline godmothers have been Whoopi Goldberg, the Olsen twins, Katie Couric, and Tinker Bell.

Hey, Matt:

The other day at work we had a welcoming party for a new employee, and a ton of snacks were available. Amongst the snickerdoodles and the bonbons were some "chocolate Susan cookies." They featured a small glop of chocolate on a seemingly normal butter cookie. What makes these ho-hum cookies worthy of a people name? Who is this Susan? Is she related to the lazy Susan who is also circularly based?

— Non-Susan, via email

Consider the chocolate Susan. Round butter cookie, round glob of chocolate in the center. Now consider the old-timey flower, the blackeyed Susan. A yellow daisy with a big brown center. The flower inspired the cookie name. First print reference to a lazy Susan, the circular turntable for dispensing food at a table, was in a 1917 ad for the device in *Vanity Fair*. No word nerds know the source for sure. Could it be Susan B. Anthony? In the late 1860s, while she was denouncing the idea of wifely "duties" around the house, her opponents claimed she was just covering for her own laziness and dubbed her lazy Susan in their writings. A possible source, but don't quote me.

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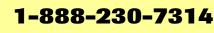
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BY PATRICK DAUGHERTY

Becky Hurt



Becky Hurt, 30, is a "Master Teaching Artist" at Eveoke Dance Center in North Park, at present teaching hiphop dance. She is self-described as having, "naturally brown hair. Also, I'm only 5' 3", but I dance tall. I have tattoos, the most prominent of which is a huge ballerina painting on my arm." We had two long telephone conversations over the weekend, follows is what she said.

"A hip-hop dance class is not hip-hop. Hip-hop started out as this spontaneous thing that became this mass-produced marketed thing.

"Eveoke is pretty special. It's catered to less mainstream hip-hop and more to intention-based movement. We get a wide variety of people. I have boys who are 10 and 11. They're awesome. They have a single mother who takes them around. I have physical therapists who come and take it for fun. I have one older lady who takes it because she wants to get better at learning choreography. And then I have people who are studying hard to be dancers as a profession.

"I was born in San Diego, started dancing when I was four or five. My mom was really cool about putting us in lots of different arts, and we got to choose what we liked. Dancing is what stuck. My father is a computer scientist. I have two sisters, both older.

"I've done ballet, I've done jazz, I love tap, but there's not a lot out there. I've done modern — that's the company I'm in now. I've done hip-hop. I've taken West African. I've taken flamenco. The one thing I haven't taken is ballroom.

"I went to the School of Creative and Performing Arts and studied dance there. And then I was in the Unity Dance Ensemble for seven years. It's one of the most contemporary jazz dance companies in San Diego. Very, very athletic dancing.

"I got into hip-hop when I was a teenager. I started breakdancing when I was 17 or 18, went out with a breakdancing crew and learned from them. There is so much more available now, classes and stuff. There didn't used to be —you just went to the club and tried out your moves and looked around.

"Hip-hop is a way of life for a lot of people. It's a culture, and it's about the music and the relationship between the music and the movement. It comes from inside.

"In ballet there're written rules, and they have lots of names for moves. Hip-hop is different: it's what people come up with, it's your interpretation with a certain swagger or style. When it comes to the dance part, there are certain things — criteria — that get you respect. There's rhythm and having your own individuality or soul. There's also humor. Some dancers don't understand — they'll just dance and throw a bunch of tricks in there. If you don't have the musicality, people who are true hip-hop dancers will know.

"There are a lot of different styles within hip-hop. It started out as B-boying, now more known as breakdancing. But there's so much more because hip-hop is different from person to person. Certain moves became staples. Ballet has classical ballet and Balanchine. There's modern, there's Martha Graham, there's Horton. It's the same with hip-hop.

"Last night, I had a rehearsal for a hiphop show that we're doing at Culture Shock. I dance at Culture Shock as well as Eveoke. We rehearse for four hours, very structured, trying to get one person's style. That's all a hip-hop class is, getting that teacher's style. After rehearsal, I went out to the club and danced. I still dance for fun, after class.

"It's downtown, and it's more underground than the other clubs where girls are in heels. I go in there in my sneakers, and there's always a circle that happens. There's always a battle, and the music is good.

"There's a competition vibe, like a battle zone, but when I go it's less of a battle and more of, 'show us what you got, and we'll appreciate it.' Sometimes I pull out completely clever, witty stuff. Sometimes I get a reaction that surprises me, like last night. Going into the circle, I don't know what I'll do. I just know I don't care about anyone else when I'm out there. I'm not trying to impress. I think that's the biggest thing, when people are going out there trying to impress and worried they'll miss it, they'll miss the moment. It's all about being in the moment."

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Abundance flowed from the Kelly garden boxes this summer. When the first produce was ready to be picked, I licked my lips as I planned a family feast.

We've been chowing down on zucchini, cucumbers, yellow crookneck squash, Hungarian wax peppers, sweet corn, fresh herbs, and eight varieties of heirloom tomatoes, and we've still had plenty to give away.

"It's easy to get the kids to eat their veggies when they've planted, tended, and picked them," Patrick said recently while wiping the juice and seeds of a fresh cherry tomato from the corner of his mouth. "And our grocery bill is lower, too." Ever the bottom-

liner, I countered, "Yeah, but I wonder how much you save after you account for the planting and watering costs...and, of course, the time involved."

That comment didn't even elicit a response. Instead, Patrick said, "I want to keep this garden growing into fall and winter. But the vines were planted so long ago that they're looking sad. And I don't know when I should pull them out and what to plant in their place."

He gave me that think-you-could-findout-for-me? look. I can't resist that look.

"I would not change out most of the summer crops until about September because it is usually too hot for some of the winter crops," said John Hoffman of Grangetto's Farm and Garden Supply in Encinitas (760-944-5777). "In September you can start beets, carrots, celery, lettuce, onions, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, kale, parsley, parsnips. They say peas would probably do pretty well during this time...Swiss chard, turnips, and winter squash. Those are all good winter crops."

And what about my favorite: cucumbers? "Cucumbers are more of a warm-season

crop," Hoffman answered.

I checked cucumbers off the list and asked about tomatoes.

"There are some new tomatoes on the market that you can plant in the fall and they will still produce. The flowers are made to work through the cooler parts of the year. Normal tomatoes won't set flower in the winter as well, so you have a lot less fruit."

Some of these new winter tomatoes: Siberian, stupice, Oregon spring, champion, legend, and taxi.

When should you give up on a plant and start anew? Tiger Palafox, manager at Mission

"I want to keep this garden

growing into fall and winter."

Hills Nursery, explained, "The fruit production becomes less and the size becomes smaller," he offered. "So, after you start to see that, you can think about replacing it. Always amend the soil before replanting."

For those gardens east of the College Area, such as ours, Palafox warned, "Avoid planting peppers, watermelon, cantaloupe, and

spring variety tomatoes. It will be too cold for them. But celery, chard, lettuce [**\$2.99** for a four-inch pot]...all of your leafy vegetables will do well in the winter." For the winter tomatoes, Palafox suggested Oregon spring, Siberian, and glacier.

"The winter tomatoes can be planted now but will need more watering since it is still warm." The first batch of Kelly tomatoes came

with a lot of black rot on the bottom. "It is called blossom end rot," Palafox said, "and it is a calcium deficiency in the soil. It can be cured by a spray called blossom end rot spray. You spray it right on the flower before it sets fruit."

Internet gardening forums are full of questions about blossom end rot. The consensus seems to be that it's a problem that should be taken care of before planting by amending the soil.

> Mildew and mold, Palafox said, are two common enemies of the winter gardener. "Mildew and mold on the foliage comes with a humid environment. You prevent that by keeping the plant from having a lot of inner growth, pruning it, allowing air to flow through the plant,

and not watering in the evening. You should water in the early morning."

Patrick's pumpkins have already been harvested, and he's thinking of a second planting. "You would plant them now for the smaller varieties, like the miniature pumpkins, but if you wanted the larger ones, you should have planted them a month ago."

Palafox's last words on winter gardening: watch out for pests. Even during the cooler months, aphids, caterpillars, snails, and slugs can devastate a garden. Mission Hills sells Neem Oil for the aphids (**\$9.95** for a 24-ounce spray bottle), Spinosad for the caterpillars (**\$10.99** for a 24-ounce spray bottle), and Sluggo for the snails and slugs (a pound for **\$11.99**).

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Under the Wire

Tarantino's feeling for the medium goes far beyond his grasp of movie trivia.

ugust, the customary summer dumping ground, has suddenly yielded the best wide-release mainstream films of the season. And a long, long season it has been: the kickoff, *X-Men Origins: Wolverine*, feels

like another year. Reparation can be only partial. Quentin Tarantino's Inglourious [sic] Basterds

[sic] turns out to be no

MOVIE REVIEW DUNCAN SHEPHERD

sort of remake of Enzo G. Castellari's Dirty Dozen knockoff of 1978, taking from it no more than its risible title and respelling, misspelling, that. (Did he ponder Basturds as possibly funnier?) This, in the pushy mode of Pet Sematary, did not bode well. Nor did the seemingly overbroad and overboard coming-attractions trailer. In full view, it's incontestable that much of the movie, a revisionist revisitation of the French theater of operations in the Second World War, is unapologetically, unsanctimoniously silly. For starters — and it starts right off behind the opening credits with an instrumental rendition of "The Green Leaves of Summer" from John

Wayne's *The Alamo* — the minefield of cinematic allusions is more distracting than rewarding. The hillbillyaccented head of the American commando team, whose Zorro-like signature consists of scalping slain Nazis

and carving inerasable swastikas on the foreheads of survivors, sounds in the mouth of Brad Pitt as if his name

were Aldo Ray (actually Aldo Raine), after the tough-guy actor whose career peak probably came in Anthony Mann's combat film, Men in War. A local Jewish recruit of the team is called Hugo Stiglitz, after the stalwart of grade-Z Mexican cinema. Another, posing as an Italian, assumes the name of Antonio Margheriti, Euro-trash filmmaker under the pseudonym of Anthony Dawson. And if it's not silly enough already to cast Mike Myers (alias Austin Powers) as the British espionage mastermind, his character has been christened Ed Fenech after the Italian sex bomb of the Seventies, Edwige Fenech. Frankly I was so distracted at that



point that I failed to recognize old Rod Taylor — where has *he* been keeping himself? — behind the cigar of Winston Churchill. You could spend all day tracking down these allusions, and then where would you be? What does it avail you to apprehend the random surname of Ulmer or Wicki? Knowledge of Pabst and Riefenstahl, names posted on the marquee of a wartime Parisian movie palace, will be more beneficial, germane as they are to the general context, but even that knowledge won't take you far. The thing to do, before moving on, is simply to admit that the allusions come from so many directions, so many sources, as to keep you off balance, in a state of high alert, and at a distinct disadvantage.

The revising of history gives you

much more to chew on. Dramatic license, or poetic license if you prefer, has long sanctioned the rewriting of known facts for purposes of entertainment. John Ford could feel free in re-enacting the shootout at the O.K. Corral to kill off not just Ike Clanton but Doc Holliday in the bargain. Not, though, with total impunity. Even when the facts are known only to the few, an occasional



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stickler for accuracy can be counted on to raise an outcry, and you need no extraordinary expertise to realize that Tarantino has played fast and loose with the facts of how and when the Third Reich fell, has indeed set sail into a parallel universe. The size of the falsification (a Big Lie about the foremost perpetrator of the Big Lie) is the difference between just another sneaky Hollywood falsification and a brazen joke on all such falsifications. It perhaps goes without saying, but to be on the safe side let's say it anyway, that Tarantino's treatment of Nazis is not motivated by any sense of horror and outrage (never mind sanctimony) over the philosophy of Aryan supremacy, the death camps, and so on, much less by any desire to "understand," but solely by the need of a universally acceptable villain. And in the spotlit performance of Christoph Waltz, the filmmaker has added to the cinematic gallery a memorable yet perfectly stereotypical Nazi, the gentlemanly, smiling, menacing, intimidating, unrelenting S.S. sadist, nicknamed the Jew Hunter. (Tarantino's Hitler, Martin Wuttke, may be presumed to be a deliberately bad lookalike.) There are so few groups and types anymore who, without giving rise to anti-defamation protests from some quarter, can serve as acceptable villains - the new District 9 demonstrates than even alien invaders are no longer reliable in that respect, are now equatable with downtrodden victims of discrimination — and surely the scalping proclivity of the good guys here constitutes a backhanded salute to one such passé group. Tarantino wants to do nothing more to Nazis, nothing worse, than to conventionalize them, fictionalize them. Knowingly nudging his depiction beyond the silly and into the campy, he lures you onto the battlefield of aesthetics, safely away from politics. Once there, he's got you where he wants you. Where his movie can better repel attack.

In the end Inglourious Basterds stands as arguably his best-made movie to date. The argument is well on its way to settled in the very first scene, a twenty-minute crescendo of tension when our S.S. officer drops in unannounced on a French dairy farmer harboring a family of Jews, a straightfaced suspense sequence with but a couple of cracks in the demeanor (the mid-conversation switch from subtitled French to English, and the Nazi's 'rabbit-out-of-a-hat materialization of a Sherlock Holmesian meerschaum • pipe). Only a tiny amount of the ten-



sion arises from our wondering how long the entrance of Brad Pitt can be put off. Scene after scene thereafter is meticulously shaped and timed (not to mention gleamingly photographed by Robert Richardson), adding up to the least taxing two-and-a-half-hour movie of the several this summer. Clearly Tarantino's feeling for the medium goes far beyond his grasp of movie trivia. No small part of that feeling for movies is his feeling that they ought to be fun, a lark, a hoot. (He has always had leanings, in different degrees of acuteness, toward the Camp sensibility, more precisely Low Camp, the squealing delight in someone else's idea of tripe.) His feeling has perhaps never before been so easy to share. While he is serious where it counts — the architectonic solidity, the painstaking precision, the creative flair, of the camera angles and compositions - he is also funny wherever he chooses, picking his spots and racking up an impressive ratio of successes to attempts. Pitt, who fully showed off his comic capabilities in the Coen brothers' Burn after Reading, does more than his part to keep the batting average high, even though he's absent from the screen for lengthy stretches. His undercover utterances in Italian, after his boasts of fluency in the language, are much more than clean hits. They're home runs.

Hayao Miyazaki's Ponyo, distributed by Disney and dubbed in English by the likes of Tina Fey, Liam Neeson, Cate Blanchett, Matt Damon, Noah Cyrus (little sister of Miley), and Frankie Jonas (little brother of the Ionas Brothers), further postpones his announced retirement three feature films ago, and appears to reverse the slippage of his hand-drawn purism into corner-cutting computer animation, reverting to a simpler, less congested style than that of Spirited Away and even more Howl's Moving Castle. I myself might have been quicker and louder to acclaim him the prince of contemporary animators if I liked his drawing better — the doll-like Little Lulu faces in particular — and if his motion lacked a little less in fluidity. Granted the compensations are several and plenty: the imagination, the magic, the dream logic, the mundane minutiae, the sensitivity to nature. That last property is immediately on display with the plunge into a teeming underwater world dominated at first by jellyfish and soon turning up a school of human-headed wigglies identified eventually as goldfish, one of whom nurses an overwhelming urge to become head-to-toe human (which means, high on the list, to eat ham) and to escape the dominion of her inexplicably humanoid father, a redhaired, striped-coated androgynous submarine captain with raccoonish dark circles around his eyes: "If you could only remain innocent and pure forever." Some lip service gets paid to the precarious ecological balance, but no narrative developments quite live up to the apocalyptic rhetoric. The threat level never climbs above Elevated, never darkens from Yellow to Orange or Red. A modest fairy tale of personal liberation (fashioned loosely after The Little Mermaid of Hans Christian Andersen), with its ambiguous father figures and idealized mothers, proves nevertheless to be compelling enough on its own; and the sustained climax rises sufficiently high with the coming of a typhoon, the slanting rain and bending wind, the swelling whalelike waves, the flooding of a landscape we have come to know well, the navigating of the roads by fish in place of cars, and the presto-change-o transformation of a toy boat into a serviceable little puttputt to navigate the surface. The action goes on a good ways past what I am calling the climax, if indeed it is the climax, and into the calming influence of a giant sea goddess with undulating seaweedy hair. It is encouraging to see a children's cartoon which, in contrast to the poke-in-the-eye 3-D ones of earlier this summer, relies on the weapons of charm and delicacy and lyricism, and feels no compulsion to pump up the volume, maximize the peril, prolong the agony, squeeze out every last drop of juice, perspiration, blood. It is no less encouraging to observe and to report that the children around me seemed rapt.

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Adam — Asperger's romance (and high

Ponyo

time, too, after Tourette's, Alzheimer's, etc., have had a whirl at romance) about a so cially handicapped astronomy buff and his pretty upstairs new neighbor, an aspiring children's writer, in a New York apartment house. Hugh Dancy and Rose Byrne, the afflicted and the normal respectively, play their parts with tremendous detail and concentration, and even though Dancy's details are the more ostentatious (the blindman's lack of eye contact, the panic attacks, the tantrums, the nonstop spiels), Byrne more than holds her own through ordinary human warmth and engagement. It's a standoff as well in suppression of native accents, English and Australian, his and hers. The romantic element is not too gooey, notwithstanding the do-it-yourself home planetarium or the raccoon communion in Central Park, and is helpfully counterbalanced by some prosaic family business (Peter Gallagher, Amy Irving, as Byrne's concerned parents). Beautiful atmospheric drifty snowfall at, or just prior to, the climax. Written and directed by Max Mayer. 2009

★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 8/21; HILLCREST CIN-EMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Bandslam — Squeaky-clean teen musical culminating in a battle of the high-school rock bands. The music competition proves to be a bit less intense and thorny than the romantic competition, but nothing, either way, that can't be smoothed out amicably by the final curtain. In the hands of director Todd Graff and in the faces and bodies chiefly of Gaelan Connell, Aly Michalka, Vanessa Hudgens, Ryan Donowho, Elvy Yost (not so much, as virtually the only visible parent, Lisa Kudrow), the presentation has pep and pluck and all the candor of yearbook portraits, a pleasant and impenetrable illusion. 2009.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; DEL MAR HIGH LANDS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; TOWN SOUARE 14)

Brüno — A reteaming of the star and director of Borat, Sacha Baron Cohen and Larry Charles respectively, to peddle the

same or a similar shtick in a different persona: a different funny accent, different funny wardrobe, different funny hairdo. The shtick, should you need to be reminded, is to inflict the persona on unsuspecting innocents untipped that it's a disguise; and the persona on this occasion is a flaming homosexual fashionista (and oxymoronic fascist) out of Austria, dismissed as host of the Funkyzeit TV show after a public faux pas on a Milan catwalk in a Velcro suit, determined now to start afresh in the U.S. The first and foremost point to be made is that the film is not a mockumentary in the manner of Borat, slightly slicker than it in technique. Most of the time, there is no excuse for a camera to be present, as there was for the Kazakhstan journalist on his journey across America. (Very much a secondary and subordinate point would be that the stereotype of the Third World boor was at least somewhat novel, whereas the stereotype of the Euro swish is no more than yellowed comic book.) There is, in consequence, a precipitous drop in opportunities to ensnare unsuspecting innocents and a steep rise in staged scenes with undeclared actors, thus narrowing the gap - not all that wide to begin with - between the guerrilla comedy of Cohen and the mainstream gonzo comedy of a Ferrell, a Stiller. To be able to believe, or partly believe, or almost believe, in the "reality" of a scene, turns out to be vital to Cohen's identity and individuality. Without it, the guerrilla is shooting blanks. 2009. • (GASLAMP 15)

Casi Divas — Mexican musical comedy by Issa Lopez, centered around a nationwide talent hunt, with Patricia Llaca, Julio Bracho, Maya Zapata, and Ana Layevska. (MISSION VALLEY 7, 8/21 THROUGH 27)

Cold Souls — Paul Giamatti plays an alternative version of himself in a comedyfantasy written and directed by Sophie Barthes.

(HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 8/21)

The Cove — Call-to-action documentary by Louie Psihoyos, rather like a magnified detail from The End of the Line, a tight focus on a "little town with a really big secret," the Japanese fishing port of Taiji, where an estimated twenty-three thousand dolphins and porpoises are covertly slaughtered every year. Upon his return from there, Psihoyos has pictures of the blood-red water to prove it. His chief guide and ally in this endeavor is Ric O'Barry, the one-time dolphin trainer on the Flipper TV series in the Sixties, who flipped (if you will) when the aquatic star of the show, real name Kathy, committed "suicide." In large part the film is composed of standard talking-heads sermonettes, but it also records the hugger-mugger "mission" of an Ocean's Eleven commando team in the field: high-def video cameras concealed in fake rocks, and so forth. The operation, for all its justifiable paranoia, doesn't approach the pitch of excitement we would expect of a fictional thriller. But if it is not quite tense, at least it's present-tense. 2009. ★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

District 9 — Neo-apartheid in South Africa: a million ghettoized extraterrestrials from a stalled spacecraft over Johannesburg. The documentary affectations, discontinued at convenience, make it seem initially a joke rather than a reality. And not a funny joke, either. The aliens — pejorative as well as descriptive term, "prawns" — are well visualized, and the *Fly*-like metamorphosis of a human into a partial prawn achieves a high degree of disgustingness. With Sharlto Copley, David James, Nathalie Boltt, and Vanessa Haywood; directed by Neill Blomkamp. 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; TOWN SOUARE 14)

500 Days of Summer — Chronicle of the relationship of a young couple brought together at the office, a greeting-card company, through their shared taste for the music of the Smiths, among other things: "She likes Magritte and Hopper!" It is a maddeningly mixed experience, beginning (and continuing) with the two leads. A dimply Joseph Gordon-Levitt, often a tortured soul on screen (Mysterious Skin, Brick, The Lookout, etc.), proves himself capable of being a real charmer, a chick-flick dreamboat who believes wholeheartedly in the preordained One-and-Only and who deserves better than his halfhearted object of desire: "There's no such thing as love. It's fantasy." As the latter — Summer is her name, 500 days her shelf life — Zooey Deschanel is by contrast her usual saucer-eyed, spacey, sedated, affectless self, some of which may be ascribed to the character, but most of which must be ascribed to the actress, and all of which tends to signal and soften the bumps in the road, the body blows. ("You should know up front," intones the off-and-on

omniscient narrator, "that this is not a love story.") The main gimmick of the film, the directorial debut of Marc Webb, is not just its nonlinear narrative but its advance identification of each and every scene by its placement on the timeline (Day 488... 1. 299...), something like an Alain Resnais film with a road map and rounded edges. The resulting juxtaposition of discordant moods, often for facile comic effect, is no longer fresh, yet forever ageless. Bits of cleverness, plentiful enough, are balanced equally by bits of cutesiness. 2009. ★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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

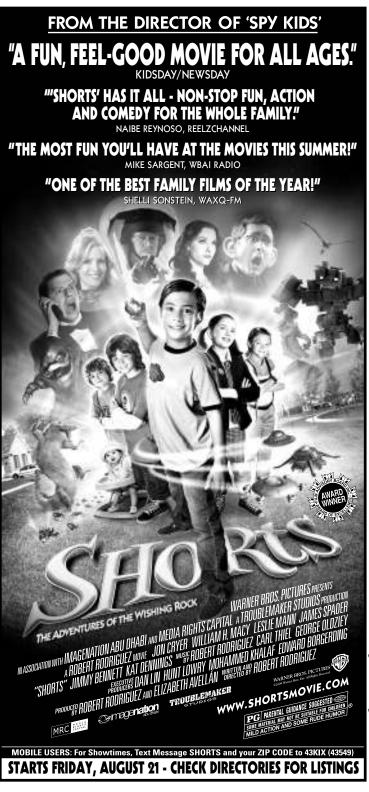
obesity, avoids the easy temptation to turn stomachs, maintains the whole while a calm and rational tone, and wraps things up with Springsteen's rendition of "This Land Is Your Land." All in all, a useful introduction or summary, depending on your initial level of awareness. 2009. ★★ (GASLAMP 15; LA PALOMA, FROM 8/21)

Funny People — A monument of Success Going to One's Head. The head in question belongs to writer-director-producer Judd Apatow, previously of *The 40-Year-Old Vir*gin and Knocked Up, but more widely known as just producer and/or writer, weather vane, fashion plate, brand name, school headmaster. In these capacities he has apparently accumulated sufficient Hollywood capital to command what fairly shrieks of Final Cut (one shudders to imagine a DVD of the Director's Cut, unless it would be the Director's Second-Thoughts Cut), a paceless, desultory, two-and-a-halfhour comedy-drama centered around a terminally ill comedian played by and modelled on Adam Sandler, who hires a

struggling stand-up comic (a slimmer Seth Rogen whose slimness is much commented on) as a joke writer, gofer, and all-purpose companion, and who, upon his miraculous recovery under a program of experimental drugs, tries to reconnect with and reignite a now married Old Flame played by Leslie Mann, Mrs. Apatow in real life. Among the self-indulgences, besides merely the running time, are Memory Lane clips of the young Sandler and Mann, key roles for the two preteen Apatow daughters, a raft of as-themselves celebrity cameos, and more penis references, in a wide variety of synonyms, than you could shake a stick at ---or a sheaf of sticks at. The serious bits at least see to it that there are some laughs in the film, and it's a tribute to Mann that her own serious bits can indeed be taken seriously. She also, at a different time, gets an actual intended laugh when in the course of a marital row she mimics the Aussie accent of her husband (Eric Bana). It may be a credit to Apatow, something less than a tribute to him, that he attempts some difficult and subtle things in human interac-









tions. He manages to make them look more difficult than subtle. With Jonah Hill, Jason Schwartzman, Aubrey Plaza. 2009. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MIS-SION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

G-Force — Computer-animated guinea pigs, with the voices of Nicolas Cage, Penelope Cruz, Sam Rockwell, Steve Buscemi, directed by Hoyt Yeatman. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSS-MONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10) G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra — Like Transformers, this enterprise - this franchise — has put the merchandising first, succeeding as opposed to preceding a line of toys. (Trademark Hasbro.) The movie, opening deflatingly in 17th-century France before advancing to a science-fictional "not too distant future," is a live-action cartoon from the maker of The Mummy and The Mummy Returns, Stephen Sommers, or at any rate is live-action as far as its actors, Channing Tatum, Marlon Wayans, Sienna Miller, Dennis Quaid, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Christopher Eccleston, et al., though the actual action is predominantly computer-generated cartoon, dead and deadening on arrival. It comes to a bitter end when a sequel is pledged: "You know, Duke, this has only just begun." Gulp. 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

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VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard — Write hard, direct hard, act hard. Laugh light, if at all. Neal Brennan's high-pressure capitalist satire, on a travelling team of mercenary car salesmen summoned to Temecula for a Fourth-of-July blowout, takes continual leave of sense and senses in pursuit of jokes. With Jeremy Piven, Ving Rhames, David Koechner, Kathryn Hahn, Jordana Spiro, Ed Helms, James Brolin, and a cameo (or three) for co-producer Will Ferrell. 2009. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MAR-KETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROM-ENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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. (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA PALOMA; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood

Prince — Part VI — Pot VI — comes close to a complete cheat. The once child actors, children no more, are developing faster



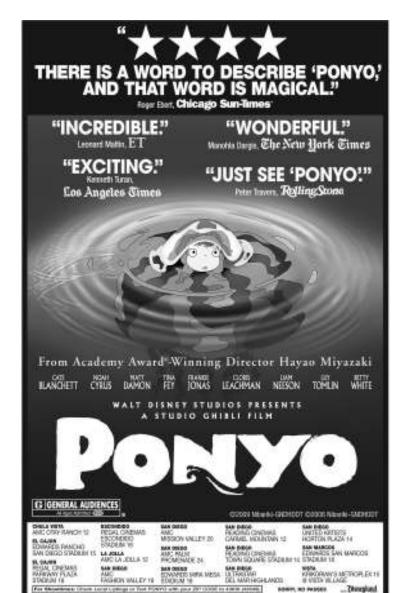
Bandslam



For Theatres and Showtimes: Check Local Listings or Text XGAMES with your zip code to 43KIX (43549). Sorry, no passes. crowded out by assorted amorous hankerings among Hogwarts classmates. (Those broomsticks for games of Quidditch are now looking more phallic than at first.) Whatever climax we had built to by the end of episode five, directed as was this one by David Yates, is no longer in evidence, as we begin a new school year with a new guest star in the cast, Jim Broadbent (more or less assuming the prior guest spots of Imelda Staunton and Miranda Richardson) as the faculty's new Potions Master, first introduced in disguise as an overstuffed armchair, a promising shape-shifting gift never glimpsed again. The laden production —

than the story, and indeed the foretold war

with the Dark Lord tends here to be



muggy atmosphere, congested décors, piles of bric-a-brac, oodles of CGI - further gums up the plot machinery, impedes forward progress; and the infrequent action, when it comes, comes out of nowhere and quickly returns thereto. Toward the end, the sustained scene in the cavern does attain a degree of creepiness, not hard to do when you've got a battalion of the mutant offspring of Gollum from Lord of the Rings, and this admittedly is followed by a Major Development. To get to that, however, oughtn't to have required a two-and-a-halfhour running time. If anything, we seem further from a final resolution than we seemed at the finish of the previous episode, with two more still to go. The entire series shapes up as the exemplary opposite of economical storytelling, and the exasperated spectator can but concur with the character who declares at the curtain, "It was all a waste, all of it." Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Michael Gambon, Alan Rickman. 2009. • (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CEN-TER 10: HORTON PLAZA 14: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24: PLAZA BONITA 14: TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Hurt Locker — Fictitious countdown of the final six weeks in the twelvemonth tour of an army bomb squad in Baghdad. The living and working conditions in a color-free wasteland appear perfectly credible, and the quasi-sciencefictional details of the job — the spaceman protective suits, the remote-control bombsniffing robot, the tangle of colored wires, the hide-and-seek triggers - are highly enlightening. And the defusing of bombs the constant prospect of their blowing up in our faces - carries a guaranteed tension, as witness such forerunners as Robert Aldrich's Ten Seconds to Hell or Michael Powell's and Emeric Pressburger's The Small Back Room. The ambush in middesert, outside the squad's normal sphere of operations, is if anything even tenser: more unpredictable, more open to possibilities. Kathryn Bigelow, one of the rare female action directors, dead-set on matching any man in muscle, favors here the combatfootage filmmaking style of jostles and jars to the camera, punchy zooms, whiplashing pans, and a chronic shaky hand, not neces sarily restricted to scenes of combat. This is trendy at best, a tired cliché at worst. (The amplified heartbeat and the slo-mo explosion ought to be put to bed for a rest period of not less than a generation.) She takes a lot of time on the action scenes, or more broadly the tension scenes, and not much time in between, so that the three principals — Jeremy Renner, Anthony Mackie, Brian Geraghty, each of them looking the part — are thin on character, static in development, no more than generic as opposed to individual soldiers. With Guy Pearce, Ralph Fiennes, David Morse. 2008 ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs — A deferral of extinction and a detour to a subterranean tropical paradise, save some rapacious reptiles and a river of molten lava. The intermittent enlivener of the two earlier installments, the obsessive squirrel, is now as tedious as everyone else (in a mating dance, to a Barry White tune, with a bushytailed femme fatale squirrel); and the new character of a one-eyed weasel (voice of Simon Pegg) fails to take up the slack. No more beneficial is the added attraction of 3-D. Extinction can't come soon enough. With the voices of Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, and Queen Latifah; co-directed by Carlos Saldanha and Mike Thurmeier, 2009. • (CHULA VISTA 10; PALM PROMENADE 24;

Indiana Jones and the Temple of

PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10)

Doom — The note of campiness, carried over from the previous Spielberg-Lucas collaboration, is sounded here first thing, and with full Bette Midleresque force: the Paramount logo fades into a bas-relief design on a Chinese gong (joke), and the camera moves over from that to the smoking mouth of a papier-mâché dragon out of which emerges a blond nightclub singer (joke), doing "Anything Goes" (joke) in Chinese (joke) and, at the same time, blocking out a couple of letters of the movie title (joke), as though it were situated behind her on stage instead of superimposed on the screen. This little song-and-dance expands into one of those Busby Berkelevan production numbers (have we wandered into a Mel Brooks movie by mistake?) that shows no respect for the realistic boundaries of the stage nor for the point of view of the live audience. But that's all part of the joke, too. The nightclub brawl and car chase that soon follow are in the outright slapstick vein of Spielberg's 1941, and indeed much of the action to come is built on the chain-reaction principles in force there. The Kate Capshaw character, spoiled, pampered, a constant complainer and frequent

screamer, very much in contrast to the Karen Allen character in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, sees to it that the tone of facetiousness never flags. In that sense, she seems much more the on-screen stand-in for the filmmakers than does the likable (thanks only to Harrison Ford) hero. Indeed, there's a strong temptation to see her as their official proxy, again, in her cupidity and in her xenophobia, or at least parochialism, as regards any lifestyle (read "filmmaking style") that sinks below the comfort-level of the Shanghai Hilton. 1984. ★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 8/22 AND 23, 8:30 P.M.)

Inglourious Basterds — Reviewed this issue. With Brad Pitt, Christoph Waltz,

Mélanie Laurent, Daniel Brühl, and Diane Kruger; written and directed by Quentin Tarantino. ★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA

VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VAL-LEY 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; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 8/21)

In the Loop — Satirical postulation of how the U.S. and the U.K., on idiotic intelligence, came together to wage war in Iraq (unnamed but unmistakable). The actors are real pros, and can well handle the rapidfire dialogue, probably better than the overwhelmed viewer can handle it. The raggedy documentary-style camerawork, on top of it, generates an excess of turbulence. Tom Hollander, Peter Capaldi, Gina McKee, James Gandolfini, Mimi Kennedy, Anna Chlumsky, Chris Addison, David Rasche; directed by Armando Iannucci. 2009. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Julie and Julia — As per its punchy subhead, this is "based on two true stories," parallel stories of feminist self-determina-

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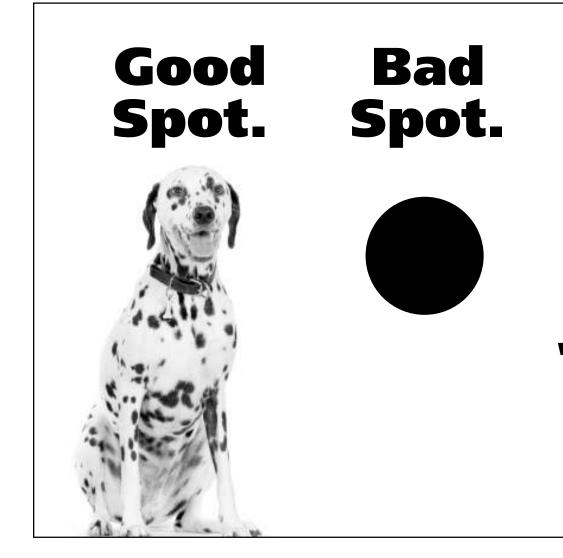
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tion, set half a century apart, then and now. One focuses on Julie Powell, self-made blogger, daily chronicler of a year-long project to cook her way through volume one of Mastering the Art of French Cooking, 365 days, 524 recipes. The other focuses on the American co-author of the aforesaid cookbook, Julia Child. Though each story in turn gets equal time, back and forth, the film suffers from a built-in imbalance. The women, no need to be overly polite about it, are not equal pioneers. The one - the earlier — the pathfinder — was, in her own humorously grandiose phrase, out to "change the world," while the other - the follower — the copier — the coattail rider - was only out to carve herself a niche in the blogosphere and eventually the publishing world. Nor are the players equal. Amy Adams is an agreeable light-comedy actress (not so agreeable a heavier actress), whose Julie has been drastically watered down from the real McCoy, the real Powell, evidently out of primary concern that everyone should like her and every woman identify with her. Meryl Streep, meanwhile, is nothing less than the prima donna of contemporary American cinema; and her Julia, far from a bland Everywoman, is a one-of-a-kind: a stylized self-parodist parodied to perfection, but softened and molded

6 into a rounded, humanized, full-service screen character. We want at all times, not $\hat{\mathbf{S}}$ just half the time, to be with Julia; and we should probably be grateful to writer-direcshould probably be grateful to writer-dire tor Nora Ephron, whose title comes from Powell's blown-up blog but whose source material expanded to encompass Child's autobiography, that we have Julia-slash-Meryl even half the time. It could have been less. Stanley Tucci, Chris Messina, Jane Lvnch. 2009.

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Lorna's Silence — Another dish of gritty naturalism from the Dardenne brothers of Belgium, Jean-Pierre and Luc, zeroing in on an immigration scam in which profit trumps human life. The plot, as noir as they come, is perhaps a tad more complex than the Dardennes are accustomed to or comfortable with. And, in conjunction with their accustomed and comfortable social stratum of constant scramble and barelyscraping-by, it could all have been intolerably bleak and arid if not for the weedy little sprouts of morality and conscience that so readily flourish under the brothers' green thumb. These sprouts, similarly, are perhaps a tad more florid than normal, even while their depiction isn't. Arta Dobroshi, Jérémie Renier, Fabrizio Rongione, Alban Ukaj. 2008

★★ (KEN, THROUGH 8/20)

Moon — Speculation on the anomie of the self-knowing human clone, a reasonable stand-in for the self-knowing human. Written and directed by the British team of Nathan Parker and Duncan Jones respectively, it's a nice little piece of short-storysized 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. ★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 8/21)

Orphan — Adoption nightmare wherein an affluent suburban couple, parents of two children already, immediately replace their stillborn baby with a nine-year-old Russian of cute accent and evil intent. Outside of a committed performance from Vera Farmiga as the troubled mother, it's all very routine until the dilly of a surprise twist, creepily visualized. With Isabelle Fuhrman, Peter Sarsgaard, CCH Pounder, and Margo Martindale: directed by Jaume Collet-Serra, 2009. ★ (GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14)

Paper Heart — Oddball blend of documentary and pseudodocumentary on the subject of love in general and its absence, in particular, from the life of comedienne Charlyne Yi. "It's about I don't believe in love," she sums up the project with characteristic informality and infelicity. This absence might be more puzzling or alarming if the now twenty-three-year-old didn't act like she were twelve and boys were frogs and snails and puppy-dog tails. The on-theroad, man-on-the-street interviews, in spots such as Las Vegas, Nashville, Lubbock, Amarillo, and Oklahoma City, would appear to be authentically documentary albeit triflingly anecdotal (the anecdotes occasionally illustrated with low-tech puppet reenactments). On the other hand, Yi's embryonic relationship with actor Michael

Cera under the ever-present eye of the camera, although almost unbearably realistic in self-consciousness and awkwardness, is never really believable as cinéma vérité. They are good enough actors, or anyhow idiosyncratic enough, to create an illusion of reality; not enough to dispel the illusion. And while they each have their childlike charms, the unpersuasiveness deprives the spectator of a rooting interest. The fix is in. Directed by Nicholas Jasenovec, portrayed on screen by Jake Johnson. 2009 ★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

A Perfect Getaway — A passable timewhiler about a Hawaiian honeymoon spoiled by a pair of psycho killers (Hawaii itself spoiled by unglorious muddy color). There's a trick to it, inasmuch as any thriller these days has to have a trick to it if it's not to be seen as hopelessly elementary and complacent. True to form, the trick entails, in addition to a fair amount of ingenuity, an unfair amount of cheating, as well as a suspension of the suspense, at the moment of revelation after a nice long steady buildup, when the trick is tediously elucidated in flashback. Steve Zahn, Milla Jovovich, Timothy Olyphant, and the curvaceous Kiele Sanchez gamely go through their paces, and writer and director David Twohy rigorously puts them through them. 2009.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

Ponyo — Reviewed this issue. With the voices of Tina Fey, Liam Neeson, Cate Blanchett, Matt Damon, Noah Cyrus, and Frankie Jonas; written and directed by Hayao Miyazaki.

★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; DEL MAR HIGH LANDS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SOUARE 14)

Post Grad — Vicky Jenson's comedy about a young woman (Alexis Bledel) trying to escape her eccentric family, with Zach Gilford, Michael Keaton, Jane Lynch, Carol Burnett.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14: CHULA VISTA 10: FASH-ION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; MIS-SION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12: PALM PROMENADE 24: PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 8/21)

Shorts — Nonlinearity for kids. Aggressively cute, garishly bright family fantasy mashes together, in no particular order, a magical multicolor Wishing Rock, gherkinsized aliens, a giant booger, a telepathic baby, Siamese-twin spouses, among other things. Respectable cast above the tot level: Leslie Mann, Jon Cryer, Kat Dennings, William H. Macy, James Spader. Written, directed, photographed by Robert Rodriguez. 2009.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10: HORTON PLAZA 14: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6: SANTEE DRIVE IN: TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 8/21)

Spread — Narcissistic sexual parasite, tricked out in skinny suspenders and rolledup pant cuffs, inches along the road to selfdiscovery. Slick, almost slimy survey of soulless Los Angeles, and although Ashton Kutcher seems scarily suited to the central role, Anne Heche and Margarita Levieva (among others) fail to illuminate their susceptibility. Directed by David Mackenzie. 2009.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24; THROUGH 8/20)



Thirst — Tortured priest turned tortured vampire: better to suck blood through the plasma tube of a comatose hospital patient than straight from the vein. Slickly done Korean horror film from Chan-wook Park, kinkier even than the vampire norm, but overlong and uneven, with some dopey comic touches at the low end and some serious sex at the high end: a love doubly forbidden, whether with priest or beast. Kangho Song, Ok-vin Kim. 2009. ★ (KEN, 8/21 THROUGH 27)

The Time Traveler's Wife — Lifetime Channel science fiction to do with a passive time-tripper who has no control over his departures or arrivals (leaving behind a pile of clothes and taking with him only his birthday suit) and no power to alter events. One can't be sure that these rules are strictly adhered to. The lifelong love affair that begins with a naked adult man and a six-yearold girl seems to have potential as a metaphor of female loyalty and male inconstancy, but despite the ardent efforts of Rachel McAdams (especially) and Eric Bana, the potential gives way to gloss and goo. Directed by Robert Schwentke. 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 MARKET-PLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VAL LEY 20: OTAY RANCH 12: PALM PROMENADE 24: PLAZA BONITA 14: POWAY 10: RIVER VILLAGE 6: SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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 comedy; 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-manalone" soliloquy). With Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox, Josh Duhamel, Tyrese Gibson, and Ramon Rodriguez; directed by Michael Bay. 2009. (GASLAMP 15)

The Ugly Truth — Cool-blonde control freak and dark hairy caveman (Katherine

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

Heigl, Gerard Butler) in a conflict of philosophies, personalities, and sexualities, behind the scenes at a Sacramento TV morning talk show. The road to the predictable and inevitable is paved with, among other things, a pair of vibrating panties, the remote control in the wrong hands at the wrong time. Hard to imagine Katharine Hepburn or Jean Arthur at that spot in the road. With Bree Turner, Eric Winter, Cheryl Hines, and John Michael Higgins; directed by Robert Luketic. 2009. • (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CEN-TER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIS-SION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MIS-SION VALLEY 20: OTAY RANCH 12: PALM PROMENADE 24: PLAZA BONITA 14)

X Games 3D: The Movie — Sports documentary narrated by Emile Hirsch and directed by Steve Lawrence. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSS-MONT CENTER 10; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14; 8/21 THROUGH 27)

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DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15 701 Fifth Avenue (800-326-3264 #2709) Aliens in the Attic (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:35); Brüno (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2:10) 4:10, 6:15, 8:20, 10:25; **Food**, **Inc.** (PG) Fri. (12:15, 2:30) 4:50 Sat. (11:35a.m.) Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 4:50, 7:00, 9:15; G.I. Joe: The **Rise of Cobra** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:25, 12:05, 12:45, 2:00, 2:40, 3:20) 4:35, 5:15, 5:50, 7:10, 7:50, 8:30, 9:45, 10:25, 11:05 Sun. (11:25, 12:05, 12:45, 2:00, 2:40, 3:20) 4:35, 5:15, 5:50, 7:10, 7:50, 8:30, 9:45, 10:25; The Hangover (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:35, 3:50) 5:05, 6:10, 7:25, 8:25, 9:40, 10:35; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 12:55, 2:05, 3:30) 4:40, 6:05, 7:15, 8:35, 9:50, 10:55 Sun. (11:30, 12:55, 2:05, 3:30) 4:40, 6:05, 7:15, 8:35, 9:50; **Orphan** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:50) 5:20, 7:55, 10:30; **A Perfect Getaway** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:25) 4:45, 6:55, 9:05, 11:15 Sun. (12:00, 2:25) 4:45, 6:55, 9:05; Post Grad (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 1:25, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00 10:10; **The Time Traveler's Wife** (R) Fri. (12:20, 1:00, 2:45, 3:55) 5:10, 6:20, 7:35, 8:40, 10:00, 11:10 Sat. (11:05, 12:20, 1:30, 2:45, 3:55) 5:10, 6:20, 7:35, 8:40, 10:00, 11:10 Sun. (11:05, 12:20, 1:30, 2:45, 3:55) 5:10, 6:20, 7:35, 8:40, 10:00; **Transformer: Revenge of the Fallen** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 3:05) 6:10, 9:10

Horton Plaza 14

Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM) And I Love You So (Not Rated) Fri. (12:30, Diego 3:00, 5:30) 8:00, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Bandslam** (PG) Fri. (1:20, Reader 4:05) Sat.-Sun. (1:20) 4:05; District 9 (R) Fri. (1:15, 1:45, 2:15, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50) 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 9:15, 9:45, 10:20 Sat.-Sun. (1:15, 1:45, August 2:15, 3:50) 4:20, 4:50, 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 9:15, 9:45, 10:20; **Funny People** (R) Fri.-Sat. 7:20, 10:25 Sun. 7:15, 10:25; **G-Force** (PG) Fri. 20 (12:50, 3:00, 5:10) Sat.-Sun. (12:50, 3:00) 5:10; ,2009 The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (R) Fri. (1:40, 4:35) 7:10, 9:25 Sat.-Sun, (1:40) 4:35 7:10, 9:25; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Ņ

Prince (PG) Fri.-Sun. 6:45, 10:00; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri. (1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:15, 4:45, 5:15) 7:30, 8:15, 9:00, 10:45 Sat.-Sun. (1:00, 1:30, 2:00) 4:15, 4:45, 5:15, 7:30, 8:15, 9:00, 10:45; **Ponyo** (G) Fri. (1:30, 4:25) 7:05, 9:30 Sat.-Sun. (1:30) 4:25, 7:05, 9:30; **Shorts** (PG) Fri. (1:05, 3:15, 5:25) 7:40, 9:55 Sat-Sun. (1:05, 3:15) 5:25, 7:40, 9:55 **The Ugy Truth** (R) Fri. (1:35, 4:30) 7:10, 9:40 Sat-Sun. (1:35) 4:30, 7:10, 9:40; X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated) Fri. (1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:35, 9:50 Sat. Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:20, 7:35, 9:50

KENSINGTON

Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236) Lorna's Silence (R); Thirst (Not Rated)

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) Bandslam (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:10a.m.); District 9 (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:20) 2:15, 5:10, 8:00, 10:45 Sun. (11:20) 2:10, 5:00, 7:50, 10:30; 500 Days of Summer (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:20, 2:45, 5:20, 7:45, 10:15 Sun, 12:20, 2:45, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10; G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:00) 1:55, 4:40, 7:30, 10:25 Sun. (11:00) 1:55, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20; The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:45) 2:20, 4:55, 7:20, 9:50; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:30) 12:15, 3:00, 3:45, 6:30, 7:15, 9:55, 10:40 Sun. (11:30) 12:15, 3:00, 3:45, 6:30, 7:15, 9:55; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:30) 1:25, 4:25, 7:35, 10:30 Sun. (10:30) 1:25, 4:25, 7:35, 10:25; Ponvo (G) Fri.-Sun. (10:50) 1:35, 4:10. 6:50, 9:30; Post Grad (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:35) 12:50, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:20 Sun. (10:35) 12:50, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:15; **Shorts** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:40) 2:05, 4:20, 6:45, 9:25; The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:45) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; The Ugly Truth (R) Fri.-Sun 2:00, 4:30, 7:05, 9:40

La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236) Adam (PG-13) Fri. (2:15, 4:40) 7:15, 9:40 Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 2:15, 4:40, 7:15, 9:40; The Cove (PG-13) Fri. (2:45) 9:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:15) 2:45, 9:30: In the Loop (Not Rated) Fri. (2:00, 4:30) 7:00 Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00; Moon (R) Fri. (2:30, 4:50) 7:30, 9:50 Sat.-Sun. (12:00) 2:30, 4:50, 7:30, 9:50; Paper Heart (PG-13) Fri. (5:00) 7:45, 10:00 Sat.-Sun. 5:00, 7:45, 10:00

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (800-326-3264) Call theater for program information.

MISSION HILLS

Cinema under the Stars 4040 Goldfinch Street (619-295-4221) Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom (PG)

MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18 7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)

Bandslam (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:05) 1:40; District 9 (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:20) 12:20, 2:00, 3:05, 4:45, 5:45, 7:30, 8:30, 10:15, 11:15 Sun. (11:20) 12:20, 2:05, 3:05, 4:45, 5:45, 7:25, 8:30, 10:05; Funny People (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:05, 7:15, 10:30 Sun. 4:05, 7:15, 10:25; **G-Force** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:30) 1:50; **G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:40) 2:25, 5:20, 8:10, 10:55 Sun. (10:55) 1:45, 4:35, 7:30, 10:25; **The** Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00) 1:15, 3:35, 5:50, 8:05, 10:40 Sun (11:00) 1:15, 3:35, 5:50, 8:05, 10:35; The Hangover (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:10) 12:35, 3:00, 5:25 7:55, 10:45 Sun. (10:10) 12:35, 3:00, 5:25, 7:55 10:30; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood **Prince** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:55) 3:15, 6:35, 9:50 Sun. (11:35) 3:10, 6:30, 9:50; **Inglourious Bas**terds (R) Fri.-Sat. (9:45) 12:05, 1:00, 3:30, 4:30, 7:00, 8:00, 10:25, 11:30 Sun. (11:55) 1:00, 3:30, 4:30, 7:00, 8:00, 10:20; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:50) 2:35, 4:20, 5:30, 7:10, 8:20, 10.05, 11.10 Sun (11.50) 2.35, 4.20, 5.30, 7.10, 8:20, 9:55; Ponyo (G) Fri.-Sat. (9:50) 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:20 Sun. (9:45) 12:15, 2:40, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00; **Post Grad** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:15) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40, 11:50 Sun. (10:15) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:35; **Shorts** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (9:45) 12:00, 2:15, 4:40, 7:05, 9:30, 11:40 Sun. (9:50) 12:05, 2:30, 4:50, 7:05, 9:30; The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:45, 11:45) 1:20, 2:20, 4:00, 5:05, 6:40, 7:45, 9:20, 10:35, 11:55 Fri.-Sat. (11:45) 2:20, 5:05, 7:45, 10:35 Sun. (10:45, 11:45) 1:20, 2:20, 4:00, 5:10, 6:40, 7:40, 9:15, 10:15 Sun, (11:45) 2:20, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15; The Ugly Truth (R) Fri.-Sun (10:05) 12:25, 2:50, 5:15, 7:50, 10:10; X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. (9:55) 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10, 9:25, 11:45 Sun. (10:00)

Mission Valley 7

12:10, 2:25, 4:55, 7:10, 9:20

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)



Inglourious Basterds (R) (12:00 3:45) 7:00 10:15; Casi Divas (N/R) (10:30 1:00 3:30) 6:00 8:30 10:45; District 9 (R) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:30; The Time Traveler's Wife (PG-13) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; Bandslam (PG-13) (10:00 3:00); G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG) (10:45 1:30) 4:30 7:15 10:15; Julie and Julia (PG) (11:00 1:45) 4:45 7:30 10:15; The Ugly Truth (R) (12:30) 5:30 8:00 10:30; No 5:30 Thu.; No 8:00 Sat. & Thu.; My Little Pony: A Very Pony Place (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun, only

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) Bandslam (PG) Fri.-Sun. 12:10p.m.; District 9 (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 11:45) 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 9:20, 10:05, 10:50, 12:00 Sun. (11:00, 11:45) 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 9:20, 10:05; Funny People (R) Fri.-Sun. 6:50, 10:00; G-Force (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:55) 2:15, 4:40; G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:50) 12:55, 1:35, 3:50, 4:35, 6:40, 7:25, 9:30, 10:15, 11:50 Sun. (10:50) 12:55, 1:35, 3:50 4:35, 6:40, 7:25, 9:30, 10:15; The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (R) Fri.-Sat. 12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:05, 9:25, 11:45 Sun. 12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:05, 9:25; The Hangover (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:50) 2:25, 4:55, 7:20, 9:50, 11:55 Sun. (11:50) 2:25, 4:55, 7:20, 9:50; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:30) 3:15, 6:45, 10:15; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:20) 12:05, 12:50, 2:45, 3:30, 4:15, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 9:45, 10:30, 11:15 Sun. (11:20) 12:05, 12:50, 2:45, 3:30, 4:15, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 9:45, 10:30; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:20; **Ponyo** (G) Fri.-Sat. 12:25, 2:55, 5:25, 7:55, 10:35 Sun. 12:25, 2:55, 5:25, 7:55, 10:30; **Post Grad** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45) 12:55, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; **Shorts** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:55) 1:10, 3:25, 5:45, 8:05, 10:25; The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15) 1:05, 1:50, 3:40, 4:25, 6:25, 7:10, 9:10, 10:00; **The Ugly Truth** (R) Fri.-Sun. 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40; X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. (10:30) 12:45, 3:05, 5:20, 7:35, 9:55, 12:05 Sun. (10:30) 12:45, 3:05, 5:20, 7:35,

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas 3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) Adam; Cold Souls; 500 Days of Summer; The Hurt Locker

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center 1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) Adventures in Wild California (Not Rated) Fri. 2:00, 8:00 Sat.-Sun. 2:00p.m.; Journey into Amazing Caves (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 4:00, Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 4:00, 6:00; Under 6.00 Sat the Sea (G) Fri.-Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00,

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) Bandslam (PG) Fri.-Sun. (2:40) 7:50; District 9 (R) Fri. (12:10, 1:00, 2:50, 4:00, 5:30) 6:50 8:10, 9:50, 10:50 Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 1:00, 2:50) 4:00, 5:30, 6:50, 8:10, 9:50, 10:50; 500 Days of Summer (PG-13) Fri. (12:30, 2:45, 5:00) 7:15, 9:50 Sat.-Sun. (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:50 Funny People (R) Fri.-Sun. 9:25p.m.; G-Force (PG) Fri. (12:05, 2:15, 4:35) 6:55 Sat.-Sut (12:05, 2:15) 4:35, 6:55; G.I. Joe: The Rise of

Cobra (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50) 3:50, 6:40 9:20; The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (R) Fri. (12:20, 2:30, 4:45) 7:20, 9:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 2:30) 4:45, 7:20, 9:30; The Hangover (R) Fri. (4:05) 9:25 Sat.-Sun. 4:05, 9:25; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 3:30) 6:50, 10:10; **Inglourious Basterds** (R) Fri. (12:20, 1:10, 3:40, 4:40) 7:00, 8:20, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 1:10, 3:40) 4:40. 7:00, 8:20, 10:30; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:55) 7:05, 10:15; **A Perfect** Getaway (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:30p.m.; Ponyo (G) Fri. 8:05, 10:35, (12:35, 5:35) 3:05 Sat.-Sur (12:35) 3:05, 5:35, 8:05, 10:35; **Post Grad** (PG-13) Fri. 7:40, 10:00, (12:30, 5:10) 3:00 Sat.-Sun. (12:30) 3:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00; **The Proposal** (PG-13) Fri. (12:25, 3:00, 5:30) 8:00 Sat.-Sun. (12:25, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Shorts** (PG) Fri. (12:15, 2:40, 5:00) 7:20, 10:10 Sat.-Sun (12:15, 2:40) 5:00, 7:20, 10:10; **The Time Trav**eler's Wife (R) Fri. (12:00, 1:05, 2:35, 5:10) 6:45, 7:40, 10:20 Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 1:05, 2:35) 5:10, 6:45, 7:40, 10:20; The Ugly Truth (R) Fri. (12:15, 5:15) 10:25 Sat.-Sun. (12:15) 5:15, 10:25: X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated) Fri. (12:00, 2:20, 4:50) 7:10, 9:40 Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20) 4:50, 7:10, 9:40

LA MESA

Grossmont Center 10

5500 Gross nt Center Drive (800-326-3264 (#2710)

District 9 (R) Fri - Sun (11:40 12:40 3:10) 5:40, 7:05, 8:10, 9:40, 10:40; **G-Force** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:55, 1:00, 3:05) 5:10; G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:50, 10:30; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri.-Sun. 7:15, 10:25; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:20 3:40) 7:00, 10:20; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:10; **Shorts** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9.55: The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri -Sun (11:50, 12:55, 2:20, 3:25) 4:50, 5:50, 7:20, 8:20, 9:45, 10:45; **The Ugly Truth** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:15) 4:35; **X Games 3D: The Movie** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00,

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264) **Bandslam** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 3:05); **Dis**trict **9** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 12:45, 2:55, 3:50) 7:20, 7:55, 10:00, 10:40; **Funny People** (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:05, 10:25; **G-Force** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 3:00); G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:05, 3:55) 6:40, 9:30; The **Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 7:40, 9:55; **The Hangover** (R) Fri.-Sun. 8:00, 10:30; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 3:25) 6:50, 10:15; **Inglourious Basterds** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 12:30, 3:20, 4:00) 7:00, 7:30, 10:20, 10:45: Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri -Sun (1:00, 4:10) 7:10, 10:05; A Perfect Getaway (R) Fri.-Sun. (3:35) 9:45; Ponyo (G) Fri.-Sun

(12:40, 3:15) 6:45, 9:35; Shorts (PG) Fri (12:10, 2:45, 5:05) 7:25, 9:50 Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 2:45) 5:05, 7:25, 9:50; The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 3:30) 7:35, 10:35; The Ugly Truth (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:55) 7:15; X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated) Fri. (12:05, 2:40, 5:00) 7:45, 10:10 Sat.-Sun. (12:05, 2:40) 5:00, 7:45, 10:10

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13); The Hangover (R); Shorts (PG); The Time Traveler's Wife (R)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10 Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)



X-Games 3D (PG) (11:30 1:45 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Inglourious Basterds** (R) (12:00 3:45) 7:00 10:15; **Shorts** (PG) (12:30 2:45) 5:15 7:30 9:45; District 9 (R) (11:15 2:00) 5:00 6:00 7:45 9:00 10:30; The Time Traveler's Wife (PG-13) (12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **G-Force** (G) (12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:15; **Ice Age: Dawn of** the Dinosaurs (PG) (11:00 1:15 3:30); G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG) (11:00 11:45 1:45 2:30) 4:30 5:15 7:15 8:00 10:00 10:45; **My** Little Pony: A Very Pony Place (G) 10:30 am

Otay Ranch 12

Eastlake Parkway at Olympic (858-558-2262) Bandslam (PG) Fri.-Sun. 2:20, 5:20; District 9 (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:50) 2:25, 5:00, 7:35, 10:15; G-Force (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:55) 2:30, 4:50, 7:20 Sun. 12:50, 3:05, 5:15, 7:40; G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00) 1:45, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 11:30) 12:40, 3:00, 4:00, 6:30, 7:15, 8:20 9:50, 10:30; **Julie and Julia** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:35) 1:30, 4:25, 7:10, 10:05 Sun. 1:30, 4:25, 7:10, 10:05; **Ponyo** (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:05, 9:30; Post Grad (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:55) 1:20, 3:40, 5:55, 8:10, 10:25; **Shorts** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:40) 12:55, 3:15, 5:40, 7:55, 10:10; The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:15) 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 10:00 Sun, (10:35) 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 10:00; The Ugly Truth (R) Fri.-Sun. 9:45p.m.; X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (10:50) 1:10, 3:35, 5:50, 8.05.10.20



Palm Promenade 24 770 Dennery Road (858-558-2262) Bandslam; District 9; 500 Days of Summer; Funny People; G-Force; G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra; The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard; The Hangover; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince; Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs; Inglourious Basterds; Julie and Julia; Orphan; Ponyo; Post Grad; Shorts; Spread; The Time Traveler's Wife; The Ugly Truth; X Games 3D: The Movie

Rancho Del Rey 16 *East H Street (619-216-4707)* Call theater for program information.

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In 2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)

Call theater for program information.

NATIONAL CITY

Plaza Bonita 14 3030 Plaza Bonita Road (858-558-2262) Bandslam (PG); District 9 (R); G-Force (PG); G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG-13); The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (R); Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG); Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs $(\mathrm{PG});$ Inglourious Basterds (R); Julie and Julia (PG-13); Orphan (R); Post Grad (PG-13); Shorts (PG); The Time Traveler's Wife (R); The Ugly Truth (R); X Games 3D: The Movie (Not Rated)

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2:30, 4:20, 5:10) 6:40, 7:15, 7:50, 9:15, 9:50, 10:30; **G-Force** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:05) 7:25, 9:45; **G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15; **The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard** (R) Fri -Sun (10.40, 1.00, 3.15, 5.35) 8.00. 10:20; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:00, 12:20, 1:10, 3:40, 4:30) 7:00, 7:55, 10:20, 11:10 Sun. (10:00, 12:20, 1:10, 3:40, 4:30) 7:00, 7:55, 10:20; Julie and Julia (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:25, 1:15, 4:10) 7:05, 10:00; **Ponyo** (G) Fri. Sun. (11:45, 2:25, 5:00) 7:35, 10:05; Post Grad (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15) 7:30, 9:50; Shorts (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:30, 2:50, 5:05) 7:20, 9:35; The Time Traveler's Wife (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 1:45, 2:35, 4:25, 5:10) 7:10, 7:45, 10:20; **The Ugly Truth** (R)

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by Barbarella

When something itches, my dear sir, the natural tendency is to scratch.

— Dr. Brubaker in The Seven Year Itch

relationship decisions.)

Even though I knew the

it was based on some fiction-

al character's fictional statis-

tics - I couldn't stop think-

ing about it. When someone

imprudent, is to take a big ol'

whiff. So it was that I found

I'd never been in a posi-

tion to experience the conse-

myself questioning every

detail of my bond with

David.

warns of a rank odor, the

human response, however

re you getting itchy?" I asked. "Why, are you?" David countered.

"Hey, that's not an answer," I said, slapping my man on the arm to let him know I was serious...sort of. As our seventh anniversary approaches, I've been concerned about this whole "seven year itch," that wandering-eye malady that entered our vernacular by way of a Marilyn Monroe movie made back when my parents were babies. The idea is that after seven years with the same partner, a man's urge to stray wells up within him, often leading to bad behavior. (Apparently, in the '50s, no woman would be so crass as to allow her genitals to make

"When your partner is always distracted, not paying much attention to you, no longer sexy, overly serious, naggy..."

DIARY OF A DIVA

Seven Year Itch

quences of a long-term relationship — before I met David, my longest romantic affair had lasted five months, and I'd never referred to any guy as my "boyfriend." I've never been in love with anyone else, and therefore never have I been in the situation, as David has, of feeling one's love for another diminish over time.

I've seen how people can grow apart — I've known adulterers and the miserably married, the latter of which is the suckier position. At least when dealing with adultery, the situation is comprehensible in that there is an identifiable perpetrator upon whom a good amount of the blame may be laid — the one who does the cheating is evil. But how do people deal when the spark fizzles? When there is no good or bad in the equation, just "it's there" or "it's not there"?

I asked David what it was like to fall out of love. "It's the natural progression of maturing," he explained. "Nobody when they get older acts like they did when they were 18. People who were once fun, wild, and carefree become serious grown-ups. It's like a fire burning down to embers and then dying out. It doesn't always happen — some people are able to remain in love despite their changes — but often people wake up one morning to realize, 'Maybe we're friends, but not much more than that.'"

"Okay, we agree that we're still in love, right?" I asked, then giggled to make it seem as if I knew the answer was yes, even though a part of me feared it might not be.

"Of course we are," said David, narrowing his eyes as if that would help him to get a better look inside my head.

"Right, of course," I said, with no small amount of relief. "So, what I'm saying is, why don't we have the itch? Why do other people get it? Why did you get it before but not now?"

David sat forward in his chair and silently pondered my questions. Before he could answer, I said, "Well, I accept not everyone gets the itch...you know, think of the 'couples." Every so often, David and I take a moment, while on a walk or sharing a glass of wine, to name those people we know to be in healthy, happy, and thus inspiring long-term relationships. The list always includes John and Sue (friends of my family), Susan and Diane (my aunts), and most recently Tom and Beth (friends). "So, why do they work out? Because they change together instead of change apart?" I furrowed my brow and sat back, an indication that I was finally ready to shut up and hear David's thoughts on the matter.

"It could be a lot of things," David said, again going silent for a moment because, unlike me, he thinks before he speaks. "For example, when people are dating, they're having fun together — going out for dinner, dancing, wooing each other. After being together for a while, people fall into a routine. I've heard people say, 'Oh sure, everyone's like that at first — it's expected. But I could never keep up that level of charm.'"

"People don't feel like they have to work for what they've already got," I said.

"Exactly," David said. "People get into a rut. They become bored with each other. Then there are life-changing transitions, like having children. It's fine if both parties enjoy the transition to parenthood, but instead of embracing parenthood, some people just see their stylish house become a messy, toy-filled playpen and their hot spouse become Mommy or Daddy. When your partner is always distracted, not paying much attention to you, no longer sexy, overly serious, naggy... Then, say, at work or whatever, someone fun, new, and mysterious is giving them attention. I can see how it happens."

In the silence that followed, I imagined David was also thinking of the few people we know who have acted on such temptation. In each situation, the cheating party, bored or irritated with his or her spouse, had hooked up with a coworker.

"So, why aren't we bored with each other?" I asked.

"I can think of lots of reasons," David said, smiling. "Like?"

"For one, we didn't go through any lifechanging experiences, like suddenly having a family to raise, or major career changes well, there was yours, but it brought us closer together instead of pulling us apart. When we met, I was a photographer, and I still am.

We spend a lot of time together every day, and that's relatively stress-free time, whether



we're playing a few rounds of Scrabble while taking a break from work, watching movies, cuddling in bed. We can mix it up and be spontaneous. Partly because of your work, we do a lot of weird and different stuff together — we're constantly experiencing new things, which keeps it fresh." I smiled, nodding along in appreciation for each of the truths David spoke.

"Plus, I was already old when we met," David continued. "I wasn't some immature kid in my 20s. Chances are, a person isn't

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going to change that much after a certain age."

"You forgot the most important reason," I said. David raised his brows in expectation.

"Communication. So many people are afraid to share their thoughts with their partners for fear of a negative reaction, so they end up suppressing their emotions or not being honest about their feelings. You and me, we talk about everything openly, and I

can't remember either one of us ever throwing out accusations."

I was beginning to like this exercise of questioning why our relationship worked instead of wondering if it didn't. "You know what else I've been curious about?" I said in a playful tone. "Is exactly what it is about each other we find so attractive. You go first."

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Crasher

PILE-DRIVIN' TACOS

by Josh Board

Mexican wrestler was pictured on the invitation to a party I went to a month ago. The card was for John's 40th birthday "smackdown," and I had to be "ready to rumble."

The thought of walking into a party and getting body-slammed did seem odd, but then I saw that it was at the Lucha Libre taco shop on Washington Street. I figured the only thing pile-drivin' would be me with the rolled tacos down my throat.

I showed up at 10:30 p.m., even though the surprise party started at 8:00. I had been at a concert earlier and was glad to see the party was still going on.

Bar Dynamite is right next door to Lucha Libre, and the bar had its usual bouncers and velvet rope. But Lucha Libre did, too. When the door to Bar Dynamite would open, you'd hear music thumping at about 200 decibels, drowning out our patio conversations and the person who had a guitar, strumming a song with his Mexican wrestler's mask on.

Many in attendance had on masks, which fit the theme of the restaurant. I'm guessing it was harder to eat the chips and salsa, though.

We were told that anything we ordered off the menu was paid for, including alcohol. Pitchers of margaritas were set up near the chips-and-salsa bar. It wasn't long until I had a pretty good buzz on.

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Left: Guests with their John masks; Right: Veronica on the left

I asked Veronica how long pounds.

they had rented the place for, and she said, "Until around 1:00 a.m." When I mentioned that her husband looks like John Travolta, she said, "Oh, he hears that a lot." She then showed me a mask of John that she had placed on all the tables.

I found out the couple has been married for 14 years, but

> I had to be "ready to rumble."

they knew each other since junior high school in El Centro. She said, "We both liked each other then, but we were too shy to do anything about it."

As we were talking, a drunk guy came over and asked us if we wanted to do shots. We said no, although I was ready for another margarita. I was eating a burrito that felt as if it weighed five

One of the owners of the

restaurant was leaving. He had to cater a big wedding the following day. I asked him if he liked the Jack Black movie Nacho Libre. He didn't care for it but said, "The guy who played his wrestling partner actually came in here. I didn't notice at first, but the guy with him was asking us if we knew who it was. He signed a picture for us."

I overheard two women sitting at the table behind me. eating cake. They were talking about the roast that was done earlier. My girlfriend said, "I'm bummed we missed that." I said, "Well...at least we didn't miss the cake."

I saw there were about 15 pieces of cake left. The drunk guy grabbed one, looked over at us, and asked if we wanted to do shots. I replied, "No, but I'll down a piece of cake with you. I'll even flip the small plate over and slam it down when I'm done." He made a weird face and stumbled out to the natio.

A few guys nearby were talk-

ing about the history of luchadores. One guy said they made bets that involved the loser being unmasked by the winner. He added, "Sometimes, it also involved shaving heads as an additional sign of humiliation. Even though this form of wrestling only dates back to the '40s, wearing those types of masks goes back even to the Aztecs." His friend replied, "San Diego State?"

I was confused by the pin-on buttons everywhere that read "49." Veronica smiled sheepishly and said, "Well, yeah. Those don't really make sense. He went from being 39 to 40. So, the 4 represents the 40. And the 9, from 39. Well...okay. The truth is...these were laying around at work. And I figured, hey, they're buttons."

As I took pictures, everyone seemed to be handing me their cameras to photograph them. But I'd had six margaritas, and my hand was shaky. It was easier to make people laugh. I told one guy who was kneeling down below a wrestler painted on the wall that his head was right beneath his balls.

With another group, half the crowd had masks on. I told one guy who had his sunglasses on that I'd need to retake the photo because he was blinking.

As I sipped my seventh margarita, I noticed guacamole and salsa stains all over my notes.

I looked over and noticed

that the guy who had been asking everyone if they wanted to do shots had moved on to a can of Budweiser. He missed most of his mouth when I saw him take a sin.

As it got later in the evening, the DJ turned up the volume and many people started to dance. It was a good variety of current stuff, hip-hop, and oldschool dance tunes. At one point I heard De La Soul followed by Cypress Hill.

With the variety of songs and interesting people, I had no doubt this crowd was having more fun than the folks next door.

I was done with margaritas and rolled tacos. I glanced up at the two clocks on the wall: one said, "San Diego Time," the other "Tijuana Time." According to both clocks, it was 12:38 a.m.

We got up to leave and talked with John briefly on the front patio. He seemed to be having a blast. His handshake almost broke a few fingers. Right behind him, I heard a bunch of women say they couldn't find someone. My girlfriend leaned in and said, "I think it's the guy who kept doing shots."

As we started to walk away I heard someone yell, "We found him! He was sleeping."

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From Page One of A Bad, Bad Boy

Some evening, soon, drive out to Pacific Beach. Be there about 8:15. The sun will have been down several hours. Across the sky every last orange and violet streak will be gone. Take a jacket. I forgot my jacket. I was cold. Bone cold.

Turn south off Grand Avenue onto Lamont Street. Park along Lamont. Wander over to the gas station. The gas station, on your right as you face away from the traffic along Grand. Back in 1977, a pay telephone stood along the side of this station. It was an Arco station then. Frank Bompensiero made his last telephone call here. "Dialed," someone told me, and then laughed a high-pitched crazy laugh, "his last number."

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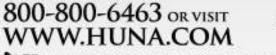
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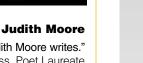
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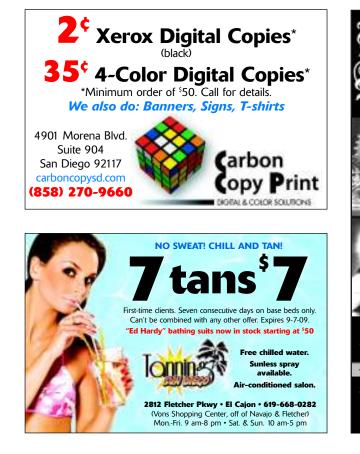
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Numbers on local teachers who drop out are harder to come by. After all, what school district wants to document its iffy working conditions? Nationally, 30 percent of new teachers don't make it through their first three years of teaching, while 50 percent don't make it through the first seven years. According to the New Teacher Center at UC Santa Cruz, California loses nearly half a billion dollars a year on the loss of new teachers.

With apologies to the State of California, I'm a teacher dropout. My career lasted 2.33 years, ending just four months into the 2006–'07 school year. It included three high schools, 243 students, nine classes of 10th- and 11th-grade English, and student loans I'll be paying until I die.

Like the losers on *Survivor*, I left teaching grateful for one hell of an adventure. Only those of us





Ms. Olsen

English teacher Erika Olsen lasted six years. She didn't quit. She left to give birth to her daughter Katie. Then daughter Alexandra came along, and now Olsen's not



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sure when she'll return to the classroom, only that she will. She had been so valued by her students and teaching peers at San Diego High (where she was one of my mentor teachers, even though she was young enough to be my daughter) that the first three years Olsen was home with babies, her former English department chairperson would call regularly to ask when she was coming back to teach.

After receiving her master's degree in education at 23, Olsen wrote a thank-you note to her Point Loma middle-school English teacher, Ann Dee Baird. "She was small and loud and fun," remembers Olsen. "Mrs. Baird called me her 'future Rhodes Scholar.' She never criticized me, even when I tried to write a sonnet without any idea of what a sonnet was."

High school wasn't so great. It seemed to Olsen



that her English teachers there only favored the rich, popular students, while she was just "the O.B. kid." "I went into teaching believing every high school stu-

they were and where they were going — and less in the work itself." Olsen laughs. "Because I was interested, they'd give me the courtesy of reading the lit-

Weeks after school started, I got desperate enough to pray.

dent deserved to have at least one good English teacher," says Olsen, "because I didn't."

A young and pretty teacher, Olsen was always conscious of her role as an authority figure and role model. She didn't hand out her email address and was uncomfortable with personal contact outside the classroom. In the classroom, Olsen taught like Ms. Baird. "All my kids knew I was interested in them as people, in who erature I pushed at them." One afternoon, the

summer after Olsen left teaching to have her first baby, the doorbell rang. It was a former ninth-grade student of hers. He stood shyly on her front porch and handed her a copy of his favorite book, *Eragon*. Inside, he'd inscribed it: "Hey, Mrs. Olsen. Hope you enjoy reading the rest of this book. Happy Birthday."

He'd first given Olsen the book during the school year because, he told her, it was so much better than what they had to read for class. Olsen always made time to read the books her students recommended. But that semester, because of her pregnancy and the new house she and her husband had just bought and moved into, Olsen didn't make it through Eragon. She returned the book, apologizing to the student with regret that she hadn't been able to finish it.



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When he stood on her doorstep a few months later with a copy of the book, Olsen was stunned that the student had been able to find her.

His explanation was simple. Olsen had incorporated her new house into lessons, to remind the students that she worked hard at teaching for them but also for herself and her family. The student, who had paid attention, asked his realtor mom if she could help him locate Ms. Olsen by searching through recent home sales, which she did.

For Olsen, this story is more about the explosive force of student will than who she was as a teacher. "With kids today, it's *You* better teach me. You better figure out a way to make me work." Olsen says, "And I did."

Gian

Ask any teacher why they teach, and somewhere in the

answer you'll hear this:

The kids. Yeah, well, the kids drove me nuts.

I mean, why did they make everything so hard? Gian, one of my mainstreamed special ed students, had better classroom skills than the rest of them. Gian was never late. He came in, got his materials and homework out, started work on the warm-up, followed all my instructions to the letter. Gian couldn't read, write, or talk — but he was the perfect tenthgrade student.

I guess it's not surprising that, with an attitude like that, I didn't make it. The graduate program I had graced with my presence in order to score a teaching credential had suspected I wouldn't. They'd tried to cull me early on, threatening expulsion because of insubordination.

Damn straight I was insubordinate. The UCSD

classes where I was being trained to be a publicschool teacher were boring and often silly. I'd survived the public-school careers of my own two children, and I knew what kind of students they'd been

me what I had suffered in "teacher school." Every day they filed into my English class expecting it to be boring and silly. Often, it was. And, I admit, I prob-

ably hadn't loved my students much more than my

I once jumped on a table and yelled down at them.

(insubordinate) and what I'd been like as a high school student's parent (even worse). I feared the UCSD education instructors weren't preparing me in any real sense for what I'd find in a San Diego public high school English class.

In the end, I buckled. Kept quiet. Attended class. Did my homework. Made straight A's. Like Gian, I played the school game.

I got my teaching credential. Monkey see, monkey do. Not surprisingly, my students suffered under

Building relationships...

education instructors loved me. They hadn't cared, for instance, that I was a single mom of grown kids, that I'd taught myself to surf head-high waves, or had survived my first husband's embezzlement of a million dollars, which left me and my kids destitute, or that I had a master's degree in English or was a published playwright. Never mind that I just might bring something unique and individual to their classes or to a teaching career. Or that my

enhancing lives

insubordinate questioning came from a burning desire to get teaching right.

The most interesting thing I remember about my UCSD education instructors was that one of them was a worldrenowned bagpiper. In comparison, my teacher-intraining cohort was part of the most brilliant and diverse group of people I've ever known. In the end we were only bodies to fill with the drill, to be remade in our instructors' image. Just as I, later in my chaingang classroom, with its rules and regulations and expectations, was determined to remake students in mine.

One Saturday night, during my second year of teaching, while flipping through TV channels I stumbled onto an interview between a former professor of mine and a San Diego City Schools principal. The two sat there and coolly discussed teachers. How teachers needed to be managed and evaluated, regulated and held accountable. They might as well have said, *If it weren't* for us education professors and district administrators, heaven knows what would be happening in your San Diego classrooms!

I fired off an unprofessional email to my former professor, who never replied, and, I'm sure, erased me from his address book. I don't remember what I wrote, but I remember my rage. Because in two years of teaching in at-risk high schools, I personally knew hundreds of teachers. They were scholars, drinkers, burnouts, geniuses, whack jobs, angels of mercy, nationally ranked professionals, sports coaches, district toadies, flirts, union reps.

I don't remember a single teacher who didn't give teaching everything he or she had to give.

Granted, some had more to give than others. But of the teachers I knew, not one phoned it in.

Not because an administrator was watching, but because the students were.

Mr. Giardina

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since I started surfing. When I interviewed at Morse Senior High, I dropped his name. I told the new principal how highly Jim thought of her.

"Who?" the new principal said.

"Jim Giardina, um, he teaches history. And government, maybe? He thinks you're bringing the right kind of, um, change to Morse," I said.

"Oh, yes, *Jim*," the new principal said. I wasn't convinced she knew who Jim was. And in truth, what Jim had said about her wasn't that flattering, but he was the only connection I had to the school, so I played it.

I got the job.

Five years later, that principal is long gone. Giardina, on the other hand, is well into his 33rd year of teaching. (One of the most valuable lessons any new teacher can learn is that principals come and

go, but the principal's secretary and the tenured teachers stay. Those are the alliances that matter most.)

Through every new administration and its reform policies, Giardina goes his merry way. His classroom technique is set in stone: high expectations, caustic wit, intolerance for bullshit, and show-stopping intelligence. Ask him why he teaches, and you'll get a wise-guy answer: "Because I can't sing or dance."

When I worked the

Morse graduation ceremony at year's end, seating graduates and their families, the PA system reverberated through Viejas Arena, blasting recorded voices of seniors sending shout-outs to their favorite teachers. Over and over, I heard Giardina's name.

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posting for all the world to see anything they feel like writing (with little or no punctuation or correct spelling), not one student who's posted on Giardina gives him anything less than a 4.5 out of 5.

The comments run like this: "Everyone fears him in the beginning and loves him by the end...An admirable genius of a teacher...Consider yourself lucky if you have him, and savor every word he says!"

The year I taught at Morse with Giardina, I spent \$2000 of my own money on school supplies and making copies. Outside of the eight hours a day in class, I'd work six to eight more on lesson planning and grading. These were 12- to 18-hour days, usually seven days a week.

When friends asked

what teaching was like, I got tired of saying, "Hell." I wanted to be more specific. "Teaching," I'd say, "is like writing one, two (or even three) new 60-minute stand-up routines every night and performing them the next day in front of five tough audiences."

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RESEARCH STUDIES

veteran English teacher I knew awoke at 3:00 a.m. every Saturday — *every Saturday*— to grade papers. She's been doing that for more than 20 years.)

That year, my second, just weeks after school started, I got desperate enough to pray. I prayed hard. When I woke up the following week to the 2003 wildfires and schools were closed for a week, I felt personally responsible. But I lesson-planned and graded the whole week and was able to catch up enough to make it through the semester.

Jim Giardina and other veteran teachers told me to calm down or I wouldn't make it. Make it to five years, they said, and teaching would all "come together."

I don't know about that. But I am pretty sure that nobody teaches high



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school for 33 years who doesn't love the kids.

students I taught. There

were religious holidavs I'd

never heard of and first

names I never learned to

pronounce properly. Some

immigrant students had

the English skills of a

kindergartener, others were

at the top of our class. The

only Muslims I've ever

known personally I met

uate in international stud-

ies, and the first of her fam-

ily to go to college, Laheqa

Suljuki has just applied to

optometry school. We

bumped into each other

by accident when Laheqa

LensCrafters. "Is it really

you?" Lahega asked, as we

my glasses at

A recent UCSD grad-

while teaching.

fit

Laheqa and Mohamed I can't even count the number of different countries of birth represented by the

Somalia-born Mohamed Sufi had a harder time with school. He was truant. When he did show up, he worked hard and often stayed late, demand-

Twice former students have emailed burning questions to me.

Ramadan) seven years ago.

sat face to face. Looking

past the womanly hijab she

Now we stay in touch by email, sometimes chatting about the same books. We both loved *The Kite Runner*, a novel about Laheqa's native Afghanistan, which she never knew because she was so young when her family fled the Soviet occupation. I was honored to help with the application essays she needed for optometry school. ing he be taught on his time, not mine. But like me, Mohamed's brashness belied his fear of failing.

The summer after he left our tenth-grade class, Mohamed emailed: "Ms. fin, I want to be a writer, if you dont mind if you could still be my tearcher and teach me how to be a writer." A month later, he changed his tune and lambasted me for having given him a final "D" for my class:

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"if a student failes, its the teacher's fult because the teacher didn't do their job."

Five years later, Mohamed is in college: "I have changed my mind of being a writer because I love math and I am good at it." He maintained a 4.0 at Southwestern College and has since transferred to Miramar with plans to finish at SDSU with a major in mechanical engineering. His motto is Don't work hard, work smart, picked up from one of his instructors. college Mohamed's success (and

the improved English in his emails) makes my heart sing.

Mr. Newton and Ms. Youmans

Ed Newton retired last year after 35 years of teaching political science. Adored and revered by his students, Newton was presented with a new G&S longboard by his last class at La Jolla High School. He has a box of thank-you notes (thankyou *notes!*), all echoing the same sentiments: "Your class set off a spark in me" or "If, in my life I could

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ever affect people the way you do, I would consider myself a success."

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incoming class, who of course jeered and laughed. Sarcasm was something none of my students had mastered yet; I used mine like a taser.

The first year was my worst. That's the year I taught tenth-grade English language learners and The Catcher in the Rye to high school juniors, many of whom read at a fourthgrade level. Our classroom was a pre-WWII, ratinfested, lead-painted, asbestos-coated bungalow under the landing flight path at Lindbergh Field. (I was not above telling students that our classroom represented what the school district thought of us, as opposed to, say, the students and teachers at

La Jolla High, from which my son had graduated.)

One afternoon, a fellow teacher I didn't know came to call. Tom Jackson introduced himself, then handed me a book. A gift, he said, that he thought I could use. I figured he'd heard about the table-jumping and student-tripping through campus gossip.

"I'm okay," I said. "I'm doing better." (I'd turned myself in and gotten in pretty big trouble.) "Read it," Jackson said.

I did. It wasn't like any book

they'd had us read at teacher school. The Courage to Teach assumes that people who go into teaching want to teach and love their subject matter. Therefore,

it offers only one recipe for teaching success: living a full, rich life outside of teaching. Sort of like filling yourself up so you have something real and honest to give. (For example: an English teacher needs to read for her own pleasure - not just the juvenile novels and course materials she has to teach. That totally nailed me.) The book's simple premise is that good teaching has nothing to do with technique and everything to do with the "identity and integrity" of the individual teacher.

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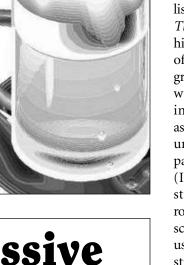
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educational buzzwords, constant observation and justification, weeks of governmental student-testing, and the threat (and insult) of carrot-leading-the-donkey merit pay, as if we were salespeople at a used car lot, it was a revelation.

(This spring I followed with interest, via Voiceof-*SanDiego.com*, what was happening at Keiller Leadership Academy, where

teachers were trying to sever a partnership with the education department at University of San Diego, saying the university's involvement, observations, and research in their classes was "interfering with their teaching." Umm...)

I wish I could say that The Courage to Teach saved my teaching career, but you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, as my

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Research Opportunities

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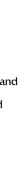
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grandmother used to say. Teaching with identity and integrity took more courage than I will ever have. But I did pass the book along to another teacher in crisis (who is still teaching), with instructions that she pass it along to the next teacher in need.

It took a hell of a lot of courage for math teacher Tom Jackson to walk into a stranger's classroom and hand her a fistful of advice.

Just as it took courage for Ronette Youmans, a white chick from San Diego, to start her teaching career at one of the most dangerous high schools in East Los Angeles. Twenty-five years later, she's a specialist in language development and teaches support classes for English learners at San Dieguito Academy in Encinitas. A calm, twinkly-eyed woman, Youmans knows her students and their families well. She visits their homes and attends family celebrations and often teaches successions of siblings and cousins. Kids come to her struggling with English and failing their math and

science classes; years later, Youmans gets thank-you's from college. She also has watched as promising stujust never boring. If it's not 'No Child Left Behind' you have to rise to, it's the growing use of oxycontin among

students. There's always a

challenge. And then, when

that special student comes

along — well, you just feel

connected to all humanity."

Youmans laughs.

Twice, former students have

emailed burning questions

to me years after leaving

emailed: "What was the

title of that book we read

in the last few weeks of the

'03-'04 year that was writ-

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time helps."

my class.

Matt and Garry

Garry

"And teaching part-

"Thank you for making us read A Raisin in the Sun."

dents vanish after graduation without a trace because they are illegal.

I ask Youmans what keeps her teaching. "That's an easy one!" she says. "It's

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ten by a Filipino author? I want to read it again, but I forgot the name and author."

American Son, I wrote back. An L.A. Times Book of the Year, and a text I'd gone out on a limb to ask the school librarian to order, it's a gritty, bitterly sad novel about gang violence, and probably too advanced (and grim) for tenthgraders. We'd read it together in class, in groups, in the last weeks of the school year. Even the poorest readers were desperate to follow the story. When we didn't finish the book in time, students begged to take it home.

Garry lives in Denver and works at Walmart. In my class, he was our grammar and spelling whiz, talents of which he's still proud, especially on Facebook, where he rues the fact that "internet slang has overtaken it all."



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Matt Henrickson had

bungalow, where class size depended on the day's truancy but hovered near 40. I almost couldn't blame the 6'7" basketball player who one day physically threatened me in front of the class. (The principals refused to remove the dangerous student until the union rep intervened on my behalf.) Despite class conditions, Matt was a good student and prolific poet. Today Matt still writes

been a student in my most

difficult class. It was 11th-

grade English in the toxic

poetry. He's also a writer, online marketer, and father of a beautiful son. His internet empire spans everything from freebies (itsall*freeonline.com*) to fantasy football (fantastyfoot*ballnstuff.com*). Three years after leaving the toxic bungalow, Matt emailed me, "I was wondering if you remember the author I liked so much...the Mexican guy who had been in

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and out of prison?"

New Mexico poet and memoirist Jimmy Santiago Baca is now featured on Matt's blog, wordsofapoet.com.

Mr. Kajitani

To see teacher courage in

action, go to YouTube and look up "Rappin' Mathematician" Alex Kajitani. Kajitani is a math teacher at Mission Middle

School, Escondido. He is also California Teacher of the Year (2009) and one of the four finalists for National Teacher of the Year (2009) feted by President Obama at the White House this spring.

How good is Kajitani? Let's just say that after watching Kajitani's math/music video, "The Number Line Dance," for the first time in this Eng-

lish major's life, I understand negative numbers. Thanks to his snappy rap lyrics — along with the award-winning camera work and editing of the Mission Middle School Video Club and the exuberant performances of Kajitani's eighth-grade math students, who lipsynch, dance, and star in the video - I finally got a concrete explanation for some-

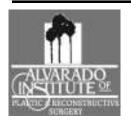


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thing I'd always believed was an abstraction.

Instead of spending money I went to my new job And washed five cars For my new boss, Bob. Five cars at two dollars I was positive ten. Yeah, the Number Line Dance, I was at it again. Negative to the left, Positive to the right It's the Number Line Dance, And I could dance all night.

In his first year of teaching, "out of desperation," Kajitani started rapping about math as a way to reach students at one of the lowest-performing schools in one of the most impoverished areas of San Diego County. Nine years later, what made Kajitani a finalist for National Teacher of the Year is that, against all odds, his students *learn*. They test above district averages in math. Many become involved in the technical production of the math-rap videos. Kajitani's goal is not just that his students leave his class full of more math, but with strong lifetime skills such as self-discipline and personal responsibility.

On the last day of school, Kajitani always tells students they've got homework. "What!" they shriek. "You can't give homework on the last day!" The final assignment is to come back and tell him how they're doing.

And they do. Kajitani gets at least one email or visit a week from former students.

"What's funny is that they rarely bring up the math that we spent the year learning. They always want to know if I'm still rappin' or if I still tell my funny 'nacho cheese' joke,' "Kajitani says. "I realize that perhaps not every one of my students will go to college, but they will one day be a neighbor, a coworker, and a friend — and that's why we're really teaching."

Courtney

Last year, four years after I'd left teaching, I got an email from a former tenthgrade student, Courtney

Griffin-Oliver. She had to Google me to find my email address, Courtney writes, and she doesn't think I'll remember her. Then this:

"Thank you for making us read A Raisin in the Sun. That is still one of my

favorite books, even today. I'm in my second year of college at UC Merced. I'm a Cognitive Sciences major."

Cognitive sciences major. UC Merced. Wow.

For some reason —

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coming so many years later? — this hit me hard. The students I'd taught had stayed eerily frozen in time, stuck in those same classrooms, waiting for me to deliver the perfect lesson that would send them off

to better lives, more opportunities, every success. My brief foray into teaching had left only memories sodden with regret and failure.

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Yes, of course, I remembered Courtney. An avid reader, she was a fan of a novel I'd bought for our classroom library. I don't remember the title, but it had an African-American woman detective. When I replied, Courtney emailed back, apologizing for never having returned the novel. She still had it.

That made me even happier.

This young woman a popped my narcissistic st

obsession with having failed as a teacher. But it wasn't the kind things she said about me. It was *she. Her* identity and integrity.

I was just a trailing blip in the supersonic jet stream of Ms. Courtney Griffin-Oliver. How beautiful that was. To finally get it, that every student's life and all its possibilities, good and bad, are beyond the imagination of any teacher, no matter how well intentioned.

I had only to give what I could.

One of Courtney's fondest memories of our class was how I'd made the kids sit in assigned seats. It really taught her about diversity, she said, since she was forced to interact "with people of different backgrounds [ethnicity, gender, religion] and personalities." I had changed the students' seats at the begin-

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ning of each grading period. "When we were just getting comfortable with a deskmate, we were given a new partner," Courtney wrote. "I remember making friends with students whom I would not have known otherwise. (One of those desk partners is still my

day.)" Assigned seats! The thing my students grumbled about most and something I'd done to subjugate them.

very best friend to this

Who knew?

When Courtney had me as a teacher, long after my table-jumping and student-tripping days, I still had no life outside the classroom, but at least it ran fairly smoothly. I was an able practitioner of the "Workshop Method," the district's literacy cure-all of 2002–'04. I self-monitored, faithfully analyzing



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data from state testing so I knew which students had improved in my class and which hadn't. (Ah, that misguided notion that knowledge can be measured like milk in a cup. Remember how Courtney learned from assigned seats?) I garnered excellent reviews: "Ms. Finlayson is a valued and respected member of Morse High School who has the potential to be an exemplary teacher."

But one day, when I caught one of my more capable, ambitious students cheating for the second time, I was not exemplary. I kneeled by his desk, stared him down, and quietly called him a "little motherfucker" in front of the whole class.

Yep. I did. Once again, I ended

up in the principal's office.

I called the boy's parents and apologized. I apologized to the class: "Never, ever let a teacher talk that way to you. Thank you, whoever turned me in. I was totally out of line. I'm sorry."

After class, the boy I'd cursed came up to thank me. *Thank me*. He said that my anger proved to him that I really cared. "Ms. Fin, you could have lost your job for me," he said. "I'll do better, I promise." And he did.

That's the stuff they don't teach you in teacher school.

Donna, Reyna, Joe, Dulce, and Maritza

While Erika Olsen had none, I had had two influential English teachers at Robert E. Lee High School in Tyler, Texas. Margarite Troutman was tall and arty, with thick wedges of smoky black eyeliner. She introduced us to creative writing and contemporary novels featuring anguished young heroes. She even let us use sentence fragments in our writing, if we put an asterisk at the end so she'd know that we knew it was not a complete sentence.

Wilma Ruth Waller was short and homely and wore a topknot of matted hair shaped like a cow pie. For her, we wrote an essay a week, but the real work began when the papers came back. For every sentence with an error, you had to write a new, corrected sentence. Under the corrected sentence, you had to write out the rule(s) you'd broken. Worst of all, after school you had to hang out at Miss Waller's desk, subject to her bad breath and sharp tongue, waiting in line for your ultra-legible, neatly pen-

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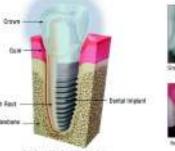
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By year's end, I had a notebook full of prized writing. But on the last day, Miss Waller collected our notebooks, blithely telling us that she always burned student work so that we couldn't sell our essays to the class coming after us. When I had my first success as a playwright, I tried, to no avail, to find Mrs. Troutman and thank her. I settled for Miss Waller. I sent her a carefully written and much proofread note of gratitude tucked inside a copy of my first published play. She promptly wrote back that she certainly hoped she'd played no part whatsoever in the filth I'd written and that she'd happily burned my play and all the "obscene language" in it.

Even as a teacher, school always felt as if I was still standing at Miss Waller's desk. Nothing I did seemed enough. At the end of my first year, I looked back at my survival with wonder. At least three new English teachers had dropped out during the 2003–'04 school year at San Diego High. I never

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would have made it without the support of Amanda Wheeler and Courtney Pearson, new teachers who taught with gusto and confidence and who loved the kids. But of us three, only I was invited to apply for one of the few job openShop. Jorge working security at the Target on Sports Arena Blvd. Hattie serving at the Original Pancake House. Coral surfing at La Jolla Shores.

I confess I've looked up a few students on Facebook and MySpace and

This young woman popped my narcissistic obsession with having failed as a teacher.

ings in the next year.

On a hot summer afternoon, the other applicants and I competed against each other, performing a "Demonstration Lesson" for a panel of teachers. When my turn came, I pretended to be a teacher teaching a lesson to students, while teachers I pretended not to know, but who had been in and out of my classroom all year observing me teach real lessons to real students, graded my performance.

One chance to get it right. No credit for the past year in the toxic bungalow. As much as I wanted to stay at San Diego High, I didn't wait for the verdict and took a job at Morse the next day. They say a new teacher's survival improves greatly if you can stay at one school and build a support system.

But maybe more important is that by staying at a school, former students know where to find you. They can drift back by. Say hi. And remind you that the only reason you survive at this job is all the lives and stories that touch yours. In 33 years at Morse, I figure Jim Giardina has taught somewhere around 6000 students.

I am tickled by every chance encounter with a former student. Bryan Beltran outside Pacific Skate am deeply moved by how grown up they are.

I treasure every email. Today Donna Arceo is a nurse. A year out of my class she emailed: "Everything that you have taught me last year is still with me. It has helped me be at the top of my English class!"

Reyna Moreno is at UC Santa Cruz. She checks in periodically to make sure I'm still surfing.

Joseph Butler is the composer/musician DJ Ohsnap. He's been homeless twice, attended classes at City and Southwestern, and is currently learning to play the piano. Joe writes me, "I'm the type that comes like BOOM to the gay community leaving everybody shocked and dazzled."

I've lost track of Dulce Chavira and Maritza Gutierrez. They witnessed me standing up on that table, those two friends. Together they had emailed me the summer after leaving our class: "We will miss you very much. You were always that teacher who would always have a honest smile on her face every morning."

The teacher with the honest smile.

Every morning. How did I forget that part? ■

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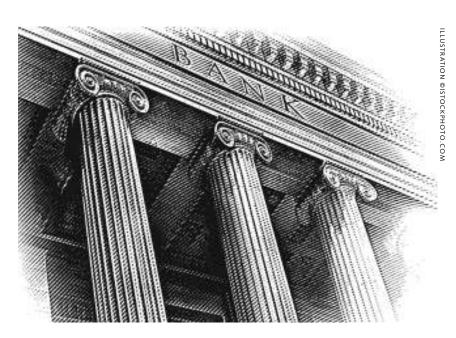
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Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Dare, PART 2



THE FALL. On September 1, 1890, while he was in San Francisco on business, John W. Collins's wife Fannie, daughter Mary, son Johnny, and three others drowned in

a boating accident off Point Loma. "Nothing has ever occurred in the history of San Diego County," wrote the *Union*, "which made so deep an impression upon all people and

drew them together so closely."

Collins, cashier at the California National Bank, had become one of the city's most trusted citizens. His "great kindness, quiet, simple, unostentatious manner and unwavering loyalty to San Diego's interests greatly endeared him to all" (Union). And there was no family more beloved. For days after the accident, strangers formed impromptu prayer vigils on street corners. As he rode south by train, many feared that Collins, the "rock of reliance," couldn't withstand the tragedy. Instead, Collins responded "like one man in ten thousand!" (San Diego Sun). "Few men ever drank a more bitter cup and bore it with so much fortitude."

A year later Collins who, some say, never recovered from the loss of his family — again boarded a train from San Francisco to San Diego, this time to face public havoc: California National Bank, where he had become president, was closing its doors "temporarily." Deposits had dwindled, and the bank, a Gibraltar amid rapid economic erosion, couldn't back its notes or assets.

A crowd formed

liabilities? Temporarily? Where's management? Fists pummeled the stately double-doors. When no one came out, a man shouted, "What about the other banks?" Investors scattered.

The day before California National closed, vice president David Dare went to Europe. He had

AS DARE AND WIFE ADELE CROSSED THE PACIFIC, HE TRIED TO THROW HER OVERBOARD.

around a handwritten note taped to the window. A man read the note aloud and, when others arrived, read it again. What're their to leave the health-seeker's mecca, he claimed, "on account of its climate." He took wife Adele and, the bank discovered later,

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\$200,000 in embezzled funds.

On November 13, the Chevenne National Bank of Wyoming, also managed by Collins and Dare, shut down. Hearing of the San Diego failure, its largest depositors demanded their money. Cash on hand vanished in an hour. "The entire fault rests with Collins," wrote the New York *Times*, "to notify [the bank] that there was trouble in San Diego." The Cheyenne National cashier, a man named Beard, committed suicide. Townsfolk read the act as a confession of guilt.

California National closed officially in February 1892. Projects that Collins and Dare had funded, including San Diego's first cablecar system and the Fisher Opera House, folded, along with stores and other apparently stable businesses. Families lost life savings overnight, and San Diego dove into a depression, writes Jerry Mac-Mullen, "which made the 1930s look like a pink-tea affair."

Less than a month after California National closed, George Golden walked to the end of the Spreckels wharf. Earlier that day, he told a friend, "Sometimes I feel like jumping into the bay and saying, 'Here goes nothing.' " On the advice of a Wells Fargo clerk, as the local economy crumbled, Golden put his life savings in California National. He lost everything. Golden sat at the wharf's edge and read a handful of letters. After he finished one, he slowly tore it up and watched the fragments flutter in the breeze. Around 5:00 p.m., Golden put a pistol in his mouth and pulled the trigger.

"San Diego is a good place to stay away from," a note in Golden's small diary read. "Nothing but swindlers of any use in this cursed place. I served in the Navy during the war, and was at the taking of Richmond. I lost \$1300 in that bank, one hour before it closed."

Seen in hindsight, David Dare's sleights of hand grew clearer, then obvious. He had always been a Mr. Hyde to Collins's Dr. Jekyll. Dare, who had the persuasive skills of an orator, promised "wildcat" loans and interest-bearing certificates at 12 percent. He offered prospective shareholders an option: when California National got on its feet, he would repurchase shares at 110 percent of the sales price. And when California National overextended itself, Dare grabbed funds he'd been embezzling for several months and hopped a ship to Europe for his "health."

As Dare and wife Adele crossed the Pacific, the *New York Times* reported years later, he tried to throw her overboard. Adele escaped, hid out, and took the first steamer west. To reenter the U.S. without being arrested, Adele obtained immunity from prosecution. She moved to Colorado Springs, got a divorce, and shunned the spotlight. But over the years, bits of information trickled from her. Collins had lent Dare the money to build a castlelike structure on Cheyenne's "Millionaire's Row." Dare, a photographer and signpainter, had possessed only \$7000 when he came to San

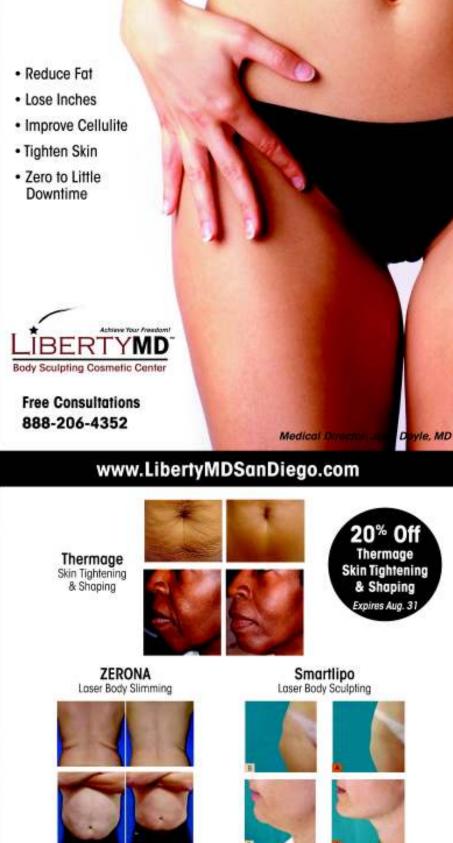
Diego. A rumor, also attributed to Adele, alleged that her husband "ran out" on Collins.

Dare fled to Italy, grew a long beard, and schemed his way through Egypt, the Holy Land (and may have built the first railroad from Jericho



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to Jerusalem), and Greece, where he ran a prosperous rug business. Dare died a wealthy man in Athens in December 1909. He always denied being a fugitive from justice.

And Collins? San Diegans couldn't believe he'd commit such a swindle. "From what I know of the situation," the Sun quoted an unnamed investor, "I am sure that Mr. Collins will be able to clear himself of any complicity in the loss of the \$200,000."

D.C. Collier, former president of the bank: "The disaster is simply due to a liberal management which stopped at nothing for the benefit of San Diego."

Collins couldn't believe it either. Pallid and dejected, he told a reporter that "During my absence from the city, someone set afloat a malignant rumor among the Eastern stockholders that Mr. Dare had fled to Europe, and I to Australia." Investors panicked. The bank closed, as did Collins and Dare's sav-

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ings-and-loan in the same building, which allegedly had \$277,000 on its books but only \$6250 on hand.

On February 23, 1892, after Collins finished breakfast at the Brewster Hotel, U.S. marshal George Gard led him into a parlor. Out of the public eye, Gard placed Collins under arrest for "abstracting" \$200,000 from California National and defrauding investors.

"I have nothing to say about this unexpected trouble that has come upon me," a strained Collins told reporters. "I am perfectly at ease as to the outcome, and when called upon for my explanation am satisfied I can give one that will exonerate me from the charges preferred."

Collins would face a grand jury in Los Angeles the first week of April. Since Collins couldn't pay the \$50,000 bail, Gard chose not to lock him in jail, where his life could be threatened. Trusting that he wouldn't try to

escape, Gard confined Collins to his suite at the Brewster, a posh, wood-frame-andbrick structure at the southeast corner of Fourth and C, two blocks up from the bank.

Though he knew Collins wouldn't flee, Gard searched the sitting room, bedroom, and bathroom of suite 39 for weapons. He inspected the thick moquette carpet, leather sofas, and handsomely carved chiffonier and mantel. He halted before the life-sized, smiling portraits of Fannie, Mary, and John, and understood why an entire city had mourned their loss. On a stand near a window overlooking Fourth Street, a little knot of blue ribbon most likely Mary's — served as a bookmark for Byron's poetry.

Finding no weapons, Gard stationed deputy marshal J.F. Rebling outside the door.

Interviewed on February 27, Collins told reporters that the 12 percent interestbearing certificate was a false-

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hood. All certificates were much lower and issued with full knowledge of the entire bank's management. He added that he had never taken a single dollar from California National: "All I ask from those who have undoubtedly suffered by the suspension of the bank is that they not pass judgment until the facts are fully known."

To show good faith, Collins signed his life insurance policy — \$85,000 over to the bank to repay investors.

On Thursday morning, March 3, Collins learned that his preliminary hearing would be postponed until March 15. Relieved, he had lunch at the Brewster with attorney general William H.H. Hart, who'd come from Washington DC to investigate the case, and brigadier general E.J. Murray, a newcomer to San Diego. Collins, one leg over the arm of a high-backed chair, listened to their tales of the Civil War with rapt attention.

At ten minutes after 1:00, Gard entered: Collins must go to Los Angeles "on the 2:40 train. Pack your bag."

Gard didn't say why. Collins assumed it meant prison. He begged George O'Brien — the bank's cashier suspended for unnamed infractions — to try again to raise bail money and urge Gard to postpone the departure.

Asked how he felt, Collins replied, "Oh, about as well as could be expected."

He went to his rooms on the third floor to pack a valise. "I haven't taken my drink of whiskey," he told deputy Rebling. Collins poured two fingers into a glass, then went into the bathroom—presumably to splash the drink with tap water and locked the door.

Judge T.K. Wilson, Collins's attorney and close friend, met Rebling in the corridor. As Wilson asked where Collins was, they heard a blunted crack.

Rebling raced in: sitting room, empty; bedroom, no. With his shoulder, Rebling bulldozed the bathroom door off its hinges. He found Collins on his back next to the bathtub. Blood streamed from his mouth into an expanding scarlet pool. His right hand clutched a smoking, ivory-handled .38 revolver. His body made a slight tremor, then was still.

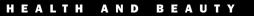
Minutes after Wilson and Rebling found Collins,

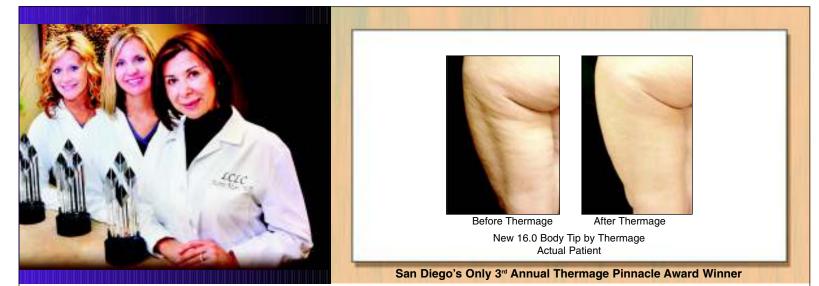
George O'Brien returned to the hotel, out of breath with good news: Marshal Gard agreed not to hurry Collins. They could go to Los Angeles the next day, or even the day after. Instead of prison, Gard would arrange for a Brewster-like confinement. "Had [Collins] waited five minutes," wrote the *Union*, "he might have been well." Collins, in a black busi-

ness suit, had sat down on the floor. He stuck the muzzle into his mouth, pointed upward, and fired, "causing death instantly" (*Sun*). "There was not the slightest evidence of a death struggle. How Collins secured possession of the revolver is yet a mystery."

Collins had two heavy, old-style pistols, his monogram, "J.W.C.," engraved under the cylinder. He kept one at the bank. The night before the attempt, George O'Brien said he was worried about Collins's state of mind. So, O'Brien asked for the other pistol. Collins gave it to him "with some reluctance."

"I haven't the least idea





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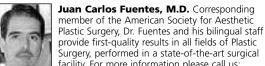
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how he secured that pistol," Rebling told reporters. "One thing I do know: it was not in any pocket of his clothes that hung in the rooms, unless it was placed there by some outside party just prior to the suicide."

Rebling swore he searched the suite "almost constantly for fear someone might leave something [he'd use] in case of extremity. I was anxious to take no chances."

Rebling had guarded Collins for several days. "I cannot say that he was crazy, but he acted very strangely." Irate investors had sent death threats. He feared some "crank" would try to murder him or his friends.

"It was a hard matter for me to keep him away from...his troubles," Rebling added. "He has gone over the whole transaction from beginning to end so often that I have it by heart."

When Rebling changed the subject, Collins returned to the bank's failure and his innocence."He said when the people understood the matter they would pity rather than blame him." Collins remained convinced that the bank would come around and he'd be president again. He only referred to his drowned family once, "and then he choked up so completely he could not proceed."

Dr. Fred Baker arrived at the Brewster, accompanied by deputy coroner Stetson. A crowd, shocked that Collins had attempted suicide, gathered in the hotel's rotunda. They discussed Collins, wrote the Union, "in hushed voices. Men who had previously denounced him in bitter words now spoke kindly."

Dr. Baker brushed past a handful of men in the hall outside suite 39. When he entered the bathroom, the sight saddened him: had unthinkable suffering finally shattered the "rock of reliance"? Baker unbuttoned Collins's vest and felt for a pulse. A moment later, he

came out: "We can do nothing for him, gentlemen, he is beyond all human aid. He is quite dead." *Next time:* Or was he?

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I love autograph stories. When a friend found out I wrote for Autograph Magazine, he told me about a guy he knows who runs an art gallery in North Park. This guy's mother sewed clothing in Hollywood, occasionally for starlets, and she asked Marilyn Monroe if she'd sign an autograph for her seven-year-old son. Monroe said she'd bring an autograph the following day, when she picked up her dress. Well, she brought a baseball instead, signed by her husband, Hall of Famer Joe DiMaggio. She thought a boy would like that better. Luckily, the mom insisted Monroe sign it too.

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"Believe me, I feared lots of scenarios where things could go wrong. I included a gracious cover letter, the 11"x14" to be signed, an 8"x10" copy as a gift,



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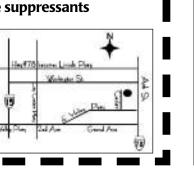
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I asked how he'd pulled it off without his dad getting wind of the surprise.

"I took the original out of his house and to a

major-leaguers pictured. He also contacted the commissioner's office on my behalf and said they'd give me the addresses. I contacted Monte Irvin,

"He peered at the photo for what seemed like an eternity."

photo-processing business. I had one made to 11"x14", and many 8"x10"s reproduced, and then I returned the original. I sent a letter detailing my plans to Billy Martin, the manager of the Oakland A's at the time. He's also prominent in the photo. I asked for his signature, and for assistance in acquiring identities and addresses of the other major-league pros in the photo. I included an 8"x10" copy for Martin to keep.

"Martin signed the photo and wrote on the reverse the names of the

Hall of Famer and assistant to the commissioner, who provided me with addresses for Eddie Lopat, Jim Hearn, Jackie Jensen, Eddie Robinson, Pee Wee Reese, Robin Roberts, Hank Sauer, Bobby Shantz, Enos Slaughter, and Yogi Berra."

One of our racquetball buddies threw out the old Yogi line: "It ain't over till it's over."

"It almost *was* over," Greg said. "My father had returned from vacation in the interim. He often collected my mail while I was at work. So I enlisted the aid of my uncle, Leo Daniel, who allowed me to use his



home address for the return mailing.

"To my surprise, all of the players signed, and I was thanked for sending along a photo they had no idea existed. The last signature was that of Yogi Berra. So, through a serendipitous confluence of events, the now-complete photo arrived at my uncle's house three days prior to Father's Day. I notified my father that I wanted him and Uncle Leo at my house Saturday evening for a drink and then a festive dinner in honor of Father's Day.

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and jovial laughter, I reached into my pocket, and presented my father with a red Swiss Army Knife, and said, 'Happy Father's Day.' He said, 'Thanks for the knife. Give me 20 minutes to take a shower and I'll be ready.'

"As he began to step out the door, I said, 'Wait a second, I forgot something.' I handed him a giftwrapped box containing the signed and framed photo. My father said, 'What's this?' I said, 'It's the other half of your Father's Day gift.'

"He opened the box, peered at the photo for what seemed like an eternity, and said, 'That's my old baseball photo. What is all this stuff written on it?'

"I said, 'It's signed by

all but one of the members of the Major League All-Stars you once played against in that Hawaiian exhibition back in the early '50s. The only signature missing is Nellie Fox, who is deceased.'

Tears welled in his eyes. He turned, bolted out the door, and walked briskly down the road with me in close pursuit.

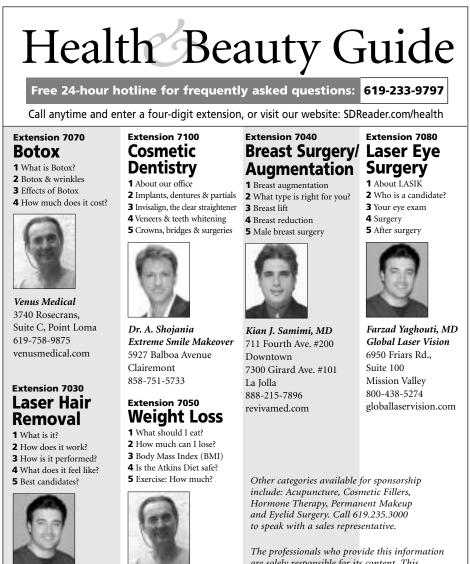
" 'Dad," I said, " 'are you okay?'

'I'll be fine,' he said. 'I just need a moment. It's a bit overwhelming, all those signatures. I'm so touched. I just need a moment. ' " - Josh Board



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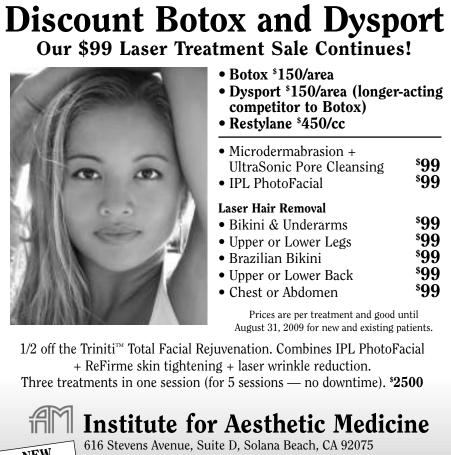
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healthy, and we have a stud at quarterback who is in the top five of talent at that critical position. I believe we deserve a little more respect than being grouped with other functionally disabled franchises like the Raiders, etc. I was then more surprised

to see Patrick's analysis of the AFC West. You say pick it between us and the Broncos?!? Wow! Were you paying attention when Denver imploded this off-season and dumped their Pro Bowl quarterback and replaced him with the underwhelming Kyle Orton? Not to mention the new coach and suspect defense, and you really think it is a toss-up between us and Denver?!? Did you not see us absolutely destroy Denver late last season to take the division title, and that was when they *had* Cutler.

I do not expect your sports writers to be Charger fans, but I feel my knowledge of the AFC West seems more in tune than his, and all I do is read *ESPN.com*. Of course, these games have to be played, and anything can happen, so we will see how accurate Patrick turns out to be.

Thanks for the rest of the article, and thanks for the *Reader*.

Mark Petrone via email

Ignorant Robert

This is addressed to Robert K. Johnston of Vista, who wrote in on August 13 to letters (".45 Caliber Insurance"). In regard to your response to "No Good Guns," from July 23 by Name Withheld, toward the tail end of your letter, why are you so ignorant, Robert? You say, "If you are going to write it, you need to own it! It takes far more courage to put your name to your words than it does to send in an unowned strawman letter. Enough with these 'Name Withheld' jobbies already, folks!"

Why do I say you are ignorant, Robert? First of all, you don't have any idea of the possibilities why this person may have chosen to withhold their name, and it may have nothing at all to do with courage. For instance, I myself, this letter included, have gone by Name Withheld, and it has nothing to do with not "owning" what I wrote.

I am a victim of severe past domestic violence by an ex-husband who started doing drugs and went berserk from then on. I do not want my name printed because I do not want him to find me, lest he try to kill me, as he threatened. I have moved on to a new state, new town, and there is no reason for me to put my name on something that he might possibly see, even if it's just on the internet.

Now I'm not saying this is every Name Withheld's issue, but you just don't know each person's life and what their reasoning is behind it. Domestic violence occurs more frequently than you seem to be aware of. Of course, you probably, being a man, have a far lesser chance of being severely physically abused, since you can probably defend yourself better than I, a woman, so why should you have to worry? Maybe Name Withheld is in some kind of witness protection program, or maybe their issue is entirely something else and none of your business. You just don't know these people, and neither do I, but in this country, people have a right to speak their mind and to do so in privacy, if they choose.

We are not "jobbies" (which, according to a Google search, the definition means a piece of excrement or a stupid person). Am I a piece of doo-doo or stupid if I have the courage - ves, courage to move far away from my abuser and to start a new life and to maintain that better way of life by staying careful? If you say yes, then the only answer I have for you is it takes one to know one, jobbie. Enough with you and these others complaining about people not printing their name.

What do you care, anyway? Are you going to try to locate them and go after them if you disagree with them? May the "Name Witheld By Request" people live on, in peace.

> Name Withheld by Request via email

The Meal, The Hope Are Free

Thanks and compliments to Ed Bedford ("Tin Fork," August 13) for reviewing one of the free church-sponsored community meals. Yes, it's all about social and unity things, not just poverty or homelessness. Years ago, I nearly starved to death before somebody gave me a list of them, and now, better off financially, I still attend one or two per week, and you should, too, helping with whatever you can: cooking, cleanup, security, food or money donation, or even just company. I now keep the database for free meals on my air-conditioning website, nz9f.com. Events listed are appropriate for families, and a printout could help someone far more than giving them money.

John Kitchin via email

Questionable Experts

I am the attorney who filed the lawsuit against Stephen Doyne, Ph.D., which was covered in your article "The American Board of Nonexistence" ("City Lights," July 2). I am writing to respond to the false and misleading statements by Doyne's attorney, Christopher Zopatti. ("Not Overtly Psychotic," Letters, July 23.)

Just to recap, the lawsuit was filed on behalf of Emad Tadros, M.D., and alleges that Doyne, a prominent San Diego child custody evaluator whom I have seen family law judges recommend, uses false and misleading credentials in his CV, such as claiming he taught at USD School of Law and other universities that deny in writing any record of Doyne, and claiming he is a "Diplomate" of organizations like the American College of Forensic Examiners (ACFE) that have been exposed as internet certification mills.

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Zopatti's letter demanded that the Reader retract its article on the lawsuit. In defense of Doyne, Zopatti claims he filed a declaration from a USD law educator named Rodney Jones that "confirms the employment of Dr. Doyne at USD." That is absolutely false. The declaration never says Doyne taught at USD. It says Doyne took one of Jones's classes with the stated intent of later teaching at USD. That is all. As a member of the state bar, Zopatti knows better than to make false statements like that.

Maybe the reason Zopatti had to distort the truth is that he had nothing else. On the one hand, we filed two letters from USD that flatly deny any record of Doyne even after an extensive search. On the other hand, all Doyne was able to produce was that declaration from Jones stating Doyne took Jones's class. Nothing else. If Doyne did teach at USD he should be able to find a faculty member or former student who remembers him teaching (most of them are on the state bar website), or even an old course outline, pay stub, employment record, photo, yearbook, or some other record.

Zopatti also claims he filed a course catalog that identifies Doyne as an instructor at another university, UCSD, where Doyne also claims he taught but which also denies any record of him. What Zopatti does not mention is that the catalog lists Doyne as an instructor of a one-day seminar. This lawsuit is not just about lies but also about misleading claims, and I consider it unethically misleading for a professional custody evaluator to claim he was a UCSD instructor when he only taught a one-day seminar.

Regarding the credentials issued to a cat, Zopatti correctly claims Dr. Steve Eichel's article states it was the Amer-

ican Psychotherapy Association/APA, not ACFE, that issued the cat credentials and that Dr. Eichel never says how APA is associated with ACFE. But Zopatti does not mention that I filed a Scientific Evidence Review article by Professor Carol Henderson ("Admissibility and Use of Expert Evidence in the Courtroom") which explains that ACFE formed APA and has the same owner. That article, and a Wall Street Journal article by Elizabeth Mac-Donald that I filed ("The Making of an Expert Witness," February 8, 1999), together expose ACFE as a certification mill. Both of those articles along with the university letters mentioned above and other documents in the case are available at http://courthouseforum.com/ forums/thread.php?&pages-*Page=10#pagesAnchor.*

Lastly, Zopatti claims that I filed this lawsuit for publicity. Wrong. I filed it because I do not like seeing profes-

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sionals lie or mislead people, and also because I find it hypocritical that family law courts, which make fathers jump through hoops to prove their "fitness," are not themselves "fit" enough to check the credentials of experts they recommend. I recently withdrew from

the case because I moved to Los Angeles and took new employment after a family member became ill. But I stand by the case, and if the court decides Doyne is immune from responsibility due to the litigation privilege or some other legal immunity then I will gladly assist with an appeal. Regardless of what happens, at least the public is now aware and can check Doyne's credentials, and hopefully the courts will do their job and check the credentials of experts they recommend people to.

Marc E. Angelucci, Esq. Glendale

Don't Jump Our Tourists

Thank you for printing something that I've been trying to vocalize for a long time ("Do You Live Close to Snoop Dogg?" Cover Story, July 30). San Diego is a beautiful city. It's been my home for the last 30 years, and it makes me *so* mad that we (as a city) fall short from providing tourists with a completely safe and enjoyable vacation. I wanted to throw up last

year when I heard about Australian surfer Robert Schneider, who was savagely beaten and thrown into a fire pit by two homeless men in Pacific Beach and suffered third-degree burns. When this story came out, I had just returned from a trip to Australia. I enjoyed their beaches and their city after dark — they kept me safe. Why couldn't we return the favor? How is a tourist supposed to know which beaches are dangerous to have a bonfire at? Tourists are our lifeblood; we are the hosts. We've got to do a better job, people.

I can recall walking out of Canes one night from a very calm concert with a group of seven people, hanging out in the parking lot with my

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friends who were excitedly showing us their new car, when three gangbangers jumped out of their car and held up a gun to my friend's head and took all his money.

I know I'm not the only one to have a scary Mission Bay/Pacific Beach/Belmont Park story. It happens far too often. If we're going to keep our rep of being America's Finest City, we better damn well earn it or at the very least be honest with tourists about which areas are no longer safe. We can't afford not to.

Jill Knight via email

Underground And Unbiased

I just wanted to write in to let you know that I have found a new respect for the Reader. I have been a resident my whole life and love San Diego. Rosa wrote an absolutely fascinating article ("They Carry Guns," Cover Story, July 16). I give her credit for going undercover and seeing both sides at its full advantage. I learned a lot. It is hard to find unbiased stories these days. I will continue to look for the Reader every week. Can't wait to see more articles by Rosa.

I think it is about time that Americans wake up and realize what "freedom" and protection really mean and how precious they are. Kimberly S.

Rifle Error

Rosa Jurjevics thinks the Ruger Mini-14 is a rifle, not a carbine ("They Carry Guns," Cover Story, July 16). Please inform her that she is mistaken.

> John Sherrill via email

via email

On its website, Ruger calls the

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Mini-14 a rifle. — Editor

First off, let me say congratulations for an excellent article and a superb job by your reporter, Rosa Jurjevics ("They Carry Guns," Cover Story, July 16).

I grew up in San Diego. My family left in the mid-

'80s and moved to Connecticut. To this day I am still a diehard San Diego fan. (Come on, guys...we rocked it in '98. I want a series comeback in 2012.)

Anyways, I read this article with fascinating interest. You see, I remember going to the mall in the early '80s. My father open-carried his Ruger Security-Six on his hip. It was a little different than the experience in your article. You see, back then you could opencarry a loaded firearm. How much things have changed.

Americans are losing their rights. And most do not even realize it. It's not just firearms. In Pennsylvania there is a law that will mandate all contractors to be licensed. Any contractor performing work without a license will result in a felony. Think about it. You just build decks in people's backyards, and now you're going to be a felon, potentially losing your right to vote and/or own a firearm? Everything is becoming a felony. Everything requires a license/tax. I just learned that my landlord has to pay \$150 for a "renter's license."

What has happened to the land of the free? We're becoming the land of the licensed, controlled, and taxed!

Reading your article brought a mix of feelings from nostalgia (thinking back to my father with his sidearm on his hip) to sadness (how much freedom San Diego has lost), to hope (there are people standing up and fighting for their rights). You might even find this recent post on my blog fascinating: http://nugun.wordpress.com/ 2009/07/25/25-yrs-ago-at-amcdonalds-in-san-diego/.

I just wanted to thank you for such an honest and wellreported article. You see, most of the time the media spouts off terms it knows nothing about. This is why Congresswoman McCarthy thinks a barrel shroud is something you unfold, rather than a protective safety device that covers a barrel in order to reduce the risk of being burned by a hot barrel. Only when it comes to firearms are we so led by fear that we would ban a safety device

and call it a feature of an assault weapon.

It was so nice to see a media reporter actually go and find out the facts firsthand -engage gun owners, even fire some handguns and rifles, take her fingers off the keys and actually get them dirty. Your reporter showed a tremendous amount of courage. Open carry is a scary thing, even for gun advocates. Even in many places where it's legal (i.e., Pennsylvania), it's often understood that there is a significant risk of being harassed by someone unfamiliar with the law even law-enforcement officers. Your reporter braved the experience, and the result was a superb firsthand article. Great job!

Jason Epperson York, Pennsylvania

Perfect Church

What a treat to see the author (Matthew Lickona) refer to my son and me in his article about the Mission Bay church ("Sheep and Goats," July 16). We were spending the weekend with a friend and rode our bikes to the church. From someone who grew up in Alaska, it was magnificent to ride our bikes to such a beautiful, serene place to worship. It doesn't get much better!

De Anza via email

Waste Haven

The article regarding Dr. Stephen Doyne ("The American Board of Nonexistence," "City Lights," July 2) was so significant and just the tip of the problems in San Diego Family Court, which is a haven for waste and corruption. Families are being held hostage in temporary orders without benefit of trial as attorneys use litigants and children as revenue. My children and I were held hostage for 15 years. My children are now 18 and 19 and finally removed themselves from an abusive household even though they had a courtappointed minor's counsel who has been paid by the State of California — in other words, with your tax dollars. I commend you for having the courage to write about

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this, but there are thousands of high-conflict cases in San Diego Family Court that are siphoning state and federal funds and also bankrupting families.

> Eileen Lasher via email

JULY BLOG WINNERS

FIRST PLACE

Author: John Edward Rangel

Neighborhood: Tijuana Blog: Living in El Fin del Mundo

Entry: Tijuana, My Kind of Town

There is a little girl who lives on my block and she is always happy. Her age is about three or four but she looks small for her years. I'd say childhood obesity is not so much a problem around my neighborhood as is childhood malnutrition. Her dark skin is twice as dark as normal for she is always playing outdoors. She rarely has new clothes. Most of it comes from the *segundas* (secondhand stores). If she has any nice toys I've never seen them. Nevertheless, her infectious laughter fills our street daily. She thoroughly loves her life because she has known no other.

Read the rest of this post at *SDReader.com/july1*

SECOND PLACE

Author: Katwerts Neighborhood: Downtown

Blog: Katwerts Entry: Tip Your Waitress

I put sour cream in my coffee because I didn't have any milk. I searched through my refrigerator for anything that could possibly be utilized as a splash of creamer. Salad dressing, mayonnaise, soy sauce, anything. Finally the sour cream called my name. Arguably, I told myself, sour cream is kind of like milk. It's white, and dairy based. It even had "cream" in the name. I couldn't afford to go to the grocery store and buy milk, so sour cream would have to do. Read the rest of this post

at SDReader.com/july2

THIRD PLACE

Author: Tikicult Neighborhood: Lemon Grove

Blog: Tikicult Entry: The Search

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I had drawn pictures. I have a huge collection of images scraped from every corner of the Internet. I had plans & schemes. I saw it in my sleep. The \$6K was enough to turn this rough pile of parts into the loud, violent hot rod that I lusted for. Read the rest of this post

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Fall fashions are already out, so you should have no problem choosing the right colors for your homemade head warmer. Clever Knits offers this hatmaking class for novice knitters. See **SPECIAL**, page 68.

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SUMMERGRASS FESTIVAL

The Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum hosts this three-day blues/bluegrass/country-music concert featuring New Found Road, Kenny and Amanda Smith, Bluegrass Patriots, Brombies, Bluegrass Brethren, Burnett Family, and more. See LIVE MUSIC, page 84.

SPEEDY GONZALES AND POETRY

Author, blogger, and SDSU professor

William A. Nericcio studies how U.S. films, cartoons, and other media portray Mexicans. He'll read from his book Tex[t]-Mex: Seductive Hallucinations of the "Mexican" in America, followed by poetry readings by Tomás Riley and Manuel Paul López. See **IN PERSON**, page 73.

Saturday | 22

WORLD BODYSURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Who needs a board? Hundreds of men and women will show off their wave maneuvers, surfing sans board. Judges look for tricks such as underwater takeoffs, spins, and barrel rolls.

See **SPORTS**, page 74.

SUMMERFEST IN OCEAN BEACH

With Labor Day just two weeks away, this is a great opportunity to soak up all the sun and sand that you can. This

event promises rides, food, music, a beer garden in Dusty Rhodes Park, and plenty of sand and seawater. See **SPECIAL**, page 68.

Sunday | 23

HEALTHY AGING — NATURALLY

Aging naturally means avoiding "toxic" injections and surgeries, according to naturopathic physician Amanda Ward, who will discuss "some of the most cutting-edge ways to stay looking and feeling young" —



without the cutting often associated with maintaining a youthful appearance. See **IN PERSON**, page 73.

PSYCHIC FAIR AND META-PHYSICAL CONFERENCE

Looking for some preternatural guidance or maybe some grounding hematite or purifying amber? Get that and more at Alexandra's Bookstore, where experts in tarot reading, palmistry, and numerology will be on hand to offer \$20 readings. See **SPECIAL**, page 68.

Monday | 24

MEDICINAL MARIJUANA AND CITY LAW

The Southwest Chula Vista Civic Association meets for a presentation by the Institute for Public Strategies on medicinal marijuana dispensaries. Get an overview of current laws governing medicinal marijuana, health and safety issues surrounding dispensaries, and how other cities are dealing with marijuana dispensaries.

See **SPECIAL**, page 68.

Tuesday | 25

PASSION FOR TEACHING 101

Former National Teacher of the Year Rafe Esquith will discuss *Lighting Their Fires*, his follow-up to *Teach Like Your Hair Is on Fire*. Event includes 30-minute performance by Esquith's students.

See IN PERSON, page 73.

Wednesday | 26

IS HELL OTHER PEOPLE?

Does the existentialist statement "Hell is other people" really reflect a dour, antisocial outlook? Librarian Phil Gunderson, Ph.D., leads a discussion of Jean-Paul Sartre's essay "Existentialism Is a Humanism" and its relevance to 21st-century life. See **LECTURES**, page 73.

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

You're new in San Diego — or maybe just new to walking and hik-ing — and you want to hit the local trails with other individuals. How do you get plugged into the hiking community around here?

The Sierra Club's San Diego chapter offers the most number of possibilities. As it has for six decades now, the 15,000-member local



chapter offers hundreds of outings a year for anyone wishing to get some exercise and explore San Diego County's natural environment at the same time. The club boasts a dedicated cadre of well-trained outing leaders who lead bicycle and ski trips as well as hikes and overnight backpacking treks. Some of the outings are conducted under the auspices of sub-groups within the chapter, such as the North County Group, the Coasters Group, and the Bicycle, Family, Photography, and Sierra Singles sections

The Sierra Club's offi-

cial newsletter, the Hi Sierran, lists highlighted outings of interest to the general membership. However, by visiting sandiego.sierraclub.org, you can get access to all outings announcements by clicking "Get Outdoors" and then "More About Outings," Each entry includes information about difficulty, mileage, and elevation gain associated with the outing.

All Sierra Club outings are open to the general public, though it is usually necessary to contact the outing leader or assistant leader for reservations. The leaders of any physically challenging outing will "screen' participants, trying to ensure that each participant has the necessary skills and stamina to complete the trip associations, both old and safely. All participants must new. Check out the decadessign a liability waiver before old San Diego Hiking Club at the outing begins.

To learn more about venerable organization Walkthe Sierra Club and its outings program, you may also drop by the San Diego chapter office at 8304 Clairemont backcountry hikes. Visit walk-Mesa Boulevard. Suite 101. about-int.org for more just west of the 163. Office hours are Monday through Friday, noon to 5 pm. Phone: various virtual "meetup" 858-569-6005.

The widespread use of the internet has proven to be a boon for other hiking

> Diego County renders it all but invisible. The Milky Way seems to broaden and become generally brighter over the south horizon, specifically near the constellation Sagittarius. When we gaze in this direction, we look toward the crowded heart of our galaxy, where millions of dim stars are so closely spaced in the sky that taken together they resemble puffs of steam.

information.

"heighten your awareness as you discover a surprising variety of sounds and sights along the trail." Native creatures, plants identified; expect "fascinating facts and interesting lore." 619-668-3281. Saturday, August 22, 9:30am; Sunday, August 23, 9:30am; Wednesday, August 26, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Fun in San Diego," and "Footsore Fiends" each boast hundreds of members and organize a handful of hikes each month. The informal outings draw anywhere between a few to a couple of dozen participants, and members are allowed to post on the website digital photos of their experiences on the trail.

times strenuous, but always inter-

esting" 12-mile hike promising

ter to explore Tecolote Canyon.

858-581-9944. Saturday, August 22,

9am; free. Tecolote Nature Center,

Beat the Heat Start morning

strolling in shade of oaks,

sycamore, willows, and poplars

near Kumeyaay Lake, San Diego

River, and historic Padre Dam dur-

ing trail guide-led interpretive

walk. Hear about local flora, fauna,

and a bit of Kumeyaay and mis-

sion history. 619-668-3281. Satur-

day, August 22, 8:30am; free.

Kumeyaay Lake Campground en-

5180 Tecolote Road. (CLAIREMONT)

eral meetup groups with

titles such as "San Diego

County 4255 Square Miles

Walking/Hiking," "Hiking for

HOOK UP TO HIKE

How to join with others and explore San Diego's trails.

OUTDOORS

Grunion may be active again on area beaches (probably for the last time this year) on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, August 20-22, roughly during the hours of 10pm and 1am, just after the noc-

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turnal highest 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

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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. Jasmine's Thick, Sweet Odor

wafts on the night breezes this time

of year, especially throughout the older, well-landscaped neighborhoods of San Diego. The exotic odor is produced by the flowers of true jasmines (genus Jasminum), as opposed to the so-called "star jasmine" (genus Trachelospermum) which blooms in the late spring and early summer.

The Crescent Moon returns to

hang like a capital letter "D" right over the south horizon. The sparkling reddish star immediately to its right on that evening is Antares, the "Rival of Mars," which closely resembles the planet Mars in color. The Milky Way appears at its most glorious during August summer evenings free of bright moonlight (this year, these evenings occur through about August 24). You'll need to be in the mountains or the desert to see the Milky Way

the evening sky as a left-leaning,

thin smile of light on Saturday, Au-

gust 22. Look low in the southwest-

ern sky at dusk (7:30-8pm) to spot

it. On successive evenings, at the

same hour, that smile will thicken

and move to a position progres-

sively farther to the left (i.e.,

south). By Thursday, August 27,

the moon at first quarter phase will

clearly; too much artificial light in or near the urbanized parts of San



"some of the best hills on the ranch." Expect to be on trails for about 5.5 hours; bring snack, minimum of two liters of water. 760-839-4680. Saturday, August 22, 7am; free. Daley Ranch, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO) Audubon Society Bird Walk Bring binoculars and drinking wa-

sandiegohikingclub.org. The

about International empha-

sizes urban and suburban

walks, and sometimes offers

Of recent origin are

associations that can be

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meetup.com and searching

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Gather No Moss | TRAVEL STORIES AND TIPS FROM OUR READERS



Montevideo, Uruguay

Montevideo, Uruguay

By Dominic DeGrazier

"I feel like I'm back in 1950s America," commented a visiting American. An amiable people, first-world atmosphere, and slow pace of life combine to make Montevideo, Uruguay.

Smaller than the state of Washington, Uruguay is tucked in between the monstrously large countries of Brazil and Argentina in South America. This capital city boasts a moderate climate and beach

and ocean views a few blocks away from the city center, and its beautifully decayed Ciudad Vieja zone showcases 1800s churches, plazas, and more.

Eats. No trip to Montevideo, or Uruguay for that matter, would be complete without tasting their worldrenowned beef (Anthony Bourdain agrees). The best place to catch a scene and sample some delicious grub is at the Mercado del Puerto in Ciudad Vieja - Don Tiburon is one of the favorite venues.

Prices. For visiting Americans, the prices are agreeable compared to home. A savory steak and a shared good bottle of wine runs around \$30 in a quality joint.

Directions. There are no direct flights to Montevideo from San Diego, but it can be reached via Miami and other major American hubs. Flights will cost roughly \$1200, depending on the season. COMMENTS

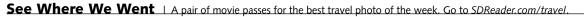
1. We moved from San Diego to Montevideo, Uruguay, just a little over two

months ago. So far it's been the best decision we've ever made. The food is outstanding. The people are great. The city is rich with history and the countryside is amazingly beautiful. If you want to know more about our day-today life in Montevideo, you can check out our blog here: *blog.exploring* uruguay.com If you are planning a trip down, hit us up. Peace...

Maracanã Stadium, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

By Jeff Wheeland

"Pandemonium" would be an appropriate word to describe a soccer or futebol, match at the venerable Maracanã stadium in Rio de Janeiro. Maracanã is the mecca of futebol in Brazil — every child in this country grows up dreaming of playing there, or if they are terrible at the sport, at least pummeling a rival fan there.





BonnieMaffei: Donkey taxis from port of Athinios. Greece. Thank goodness donkeys don't get vertigo ... do thev?



beautiful creation of nature



whyigotahaveid: Temple on Japanese burial grounds in Oahu



alisharivera76: A private beach at a campground (Lai'e Oahu, Hawai'i)



Maracanã stadium

The game I witnessed involved a showdown of epic proportions between two local teams from Rio - Flamengo vs. Fluminense. Upon entering the stadium, I was immediately swept up in the chaos: tens of thousands of fans jumping up and down in unison, singing songs, wildly waving enormous flags, and pounding on drums. And all this before the game even started.

Then, 15 minutes into the game, Flamengo launched a ball into the back of the net, and the chaos transformed into pandemonium. I'd never seen anything like the reaction to this goal at any sporting event in my life: the crowd erupted and hundreds of flares and fireworks exploded around the stadium.

If you've ever wondered which country has the craziest soccer fans on Earth, catch a match at Maracanã and vou will understand that Brazil wins this accolade.

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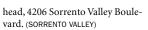
try station, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

Cleanup at River Garden Join the restoration and cleanup of the San Diego River in our midst. Terrain to be cleared is steep; closedtoe shoes a must. Call for directions. 619-297-7380. Saturday, August 22, 9am; free. River Garden, 3270 Camino del Rio North. (MISSION VALLEY)

Desert Garden Tour Bizarre trees, cacti, succulents showcased when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll through desert garden. 619-235-1122. Saturday, August 22, 10am; free, Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

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)

In Search of Orb Spiders Will Bowen leads outing with possibility of spider, bat, and owl sightings. Bring a flashlight. 858-484-3219. Saturday, August 22, 7:30pm; free. Sorrento Vallev trail



Trash Pickup in López Canyon Help clean trash out of natural areas in López Canyon. 858-538-8066. Sunday, August 23, 9am; free. López Ridge Park, 7245 Calle Cristobal. (MIRA MESA)

Walk in the Park Join naturalist Dan Cannon on moderately paced 3.5-mile walk through southeast section of ranch; learn about flora and fauna of residents, reserve's recent and ancient history, bit about geology. 760-839-4680. Saturday, August 22,

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1:30pm; free. Daley Ranch, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

Where Was Wyatt Earp's Favorite Oyster Bar? Find out when San Diego Architectural Foundation hosts tours of historic Gaslamp Quarter. Learn about area's architectural evolution from 1880s dirt streets and saloons to current restorations and adaptive reuse projects. Tours begin at Arts Tix kiosk, 619-232-1385, Saturday, August 22, 9:50am; \$8-\$15. 10 and up. Horton Square, 225 Broadway. (DOWNTOWN)

SPECIAL

"A Night in Greece" Enjoy Greek dinner, learn Greek folk-dancing steps. Event is a fundraiser for Project Turnaround, which "empowers individuals with developmental challenges." 858-481-3998. Saturday, August 22, 6pm; \$25. Saint James Catholic Church, 625 South Nardo Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

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Day Pass

Saturday, August 22, 12 noon; \$15. Akasha Yoga, 3211 Holiday Court #203. (LA JOLLA)

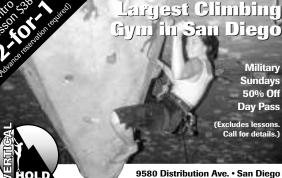
"Darwin Now" Photos, animal specimens, live plants, and other materials on exhibit from British

Council honor the 150th anniversary of Charles Darwin's publishing On the Origin of Species. Exhibit is in SDSU Library's Donor Hall. Library's Special Collections department also displaying his-





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toric photographs, first editions of Darwin's work, related books. Open daily; call for hours. Exhibit ends September 30. 619-594-6791. Friday, August 21, 8am; free. San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

"Finding Joy Through Music" Noelle Pederson leads students in drumming, breathing and movement workshop. Second session September 13 included. 619-640-4438. Sunday, August 23, 12 noon; \$15-\$20. Pilgrimage of the Heart Yoga, 3301 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

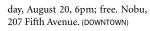
"Garden Expressions" Guest of honor is plant sculptor Pearl Fryar, subject of documentary *A Man* *Named Pearl* (which will be screened). Fryar will shape a plant (or two) to be auctioned. Area artists on hand to demonstrate their artistic skills, with work for sale. Children's art activities ("small fee" charged). 760-436-3036 x206. Sunday, August 23, 11am; free-\$12. Quail Botanical Gardens, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

"Story Swap" Tell story in five minutes or less without notes or just listen. 858-484-1325. Wednesday, August 26, 7pm; free. Barnes and Noble Bookstore Mira Mesa, 10775 Westview Parkway. (MIRA MESA)

"Vino and Vinyasa" Enjoy complimentary yoga class, then mingle with glass of wine and watch sunset. Lululemon provides "celebrity yoga instructors for each event." No cover. 619-398-3092. Thursday, August 20, 5:30pm; free. 21 and up. W Hotel, 421 West B Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Training the Perfect Pooch Helen Woodward Animal Center hosts canine surf clinics taught by Rob of San Diego Pet Training, in preparation for "Surf Dog Surfathon" (on September 13). Bring your canine pal and towel; boards provided. Be prepared to spend time in water with your dog. Reservations: 858-756-4117 x339. Saturday, August 22, 9am. Dog Beach Del Mar, 29th Street. (DEL MAR)

Casi Divas Reception Prerelease party for film to be shown as part of Media Arts Center's Latino Film Festival. Promised: multimedia exhibit, advance clips screened. RSVP: 619-230-1038 x101. Thurs-



Wicked Cabaret Cast, crew members of Wicked national touring company perform cabaret acts in Defying Inequality. One-time event "intended for mature audiences." Benefit for groups that work on lesbian, gay civil rights issues. VIP cocktail reception at 6pm for donors at \$100; reception and special seating at show for \$150. Donation for show only: \$35 to \$50. Reservations: 888-937-8995. Monday, August 24, 7:30pm. Birch North Park Theatre, 2891 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

All Things Nancy Drew! Does

Nancy Drew represent "girl power" better than any other pop icon? Is she our favorite feminist? Enjoy exhibition of Nancy Drew books, memorabilia, and serious scholarship. Exhibit continues through August on main floor, west wing, of Geisel Library. 858-822-5758. Thursdays, 7:30am; Fridays, 7:30am; Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; Mondays, 7:30am; Tuesdays, 7:30am; Wednesdays, 7:30am; through Monday, August 31; free. UCSD Arts Library, Geisel Library, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Altered Clothing Recycle an oversized dress, make a cool summer top from a man's buttondown shirt, or remake jeans into a retro-'60s skirt during classes. Learn easy sewing skills, appliqué techniques, fabric dying. Bring a piece of clothing to alter or choose from stock. Fee: \$15 per class, or \$40 for month. Reservations: 619-593-2205. Wednesday, 5pm; through Wednesday, August 26, \$15-\$40. Sophie's Gallery, 109 Rea Avenue. (EL CAJON)



Barriers to Food Programs

Panel discussion of barriers people face getting food stamps, other aid in San Diego County. Panel includes three "working poor" representatives. Caring Council of San Diego presents summaries of 187 interviews of families going hungry here. 619-466-4163. Wednesday, August 26, 7pm; free. La Mesa First United Methodist Church, 4690 Palm Avenue. (LA MESA)

Classic Car Nights Hot rods, foreign automobiles, classic cars, Woodies line S. Coast Hwy. 101 (from D Street to J Street) during event hosted this month by North County Cruisers. Live music by Morning Glass (in front of Encinitas Smog). 760-943-1950. Thursday, August 20, 5:30pm; free. Encinitas Smog, 682 S. Coast Hwy. 101. (ENCINITAS)

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)

Diplomas and Dogs Canine Companions for Independence welcomes public to graduation ceremony — when humans graduate and receive their new, highly skilled assistance dogs. 760-901-4300. Saturday, August 22, 12 noon; free. Mission San Luis Rey, 4070 Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

Discuss Conservatism P&R Discussion Group hosts conversation "looking towards a new conservative philosophy." 619-370-1027. Thursday, August 20, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Gem Faire Over 100 manufacturers, wholesalers, importers offer jewelry, gems, beads, crystals, silver, minerals. Classes, demonstrations for all skill levels. Weekend pass: \$5. 760-390-3599. Friday, August 21, 12 noon; Saturday, August 22, 10am; Sunday, August 23, 10am; \$5. Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South. (MISSION VALLEY)

Happy Birthday, Dear Julia Celebrate all things food during "Julia Child Birthday Party" including discussions by sales representatives "from nation's top publishing companies about their favorite cookbooks and food-related books," *gâteau d'anniversaire*, recipe exchange, more. 858-454-0347. Thursday, August 20, 6:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

House of Hungary Lawn program promises ethnic music, costumes, and dance. 619-234-0739. Sunday, August 23, 2pm; free. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

KnitNight Gather with fellow fiber artists for social knitting, crochet, spinning. 760-806-6744. Tuesdays, 7pm; free. 18 and up. Clever Knits, 214 South Indiana Avenue. (VISTA)

Kundalini Yoga Yoga class includes "gong bath," or being

Duncan Shepherd's Movie Review and the Movie Guide have moved. Look on pages 15-23. Bigger News

Starting this week the "Movie Showtimes" includes nearly ALL movie theaters.

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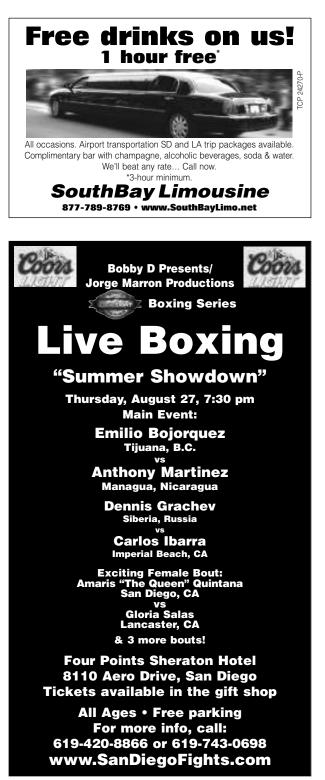
"bathed" in the sound of a gong, followed by yogi tea and cookies. 951-696-9063 x105. Sunday, August 23, 1pm. Stillpoint Body Lounge, 965 2nd Street. (ENCINITAS)

Medicinal Marijuana and Cities Southwest CV Civic Association meets for presentation on medicinal marijuana dispensaries by Institute for Public Strategies. Overview of current laws governing medicinal marijuana, health and safety issues surrounding dispensaries, what other cities are doing. 619-425-5771. Monday, August 24, 6:45pm; free. MAAC Charter School, 1385 Third Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

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)

Need (to Knit) a Hat? Introductory class series continues with instruction in knitting hats. Fee for first class is \$20, includes a materials kit; pay \$10 for subsequent classes "if you purchase materials at Clever Knits or \$15 if you bring your own materials." Materials list, registration: 760-806-6744. Thursday, August 20, 6pm; \$10-\$20. Clever Knits, 214 South Indiana Avenue. (VISTA)

Open Cockpit Days Climb aboard four historic aircraft at this Marine Corps aviation museum.



858-693-1723. Saturday, August 22, 9am; Sunday, August 23, 9am; free. Flying Leatherneck Museum, Miramar Road (Marine Corps Air Station). (MIRA MESA)

Psychic Fair and Metaphysical Conference Lectures, tarot, palmistry, numerology, other psychic arts featured. Admission is free; \$20 per reading. 619-298-3422. Saturday, August 22, 12 noon; Sunday, August 23, 12 noon; free. Alexandra's Bookstore, 3545 Midway Dr., Suite G. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

Qi Gong Meditations Healing meditations with Qi Gong and oriental medicine practitioner Dawn Asher. Donation. 917-620-2666. Tuesday, August 25, 7:30pm. Dwell Sanctuary, 3752 Third Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Summer Evening Bike Ride and Movie Urban Bike and Social Club, Bicycle Coalition Social Crew meet at fountain near Park Boulevard in Balboa Park, ride to Trolley Barn Park in University Heights for screening of *The Man with One Red Shoe.* Soft drinks provided; bring your own picnic. 619-885-8188. Monday, August 24, 6:30pm; free. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

Summerfest in Ocean Beach Event promises rides, food, music, beer garden in Dusty Rhodes Park, sponsored by the Kiwanis and Ocean Beach Recreation Center. 619-606-2593. Saturday, August 22, 10am; free. Ocean Beach, Newport Avenue and Abbott Street. (OCEAN BEACH) Surfing for a Cure The 16th annual Moores UCSD Cancer Center Luau and Longboard Invitational includes longboard surfing contest (free), on beach near Scripps Pier (7am). Each team is paired with a "surfing legend." Live music by the Professors. Luau begins at noon on Pawka Green, Scripps Institution of Oceanography (\$150), promising traditional Polynesian dancing by Heali'i's Polynesian Revue, silent auction. Proceeds support Moores UCSD Cancer Center. Luau reservations: 858-822-0023. Sunday, August 23, 7am; free-\$150. Scripps Institution of Oceanography, 8602 La Jolla Shores Drive. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSICAL MUSIC

"I Got Rhythm" Pianist Scott Pratt performs works by George Gershwin, including some rarely heard selections. 619-236-5800. Saturday, August 22, 2:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Civic Organist Carol Williams in concert. 619-702-8138. Sunday, August 23, 2pm; free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 2211 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

Jace Vëk, Scott D. Davis Live Piano concert with a twist — Vëk has won several Emmy Awards for his compositions and creates music that has been called New Age; Davis is a YouTube sensation who



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transforms 1980s rock songs into piano solos. 800-838-3006. Friday, August 21, 7:30pm; \$15-\$20. PianoSD.com, 1233 Camino del Rio South. (MISSION VALLEY)

Light Your (Summer Pops) Fire! Grammy Award-winning singer-songwriter José Feliciano takes stage for Summer Pops series with San Diego Symphony to play hits including "Light My Fire," "Rain," others. Evenings conclude with fireworks. 619-235-0804. Friday, August 21, 7:30pm; \$15-\$75. Embarcadero Marina Park South, 206 Marina Park Way. (DOWNTOWN)

Music and Silent Movies! Dennis James visits from Seattle with his silent movie night theater organ program for Summer International Organ Festival. Enjoy concert of "some of his favorite pieces followed at sunset" by his live organ accompaniment to *The Cameraman*, starring Buster Keaton. Arrive early for good seats. 619-702-8138. Monday, August 24, 7:30pm; free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 2211 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

SummerFest Draws to a Close

Enjoy "SummerFest Commissions — World Premières" when La Jolla Music Society's series continues August 21, with pieces by Tsontakis, Schoenfield, Stewart Copeland. The "SummerFest Finale — Celebrating Baroque Masters" promises pieces by Handel, Vivaldi, Marcello, Telemann on August 23. Festival includes coaching workshops, open rehearsals, encounters. Reservations: 858-459-3728. Friday, August 21, 7:30pm; Sunday, August 23, 3pm; \$40-\$75. Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

DANCE

"Let's Cha-Cha!" Month-long class focuses on cha-cha for beginners. \$40 fee covers four classes. 858-451-3775. Thursdays, 6:30pm; through Thursday, August 27, 18 and up. Dance Motions, 12120 Alta Carmel Court, Suite 410D. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

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Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

"Summer Luau Swing Dance" Swing dance lesson 8pm to 9pm, dance after. Dance only: \$8, students \$5. 619-291-3775. Friday, August 21, 8pm; \$10-\$15. Dance for 2, 7528 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Arabic Concert and Dance Show Enjoy live Arabic music and belly-dance show. Cover: \$25.619-696-0038. Saturday, August 22, 9pm; 18 and up. Haji Baba Restaurant, 801 C Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Ball Practice Learn dances for upcoming ball (held in Pasadena). 858-676-9731. Thursday, August 20, 8pm; \$8. Jean Hart Academy of Dance, 12227 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Belly-Dance Show Zahra, Cyrene, and Lucia entertain. 619-405-2308. Friday, August 21, 10pm; Saturday, August 22, 10pm; \$5. 18 and up. Sapphire Mediterranean Cuisine & Lounge, 4076 Bonita Road. (BONITA)

Belly-Dance Showcase Annamarie, Eliza, Kameela, and Sabrina perform to live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble. Donation: \$5. 619-688-9845. Thursday, August 20, 8pm; free. Claire de Lune, 2906 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Celebrate Dance Festival 13th annual dance extravaganza (all indoors this year) brings more than 70 regional dance companies, groups, collectives, solo artists together for weekend of nonstop performances. Ballet, modern, jazz, hip-hop, and ethnic styles spanning globe. 619-238-1153. Friday, August 21, 6pm; Saturday, August 22, 11am; Sunday, August 23, 11am; free. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

Dine Before Dancing Chris Page calls, Flight Path provides music for dance hosted by San Diego Folk Heritage at 8pm. Beginners' dance workshop: 7:30pm. Optional potluck supper at 6:30pm; bring food/beverages to share. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. Saturday, August 22, 6:30pm; \$7. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

English Country Dancing All callers share duties for English country dancing. 858-676-9731. Sunday, August 23, 6pm; \$6. Jean Hart Academy of Dance, 12227 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Firehouse Swing Dance Jitterbug lesson (free with admission) 8pm to 8:45pm; open swing dancing after. \$8 general, \$5 students. 858-395-6060. Wednesday, August 26, 8pm. San Diego Woman's Club, 2557 Third Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

Hot Salsa Party Dance night away with salsa, bachata, merengue, and salsa, hosted by DJ El Hombre Misterioso. Class at 8pm (free); dancing starts at 9pm. Parties planned fourth Saturday each month. 858-270-7100. Saturday, August 22, 8pm; \$10. Cheek 2 Cheek Dance Studio, 4360 Morena Boulevard. (CLAIREMONT)

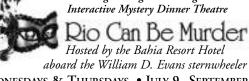
Salsa Dance Lesson from 8:30pm to 9:30pm, dance after. 760-729-4131. Sunday, August 23, 8:30pm; \$10. 18 and up. Ocean House, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Scandinavian Dance Party San Diego Folk Dance Center sponsors party with live music. Bring snack to share. 619-281-5656. Wednesday, August 26, 7:30pm; \$8. Dancing Unlimited, 4569 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Tribal Bellydance Sabrina Fox and others dance to live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble. 858-488-4200. Sunday, August 23, 8pm; \$10.

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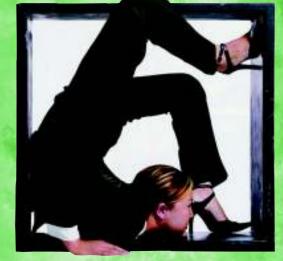
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FILM

"Man's Best Friend" The animated film Bolt screens for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series. Ann Zivotsky leads prefilm (5:30pm) and postfilm discussions. 760-602-2026. Wednesday, August 26, 5:30pm; free. Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

Casablanca "Flicks on the Bricks" series concludes with the 1942 classic starring Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, Claude Raines. Wine expert Barbara Baxter introduces wines relating to the film. Reservations: 858-454-5872. Thursday, August 20, 8pm; \$15-\$20. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

Funny Face Visit "Richard Avedon: Portraits of Power" exhibition, stay for screening of this classic film, a fictionalized account of Avedon's early career starring Fred Astaire and Audrey Hepburn. Included in museum admission (\$12 general). 619-232-7931. Thursday, August 20, 7pm. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Seabiscuit Liberty Station hosts "Summer Movie Mania" series on Saturday nights under the stars on big screen moved to various locations. This week, bring your blankets, lawn chairs to Harbor Square (behind the Hilton). 619-794-1290. Saturday, August 22, 8pm; free, NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road. (POINT LOMA)

The World According to Monsanto Documentary screens for San Diego Roots Sustainable Food Project's "Food for Thought" series. Film looks at how Monsanto Company "holds the keys and patents to much of the world's food supply." Discussion, healthy snacks follow. 619-602-4721. Saturday, August 22, 6pm; free. Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont Street. (HILLCREST)

Dark Humor and Existentialist Drama! Bud Cort and Ruth Gordon star in the 1971 cult classic Harold and Maude, screening for Lyric Opera San Diego's "Classics of Comedy" series. 619-239-8836. Sunday, August 23, 2:30pm; Wednesday, August 26, 7pm; \$7-\$9. Birch North Park Theatre, 2891 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Disney's Enchanted Movies in the Parks series concludes. Preshow activities at 6pm; movie begins at dusk. Bring beach chairs or blankets for lawn seating. 760-744-9000. Saturday, August 22, 6pm; free. San Elijo Park, 1105 Elfin Forest Road. (SAN MARCOS)

FOOD & DRINK

"Winemakers' Dinner" Chef Jeffrey Kaplan pairs meal with wine from two Ramona wineries: winery owners will present wines. 858-248-1612. Tuesday, August 25,







6pm; \$50. Luc's Bistro, 12642 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Put 13 Candles in the Keg! Thirteenth-anniversary celebration and invitational beer festival hosted by Stone Brewing, promising food, home-brewed sodas, selection of over 100 beers from craft and specialty breweries from around world. Two sessions available. Designated driver tickets: \$10. 760-471-4999. Saturday, August 22, 11am and 3pm; \$35-\$40. 21 and up. CSU San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

The Pen Is Mightier Than the Cleaver? Enjoy Prosecco and hors d'oeuvres when author/restaura-

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teur/chef Gaetano Cicciotti signs his book *Cicciotti's Kitchen*. Admission is free. Signed cookbooks: \$25; book purchase includes \$20 gift certificate to Cicciotti's Trattoria. RSVP: 760-634-2335. Saturday, August 22, 5pm. Cicciotti's Trattoria, 1933 San Elijo Avenue. (CARDIFF)

Wine Tasting for Mama's Kitchen Evening features wine tastings, food pairings by California Cuisine, silent auction. Proceeds support Mama's Kitchen, providing meals to people with AIDS. 619-233-6262 x113. Thursday, August 20, 6pm; \$55-\$65. Bourbon St., 4612 Park Boulevard. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

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Pepper's Favorites II Pepper the orangutan presents his "favorite skits, songs, and the story of a child who won't go to bed" when Puppet Express takes the stage. 619-544-9203. Wednesday, August 26, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

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"Jungle Fever" Reception for exhibition of work by Mark Donnelly, who "builds three-dimensional still-life models in the computer and then digitally paints from them," creating large images of rainforests. Closes Sunday, August 30. 858-459-1196. Sunday, August 23, 6pm; free. La Jolla Art Association Gallery, 8100 Paseo del Ocaso, suite B. (LA JOLLA)

"Pound Portraits" Reception for artist Deborah Brown, showing work as part of group exhibition "Dog n' Pony." Also showing: "Backyard Beaches" by Joshua Jensen-Nagle. Exhibits end September 13. 858-793-4442. Thursday, August 20, 6pm; free. Susan

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IN PERSON

"A Novel of the Change" S.M. Stirling discusses, signs the most recent in her Nantucket series, *The Sword of the Lady.* 858-268-4747. Tuesday, August 25, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

"Deadly Combination Tour" Representing cozy, hard-boiled, supernatural, or historical mystery styles, writers Margaret Grace (*Malice in Miniature*), Sophie Littlefield (*A Bad Day for Sorry*), Juliet Blackwell (*Secondhand Spirits*), and Ann Parker (*Leaden Skies*) discuss, sign their work. 858-268-4747. Friday, August 21, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

"Don't Harp on Me" Percussionist Nana Yaw Asiedu, harpist Mariea



Antoinette, and "slam poet" April Mahoney perform together, addressing "love, politics, social issues, and race." 619-573-5532. Wednesday, August 26, 8pm; \$7-\$10.16 and up. Lestat's Coffee House, 3343 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

"Let Freedom Ring" Christian Community Theater presents a multimedia musical revue of American war eras. 619-588-0206. Friday, August 21, 7:30pm; Saturday, August 22, 7:30pm; Sunday, August 23, 7:30pm; Wednesday, August 26, 7:30pm; \$17-\$37. East County Performing Arts Center, 210 East Main Street. (EL CAJON)

"Summer Laff Jam" Comics Vanessa Graddick, Clayton Thomas, and Na'im Lynn perform. 760-720-2460. Friday, August 21, 8pm; \$20-\$25. 18 and up. Carlsbad Village Theatre, 2808 State Street. (CARLSBAD)

A Bad, Bad Boy San Diego Reader editor/owner Jim Holman and senior editor Matt Potter read from Judith Moore's book, a collection of stories about Southern California mafioso Frank Bompensiero. 619-482-9883. To buy A Bad, Bad Boy, go to the Reader's book page: sandiego reader.com/books/. Saturday, August 22, 4pm; free. Borders Books and Music — Chula Vista, 878 EastLake Parkway. (CHULA VISTA)

Golden Dreams California State Librarian Emeritus Kevin Starr introduces his new work on the growth of West, subtitled *California in an Age of Abundance, 1950-1963.* RSVP: 619-232-6203 x129. Wednesday, August 26, 5:30pm; \$40-\$50. Museum of San Diego History, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Julius Caesar Students (aged 7 to 17) at North Coast Repertory's Theatre School perform Shakespeare. 858-481-1055. Thursday, August 20, 5pm; Friday, August 21, 5pm; Saturday, August 22, 2pm and 5pm; Sunday, August 23, 2pm; \$9-\$12. North Coast Repertory Theatre, 987-D Lomas Santa Fe Drive. (SOLANA BEACH)

Buddhist Meditation Workshop Tulku Orgyen Phunsok, resident lama and director of Santa Barbara Center of Vairotsana Foundation, speaks, conducts fire ritual, leads meditation. 619-230-1190. Thursday, August 20, 6:30pm; free.

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WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

Comedy Show Comic Willis Turner entertains as part of Conscious Comedy's "White and Yellow Affair." Guests encouraged to wear white and yellow to celebrate the end of summer. Abba Catering offers "healthy Southern food" and peach cobbler for purchase. Show only, \$10 advance, \$12 at door, \$7 students/military/seniors. Reservations: 619-564-4425. Friday, August 21, 7pm; 18 and up. Upaka Center, 6875 El Cajon Boulevard. (COLLEGE AREA)

Gwynn Doubleheader San Diego Padres legend Tony Gwynn Sr. and current Padres player Tony Gwynn Jr. sign autographs together. 858-487-0636. Saturday, August 22, 12 noon; \$25-\$100. American Icon Autographs, 11305 Rancho Bernardo Road, Suite #109. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Healthy Aging - Naturally Naturopathic physician Amanda Ward discusses "some of the most cutting-edge ways to stay looking and feeling young without any toxic injections or surgeries." 858-453-9830. Sunday, August 23, 12 noon; \$20. One Heart One Mind Center for Spiritual Living, 10225 Barnes Canyon Road, Suite C-100. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Passion for Teaching 101 Former National Teacher of the Year Rafe Esquith discusses, signs Lighting Their Fires, his follow-up to Teach Like Your Hair Is on Fire. Event includes 30-minute performance by Esquith's students. To be signed, books must be purchased at event or from Warwick's. 858-454-0347. Tuesday, August 25, 6pm; free. The Gillespie School, 7380 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Speedy Gonzales and Poetry Author, blogger and SDSU professor William A. Nericcio studies how U.S. films, cartoons, other media have portrayed Mexicans. He reads from his book Tex[t]-Mex: Seductive Hallucinations of the 'Mexican' in America. Poetry readings by Tomás Riley (Mahcic)

and Manuel Paul López (Death of a Mexican and Other Poems) follow. 858-456-1800. Friday, August 21, 7pm; free. D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

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)

Trifle or Treasure? John Buxton, art appraiser of PBS fame, appraises African, Native American, pre-Columbian, and Pacific art objects. Observers welcome. Cost per object appraised \$50 (museum members pay \$20). Reservations required: 619-461-5930. Sunday, August 23, 1pm; \$15-\$40. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, (BALBOA PARK)

Vampire Hunter Chris Marie Green discusses, signs Path of Razors, a "noir mystery" involving the London vampire underground. 858-268-4747. Saturday, August 22, 2pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

LECTURES

"I Didn't See THAT Coming"

Tom Gordinier discusses how researching history can "flesh out" the story of your family roots, with example of a Swiss family that may have emigrated to escape religious persecution and what they likely faced in America. Sponsored by North SD County Genealogical Society. 858-509-4937. Tuesday, August 25, 10am; free. Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

"Is Hell Other People?" Reportedly the Existentialist statement "Hell is other people" reflected a dour outlook, but perhaps not. Librarian Phil Gunderson, Ph.D., leads discussion of Jean-Paul Sartre's essay "Existentialism Is a Humanism" and its relevance to 21st-century life. In library's Wangenheim Room. 619-2365800. Wednesday, August 26, 6:30pm; San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

"Managing a Multi-Dog Household" Considering another dog, or already have a few? Learn to manage multiple dogs under one roof during workshop; training secrets, "tips for peaceful coexistence between your canine family members." For humans only. Required reservations: 619-299-7012 x2247. Wednesday, August 26, 6pm; \$35. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street, (LINDA VISTA)

"National Health Care" Don McCanne, M.D., past president of Physicians for a National Health Program, speaks to San Diego Association for Rational Inquiry. 619-421-5844, Sunday, August 23, 7pm; free. Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont Street. (HILLCREST)

"Pet Acupressure" "Learn how to relieve your pet's chronic pain, ease emotional disturbances, or simply connect with a new pet" during introduction to "Canine Acupressure and Energy Work." People only. Registration: 619-243-3424. Thursday, August 20, 6:30pm; \$12. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

"Surfing in San Diego" California Surf Museum cofounder Jane Schmauss and former lifeguard/teacher/author/photographer, world traveler John C. Elwell present pictorial journey through San Diego's little-known surfing past for "Third Thursday Author Series." Fee: \$35 at door includes lecture, book; pay \$15 for lecture only. Tickets: 619-297-9327. Thursday, August 20, 6pm; \$15-\$35. Adobe Chapel, 3963 Conde Street. (OLD TOWN)

"World Travel on a Budget" Carol Livingston and Nicole Ravida, veteran travelers of U.S., Europe, Asia, Australia, and more, lead workshop. Sponsored by Hostelling International - San Diego as part of its 75-year anniversary celebration. 619-338-



9981. Monday, August 24, 7pm; free. REI Encinitas, 1590 Leucadia Boulevard, (ENCINITAS)

"World Travel on a Budget II" Michael Thomas, backpacker and world traveler, leads workshop. Second in series sponsored by Hostelling International - San Diego as part of its 75-year anniversary. 619-338-9981. Tuesday, August 25, 7pm; free. REI San Diego, 5556 Copley Drive. (CLAIREMONT)

Composers' Forum American composers Stewart Copeland, Mark O'Connor, Paul Schoenfield, George Tsontakis - whose works are being featured in La Jolla Music Society's SummerFest 2009 exchange ideas in round-table discussion moderated by composerconductor Russell Steinberg. 858-454-5872. Thursday, August 20, 12:30pm; free. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

(619) 890-7117

Considering College? National College Funding Strategies Inc. offers workshop on financial aid, scholarships. Participants gain tools to maximize financial aid and scholarships, increase grades and SAT/ACT scores for admittance leverage. Recommended reservations: 619-579-0728. Tuesday, August 25, 6:30pm; free, 13 and up. Rancho San Diego Library, 11555 Via Rancho San Diego. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Follow the Money Learn to budget, get out of debt, and plan vour finances in class led by certified financial planner. Bring three months' bank statements, calculator. One-time class also offered August 26, September 2, both 6pm. Reservations required: 888-873-9003. Monday, August 24, 6pm; \$90. Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Branch Library, 9005 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

Galileo Live In 1609, the great scientist demonstrated findings that would lead to modern physics and astronomy. Living historian Stephen Clugston recreates that lecture for Life at Mira Costa group. At 2:30, artist P.J. Puterbaugh demonstrates ways that art helps police solve crimes, such as drawing images of unknown victims. 760-721-8124. Friday, August 21, 1pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive, (OCEANSIDE)

Japanese Tansu In illustrated talk titled "Art, Tradition and Utility," Sandi Calabough of the San Diego Museum of Art's Asian Arts Council discusses the chests of drawers that are intertwined with

SINGLES







Japanese history. Council members free; general \$10, students \$5.619-543-9810. Thursday, August 27, 10:30am. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, (BALBOA PARK)

Magee Park Poets Writing Workshop Poet, teacher Jill Moses leads poetry writing class. Registration required: 760-602-2400 x8149. Sunday, August 23, 10am; free. Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Rockin' Art The Gila River area of Arizona is a treasure trove of prehistoric rock art. San Diego author Ken Hedges explains how different Gila River styles relate to each other for San Diego Archaeological Society. Event is outdoors; bring your own chair. 858-538-0935. Saturday, August 22, 8pm; free. Los Peñasquitos Ranch Adobe, 12122 Canyonside Park Drive. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

SPORTS

"Wild Duck 5K Cross-Country Race" Race around pond and marsh for all ages and abilities. Fundraiser for Rancho Buena Vista High School's aquatics program.

760-723-3257. Saturday, August 22, 8am; \$20-\$27. Guaiome Lakes Regional Park, 3000 Guajome Lake Road. (OCEANSIDE)

And They're Off! Del Mar Thoroughbred Club horse racing meet runs through September 9. Handicapping seminars offered Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays. "Donut Day" planned August 29; take in morning workouts with free doughnuts, coffee, orange juice, appearances by jockeys and trainers (free).

Reggae Festival on Saturday, August 22 (beginning at 3:30pm). Pacific Classic Racing Festival runs September 4-September 7, with \$1 Million Pacific Classic on Sunday, September 6. Labor Day (September 7) is Jockey Photo Day. Season concludes with Party in the Paddock on September 9. 858-755-1141. Thursdays, 2pm; Fridays, 3pm; Saturdays, 2pm; Sundays, 2pm; Wednesdays, 2pm; through Wednesday, September 9, \$6-\$10. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Outrigger Canoe Race Come out to cheer on your favorites as Oceanside Outrigger Canoe Club hosts 11th annual Paopao 9-Man Race. Paddlers must trace a triangular 20-mile course. Women's race starts 8:30am; men's, 12:30pm; awards, 3:30pm. 760-419-3629. Saturday, August 22, 8am; free. Oceanside Harbor, 1540 Harbor Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

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Padres vs. Cardinals San Diego Padres host the St. Louis Cardinals. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5000, 877-374-2784, Thursday, August 20, 7:05pm; Friday, August 21, 7:05pm; Saturday, August 22, 7:05pm; Sunday, August 23, 1:05pm; \$7-\$57. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

San Marcos Blast Take an "easy" 65-mile bicycle adventure with Bicycle Touring Society riders. Bring money for Mexican lunch. 619-426-8192. Sunday, August 23, 8:45am; free. Doyle Park, 8175 Regents Road. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Snorkel with Sharks! Adventures among harmless leopard sharks, guitarfish, and smoothhound sharks during outing hosted by Birch Aquarium-Museum. Reservations: 858-534-7336. Sunday, August 23, 8am; \$30. 10 and up. La Jolla Shores, 8200 Camino del Oro. (LA JOLLA)

Tuesday Night Racing Velodrome bicycle racing season continues with racing in many categories. Racing is open to all riders with an appropriate track bike and sufficient track-racing experience. Free for spectators. 931-233-5749. Tuesdays, 6:30pm; through Tuesday, September 29, free. San Diego Velodrome, 2221 Morley Field Drive. (BALBOA PARK)

USPA Rossmore Cup Finals San Diego Polo Club hosts competition. Preliminary matches at 1:30pm, feature match at 3pm. Parking: \$5. 858-750-6841. Sunday, August 23, 1:30pm; \$10-\$25. San Diego Polo Club, 14555 El Camino Real. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Bodysurfing Championships Hundreds of men and women from around the world show off their wave maneuvers, surfing sans board. Judges look for tricks such as underwater takeoffs, spins, barrel rolls. Contest held in heats from both sides of pier, with finals Sundav at 10am. 760-802-7452. Saturday, August 22, 6:30am; Sundav. August 23, 6:30am; free. Oceanside Pier, Mission Avenue and Pacific Street. (OCEANSIDE)

World Title Boxing Junior Middleweight World Title bout between former European champion Zaurebek Baysangurov and Grady Brewer, winner of ESPN's Contender, Season 2. "Numerous talented local prospects on the card." 800-585-3737. Saturday, August 22, 7pm; \$25-\$100. Pala Casino, 35008 Pala Temecula Road. (PALA)

MUSEUMS & PUBLIC ART

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

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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, 858-534-3474. (LA JOLLA)

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)

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 Ionathan 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)

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Oceanside Museum of Art Es-

ther 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 made up of the 36 appliqué and embroidered panels Krinitz decided to create at the age of 50 to tell her story.

In "Delayed Gratification," Dave Ghilarducci "playfully confronts the contemporary paradigm that if man willingly submits to technology he will become more efficient and therefore lead a more meaningful life." Ghilarducci has installed a bicycle with a generator connected to back wheel powering an LED display; when visitors climb on bicycle and "ride," the LED projects words of wisdom from Aldous Huxley's dystopian novel Brave New World, Closes Friday, September 25.

"American Dream" - a body of mixed-media work by ceramic artist Gregg Jabs - opens Sunday, August 30, and continues through Sunday, January 10. "By questioning the reality of the American dream, the myth begins to unravel with surprising results." 704 Pier View Way, 760-435-3720. (OCEANSIDE)

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

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Rack 'Em A 4th&B show headlined by LBC, a Long Beach Sublime tribute band, ended with the bassist beaten tation. They had our name on the marquee.... I was told a week before that we would be paid in full before LBC took



and hospitalized by an unhappy fan and an opening band claiming they were underpaid by \$1000.

"It was a hideously awful night," says Laura Brady, manager of L.A. band the Skeletones. Brady says she was emailed an offer of a \$1500 guarantee for her ten-piece ska/reggae band to open for LBC on Saturday, August 8. Brady says \$1500 is standard pay for her band but that she did not ask for the customary 50 percent deposit because "...it was 4th&B. We ask for a deposit if it's a shitty promoter. But this was 4th&B. They always had such a good reputhe stage." Brady says it was her understanding that Q-Ball, the bassist for LBC who sent



her the offer and who seemed to be promoting the event, was connected with Sublime. "I found out after the show

NOT SO SUBLIME, LBC (GUESS WHICH ONE'S Q-BALL) cleared but that she's still short \$1000 and is considering small-claims court. LBC's Q-Ball admitted by

this guy had nothing to do

with Sublime and never has."

Brady, who had to pay

\$500 out of pocket for hotel,

food, and transportation costs for her band to play the

show, found out on arrival

not going to be paid. "It

started to get a little ugly.

Here I am, one woman....

What was I to do? I can't

going to have to call the

police on this.' That's when

the owner of 4th&B, Vince

Puma, gave me a check for

fight them. I said, 'I guess I'm

that the \$1500 guarantee was

phone that though he emailed Brady the \$1500 guarantee, he said he was acting on behalf of Las Vegas promoters who backed out of the show. "The show wasn't selling too good. No Doubt was playing the same night. When the promoters backed out, we wanted to cancel, but we decided just to go ahead and play and not get paid. Vince said he didn't want to ruin the reputation of 4th&B by canceling the show. We gave [the Skeletones] the opportunity not to play. They got \$500 and we got nothing."

But things got worse for Q-Ball. "Some crazy girl kept harassing me onstage. She was mad because one of the other bands didn't play long enough. She started throwing things at us." Q-Ball says that after the show in the parking lot the girl and her boyfriend attacked him. "Her boyfriend came up behind me and hit me in the head with a piece of lead. I spent two days in the ICU at Scripps Mercy. I had a concussion and I keep throwing up. I take blood thinner. I could have bled to death...."

Vince Puma of 4th&B didn't respond to a request for comment. — Ken Leighton

Long Gone

Cheong "After seven and a half years hosting Lestat's open mike," says MC Isaac Cheong, "I stepped down so I could take an opportunity to work in Sydney, Australia."

Performers who cut their teeth at Lestat's during Cheong's tenure include the Wrong Trousers, Rob Deez, Josh Damigo, Mal Hall, Kenny Eng, Greg Laswell, and Dat Phan.

"It was a very difficult decision to leave," says Cheong, "but Sydney is a great city. Imagine taking San Francisco and putting it in San Diego's climate. The music scene isn't as widespread as in San Diego, but there are some talented musicians out here." Before departing, Cheong recorded his own debut, The Shopping Cart, under the name She Blonde Swede. "I

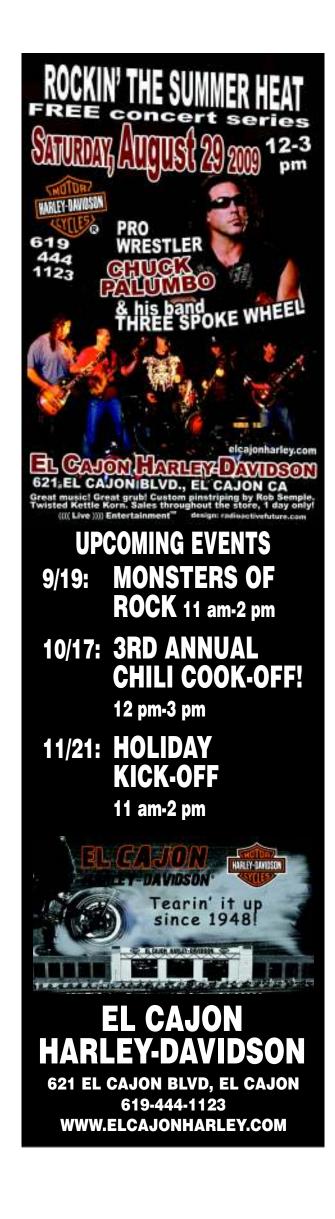


'I'M UP NEXT!" (CHEONG)

did it over five days in coproducer Aaron Bowen's living room in La Mesa, literally days before I moved to Australia. I played just about every instrument, except for drums and bass. Aaron played lap steel, some lead guitar, and backing vocals.

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Kelsea Little and Joseph Lorge of the Wrong Trousers backed me up on the song 'Loving You,' and there's also a choir of local musicians on the track 'Haunted.' "

Cheong will return to town for the record-release show on Friday, October 9, at Lestat's

— Jay Allen Sanford



Bootsie Wasn't

Interested Tony Gidlund, bassist, guitarist, and vocalist for math-rock band Fever Sleeves, has written songs with two guitar parts since 2005, around the time when the band started to consider adding a new member. Four years after they began their search for a capable multi-

FEVER SLEEVES ARE BURNING UP

instrumentalist, the band

invited Lain Weck, singer-

Before Weck's arrival, the

band had to be creative when

writing and playing live.

While recording their self-

released full-length, Soft Pipes,

Play On, at Black Box Studios

last year, Gidlund was respon-

sible for laying down bass and

guitar tracks as well as vocals.

And, at live shows, Gidlund

would often set aside his bass

guitarist from local rock group Marasol, to play bass

and guitar.

and pick up his guitar, a move that he says sacrificed some low-end sound.

In early June, the band asked Weck to sit in during a practice.

"Some famous bassists were considered but never quite fit the group," writes Gidlund in an August 10 email. "Flea wanted to spend



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more time with his family. Jason Newsted wanted us to relocate. Bootsy Collins was uninterested. Sting was simply too old...

"[Weck] is one of the friendliest people I have ever met, and we liked the cut of his jib. We practiced with him in June and played our first show with him June 26 at X1FM studios."

Gidlund says Weck's presence fills out the band's sound and adds some "density" to their intricate indie songs.

And with Weck able to contribute guitar and bass tracks along with vocals, the band has scaled back on booking gigs and has plans to head back into the studio to record another full-length.

Visit the band's website at *myspace.com/feversleeves* to hear tracks from Soft Pipes, Play On.

— Dorian Hargrove

Record-Release

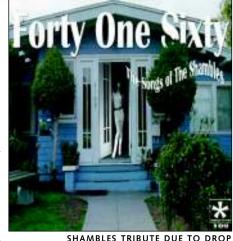
Roundup F.u.z.z. will have their Tentacle CD-release party at the Ruby Room on Saturday, August 29. "Expect Tim Felton [Genius of Soul] to be sitting in on keys," says the band, "plus some projected

visuals, and we'll be recording both audio and video for a later project." Hoping to combat the notion that hip-hop competition breeds violence, several locals banded together for

a Best of Daygo City compilation. "We're shooting for 99 percent exclusives, stuff that's never been out before," says Chris at On Fyre

Entertainment. Contributors

include Vokab Kompany, O.C.T./Outta-Control, James T. Powers (Clay Pigeons), Play B, Kitty, Shock G, Kayo, Young Mass, Parker and the Numberman (Pac 10), female rapper Vision, and Bucky Adams (who at this writing



claims "40,904 CDs sold in the streets of S.D."). Other locals with new CDs

due to drop in the next month

include former Wild Weekend front woman Maren Parusel, Mark Stuart's Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash, Northern Towns, Hotel St. George, and Anna Troy with a live album.

September will see new recordings from Switchfoot (Hello Hurricane) and Rosie Flores (Girl of the Country), as well as a tribute album, Forty-One Sixty: The Songs of the Shambles, featuring the Truckee Brothers, Marie Haddad, Anna Troy, the Sleepwalkers with Action Andy, the Lolas, Mod Fun, and the Kingpins.

Lil Uno's latest hip-hop opus is due September 15, around the same time as singer-songwriter Steph Johnson's new one, Mysterious Feminine. — Jay Allen Sanford

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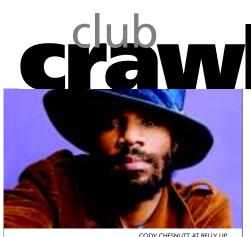
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Thursday

Atlanta-born, -bred, -based artist Cody Chesnutt is a singer's singer. Ranging from soul to rock with frequent stops in funk and hip-hop. The Headphone Masterpiece is essential Chesnutt. Its influence has reached the Roots and Radiohead's Thom Yorke, who counts Chesnutt among his favorite acts. Sold! The song man sings at Belly Up tonight behind SanFran guitar man Martin Luther and local soloist Steph Johnson.... Viejas Arena stages a couple of big rawk shows this weekend, including Friday-night sets by proto punks Green Day and Scot-pop openers Franz Ferdinand. Green Day followed up 2004's megahit pop-punk opera American Idiot this year with 21st Century Breakdown, "another hour-plus slab of jumped-up alt-rock as political/musical theater — overlong, exhausting, and corny as hell." Pitchfork, man, they can take the fun out of Funyuns. Go for the old stuff. Ferdinand's got a new one, too, Tonight, that the hit crits seem to like. Gives me a rash, though.... Downtown. award-winning Mexi alt-rock band Panda hits House of Blues behind their latest, Poetics...and Casbah fills an indie-pop bill with Long Island quartet **As Tall as Lions** and locals **Lanterns** and **Color of Glass**



Viejas Arena — that's the old Cox, btw — welcomes Southern gents Kings of Leon and the Whigs, Saw Kings on SNL recently, and they looked and sounded arena-ready. Only by the Night and "Sex on Fire" garnered Grammy nods for the Nashville quartet and put them on the international map and fast track. But you probably This Week In Music

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ATMOSPHERE AT HOUSE OF BLUES

prefer their older, grungier stuff, huh, cool guy? That's what the Whigs're for, to keep it real. The Atlanta band's Mission Control is one country-fried power-pop platter that resonates live Out the mainstream: Yesterday magazine hosts a hit parade for its inaugural issue of Southland music news and pop-culture isms at Ruby Room, featurin' — big breath — Get Back Loretta, Silent Comedy, the Austin James Band, Crash Encore, and Burning of Rome. That'd be the affair to attend,

my friend. Grab the read at Paras, M-Theory, or Lou's.... Dago indie darlings **Pinback** play the postrace in the paddock up at Del Mar Friday night. Rob and Zack landed squarely at Temporary Residence after the demise of Touch & Go, and word is their first one there's due to drop early next year When Life Gives You Lemons, You Paint That Shit Gold. Minneapolis alt-hop duo Atmosphere fills the Voodoo Room at House of Blues for a Casbah-curated

gig with St. Paulies' **Eyedea** & Abilities. Minnesotans represent!.... Chula Veesta garage-punks the **Powerchords** release their shiny seven-incher in Soda Bar with like-minded locals the Atoms and Bay Area buds Casy & Brian in support.

Saturday

South Bay punk perennials the **Zeros** keep this summer's reunion rolling into Casbah Saturday night. The quartet rocked socks at Bar Pink a couple months ago. Did you ever get your hands on that Bomp compilation Don't Push Me Around? It's all on there. The Dabbers and Old In Out will open the show Freaky scary goth rocker Marilyn Manson visits the House of Blues. The corseted one has a new joint out on Interscope, The High End of Low Anthology presents Southern slide master Sonny Landreth. The bluesman launched Landfall Records last year with his solo collection From the Reach, featuring Eric Clapton, Mark Knopfler, and a list of who's who in blues-rock. None of whom'll be there or are necessary — dude shreds.... Belly Up books Atlanta



band Arrested Development. The Grammywinning trip-hoppers have been rocking the mic with a positive vibe for more than 20 years, taking the piss out of gangstas with Afrocentric raps. Up and-coming SD homies TheBREAX will set the stage.... Uptown, Soda Bar taps Long Beach's surfy, summery garage gang Tijuana Panthers ... and Portland experimentalists **Ramona Falls** land at Bar Pink with Sacto trio **Silver Darling**.

Sunday

Parisian sisters Hélène and Célia Faussart call themselves Les Nubians and can count themselves among R&B Grammy nominees. Those who know recommend singles "Makeda" and 'Je Veux D'la Musique" for entry. They grace Belly Up with local soul-jam band the Earful ... Garage-pop peeps the Beaters (ex-Sess) and Anasazis pull into Soda Bar.... And Bar Pink bills Charleston folk-rock duo the **Working Title**. The drum-n-bass dudes are out to tout debut home made disc Bone Island. Check it out at mvspace.com/theworkingtitle.

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You didn't get tickets to the sold-out Built to Spill slash Prids show at Casbah, did you, rhetorical period. Don't be all Anti-Monday about it; check out where your favorite Boise band'll be Wednesday night, get tickets, get happy, and go see funky soul brothers the Styletones at Bar Pink. Better, concerned question mark?



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TALL AS LIONS

Six Organs of Admittance roll into Casbah Tuesday night. Guitar guru Ben Chasny under the Six Organs moniker "explores the outer limits of



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sound and cosmic themes," according to Keith Boyd over at blogsandiego.com. Go there for a fervent review of Chas's latest, Luminous Night, and an interview with the psych-folkie. With Seattle freak-folk collective Master Musicians of Bukkake ("Enter the Wang" ... " Pipestone Octopus with Horseheart" ... no?) this'd be the gig

to get to Tuesday night.... Miss the doors at that one, Radio Room's got your avant pop, with hometown hits **QQC** and Portland boy-girl group the **Prids**, taking advantage of their night off the Built

SIX ORGANS OF ADMITTANCE AT CASBAH to Spill tour to play s'more. The quartet's take on

post-rock guitar pop is pretty rad. Go to their MySpace for a taste.



Here y'are: Built to Spill play at the Belly Up Tavern in Solana Beach. The Prids and Oakland Goths **Catholic Comb** go first. At this typing, it has not been sold out, but I type sloooowwwwly, so who knows by the time I finish. Recommend calling club qckly.... Two bass, two drums, and one big guitar squall. Casbah chucks Detroit City Dirtbombs, who are out behind last year's In the Red collection We Have You Surrounded. Not the band's best but it doesn't drop them from Spin's list of Top 25 Live Acts of All Time Anywhere. The Sermon and Death Eaters open.... Down the street, Canadian roots-rock collective the **Duhks** waddle into Anthology.... And reggae dub master Lee "Scratch" Perry drifts into Canes. The 73year-old Jamaican native's latest has a telling title: The Great Upsetter.

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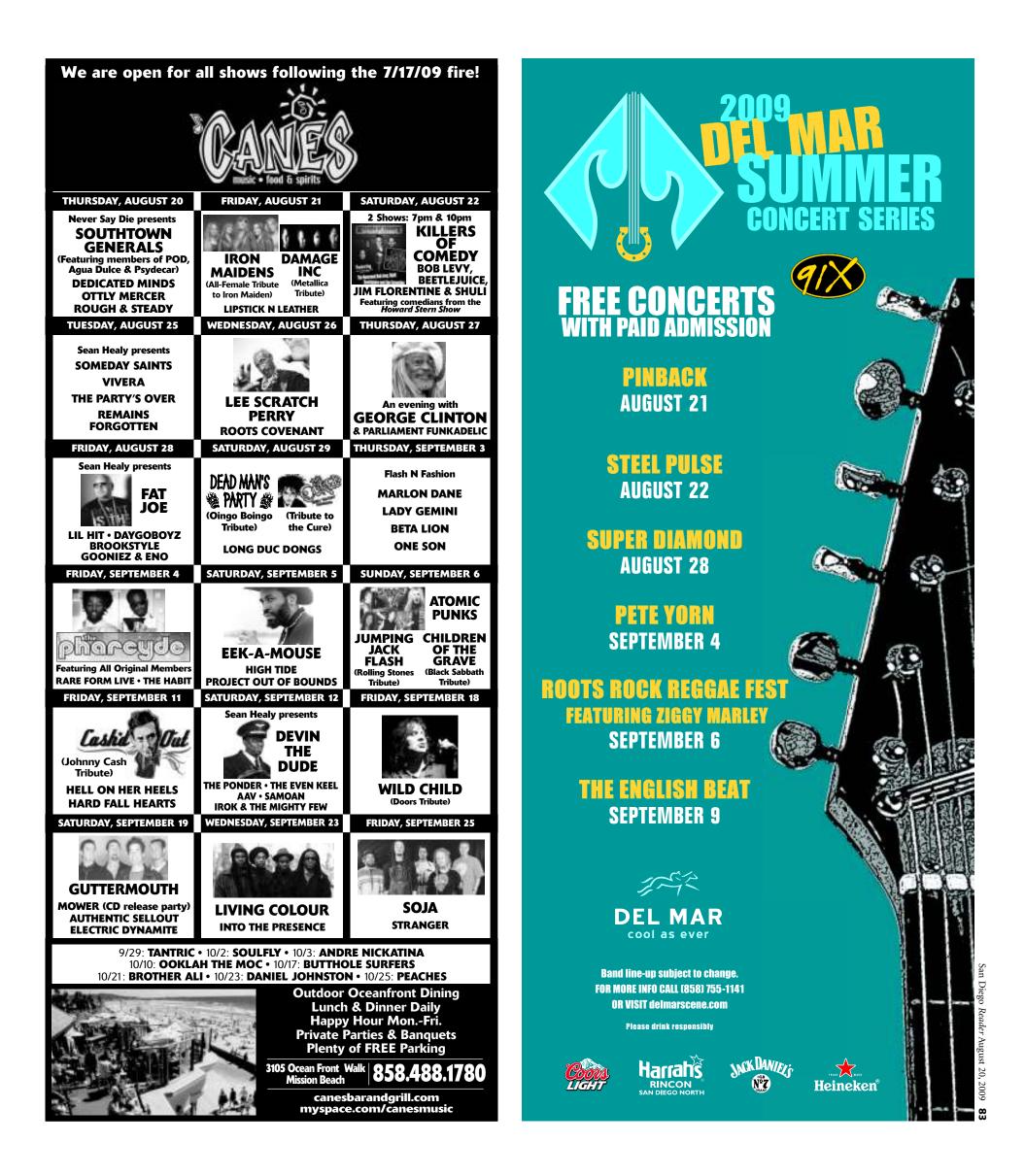
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Nemesis. Covers/pop/rock. Free. Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300. Thursday, 7:30pm — Musicpalooza

Winners: Bands. Rock. \$12.

Friday, 7:30pm and 9:30pm -Fourplay. Jazz. \$34-\$42. Saturday, 7:30pm and 9:30pm -Sonny Landreth. Blues/rock. \$24-\$26.

Tuesday, 7pm — The Anthology House Band. Jazz. \$5. Wednesday, 7:30pm - The Duhks. Acoustic/folk.

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum: 2040 North Santa Fe Ave., Vista, 760-941-1791. Friday, 3pm, Saturday, 10am, Sunday, 9am — Summergrass Festival. Featuring New Found Road, Kenny and Amanda Smith, Bluegrass Patriots, Brombies, Sawmill Road, Burnett Family Bluegrass, Gone Tomorrow, and Bluegrass Brethren. Three-day passes available for \$48-\$54. Blues/bluegrass/country.

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Sunday, 11pm — The Working

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Sunday, 9pm — A Fight for Fame. Battle of the bands. With DI Yalda. \$5. 21 and up. Tuesday, 9pm - The Very. With Kennedy's Curse. Alternative. \$5. 21 and up. Wednesday, 9pm — Silverleaf. With Doves and Desperados. Rock. \$5. 21 and up.

Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140. Thursday, 9pm - Cody Chestnutt. Reggae/roots. \$16-\$18. 21 and up. Friday, 5:30pm — The Mar Dels. Covers/standards/rock. \$5. 9pm -The Devastators. With Stranger and Roots Covenant. Roots/reggae/dub. \$10-\$12. 21 and up. Saturday, 9pm — Arrested Development. Funk/hip-hop/soul. \$18-\$20. 21 and up. Sunday, 4pm — The Bayou Brothers. Zydeco/blues/R&B. \$8. 21 and up. 9pm — Les Nubians. Jazz/world. \$22-\$24. 21 and up. Tuesday, 9pm - Prezident Brown. With Dub Traffik Control DJs. Reggae, \$12-\$14, 21 and up. Wednesday, 9pm — Built to Spill. Rock. \$25. 21 and up.

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Blue Agave Nightclub: 6608 Mission Gorge Rd., Grantville, 619-521-3194 Thursday, 8pm — El Gran Combo. With LGC. Latin. \$37.

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Brick by Brick: 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483. Thursday, 7:30pm — Live Zion. With the New Dayze, Pallor of Ash, and guests. Reggae/rock. \$10. 21 and up. Friday, 7:30pm — Lounie Tunes. With Eno, the Even Keel, Lil Genius, Billy G, and more, Hiphop. \$10. 21 and up. Saturday, 8pm — Kofi Baker's Tribute to Cream. With OHM. Rock. \$10. 21 and up. Wednesday, 8:30pm - Black Barbie. With Into the Presence and a Hott Mess. Alternative. \$7. 21 and up.

Café Sevilla: 555 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-5979. Thursday, 9pm - Orquesta 8.8. Salsa Sunday, 7pm — Orquesta Guavao. Salsa Tuesday, 9pm - Banda del Swing. Latin. Wednesday, 9pm - Charlie Chavez y su Afro Truko. Latin.

Calavera Hills Park: 2997 Glasgow Dr., Carlsbad. Friday, 6pm — Coco Montoya. Blues. Free.

Camp Pendleton: Harbor Drive at I-5, Oceanside, 760-725-5799 Friday, 7pm — Theleventhour.

With Watch Us Burn. Rock. Free.

Canes: 3105 Ocean Front Walk. Mission Beach, 858-488-1780. Thursday, 7pm - Southtown Generals. With Dedicated Minds and Ottly Mercer. Reggae. \$10-\$105. 21 and up. Friday, 9pm - Lipstick N Leather. With Iron Maidens and Damage Inc. Metal/rock. \$10. 21 and up. Sunday, 4pm — Foundation. Reggae. Free. 21 and up. Wednesday, 8pm — Lee "Scratch" Perry. Reggae/dub/techno. 21 and up.

The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355. Thursday, 8:30pm - As Tall as Lions. With guests. Indie/rock. \$10-\$12. 21 and up. Friday, 8:30pm — Wallpaper. With DJ Corey Biggs. Rock. 21 and up.

Saturday, 8:30pm - The Zeros. With the Dabbers and the Old In Out. Punk. \$12. 21 and up. Sunday, 8:30pm — Goin' Fishin'. 21 and up. Monday, 8pm — Built to Spill. Rock. \$25. 21 and up. Tuesday, 8:30pm - Six Organs of Admittance, With Master Musicians of Bukake. Experimental/indie. \$10-\$12.21 and up. Wednesday, 8:30pm — The

Dirtbombs. With the Sermon and guests. Garage. \$16. 21 and up.

The Covote Bar & Grill: 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6pm — The Bozzani Brothers, Rock/R&B. Friday, 6pm — Backwater Blues Band. Blues/funk/jazz. Saturday, 6pm — Mystique. Funk/R&B/soul. Sunday, 5pm - Scott Carter Duo. Reggae/R&B.

Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre: 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600. Saturday, 1pm — Vans Warped Tour. Featuring BrokeNCYDE, Fishbone, 30H!3, NOFX, Underoath, Meg & Dia, Manic Hispanic, Shooter Jennings, the Dirty Heads, All Time Low, and many more. Alternative/punk/rock.

Davina's Cabo Grill: 212 North Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-637-

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2450. Thursday, 8pm - Irieside. Reggae. Saturday, 8pm — Gregory Michaels. Funk. Sunday, 6pm — Roots Covenant. Reggae.

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Embassy Suites: 4550 La Jolla Village Dr., La Jolla, 858-453-0400. *Saturday*, 7pm — Stratus Dance Club Reunion. Featuring DJs Kool T, Johnny Johnson, Brian Shank, and Jeff Barringer. '80s/pop. RSVP



En Fuego Cantina & Grill: 1342 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-792-6551. *Wednesday*, 7:30pm — Jordan Reimer. With Michael Tiernan. Acoustic.

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Fannie's Nightclub: 9143 Campo Rd., Spring Valley, 619-698-2204. *Friday*, 9pm — Washing Matilda. Covers/standards. Free. 21 and up. *Saturday*, 9pm — Mojave Green.

Metal. Free. 21 and up. **Georges on Fifth:** 835 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-0444. *Thursday*, 8pm — The Mar Dels. Covers/standards/rock. Free.

Harrah's Rincón: 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100. Sunday, 8pm — Tom Jones. Pop/soul.

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BY WILLIAM CRAIN

An article in *L.A. Weekly* recently declared the **Zeros** the "hands-down top-dog punk-rock band of the '77 West Coast conflagration," specifically singling them out as better than X, the band that usually gets the crown. Listening to some of the Zeros' classic tracks, I'm not sure I agree. Even inarguably great songs such as "Don't Push Me Around," "Wimp," and "Beat Your Heart Out" were held back by sloppy musicianship. But listening to the recordings I've heard of the Zeros' recent reunion shows, I think maybe the *L.A. Weekly*'s right. The Zeros' songs were inspired by '60s garage rock, filtered through a '70s

punk sensibility, and are now played with a 21st-century professionalism. The result is that they sound timeless. The Zeros started play-

ing in 1976 in a trailer behind the Chula Vista home

of singer-guitarist **Javier Escovedo**, who is part of the musical family that includes singer-songwriter Alejandro, former Dragons leader Mario, Latin jazz king Pete, and R&B star Sheila E. The next year, as punk rock exploded, the band quickly got tagged "the Mexican Ramones" and

rose to the top of the heap. The Germs' first show was opening for the Zeros.

A few years later it was over, and the band members went their separate ways. Second singer-guitarist **Robert Lopez** went on to a brilliant career as El Vez, "the Mexican Elvis." Bassist-vocalist **Hector Penalosa** was in criminally neglected '80s



jangle-poppers Flying Color. And Escovedo has a solo career. The Zeros have reunited briefly several times over the years, but this time, 32 years after the peak of their fame, they may stick around for a while.

ZEROS: The Casbah, Saturday, August 22, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$12.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill:

5500 Grossmont Center Dr., La Mesa, 619-713-6900. Friday, 9pm — Tony Cummins. World, Free. Friday, 9pm — Lynette & the Crosstown Hurricanes. Covers/ Irish. Free. Saturday, 9pm — California Celts. Reggae/ska. Saturday, 9pm — Donald O'Brien and Brian Baynes. Rock. Free. Wednesday, 8:30pm — Mateem. Free. House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583. *Thursday*, 8pm — Panda. Rock/ pop. \$29-\$32. *Friday*, 8pm — Atmosphere. With Eyedea and Abilities. Hip-hop/ indie. \$22. *Saturday*. 8pm — Marilyn Manson.

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Java Joe's at Café Libertalia: 3834 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-9360. *Thursday*, 8pm — John Katchur. With Jeff Berkley. Acoustic. Friday, 8pm — Shaun P. Rolph. With Cake Walk. Acoustic. Saturday, 7:30pm — The Gregory Page Show. Acoustic. 8pm — Robin Henkel. Blues/jazz.

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Lestat's Coffee House: 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437. Friday - Matt Duke. Acoustic/ indie/rock.

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

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Nightclub: 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-276-5637. Friday, 9pm — Electric Dynamite. With the Wait and Mad Martigan. Pop/metal/rock, 21 and up. Saturday, 9pm — Strike the Design. With Method Rising, One Inch Punch, and Awaiting Samsara. Punk/rock. 21 and up. Sunday, 9pm — Dangerboner Hardcore/metal/rock. 21 and up. *Tuesday*, 9pm — Amongst the Lost. With Extraspecial Ed. Rock. 21 and

Wednesday, 9pm — Serel. With BMSB, Brothers Through All, and Vision. Hip-hop/ rap. 21 and up.

Old Town State Historic Park: 4002 Wallace St., Old Town Saturday, 2pm - San Diego City Guard Band, Marches/covers/ standards. Free.

On Broadway: 615 Broadway Ave., Downtown, 619-231-0011. Saturday - 30H!3. With DJs Sid Vicious and Kurch. Pop.



BY DAVE GOOD

Detroit is where the heart of rock and roll is still beating. Rock magazine Creem was founded there, and the critics who worked for that mag (including the late Lester Bangs. a former San Diegan) first minted some of the language that we still use to describe rock. Even a partial roll call of Motor City rock bands is profuse with early heavyweights: Del Shannon, the Stooges, Ted Nugent, Alice Cooper, the MC5, Bob Seeger, Mitch Ryder, and later, the White Stripes, Kid Rock, and garage revivalists such as the Dirtbombs.

The band formed during the mid-'90s, but the Dirtbombs bring the attitude of their predecessors. And that, going back to the beginning, has been the defining quality of De-

troit rock's founding bands: attitude. Sensitivity, fourpart harmonies, or bleeding-heart lyrics were left to the folksters on the East Coast and the surf rockers on the West. And, unlike British-import bands, Motor City rockers were never a tribute to anything but themselves — they sound like something forged out of raw materials in a Midwestern foundry.

Dirtbombs founder and Detroit native Mick Collins is a past member of the Gories, a band said to have

had a major influence on a young Jack White. Intended at first to be a side project, and surviving not only the years but roughly 17 different lineups, the Dirtbombs were named by Spin magazine in 2006 as one of its 25 Greatest Live Acts Now. With two drummers, two bass guitars, and a lead guitar, the vibe is rudimentary and full of flaws and sweaty meltdowns in the tradition of true garage rock and punk. The Dirtbombs sound as



muscular as a full-blown street rod with a gassucking 426-cubic-inch hemi under the hood, even when performing covers or bubblegum. As is the custom in the Motor City, the 'Bombs maintain a distinct lack of subtlety. All this hard-ass Detroit rock: gotta be something in the water.

Dirtbombs: The Casbah, Wednesday, August 26, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$16.

Onyx/Thin: 852 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-235-ONYX. Saturday, 10pm - Intransitaudio. With Ninja Academy. Rock. \$10.

Pacific Beach Ale House: 721 Grand Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-581-2337.

Saturday, 11am - Can Cancer Pub Crawl. Featuring performances by Tribe of Kings, Kontiuous & the Ko-op, DJ Rampage, DJ Cnerio, Sleeping Giants, Royal Krowns, DJ Impakt, DJ Happee, Pau Hana,

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Band. Sunday, 9pm, Monday, 9pm -Ronnie Lane & the Twisters. Blues/rock.

Tuesday, 9pm — 145th Street. Blues/funk. *Wednesday*, 9pm — The Bill Magee Blues Band. Blues.

PianoSD.com: 1233 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley. Friday, 7:30pm - Scott D. Davis and Jace Vek. Classical/rock. \$15-\$20

Prescott Promenade: 211 1/2 East Main St., El Cajon. Friday, 6pm — Eve Selis Roadhouse rock. Free.

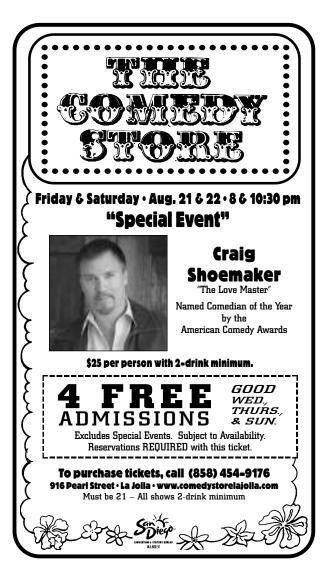
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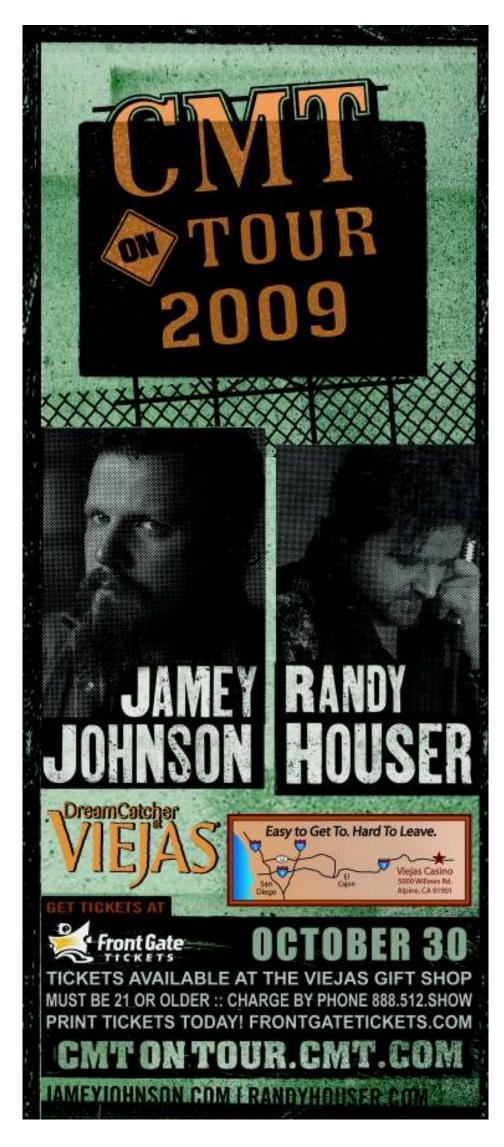
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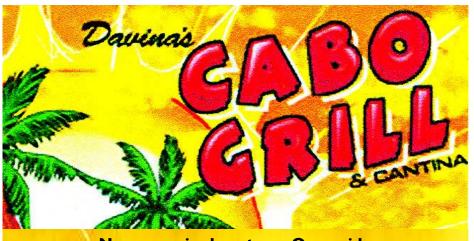
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Lakeside Celtic crew Dannicus Live had the most downloaded MP3 from SDReader.com during July, "Sirens." This is the band's second Most Downloaded track. Follows is an interview with frontman Dan.

This song is pretty different from your last "Most Downloaded" track, "Whiskey Down." What made you switch it up?

Dannicus Live is diverse in our musical backgrounds and tastes. I played in blues and rock bands, Jamie was the bassist in punk band Furious IV, Mikey played metal, Lonnie and Wanda are classically trained as a

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drummer and flutist, respectively. Our fan base is as diverse in both age and taste as the band, so we make it a point to try to write songs that celebrate that diversity.

"Sirens" appears to be a love ballad with a twist. Did anything inspire this?

On a recent trip with my family to St. Thomas, I was sitting on the deck as our cruise ship sailed into port. I had visions of old pirate movies and seagoing tales in my head. St. Thomas is a very romantic place and full of history, and it was the setting more than anything that inspired the song. In fact, it inspired several songs for our upcoming album. As to the twist, well, almost all of our songs tell a story.

How did you develop this Celtic style within the band?

Pop/punk. 21 and up. Sunday, 9pm — The Beaters. With Anasazis, Sex Church Now, and the Defektors. Rock. 21 and up. Monday, 9pm - Echo Revolution. With the New Up and Jalopy Gods.

Our first original song as a band was commissioned for consideration as a theme for a movie about pirates. Celtic music underpins a lot of sea chanteys and seagoing music. Of course, being a sailor myself, I am very fond of it, so it has become the thread that ties together much of what we do.

Partial lyrics to "Siren" She lays on a rock in an emerald lagoon; her golden hair shines in the sun

The spray from the sea glistens on her fair skin and her eyes tell of mischief and fun Her fingers caress her tan silky shoulder and she playfully tosses her head From somewhere inside her a melody forms and you're filled with an uneasy dread And the spell of her song Grabs you right by the neck And your senses betray What your reason says just

Rock. 21 and up. *Tuesday*, 9pm — Hairspray Blues. Experimental/rock. 21 and up. Wednesday, 9pm — Juanita and the Rabbit. Indie/rock. 21 and up.



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You seem to remember some old tavern legends of Sirens that haunt the lagoons Of salty old sailors who heard their refrains and succumbed to their magical tunes You never considered the truth of those tales, and you never once thought that you'd see A creature of rapture, a mythical sprite, a vision as lovely as she...

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Karl Strauss Brewing Company: Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$3.50 beer.

Mr. Peabody's: Monday-Friday, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 domestic beers, wine, spooli shots, wells + juice. \$3.50 margaritas. Free taco bar 3pm to 6pm with drink purchase.



CARMEL VALLEY

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

CHULA VISTA

El Dorado Seafood & Grill: Monday-Friday, 4-7 pm: \$2 margaritas. \$1.50 tacos.

Veni Vidi Vici: Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$1 off all drafts, wells.

CLAIREMONT

Viva Vino: Monday-Saturday, all day: \$.99 domestic beer.

COLLEGE AREA

Marie Callender's: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$1.95 draft, \$2.50 well, \$3.50 house margarita. 1/2-price appetizers (in bar only). Saturday-Sunday, \$2 Bloody Mary/mimosa w/ purchase.

CORONADO

Primavera Ristorante: Monday-*Tuesday, Thursday-Friday*, 5-7pm: \$2 off all drinks; \$2 off daily food specials. Wednesday, 5-7pm: Wine night: 1/2-off all bottles, incl. champagne.

DEL MAR

Bully's Del Mar: Monday-Friday. 3-6pm: \$2.75 bottle beer, \$4.50 wells, pints, \$5 well+juice, \$6 wine by glass. Shimbashi Izakaya: Monday, 4-6pm: Martinis 1/2-off. Tuesday, 4-6pm: \$5 glass of wine. Wednesday, 4-6pm: Ladies' special: \$5 cocktails. Thursday, 4-6pm: \$5 Genki cocktail. Friday-Saturday, 4-6pm: 1/2-off Asahi & Sapporo. *Sunday*, 4-6pm: \$5

DOWNTOWN

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Café Sevilla: Monday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price mojitos. Tuesday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price wine bottles. Wednesday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price martini. Thursday, Sunday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price sangarita. Friday-Saturday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price garabato.

Candelas: Every day, 5-7pm: All drinks 1/2-price.





The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3.50 wells. 1/2-off appetizers Saturday-Sunday, 9am-5pm: \$3.50 wells. 1/2-off appetizers.

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

The Fleetwood: Monday-Friday, 5-6pm: \$4 calls.

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

Funky Garcia's Mexican Restaurant: Every day, 3pm-7pm: 50% off all drinks; \$1.50 carne asada and pollo asado tacos.

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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. 1/2off seafood bar and appetizers.

Hive Sushi Lounge: Every day, 5-7pm: \$2 domestic, \$4 micro, \$2.50 sake, \$3.50 well, \$4 house wine. Miso, edamame, \$.99.

Horton's Bar & Grill: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 draft beers, \$5 wells, \$6 house wine, \$7 margaritas/cosmopolitans; \$7 potato skins & moz-zarella sticks, \$7.50 nachos grande & buffalo wings

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.

Karl Strauss Brewing Company: Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$3.50 beer.

La Fiesta: Every day, 5-7pm: 1/2price calls, wells, tap beers, house petizers: 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. Sat urday, 8-10pm: \$5 premium liquors.

McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant: Every day, 3-7pm; 9-11:30pm: Wine and drink specials; 1/2-lb. cheeseburgers \$2.95, other \$1.95 specials. Join us for Padres games, next to Petco Park.

Mister Tiki Mai Tai Lounge: Every day, 5-7pm: \$5 Haole mai tai, Lilikoi mojito, Coconut Kiss martini, large Sapporo, house wine. \$5 sushi roll specials, pu pu specials.

O'Brothers: Every day, 3:30-6:30pm: \$5 glass of wine, 24-oz. organic beer \$7.

Patrick's II: Every day, 10am-8pm: \$2.50 bottle beer, \$3 wells, Bud Light pints, \$4 calls, margaritas, Bloody Marys.

RA Sushi: Monday-Saturday, 3-7pm: 1/2-off select sushi & appetizers; \$1 hot sake, \$2 domestics, \$3 wells, imports, \$4 speciality cocktails and wine, \$5 Kinn with sake.

Rock Bottom Brewery, Downtown: Monday-Thursday, 4-7pm, 10pm-close: \$3,50 pints, wells, house wine, \$4.95 specialty drinks/martinis.

Rockin' Baja Lobster: Monday-*Friday*, 3-6pm: \$3.50 margaritas. \$4 Long Islands. \$3-\$5 drafts.

The Shout House: Tuesday, \$2.50 Karls, \$5 cosmos, \$3 fish tacos. Wednesday, \$1.50 domestic bottles, \$3 fish tacos. Thursday, \$2.50 Miller Lite drafts, \$10 Miller High Life buckets, \$2 lunchbox shots. Friday, 6-7pm: \$1 any draft. Sunday, \$2 domestic drafts, \$3 wells, wine, Jäger.

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Main Tap Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 4-6:30pm: \$1 off 16-oz. drafts, \$2 off pitchers, \$3 calls. \$5 nachos.

Thornton's Irish Pub and Grill: *Wednesday-Sunday*, 11-6pm: \$2 wells, \$3 drafts.

ESCONDIDO

Holiday Wine Cellar: Monday, 5:30-7:30pm: \$5 for five wine tastings. *Tuesday*, 5:30-7:30pm: Beer tasting, \$5 advance; \$10 at the door. **Tango Restaurant & Lounge:** *Every day*, 4-7pm: \$1 off all drinks; 1/2-off bar menu.

GRANTVILLE

Tio Leo's: *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: \$3 wells, domestic drafts. \$4 margarita (keep shaker).

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Café Bleu: *Monday-Saturday*, 3-7 pm: \$5 wine. \$6 martinis. 1/2-off select wine bottles.

Wine Steals: *Tuesday*, 5:30-7pm: \$5 wine tasting. *Saturday*, 4-6:30pm: \$10 wine tasting.

KEARNY MESA

Khan's Cave Grill & Tavern: Monday-Saturday, 4-6pm: \$1.25 off draft, \$1 off glass of wine.

Pampas Argentine Grill: *Tuesday-Saturday*, 5-7pm: \$3 beer/wells. \$4 margaritas/wine specials. \$2.50 empanadas (bar only).

Shogun Kobe Restaurant: *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: 30% off sushi and rolls (no giant clams, fatty tuna, or sea urchin). 30% off saki and beer.

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3-7pm: \$1 off wells, domestic taps. **The Shores Restaurant:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: Five for \$5 menu food/drink specials. Sunday, 3-7pm:

\$7 glass, \$25 pitcher red/white sangria.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill: *Every day*, 3-7pm; 10pm-close: \$1.50 off drafts, \$1 off all mixed drinks, bottled beers, glass of wine.

Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room: *Every day*, 4-6pm: \$2 off all cocktails, wine, drafts; \$2 off 8-oz. sirloin.

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Bar Leucadian: *Monday-Friday, Sunday*, 4-7pm: \$2.75 wells. \$2.50 domestics. \$3 Corona, Pacifico, Imperiala.

The Calypso Café: Every day, 5-

7pm: \$4 wells, sangria, margaritas. \$4 house wine. \$3.50 beer.

LINDA VISTA

Tio Leo's: Monday, 3-7pm: \$3 pints. \$4 wells, margaritas. Tuesday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$3 wells, domestic drafts. \$4 margarita (keep shaker).

LITTLE ITALY

Anthology: Monday-Friday, 5:30-7pm: \$6 wells, wine specials. \$8 margaritas. \$9 martinis.

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The Filling Station: *Monday*, \$2 kamikazes. *Wednesday*, premium beer \$3.50/pint. *Saturday*, \$3 Bloody Marys. *Sunday*, \$3 mimosas.

Mira Mesa Lanes: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$2 domestic pints, \$7 pitchers. \$3 import pints, \$10 pitch-

ers. \$2.50 wells. \$3.50 chicken strips, chicken wings.

MISSION BEACH

Canes: Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$2.50 beer of the month. \$3 wells, margaritas. \$4 margarita (keep shaker). \$4.95 fiesta nachos, \$3.95 cheese quesadilla, \$4.95 Southwest spring rolls. Guava Beach Bar & Grill: Mon-

day-Friday, 4-7pm: 2-for-1 cocktails,

beer, shots. *Saturday-Sunday*, \$12 Bionic Beavers, \$2.50 kamikazes, \$8 Bud/Bud Light pitchers.

MISSION HILLS

The Aero Club: *Every day*, 2-7pm: \$4 drafts, \$3 bottles.

Starlite: *Monday-Saturday*, 5-7pm: \$3 drafts, wells, \$1 off other. *Sunday*, all

night: \$5 mules. \$15 off wine bottles.
MISSION VALLEY

950 Lounge: *Wednesday*, \$3 wells, beer, house wine. **In Cahoots:** *Wednesday*, \$2 drinks. *Friday-Saturday*, \$2.50 Coors/Coors

Light. Sunday, any drink \$2.50. **The Little Fish Market Restaurant:** Every day, 4-6pm, 8:30-close: \$4.25 fish tacos, \$3.75 spicy tuna roll, \$4.50 cajun shrimp

skewers, more.

Café La Maze: *Tuesday-Friday*, 4-6pm: \$1 off all drinks; 1/2-off appetizers in the bar. **Lai Thai Restaurant:** *Every day*,

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Triple Crown Pub: *Saturday*, 12-2am: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off beer pitchers. *Sunday*, 12-5pm: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off beer pitchers.

NORTH PARK

Apertivo: *Tuesday-Friday*, 5-6:30pm: \$3 glass of wine, imported beers. *Sunday*, all day: \$2.75 glass of wine.

Lips: *Sunday*, \$5 homojitos. \$10 build-your-own tacos.

Redwing Bar & Grill: Monday-Thursday, 11am-6pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles. Friday-Sunday, 10am-6pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles.

Toronado: *Monday*, 11:30am-5pm \$1 off drafts. *Tuesday-Sunday*, 11:30am-5pm: \$1 off drafts.

True North: *Monday*, 12pm-close: \$1 off all beer, wine, spirits. *Tuesday-Saturday*, 12pm-7pm: \$1 off all beer, wine, spirits. *Sunday*, 7pm-close: Industry Night, \$3 calls.

Vesuvio Gourmet & Lounge: *Tuesday*, 4-7pm: \$5 martinis.

OCEAN BEACH

Blue Parrot: *Monday-Friday*, 2-6pm: \$2 off glass of wine, \$3 margaritas. \$2.50 tacos, \$5.25 nachos or wings. *Saturday-Sunday*, 10am-3pm: \$2.50 mimosas. \$5 Manmosas. \$4 screwdrivers, tequila sunrises, greyhounds.

Dream Street Live: *Tuesday-Sat-urday*, 4-6pm: \$2 wells, domestic pints. \$4 Guinness pints.

Portugalia: *Tuesday-Sunday*, 10pm-1am: \$3 domestic beer, \$5 wine; \$4-\$10 food specials.

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Harney Sushi: *Thursday*, \$5 specialty cocktails.

PCH Sports Bar & Grill: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2 domestics, \$1 off premiums, \$3 house wines. Saturday, 2-8pm: \$2 domestics, \$1 off premiums, \$3 house wines. Sunday, 2pm-close: \$2 domestics, \$1 off premiums, \$3 house wines.

Pierview Pub/Bub's Whiskey Dive Bar: *Tuesday*, 4-7pm: \$2 cans of Tecate.

Tremont Street Bar & Grill: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$4 wells, house wine. \$1 off all beer.

OLD TOWN

Harney Sushi: Wednesday, \$5 specialty cocktails.

710 Beach Club: Monday-Thurs-

day, 1-7:10pm: \$7.10 beer & shot.

Friday, 1-7:10pm: \$7.10 beer & shot.

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The Australian Pub: Monday-

Friday, 7-9pm: \$3 Long Islands. Sat-

urday, \$2.50 Karl Strauss. Sunday, \$3

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The Dog: Monday-Thursday, Sun-

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Pacific Beach Bar & Grill: Tuesday, \$2.50 Mexican bottled beer, \$3 frozen margaritas. Wednesday, \$2 off all drinks, \$2 beers. Thursday, 8pmclose: \$2 wells, drafts, 1/2-price drinks. Friday, 3-10pm: \$2 drafts, wells, 1/2-price drinks. Saturday, 4-10pm: \$3 wells, wine, drafts.

Sinbad Café: Every day, 4-8pm: \$1 drafts, \$1.50 wells, shots, \$2 imports. \$3.50 appetizers. 11am-8pm: \$12-\$15 hookahs.

The Turquoise, Café-Bar Europa: Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 5-7pm: \$3 cask wine, sangria, draft. \$3 tapas selection.

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Extreme Pizza: Monday, all day: \$1.50 domestic drafts. Tuesday, \$6 wine carafes, beer pitchers. Wednesday, \$.50 wings night. Thursday, 3-6pm; 8-10pm: 1/2-off any pizza. Friday, \$18 large pizza and pitcher of beer. Saturday, \$2 bottled beer of the month. Sunday, \$5 domestic beer pitchers.



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SPRING VALLEY

California Comfort: Every day, 4-7 pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, wells, house wine. \$5 appetizers.

TIERRASANTA

Bud's Louisiana Café: Tuesday-Friday, 1-2:30pm; 4:30-6pm: 1/2price wine and beer. Saturday, 4:30-6pm: 1/2-price wine and beer.

JP's Pub: Monday-Friday, 3-5pm: \$2.50 wells, domestic drafts, \$3.25 house wine.

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Seasonal Bouquet

What a difference nine years makes, just 80,000 little hours. Over those years, Mille Fleurs has mellowed markedly, adapting to leaner times. This major mood change takes the restaurant out of the big-occasion realm of celebs and debs and plutocrats and opens it to regular foodies looking for a delicious night out. And the food (served in a lovely country setting) is certainly worth foodie attention — including the three-course \$40 prix fixe.

When last I ate here in 2000, the food was more than fine, but my fellow diners left a faintly bitter aftertaste. All the older women had surgically converted to Anna Mae Wong dragon ladies with eyes pointing to their hairlines, while the young ones sported Anna Nicole Smith torpedo implants (bombs away!). Many flaunted great gleaming rocks for a midweek dinner at their country-style neighborhood restaurant. A Hollywood type in a charcoal cashmere turtleneck presented his little cupcake with a diamond tennis necklace; she put it on and ran squealing through the rooms, showing it off. I wore my best silk and a heavy Zuni petit-point turquoise necklace, but covert glances from a table opposite telegraphed: "Mere stones! No ice, no facelift? Tsk tsk, no belong here."

Apparently *that's* over — whew — at least on weeknights. In those days, the menu was upscale Continental *haute cuisine* — "Euro," but mainly French. Now, there is not only an affordable prix fixe but also a new "bistro menu," featuring less flamboyant French *bourgeois cuisine*, dishes that you might find in middle-class restaurants in the provinces (or Paris). The host (although we didn't see him on a Monday) is now owner Bertrand Hug's handsome son Julien, locally famed in gossip columns as an "eligible bachelor." And the crowd vibes are different, too. Freed from suits and Manolo stilts, they turn sweet.

My posse and I went on a no-corkage Monday night to try out the bargain prix fixe plus a



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few à la carte dishes, bringing a couple of good French wines from my cellar. (Well, closet.) Most of our immediate neighbors seemed to be enjoying comfortable retirements, wearing

comfortable clothing (men in long-sleeve plaid shirts, women in sensible shoes, nice pantsuits, costume jewelry). And the natives were friendly. As we sat down,

Lynne set our shopping bag of wines on the floor with a resounding clank. "Did you drop an earring?" teased Ben. "That must be some earring!" laughed the lively lady at the nearest table. Other patrons were equally gentle — many minuscule acts of kindness. This time, I felt welcomed, included. Meanwhile, on the garden patio, one table was occupied by a slightly disreputablelooking male foursome: leading the pack of three unshaven guys in ball caps was a hatless, sexylooking French chef whom I couldn't quite identify — enjoying their Monday night off by eating together at another French restaurant.

The joy of no-corkage night is that you can

bring good wines cellared back when you were flush, to enjoy with professional cooking that does them justice, leaving budgetary freedom to choose your foods: for instance, it was still affordable for

three of us to order the prix fixe and one to eat à la carte. The à la carte two courses also totaled \$40, and we had plenty of desserts from the prix fixe to share.

But you don't want to risk corkage prices on other nights, due to owner Bertrand Hug's painful rules (also in effect for Bertrand at Mr. A's): if you bring a wine that's already on the wine list and the list is vast, so if it's a good bottle, the risk is high — corkage is half the restaurant's normal charge, bringing it to approximately current retail price. Example: years ago I gambled on some '82 Lynch-Bages "futures" for about \$60 a bottle. They currently retail for \$240. If they're on the wine list, they'll probably cost double current retail price, e.g., about \$480 per bottle, hence \$240 corkage. So I'd be paying \$300 (corkage price plus what I originally paid) to drink the

Mille Fleurs ★★★★ (Excellent)

6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085, *millefleurs.com*.

HOURS: Lunch Tuesday–Friday, 11:30 a.m.–1:45 p.m.; dinner Sunday–Friday, 5:00 p.m.–closing (about 10:00 p.m.), Saturdays from 5:30 p.m.; bar menu daily 3:00–11:00 p.m.

PRICES: Three-course prix fixe Sunday–Thursday, \$40. Five courses (any night), \$75 (with wines, \$110); seven courses, \$95 (with wines, \$145). À la carte starters, \$9.50–\$24; "bistro" entrées, \$20–\$30; "classic" entrées, \$27–\$34 (some choices may be higher on weekends). **CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Menu of sea-

sonal modern French cuisine changes nightly, with occasional German surprises; features Chino Farms and other local produce. Huge, French-dominated wine list, steep even at normal markups; full bar.

PICK HITS: Prix-fixe and regular menu: Mushroom soup, Chino Farms tomato salad, grilled bison. À la carte: Smoked eel and salmon rillettes, veal sweetbreads. Great bets: clam soup; veal tongue; lobster salad; duck confit; any version of "wiener schnitzel."

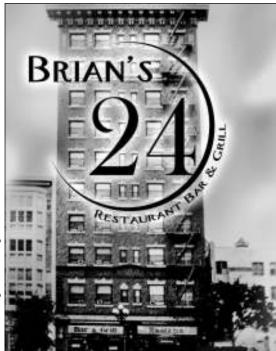
NEED TO KNOW: Star rating applies primarily to \$40 prix-fixe and "Casual Bistro" menu; à la carte starters and "classic" entrées are more ambitious. Free corkage Mondays. Business-casual (coat and tie not required, rarely worn on weeknights), but weekend crowds may be date-dressed. Secluded garden courtyard seating available. Low-carb; loads for lacto-vegetarians; minimal vegan.

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wine I've cellared and aged for 26 years. Say, I wonder what the corkage is for "two-buck Chuck" — we know that one isn't on the list. (-Don't even think about it.)

Okay, so when do we eat? This leisurely intro



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gives you a real-life idea of Mille Fleurs' pacing. They don't rush you at all. I don't think you can rush them, short of announcing a plane to catch or an early-morning makeup call in Burbank. The charming maitre d', Marco (accent sounds French, but he's Serbian), dealt rapidly with the wines, opening and pouring our already-chilled Meursault and decanting the young fifth-growth Bordeaux that needed to breathe. Then came bread and water, and, at all deliberate speed, the menu. Another while passed before our order was taken. We had plenty of time to admire the charming French-country-inn decor, with nooks and rooms and crannies and window views of the cute village-style main street of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe. A lot more "view" happens en route. Don't believe the website; it's not five minutes from I-5. And there's a curvy twolane country road to negotiate. It's worth an early arrival to enjoy the scenery before sunset.

The "amuse" was a shot glass of fresh green-tomato "soup"sharp, vibrant but not sour, with bits of multicolored tomatoes, herbs, and avocado. We played guessing games about the liquid. Best guess: "tomato water," saved and strained from the de-seeding process. However made, it was riveting.

The prix fixe offers three choices each for appetizers and entrées, two choices for dessert. All choices are drawn from the regular menus (which change daily with the seasonal produce), so this is not some dreary economy-fare spread. The star of our starters was a salad ---ripe red and green Chino Farms tomato with grilled eggplant, chevre, basil, and a great oliveoil dressing. It's the very essence of summer in San Diego, a reason to live here.

Also rewarding: an intense mushroom soup with dry sherry topped with a mandalic moiré pattern of light cream and parsley pesto. Every spoonful brought up thin mushroom slices - not button mushrooms, although we couldn't guess the species. Whatever they were, they tasted pretty wild.

"Ahi tartar cannelloni" wasn't what the name led us to expect — no pasta, but thin slices of cucumber wrapped

around hunks of raw tuna with a little crème fraîche for garnish, shreds of mint leaves, and a splash of truffle oil — plus baguette toasts on the side. I liked the fresh, clean flavors, but my tablemates were disappointed with a certain not-enough-ness. It did seem lean, perhaps one ingredient short of mouth-feel richness. (Would avocado be too plebeian?)

The à la carte appetizer of smoked-eel salad ravished us all. Chef Martin Woesle (who's been at Mille Fleurs for 20 years) underwent much of his culinary education at Munich's top restaurants and Alpine skiresorts and occasionally unleashes his German side to thrilling effect. This starter combined tender, velvety slices of smoked eel with poufs of fresh salmon mousse over lightly pickled multicolored beet slices, a subtle hint of horseradish, and a quail egg fried sunny-side-up to break up and drip all over the eel. Ordering, it was hard to choose between this and poached yeal tongue — another dish that sounds like Woesle's German roots are showing. (Wish we had a serious German restaurant here with a chef like "Mah-tin." This is an unexplored cuisine!)

With one exception — a dish from the "bistro menu" - entrées were less rewarding than appetizers, as is so often the case. "My favorite things to cook are salads and appetizers," chef Martin told me back in 2000. In fact, an alternative to the prix fixe might be a meal for two of four or five starters, plus a dessert to take advantage of the restaurant's most exciting flavors. (See "Pick Hits," including "Great bets," and there you are.)

The "bistro" entrée had crispy sautéed veal sweetbreads with porcini mushrooms (dried, rehydrated) and Madeira-veal jus. The bites of meat were crisped outside and tender within, and the dark mushrooms played off against the earthy notes of the organmeat (beef thymus, if you must know). "I could bury my face in this and lap it up," said the Lynnester. "I've never tried sweetbreads before," said Mark thoughtfully. "I'd happily eat them again."

Ben was startled by the unexpected tenderness of the grilled bison New York (loin) steak — rare, of course (has to be; bison is very lean and dries out if cooked even to pink). It came with a standard shallot-Cabernet sauce and fine local green beans. Bison's growing common in restaurants now, but I still like it best grilled cowboy-style over mesquite wood, which complements its residual wildness even better than this sauce bordelaise.

A plump pair of rainbow trout fillets meunière boasted crisply blackened bottom-skin and a topping of lemon, parsley, and browned butter with a bed of spinach. In the film Julie and Julia, you'll see Julia Child's sudden life-changing awakening to the joys of food with the taste of a sole meunière at a restaurant in Rouen. Mille Fleurs' meunière is competent, but I can't imagine it sending someone careening into a new career. It tasted more like the sort of Julia Child cookbook basic one might cook at home, made with an American substitution for a legendary fish. Perhaps trout simply isn't comparable. I doubt that I've ever tasted the type of Atlantic sole that Julia ate in Rouen — certainly not fresh-caught, given the 7000-mile plane ride to the West Coast — so I can't speak to the difference in species.

Our lightest entrée, which is an appetizer on the regular menus, had fresh chanterelle mushrooms cooked too crisp and firm for my taste, topping sweet but bland vegetable ravioli with roasted garlic and cream sauce. (Aside from a few random bits of potato on other dishes, the ravioli were the only

starch of our whole dinner ----low-carb without even trying!) Mille Fleurs has pastry chefs,

but chef Martin generally designs the desserts that they execute. Both our sweets were splendid. A gratin of white nectarines was swathed in light sabayon sauce, punctuated with crunchy macadamias and plated around a scoop of divine vanilla ice cream. Fresh cherries with chocolate sauce were richer, a beautiful blend amplified with kirschwasser (clear brandy made from sour cherries), crème chantilly (vanilla whipped cream), and a tasty, nutty tuile cookie. My espresso was outstanding, the real deal with crema and all. Ben and Mark loved the special house blend of Cafe Moka coffee.

You may still see stars here, but this legendary restaurant is no longer the exclusive realm of Rancho Santa Fe tres riches and L.A. luminaries. The recession has humbled both the ambiance and cuisine - still excellent food in a lovely setting, but now within reach. The "thousand flowers" of the

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restaurant's name are no longer just precious orchids and roses but now include sweet alyssum and forget-me-nots.

Bargain Bites:

At Anthology, bargain Tuesdays include selected menu items at half-price from 5:30-7:30 p.m., with a piddling \$5 cover charge for tasty live music. Worth dating on a Tuesday!

Fleming's (both downtown and La Jolla) offers "5 for \$6 till 7" — five cocktails, five wines by the glass, and five appetizers, each at \$6 nightly, before 7:00 p.m.

Oceanaire Seafood Room's big deal is fresh West Coast oysters for \$1 each, 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the bar, with other early-bird bar specials available.

Starlite Lounge, north of Little Italy, offers a \$20 threecourse prix fixe on Tuesdays, and their popular Starbuck Mule cocktail, \$5, on Sunday and Monday, all in a hip scene frequented by off-duty chefs.

Stingaree's happy hour (Tuesday-Friday, 5:00-8:00 p.m.; until 10:00 p.m. on Thursdays) entices with half-price

grazes in its lounge (including Brandt beef sliders, spicy shrimp sauté, mac 'n' cheese with bacon). Early birds avoid the club-kid scene.

The Shores, with brilliant ex-Molly's sommelier Lisa Redwine now managing the restaurant, entices with a threecourse "Crab Fest" Friday-Saturday from 5:00-10:00 p.m., for \$25 (\$35 with matched wines). Through September 12. Weeknight prix-fixe dinners also \$25.

The Palm offers a steak dinner (filet or New York) with a starter and a side for \$39.95, through September 30.

Truluck's, the retro surf 'n' turf Floridian chain in the Aventine Complex, offers filling "date night" specials for \$35 per person (appetizers, entrées, shared dessert) through summer. On Wednesdays, wine bottles are half price. Free validated valet parking.

Waterfront Bar & Grill offers free pub grub - free! Comfort food for nothing, Monday-Friday, 4:00-7:00 p.m. Also, chicken wings on Mondays at a quarter each.





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Greek to Me

"I arrived in New York in 1981 with \$50. Political asylum."

hat men or gods are these? What maidens loth? What mad pursuit? What

struggle to escape? What pipes and timbrels?

What wild ecstasy?"

Huh. I impress myself. I do remember something from high school English. John Keats, right? Miss Fussell. Teaching us about "Ode on a Grecian Urn." We

learned it just to please her because we were all in love with her, the boys. 'Specially as we knew her heart had just been broken by a dumb jerk who wouldn't know his Keats from his keister.

What got me going on this? The six-foot, 3-D, white plaster frieze on the wall next to me. It has it all: maidens pouring wine for a bunch of flowing-robed philosophers as they lean against temple pillars exchanging deep Greek thoughts.

"Excuse me, sir."

It's Eva the waitress, come to pour me my drink.

Course, not wine, but water, and she's not dressed in flowing white robes. Nor am I. But it gets me thinking: ethnic places like this treat you more royally than your average diner does, and you pay pretty much the same prices. I mean, this place is Greek. And here I am, about to shell out all of six buckskins for my kobida kebab sandwich, and the table's got a linen cloth and a forest-green paper mat. Plus heavy silverware and a fresh red carnation in a royal-blue glass vase. Somebody's really trying here.

I stopped by this part of town for Carla.



Book-shopping. She wants Charting the End Times. Tim Hayes, the Left Behind guy. I swear - she sort of half believes this gobbledygook. But, hey, what do I know?

So, I got off the 35 bus and was heading into the old Loma movie theater that's now a Bookstar when I noticed this newishlooking Greek place. There's a triangular patio outside, filled with a bunch of cool guys and gals. "Country Kabob #2," the sign said.

Hmm... Wonder what happened to #1? Had to go in, of course. Quick snack. And, whoa, all those friezes. And blue and yellow on the walls and cool glass-disc lights hanging over the dozen tables and reddish movie-theater seats where you wait to be seated.

But I just go and sit down near a bunch of social workers talking about their cases as Eva brings over plates for them to share. A gyros plate, with soup and pita bread. I check the menu: \$9.45. A salmon salad. The charbroiled fish looks great on top of the greens (\$8.45). And I see a bunch of ground-beef kebabs sprouting from a giant pita. That looks good.

Can that be one of the Greek sandwiches? The menu lists seven, at \$5.95 each. (Eva says they cost the same at dinnertime, which is great.) They include the beef kebab, the lamb kebab, the gyros combo of beef and lamb, the chicken-breast kebab, falafel (chickpea patties), — salmon — or the kobida kebab. fish

"Which sandwich is the most delicious?" I ask Eva.

She doesn't hesitate. "Number 36, the kobida kebab. It's charbroiled."

I'm sure it's not the only charbroiled one, but sounds good to me. And when it comes, I can't believe how much I get. Three big ground-beef tubes of meat that've been hauled off skewers, piled onto a whopping circle of pita bread partly folded into a paper bag. There's raw red onion, tomato, parsley, and tzatziki sauce. Whatever the marinade on the meat was, it worked.

I'm chomping away when the chef comes out, still wearing his flopped-over chef's hat, to check on the patrons. Oh, wow. I recognize that face.

"I used to own the Gyroscope, in the Gaslamp," he says. "Our lease ended."

Karim, I remember now.

"You're from Afghanistan, right?" I ask. He nods. "I arrived in New York in 1981 with \$50. Political asylum. I started working in a Greek restaurant. Afghan and Greek cooking are absolutely different, but I learned. Then the old couple who owned the restaurant decided to return to Greece. So I bought it from them. That's how I became a Greek chef!"

Now he and his family have four Greek restaurants, including Country Kabob #1 on Adams Avenue. He says that during these hard times, he has started an occasional program of "Pay what you can," where people can eat a full meal, and even if they pay only \$1, that's okay.



"This country has helped me too much. I have a house, a car. I want to give something

I order a dish to take home to Carla. The lamb-kebab plate, #3. It costs \$10.45 but bulges with chunks of lamb, yellow rice, brown rice, pita bread, Greek salad, feta, olives...I know it's going to be big enough for the two of us tonight.

So now, off to Bookstar. Hey. Idea. Instead of that End Times book, I might get her John Keats. Then, who knows? "What wild ecstasy?..."■

The Place: Country Kabob #2, 3145 Rosecrans Street, Suite A (next to Bookstar in the old Loma theater), Type of Food: Greek

Prices: Greek sandwiches, including beef kebab, lamb kebab, gyros (beef/lamb), chicken-breast kebab, falafel, kobida (ground beef), salmon, \$5.95 (lunch and dinner); gyros plate (with soup, pita bread), \$9.45; salmon salad, \$8.45; symposium (sampler platter for two), \$22.45 (\$21.45 for the vegetarian version); hummus/baba ghanoush combo blate, \$9.45 (lunch prices; add about \$3 for dinner prices)

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Alpine

Mediterraneo 1347 Tavern Rd. Alpine, 619-445-9902. Tasteful, amb tious 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.

Baja

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Big Boy Restaurant Boulevard Agua Caliente #9892, Tijuana, 664-686-3788. Besides having excellent Mexican-American food and big gringo breakfasts, this Big Boy knock-off draws a cross-section of Baja's big shots. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive.

La Espadaña Avenida Sanchez Taboada #10813, Tijuana, 664-634-1488. This place does great ovencooked leg of lamb, tasting like wine, garlic, and herbs, but the owners insist it's just Tecate lamb baked slowly in its juices with oregano. Terrific flamegrilled beefsteaks, too. Moderate.

Mercado Sobre Ruedas Colonia Lucio Blanco (from Tijuana, on toll

road, take first Rosarito exit; turn left at third), Rosarito. This huge flea market materializes every Sunday (morning to mid-afternoon); food booths offer a carnival of authentic dishes like barbecued mutton, savory Jalisco-style goat stew. street tacos. Rock-bottom prices; cash only.

El Rodeo Boulevard Salinas #1647, Tijuana, 664-686-5640. Steak haven with Old West decor. Entrée price includes soup of roast beef juices, beans, a quesadilla, a salad, two botana (snack) plates, and a beef-liver medley with any cut of steak you want. Or try the parrillada, a multi-meat BBQ siz zling on a tabletop grill. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Banker's Hill

Bertrand at Mister A's 2550 Fifth Ave., 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377. Bertrand Hug's airy, open eatery offers a panoramic city view with a casual-chic, romantic ambience and fine modern French cuisine. Expensive.

Inn at the Park 3615 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-291-0999. Despite a touch of mango here, chipotle there, it's the nice, conservative, meat-andpotatoes comfort food that the regu lars here prefer. Wilder hits include calamari fritto misto, duck breast, and coconut-lime crème brûlée. Moderate.

Carlsbad

Armenian Café 3126 Carlsbad Bl., Carlsbad, 760-720-2233. Lamb shish kebab is the house specialty, but even better are the owner's mom's kibbe (nut-filled lamb meatball) and rosewater-scented kashta lea dessert. Lovely elevated patio. Moderate-plus.



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Nozomi 3050 Pio Pico Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-7877. Gorgeous Japanese inn-style premises with food ranging from simple nigiri-zushi to party rolls to fusion grazing dishes and entrées (including genuine Wagyu beef) and back to Japanese standards. Don't miss the ankimo (monkfish liver pâté). Moderate to expensive.

Chula Vista

D'Lish Pizza and Pasta 386 E H St., Chula Vista, 619-585-1371. This chain prides itself on its Italian/California pastas, pizzas, and salads. Now it's adding marinated flank steak and a rib eye to the "bistro entrées." Moderate

Galley at the Marina 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. The tasty happy-hour specials make a visit worth the trip: Have a 1/2-pound hamburger with french fries, chicken Caesar salad with sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Inexpensive.

Village Club Card Room 429 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-425-3333. Down-home dishes like grilled chicken breast sandwich, spaghetti with meatballs, or garlic shrimp with fried rice and egg, plus Chinese dishes including Kung Pao beef or chicken, Mongolian beef, and a good wonton soup with noodles. Inexpensive.

City Heights

African Spice Restaurant 4348 54th St., City Heights, 619-342-5945. Fascinating Somalian food, just seven dollars - as much rice, salad, spaghetti, goat meat, beef, chicken (lamb and tilapia when available) as you can fit in your polystyrene box, along with a banana to break up and mix in, Somalistyle. Inexpensive

Bale French Sandwich Shop 4879 University Ave., City Heights, 619-283-4352. The Vietnamese do French baguette sandwiches better than the French — with some spicy Asian touches. Inexpensive

College Area

Sala Thai 6161 El Cajon Bl., College Area, 619-229-9050. Classy atmos phere, tame spicing. You'll have to ask for "hot." Chicken mussaman is delicious with taste-boosters like kaffir lime leaves. Health treat: som tum, green papaya salad. Inexpensive.

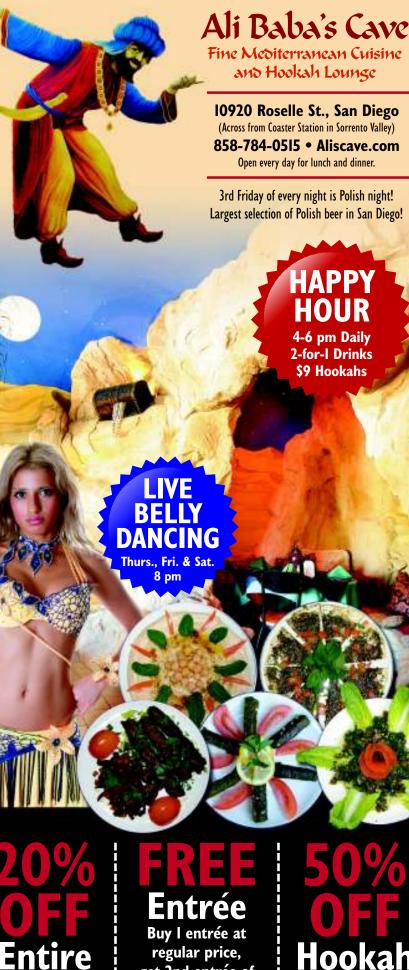
Coronado

1500 Ocean 1500 Orange Ave. Coronado, 619-522-8490. Modern Cal cuisine with a blissful bay view and su perb ingredients, so finely cooked you'll be thrilled to eat your veggies. Expensive.

Café 1134 1134 Orange Ave., Coro-nado, 619-437-1134. Interesting omelets, salads, and panini (e.g., roast beef and bleu-cheese crumbles) from a local reincarnation of a Left Bank café to hang out, chat, think deep thoughts. Inexpensive

Candelas on the Bay 1201 First St., Coronado, 619-435-4900, Same serious Mex cuisine as the downtown branch in blissful bayside surroundings, with great happy-hour grazing bargains in the bar. Otherwise expensive.

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watching on the patio, with tasty Mexican seafood like coconut crunchy shrimp, swordfish tacos, lobster burritos. Higher priced: flat-iron steak with Gorgonzola, baby back ribs, garlic Mexican shrimp. Inexpensive to expensive.

Del Mar

Le Bambou 2634 Del Mar Heights Rd., Del Mar, 858-259-8138. No mere "*pho* joint," this gracious restaurant serves exquisite versions of the sophisticated Vietnamese dishes of prewar Saigon. Low-moderate.

Jake's Del Mar Waterfront Grill 1660 Coast Bl., Del Mar, 858-755-2002. Surf 'n' turf by the sea, with a patio overlooking the waves. Menu offers seafood with fusion-y touches, Prime or Choice steaks. Crabby Dungeness crab cake appetizer makes a whole lunch. Lunch and Sunday brunch moderate, dinner expensive.

Milton's Deli 2660 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-792-2225. Jewish deli goes multiethnic. Stuff yourself with stuffed cabbage, overstuffed deli sandwiches, crisp-skinned cheese blintzes, *matzoh brei*, hot brisket with latkes — or chicken-fried steak, if that's your bag. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Star of India 3860 Valley Centre Dr., Del Mar, 858-792-1111. Also 423 F St., Downtown, 619-234-8000. The lunch buffet can lead you by the nose into Punjabi food. Pick among vegetable *pakora* fritters, eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry masala, *palak paneer* (spinach with curry). Inexpensive to moderate.

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Downtown

Brian's 24 828 Sixth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-8410. Open 24/7, it has a fabulous peanut butter burger with bacon. Plus a gothic bar with Joan Crawford's heel marks denting it where she danced. And bargain breakfast and lunch specials. Inexpensive to moderate.

Café Chloe 721 Ninth Ave., Downtown, 619-232-3242. Parisian atmosphere, creative cooking, e.g., breakfast's poached eggs with sage-truffle beurre blanc. Nightly specials keep the menu interesting, and desserts are worth every calorie. Beverages include lavender lemonade, root beers, an intelligent wine list. Moderate.

Dakota Grill and Spirits 901 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-234-5554. The two-floor restaurant offers meaty American upscale fare (steaks, ribs, etc.) in plush booths, with a piano player gliding from rinky-dink 1950s pop to Fats Waller stylings and Ellingtonian riffs. High-moderate to expensive.

Dublin Square 554 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-239-5818. The pub was handcrafted in Waterford, shipped over, and installed (by Irish craftsmen) in the Gaslamp. There's a fine corned beef and cabbage, plus Guinness beef stew, shepherd's pie (made with ground beef), steaks, and grilled fish. Moderate.

The Fish Market 750 N. Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-232-3474. Additional locations in Solana Beach and Mission Valley. The sushi bar downtown is superb, with just-right rice, pristine seafood, and expert preparation. Otherwise, a noisy barn with plain cooking. Moderate to expensive.

Grant Grill 326 Broadway, Downtown, 619-744-2077. Now thoroughly Southern Californian (although they did resurrect the fabled mock turtle soup) with nods to the "slow food"



movement. Well-raised meats, local produce. Very expensive.

El Cajon

Chen's Golden Palace 530 N. 2nd St., El Cajon, 619-442-2541. A Lao-Chinese family serves mostly basic Chinese cuisine, plus a few Southeast Asian dishes like Thai spicy shrimp noodles — and good fish 'n' chips. Inexpensive.

Tyler's Taste of Texas 576 N. 2nd St., El Cajon, 619-444-9295. Texas-style barbecue (chicken, beef, pork, and sausage), smoky but uneven in texture. Good fried catfish, fried green tomatoes, ham breakfast. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Encinitas

El Callejon Restaurant 345 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-634-2793. Great atmosphere in a hacienda with multiple rooms and patio spaces, serving zesty mainland Mexican cooking with unusual dishes like shrimp *zarandeados* with sauce of chiles, beef in cilantro sauce, and a *parrillada* (mixed grill) to serve two. Moderate. **Juanita's Taco Shop Estilo**

Tepatilian 290 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-943-9612. Also 248 Main St., Vista, 760-758-4531. The food's cooked in the style of Tepatilán, a small city near Guadalajara. Their specialty is carnitas — which Juanita's does up by the plate or by the pound. Open late weekends. Inexpensive.

Kealani's 137 W. D St., Encinitas, 760-942-5642. At any hour the food is Hawaiian "plate lunch" — two scoops of short-grain rice, mild house-made macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the outstanding kalua pig — zesty, smoky shreds of *imu*-style roast pork. Inexpensive.

The Original 101 Diner 552 First St., Encinitas, 760-753-2123. The down-home cooking includes all-day breakfast ranging from really cheap biscuits and sausage gravy to a pretty cheap top-sirloin steak and eggs. A bacon-cheddar burger with fruit is a good surprise combo, or try spinach salad. Inexpensive.

Escondido

Centre City Café 2680 S. Escondido Bl., Escondido, 760-489-6011. Classic American fare, including exemplary chicken-fried steak with a crackly crust and smooth, peppery cream gravy. USDA Choice steaks offered at rock-bottom prices. Huge portions, low prices. San Diego Artisan Bakers 1551 S. Escondido Bl., Escondido, 760-740-5963. Recipes are from all of Europe for breads with great textures and depths of flavor. A treat: breakfast on the front porch with cup of espresso and scones. Inexpensive.

Sand Crab Café 2229 Micro Pl., Escondido, 760-480-2722. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked in a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Margarine's the dip, but you can BYO butter and they'll melt it. Inexpensive to moderate.

Golden Hill

Krakatoa 1128 25th St., Golden Hill, 619-230-0272. Ghost-ridden coffee house and neighborhood hangout offers garden seating and light eating, mainly breakfast or lunch sandwiches named after the volcances of the world (get it?). Inexpensive.



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Hillcrest

Bombay Exotic Cuisine of India 3975 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-298-3155. We're talking northern India here — lots of lamb, potatoes, creamy sauces, tandoor-baked breads and meats, rich and complex but mildly seasoned. Sister restaurant, Monsoon, 729 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-234-5555. Moderate.

Ciro's Pizzeria 1202 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-296-2476. Also 534 Market St., Downtown, 619-696-0405. This small pizza parlor has that "back East" feel about it: old-time photos of baseball fields, New York City. Best combo: chicken bacon pesto. Inexpensive.

La Posta de Acapulco 3980 Third Ave., Hillcrest, 619-295-8982. Several San Diego locations. The carne asada burritos are rich-tasting, fresh, generous. Also much loved here are the *chile verde* and the quesadilla with carne asada. Inexpensive.

Saigon on Fifth 3900 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-220-8828. Urbane, French-tinged cuisine of colonial-era Saigon and Hue. Distinctive house specialties include a smoked oyster omelet, coconut shrimp served in the coconut shell, and *bún*, a refreshing spicy noodle salad. Low-moderate.

Imperial Beach

Lydia's Café and Nightclub 1628 Palm Ave., Imperial Beach, 619-429-3603. Easygoing dancing/eatery (since 1957) offers sporadically available entrée platter of *birría en su jugo* (goat in its juices) and filling snacks like taquitos *cucaracha* (a corn tortilla stuffed with ham, cheese, and sour cream). Inexpensive.

Kearny Mesa

The Original Pancake House 3906 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740. Additional locations in Poway, Encinitas, and Vista. The Apple Pancake is a batter-filled, five-egg puffed-up paradise with slices from two Granny Smith apples. The German Pancake or Dutch Baby are good ovenbaked alternatives, as is the filling mushroom omelet. Inexpensive.

Suzuya Japanese BBQ 5447 Kearny Villa Rd., Kearny Mesa, 858-505-0611. Japanese BBQ — called *yakiniku*, similar to Korean BBQ (minus the free side dishes) — offers cookit-yourself over tabletop grills. Kobe boneless short ribs and tongue are the superstars here. Japanese tapas, noodles, tempura, etc. fill out the bill. Inexpensive.

Tropical Star 6163 Balboa Ave., Kearny Mesa, 858-488-5900. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Inexpensive.

Kensington-Talmadge

Kensington Grill 4055 Adams Ave., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-281-4014. This comfortable-but-sophisticated neighborhood restaurant has found a fine formula for seasonal California cuisine. Early-bird three-course dinner moderate; regular menu moderate to expensive.

La Jolla

Brockton Villa 1235 Coast Bl., La Jolla, 858-454-7393. Great Cove view,



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La Jolla Brew House 7536 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-456-6279. Solid food, like the prime rib sandwich (which goes great with their Russian stout) or the roasted potato. Best of all, the hefty, low-cholesterol buffalo burger. Inexpensive to moderate.

Michele Coulon Pastries 7556-D Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-456-5098. Cakes are light, moist, rich, and available as wholes, slices, and even "miniatures," plus you can choose tarts, chocolates, ice creams, and breakfast pastries. Moderate.

Pannikin Coffee & Tea 7467 Girard Ave., La Jolla, 858-454-5453. Additional locations in Del Mar and Encinitas. Cute cottage decor. Breakfasts are mostly steamed-egg variations, including the popular Greek eggs and breakfast burrito. For lunch try chicken curry or fresh, generous "pannwiches" like ham or tuna. Inexpensive.

La Mesa

Johnny B's 4728 Fourth St., La Mesa, 619-464-2465. This "Burgers and Brew" bar is a real '50s place with burgers and good bar snacks, including a zesty jalapeño dip. On Sundays (1 to 7pm only), their ten-ounce New York steak, fries, beans, and salad is a must-eat. Inexpensive.

West Coast Barbecue 6126 Lake Murray Bl., La Mesa, 619-462-3663. Pit-smoked Texas-style "Q," but more like the Bushes of Crawford than the soulful South. Best bets are full-flavored ribs, chicken wings, and authentic Texas bean-free chili with classic fixins. Lowmoderate.

Ye Olde Bicycle Place and Café 6792 University Ave., La Mesa, 619-582-4024. A bike museum with food offers tasty toasted *panini* and cold sandwiches. Inexpensive.

Leucadia

The Calypso Café 576 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Leucadia, 760-632-8252. The cuisine is French, ranging from warhorses like onion soup and coq au vin to Gallo-Cal-Italian-Pacific Rim hyphenates. Mussels are the specialty, and their rapid turnover here ensures freshness. Upper-moderate.

Little Italy

Anthology 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300. User-friendly, modern-American cuisine (local produce, natural meats, wonderful breads) in huge, chic jazz nightclub. Expensive on up, if you drink anything but tap water.

Rainwater's on Kettner 1202 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-233-5757. Wetaged USDA Prime beefsteaks and roasts with "Continental" sauces, milk-fed calf's liver, plus some seafood and poultry. The chef is one of a few who can manage Beef Wellington correctly. Very expensive.

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.

El Pollo Loco 2795 Main St., Logan Heights, 619-595-0847. Several San Diego locations. The flame-broiled poultry has crisp, richly seasoned, salty skin; the flesh can vary from barely done to overdone, but usually is just right. Inexpensive.

Midway District

Hancock Street Café 3354 Hancock St., Midway District, 619-296-2060. Mario is from New York and knows his pasta. You can expect a goodvalue 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 readymade roux, Cajun *tasso* (spiced ham), *boudin blanc* (rice sausage), and crawfish sausage in season. Inexpensive.

Mira Mesa

Abbey's Real Texas Bar-B-Q 6904 Miramar Rd., Mira Mesa, 858-566-2333. Texas-style "Q" featuring marinade-mopped meats and poultry smoked "low and slow" over mesquite until tender, with picnic-fare sides. Inexpensive to moderate.

Bolsa Vietnamese Restaurant 9225 Mira Mesa Bl., Mira Mesa, 858-693-3663. Hospitable chef-owner Kim Trang makes excellent *pho bo* (beef noodle soup) but also offers hundreds of other items, all cooked home style. Inexpensive.

Madras Café 9484 Black Mountain Rd., Mira Mesa, 858-695-6229. Vegetarian cuisine of South India, centering on stuffed pancakes — from thin, crisp, crepe-like *dosais* stuffed with vegetable curry to lacy rice-flour *aapans* drenched in coconut milk to hefty, frittata-like *uttapams*. (Try the last with the delicious, not-too-spicy chili-onion stuffing.) Inexpensive.

Super Buffet 8998 Miramar Rd., Mira Mesa, 858-566-1888. Start at the Mongolian grill. Pick your raw prawns, chicken, pork, beef, *satays*. The fresh sashimi — such as salmon or tuna is scrumptious. Don't miss the chicken feet. Inexpensive.

Mission Beach

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 homemade teriyaki sauce (sweet up front, fading to bitter ginger) for the wellcooked (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 sitdown, all about Thai noodles and saté. Next door, take-out only, owner Su-Mei Yu serves skewered grilled chicken mar-

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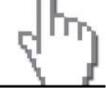
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inated in garlic, ginger, and spices. Delicious green curry, too. Inexpensive. **Shakespeare Pub & Grille** 3701 India St., Mission Hills, 619-299-0230. English pub grub is bluff and plainspoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing). Inexpensive.

Mission Valley

Bully's East 2401 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2665. Word is, they serve more prime rib with au jus and horseradish than any eatery in San Diego. Or try the Bully Burger, French dip sandwich, or calamari sandwich. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Ikea Restaurant 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley, 619-283-6166. Healthy Swedish food amidst Nordic housewares: meatballs with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Seafood is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon) are always on. Inexpensive.

King's Fish House 825 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 619-574-1230. Generously sized entrées come with soup or salad and two hefty side dishes. The menu changes daily to reflect the fresh catch, and includes some rotating regional specialties (e.g., New Orleans, Hawaii, New England). Moderate.

National City

Lai Thai Restaurant 1430 E. Plaza Bl., National City, 619-474-5546. The soups, *tom kah* (spicy coconut) and *tom yum* (hot and sour), are good, as is the house Lai Thai Fish (usually tilapia) in delicious *panang* coconut-curry sauce. Inexpensive to moderate.

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.

North Park

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 lowmoderate.

The Linkery 3794 30th St., North Park, 619-255-8778. The artisanal "slow food" cuisine here features local ingredients and made-from-scratch preparations. The focus is on sausages. Some of the best include the juicy "super bison Mexi-dog," the linguisa, and the Polynesian pork. Moderate.



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Pomegranate Russian-Georgian **Restaurant** 2302 El Cajon Bl., North Park, 619-297-4007. Georgian food sings with fresh herbs, garlic, touches of hot pepper. Don't miss the world-beating beefy, herb-jungle borscht, the lo-bio 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 guiet, 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 filé). Moderate

Sicilian Thing Pizza 4046 30th St., North Park, 619-282-3000. Sicilian-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

3rd Corner Wine Shop & Bistro 2265 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-223 2700. Also 897 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-942-2104, Eclectic dishes designed to go with wine until late

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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.

Ranchos Cocina 1830 Sunset Cliffs Bl., Ocean Beach, 619-226-7619. Also 3910 30th St., North Park, 619-574-1288. Healthy, creative Mexican and vegetarian cuisine in a tropical setting. A big plus: zero attitude. Top picks are the seafood dishes and the house-made mole sauce with a zillion ingredients. Inexpensive.

Old Town

El Agave 2304 San Diego Ave., Old Town, 619-220-0692. Serious Mexican food highlighting mainland regional cuisines, including five different Oaxacan moles (plus a sixth from Chiapas). 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. Inexpensive.

Chateau Orleans 926 Turquoise St., Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. Charm-ing 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. Highmoderate.

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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, nigiri. 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.

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. Salmor 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 *açaí*, the flesh of a Brazil-ian palm nut, for breakfast, adding your choices of granola, banana, strawberries, blueberries, mango pieces. 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 iour, 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. Co-

conut shrimp entrée is a good, guilty pleasure; finfish fare less well. Lowmoderate.

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.

Solana Beach

California Pizza Kitchen 437 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999. Additional locations in Mission Valley, Carmel Mountain, Universitiv 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.

Fidel's Little Mexico 749 Genevieve and 607 Valley Avenue (two entrances), Solana Beach, 858-755-5292. Old-line place where the Del Mar race crowd goes for a "safe" Mexican experience. Yet, alluring. Look for happy hour deals. One fat taco will almost fill you up. Inexpensive to moderate.

Sorrento Valley

Corner House Café & Pizzeria 11815 Sorrento Valley Rd., Sorrento Valley, 858-755-3183. You lunch outside in country-style gardens, hidden inside a glossy business park. Sandwiches reign: try the Ironman (chicken, avocado, cheese) or Sorrento's Choice

(turkey, cream cheese, sunflower seeds). Sophisticated pastas, too. Inexpensive.

South Park

Big Kitchen 3003 Grape St., South Park, 619-234-5789. Judy "the Beauty" Forman presides over this highly social scene of big healthy breakfasts and lunches, including from-scratch waffles, muffins, omelets and scrambles, vegan choices. Inexpensive.

Southcrest

Sang Dao 4212 National Ave., crest, 619-263-0914. Family-run Laotian restaurant offers delicious, exotically spiced catfish, BBQ beef, som tum (papaya salad), and especially the spicy minced meat salad called larb, the national dish. Inexpensive.

Spring Valley

Ranas 9683 Campo Rd., Spring Valley, 619-589-1792. Mexico City-style menu includes unexpected taste combos, like pollo en salsa de cacahuate (Thai-tasting chicken in peanut sauce) and Aztec huarache (cactus with potato, cheese, lettuce, sour cream, and salsa). Inexpensive.

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.

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 nonclichéd 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

Soltan Banoo Persian Eatery & Tearoom 4645 Park Bl., University Heights, 619-298-2801. Try the pomegranate soup or the strawberry tabbouleh salad. *Ghourmeh sabzi* is a lamb stew. Koufteh-Berenji is a ball of basmati rice with lamb, eggs, onions, and plums. Inexpensive.

El Zarape 4642 Park Bl., University Heights, 619-682-1652. This stylish little restaurant is proof that not all taco shop food is equal — try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada with generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat, or scallop burritos or well-prepared soups. Inexpensive.

Valley Center

Fiore's 777 Harrah's Way, Valley Center, 877-777-2457. The casino's most upscale restaurant offers luscious Angus steaks and numerous seafood entrées. For lighter eating there's an ovster bar attached. Best attraction: the long, adventurous wine list. Moderate oyster bar; upper-moderate to very expensive in restaurant.

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Annie

Starlight Musical Theatre concludes its summer season with the little orphan chosen to spend the Holiday season with "Daddy" Warbucks, much to the ire of Miss Hannigan.

STARLIGHT BOWL, SOUTH PAN AMERI-CAN PLAZA, BALBOA PARK. 619-544-7827. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

The Bible: The Complete Word of God (abridged)

Black Kat Theatre presents a sprint "from fig leaves to Final Judgment, and everything in between." Tisha Tumangan directed. DESI N' FRIENDS BAR AND GRILL, 2734 LYTTON ST., MIDWAY DISTRICT. 619-224-6409. BPM FRIDAYS, BPM SATURDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 12.

City of Angels

Kit Carson Park hosts a production of the Larry Gelbart (book) and Cy Coleman (music) musical about a best-selling detective novelist and a megalomaniacal Hollywood producer. KIT CARSON PARK, 3333 BEAR VAL-LEY PARKWAY, ESCONDIDO. 8PM FRI-DAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare [Abridged]

Hey, this one's fun. I've seen several versions of speed-read Shakespeare, including the original, by the Reduced Shakespeare Company (who'd performed it so many times the trio just tried to entertain each other). The Lotus Theatre/Talent to aMuse version stands up to any and all. They blast through the plays, often with updated references (Chernobyl Kinsmen, Titus Androgynous - as a cooking show). Director Sophie Anderson Ziebell stresses the sheer impossibility of the task, and the cast (Kevin Six, Tyler Richard Hewes, and Tom Hall) performs with an urgency that stays funny: i.e. when asked to do an insane task, go loopy (the only questionable choice: four-letter language narrows the potential audience). The Swedenborg Hall has never been lit better (Marie Miller), and the sound design/ background music (Blair Robert Nelson) is a real plus as well. Worth a try.

SWEDENBORG HALL, 1531 TYLER AVE., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 29.

Coriolanus

Legend has it that Shakespeare's words flowed unimpeded from mind to pen to paper. Coriolanus, an early Roman warrior, had the same ability. In Shakespeare it's a gift, in Coriolanus a curse, since he



cannot be other than himself. Greg Derelian plays Coriolanus at the Old Globe. Though he has an annoying habit of delivering most speeches as HEADLINES, his closecropped hair and swagger give him instant stature in the modern-dress (circa 1930) production. He could trounce anyone else on stage, which is a problem since stronger opponents would have made the Roman, who fights "dragon-like," even stronger (Steve Rankin's fight choreography, usually an ally, has actors make tentative thrusts and parries, as if careful not to do harm). Darko Tresnjak, an always inventive director, devised some remarkable overlaps: battles and their consequences appear as if coming from the mind of Coriolanus's domineering mother, Volumnia. In Tresnjak's insightful reading, the gods answer her prayers, but in the extreme. Celeste Ciulla's haunted

Herringbone Volumnia watches nightmares unfold as if staring into a furnace. (Note: *Coriolanus* runs in repertory at the Festival Stage.) **Worth a try.** OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM TUES-DAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27.

Cyrano de Bergerac

Okay, it's a long show — over three hours — but Darko Tresnjak's staging and Patrick Page's commanding performance make the time fly. 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. One of the fascinating aspects of Page's performance: where most Cyranos accentuate the positive - the panache, the swashbuckling, the Disney of it all — Page faces the rift in the man head on. He admirably walks his own path but pays for being an absolute outsider (in a strange way, the hyperverbal, romantic Cyrano resembles Shakespeare's Coriolanus, who also excels at war and walls himself from intimacy). And the witty Roxane (a terrific Dana Green) pays as well. The Old Globe production unfolds like a pageant. Anna R. Oliver's splendid period outfits dazzle the eye, and Christopher R. Walker's sound merits special mention. When Page whispers, every word is clear. (Note: *Cyrano* runs in repertory at the Festival Stage.) Critic's pick.

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The First Wives Club

Commercial fluff. The husbands are self-centered, manipulative jerks (why did the women marry these oafs in the first place?), the wives gravely wronged but otherwise impeccable human beings, save for a soupç_on of low self-es-teem. They bond and devise a tripartite comeuppance, not only duping the dopes but getting rich along the way. The Old Globe's world-premiere musical is "Broadway bound," says the pub. And since Broadway embraces shallow remakes of movies set to music, it may find an audience. The songs, by the legendary Brian Holland. Lamont Dozier, and Eddie Holland, who wrote some of the best

music the Four Tops and Supremes ever sang, are always serviceable, and boffo when need be (and don't require the rabid overselling the production gives every note every MOMENT, for that matter). The book, however, is a stumblethrough, nearly three hours long, with three conclusions before the conclusion, and some of the most narrowly drawn characters in memory. Peter J. Davison's fluid scenic designs, with Big Apple backdrops, are simple and stunning, while Lisa Stevens's bland choreography is been-there, donethat. Sam Harris and Sara Chase, in supporting roles, will be headliners soon. Leads Karen Ziemba, Barbara Walsh, and Sheryl Lee Ralph almost raise their characters to the level of sitcom. Almost. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

Fully Committed

Cygnet Theatre reprises one of its most popular shows. Air traffic controllers, at least, have each other. Not Sam Pelikowski. He must make all the reservations for a posh New York restaurant. Sam is an aspiring actor lacking a "strong sense of personal entitlement" just what every irate caller has! When he first performed this one-person show, David McBean earned a Craig Noel Award for excellence. He plays Sam and everyone else, maybe 40 people — the equivalent of memorizing a phone book and making each voice so distinctive you remember it the next



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time you hear it. McBean, who changes characters as fast as you can say "hold, please," is terrific. Anyone who has ever been an actor or waited tables or taken reservations (a friend of mine who books for a local hotel refers to the public, off the record, as "the beast") will empathize with Fully Committed. And, given McBean's special performance, so should everyone else. Critic's pick.

CYGNET THEATRE - ROLANDO, 6663 EL CAJON BLVD., SUITE N. COLLEGE AREA. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 13.

"Godspell"

Lamb's Players presents this musical, by Stephen Schwartz and John-Michael Tebelak, telling parables of Jesus as found in the gospel of Matthew. Robert Smyth directed. 619-437-0600.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVE., DOWNTOWN, 7:30PM THURSDAYS. 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATUR-DAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, OPEN-ENDED RUN

Herringbone

"Funny how some flowers bloom implants you'd never guess." It's 1929. The fleshy spirit of Lou, a 37year-old, 36-inch man ("best midget hoofer in the business") inhabits the body of 8-year-old George. The combination creates an oxymoronic being: a sex-starved prepubescent. In Skip Kennon and Ellen Fitzhugh's musical — in a wildly uneven book by Tom Cone — George becomes a dancing phenom. He (and Lou) head to Hollywood for the big bucks. The musical, directed by Roger Rees, makes extraordinary demands, since one person sings, dances, plays all the characters, and -

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when doing none of the above makes nonstop, choreographed movements. B.D. Wong (Tony winner for 1988) is an obvious talent, though his opening night fell short of the expected tour de force the show demands. His voice, as if strained from overwork, wasn't equal to his dancing talents. He sang flat. The La Jolla Playhouse production is worth seeing, especially the way Wong and Eugene Lee's set are in almost constant motion. If Wong gets his voice back, it'll be worth hearing as well. Worth a try.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD, 858-550-1010. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

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 SUN-DAYS, 1:45PM TUESDAYS, 1:45PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30

Leaving lowa

"Are we there yet?" "I wanna Coke!" (or, as my younger brother shouted on similar occasions, "Yer gunna — I'm not gunna"). Tim Clue and Spike Manton's memory comedy catalogues just about everything ever said during family road trips of yore. What gives the play poignancy: it also articulates what Don Browning — the absent son - left unsaid to his nowdeparted father. The play and Lamb's Players production begin too over-the-top. Exaggerated squabbles don't prepare the audience for what's to come (amid the din, director Deborah Gilmour Smyth orchestrated impressive, rapid-fire exchanges). Once the two-act show settles in, it achieves a better balance. On Mike Buckley's imaginative set, a raised map of Iowa spreads across the floor backed by a wall of blown-up travel brochures. Led by David Cochran



Heath as the kindly dad, Kerry Meads, Colleen Kollar Smith, and Kurt Norby (doubling as young and old Don) illustrate all the symptoms of mobile cabin fever. Paul Maley and the splendid Cynthia Gerber handle the comedy. They change roles — and Jeanne Reith's funny-accurate outfits often in seconds. Worth a try.

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS 2PM SUNDAYS 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNES-DAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20.

The Mystery of Irma Vep If eight actors played the eight roles in Charles Ludlam's camp homage to things that go bump, the show would move faster but would be less funny. Having only two actors become men, women, a mummy, and a werewolf - in secdanger than the script's deliberately concocted shenanigans. The question isn't so much who killed Irma Vep, or young Victor, but rather: can the performers dash off as one character, return as another, and hit their marks? John Carilani and Jeffrey M. Bender quickchange Jenny Mannis's Victorian couture (twice as fast in Act 2, sometimes within ten seconds, though momentum wanes every time one walks offstage) and handle their various parts capably. Carliani's especially good as Jane, a maid with the sweetness of a squeezed lemon; and Bender's switch from Nicodemus, the hunchbacked moon-gazer, to Lady Enid Hillcrest is so stark it prompts more than one doubletake. Paul Peterson's expert background music and dark and stormy sounds are top shelf. To use Ludlam's favorite word, Vep is de-

onds, it seems - gives it more

liberately "ridiculous." Taken in that spirit, it can entertain. Worth a try.

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National Comedy Theatre

The National Comedy Theatre presents a 100-minute improv comedy show based completely on audience suggestions. The show is "appropriate for all audiences." NATIONAL COMEDY THEATRE, 3717 IN-DIA ST., MISSION HILLS. 619-295-4999. 7:30PM AND 9:45PM FRIDAYS, 7:30PM AND 9:45PM SATURDAYS, OPEN-ENDED RUN.

Noises Off

Due to popular demand, Cygnet Theatre has extended the run of this show. It's one thing to put a horse through its paces. Director Sean Murray puts thoroughbred actors through a three-act steeplechase in Michael Frayn's helterskelter, longish farce about the onand back-stage doings of a British touring company. An excellent cast keeps funny what in lesser hands could become monotonous (the farce piles ineptitude upon ineptitude and loses some oomph by Act 3). Most of their work resembles a silent film: speechless, they employ often hilarious gestures and movements (thanks to George Ye's intricate stunts, including Jason Heil's breathtaking spill down the stairs). Rosina Reynolds and Jessica John, Craig Noel Award winners for drama, show they're just as adept at comedy. And Jonathan Mc-Murtry, as a doddering thespian, remains the Clown Prince of same. Sean Fanning's ingenious, eightdoor set swivels from on- to backstage. The crew that built it merits special mention. Worth a try.

CYGNET THEATRE — OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6

Phantom

Moonlight presents Kopit and Yeston's musical, which is not THE Phantom based on Gaston Leroux's novel. Todd Nielsen directed. MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE IN BREN GLE TERRACE PARK, 1200 VALE TER-RACE, VISTA. 760-724-2110. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATUR-DAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM WEDNES DAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 29

Shopping & F***ing

Triad Productions and Compass Theatre present Mark Ravenhill's study of our consumer-obsessed society. Three young derelicts "spiral towards a point of no return. COMPASS THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVE., HILLCREST. 619-688-9210. 8PM THURS DAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS 8PM WEDNESDAYS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 13.

The 39 Steps

The La Jolla Playhouse stages Patrick Barlow's adaptation of the Hitchcock movie whodunit in which a mysterious woman lures Richard Hannay into a world of in trigue. Maria Aitken directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010

8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER

Twelfth Night

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One of the joys of theatergoing is watching a large cast perform with no weak links. When each actor comes back on, you're glad to see them and curious about what they'll do next. The Old Globe's Twelfth Night, directed with flair and heart by Paul Mullins, sports such a nicely honed ensemble it's difficult, even unfair, to single out individuals. That said, however, two stand out. James Newcomb's sad-eyed Feste frames the production's sprightly antics with an ancient, this-too-shall-pass wisdom. He isn't just a wise fool. This Feste could have written Ecclesiastes. Patrick Page makes Malvolio the exact opposite. Every moment is brand-new. His black hair Hitlerslicked across his forehead. Page shows that a little innocence can be a dangerous thing. Mullins smartly reset the play in the Italian Riviera in the 1950s, a choice that lets costume designer Linda Cho work in Technicolor. Ralph Funicello keeps his set static by design. The focus stays, rightfully, on terrific ensemble acting and Shakespeare's menagerie of cross-gendered, cross-gartered maniacs rendered loopy by love. (Note: Twelfth Night runs in repertory at the Festival Stage.) Critic's pick.

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Wicked

And you thought you knew Oz. The wonderful musical, based on Gregory Maguire's novel, takes the familiar tale and spins it around. As the musical says, several times, you will be "looking at things another way." Long before Dorothy had to play the home version of Flip This House, Oz fell from grace. A virus of marginalization infected the region. Among those made Other: green-skinned Elphaba. She will become the Wicked Witch of the West with good reason, bless her defiant heart! Wicked's loaded with splashy effects (myriad cogged wheels make the stage resemble the inside of a watch), but the musical works its major wonders in the characters' interactions. The leads are excellent. While Elphaba (Donna Vivino) is adamant, young Galinda (Katie Rose Clark) and male ingenue Fiyero (Richard H. Blake) come off, at first, like Ken and Barbie. But unlike the movie, which opts for the status quo ("there's no place like home" i.e., if your life feels like a blackand-white movie, be content), in Wicked Galinda and Fiyero grow up. People can change - for the hetter.

Critic's pick.

SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN. 619-570-1100. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 7:30PM FRIDAYS 2PM AND 7:30PM SATUR-DAYS, 1PM AND 6PM SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30



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continued from page 7 from the collision, creating a traffic hazard on the roadway. A sig alert was issued and Rambla de las Flores was closed from **Calle Chaparro to El Acebo** for at least six hours while SDG&E worked on the downed power lines.

According to RSFFPD public information officer Julie Taber, "The car, a 1999 Volvo, ended up 200 feet away in a ditch, and no occupants could be found. There was no threat of a fire, but several residents were without power for several hours."

By Nathaniel Uy, 8/17

Not Fair

Pacific Beach — Police officers are finding themselves with more time to closely examine vehicle registrations and ticket vehicles that do not have updated registration, despite the fact that the vehicle is not actually on the road.

This happened to me a few days ago. Although I have not driven my vehicle in over a month because the window is cracked and, thus, I have not updated my registration, I received a ticket for failing to have current registration displayed, in violation of California Vehicle Code 5204(A). I thought, "What?! But I'm not even driving it!" After a quick Google search, I discovered that police officers can legally do this, and they can do it again!



Carl DeMaio (with scissors) at opening of Camino Ruiz Trail

And again! Why?

Apparently, if you are able to "hide" your unregistered vehicle in the confines of your garage, you're in the clear. But if you're one of the unlucky, and have nowhere else to park your vehicle but on a public road, then you're just that...unlucky. Remember that if you have five unpaid parking tickets, law enforcement may impound your vehicle.

By Kathryn Snyder, 8/17

Take It to the Canyon Mira Mesa — Hikers, bikers, Boy Scouts, conservationists, and councilman Carl DeMaio were among the crowd of around 50 peo-



ple gathered at Camino Ruiz Park on Saturday, August 8, to celebrate the opening of the first trail connecting the community of Mira Mesa with the Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve.

The Camino Ruiz Trail which began as a migrant path — starts at the neighborhood park and winds six-tenths of a mile through the chaparral-covered canyon to the oak-shaded valley below. The new trail will give Mira Mesa residents better access to the nature preserve and its hiking and biking paths.

"Until the opening of the trail, the public and especially residents of Mira Mesa had only two access points into the preserve ---one on Black Mountain Road and the other six miles away, in Sorrento Valley," says Mike Kelly, conservation chair of the Friends of Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, a volunteer organization dedicated to protecting the 4000-acre nature park.

By Cindy Winslow, 8/13

Innards

Tijuana — A bull run occurred August 9 at the Bullring by the Sea. The bulls ran in an enclosed lane some 350 yards long to protect spectators and keep the bulls from running away. A few hundred runners donned white Tshirts and red bandannas and ran hard, sweatin' it, fear strangling their innards, with big, slobbering cattle



hot on their trail.

Billed as "La Pamplonada," the event was part of a several-day-long bullfest (feria taurina) that featured a dozen fighting bulls of ancient Iberian bloodlines and an army of bullfighters.

fighting stock was used

later in the afternoon; thus,

much of the danger was

cloud of dust was raised

by the "bulls" and the run-

ners as they attempted to

get out of each other's way

and cover the distance.

Official rules stated par-

ticipants could not imbibe

alcoholic beverages before

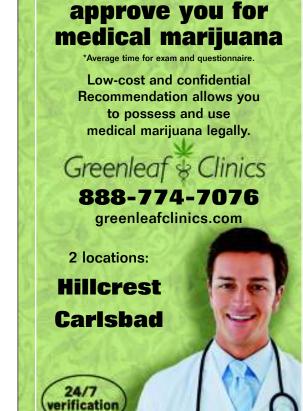
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Nonetheless, a huge

eliminated.

Although it was billed as a running of the bulls, unlike the events in Spain, mainly milk cows and steers were used in the run. The

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Sunday's bullfighting featured killing on horseback and an 11-year-old bull-slayer named Michelito, a matador since the age of 5.

Bv T.B. Beaudeau, 8/12 Comments

1. You left out the part where 12 people were injured by the "milk cows and steers" and required medical attention at the scene by paramedics, with one of the injured being transported to the hospital. Come on, reporter, do your homework!

> By refriedgringo 11:54 p.m., Aug 12

The Other McCann

Chula Vista — The fight rages on for Myssie McCann, the wife of Chula

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Vista councilmember John McCann. For the past three weeks, ever since her husband left for a yearlong deployment to Iraq, McCann has been critical of the city council's treatment of her husband. The matter compounded at an August 4 meeting when they decided to appoint an interim councilmember. McCann fears the mayor

and city councilmembers will select someone for political reasons, instead of choosing a likeminded person to fill her husband's seat. For example, someone who opposed the salestax increase, as her husband had.

announced that she plans to apply for the interim city council position.

"Yes, I'll be putting my name in," McCann said during an August 11 phone conversation in a deter-

In response, McCann

mined tone.

"The city council should have somebody who has the same values and the same ethics as my husband. The voters didn't just elect my husband, they elected a viewpoint."

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By Dorian Hargrove, 8/12 Comments

1. Isn't McCann the same idiot who wants Chula Vista to throw its last remaining money away on subsidies for the **Chargers?**

Didn't McCann just run for Assembly and lose?

I was in the Navy, and if I was going on extended deployment I'd do the honorable thing and resign for the greater good of the community. I certainly wouldn't keep it a secret and then insert my wife into the appointment of my replacement.

By Fred_Williams 5:21 a.m., Aug 13 2. I'm surprised kriste isn't

here spouting off....

By PistolPete 9:31 a.m., Aug 13

3. That's because you're a bored little idiot with nothing better to do, p.p. Seriously. I never said I supported him or his politics, nor do I endorse her. What I support is what she said



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about the dirty tactics Ramirez used to insult not just McCann, but every military member. As a military wife I find it offensive that anyone would imply that a service member would use a deployment to get out of work and take a vacation.

Fred, everything I've read says he did indeed tell them he'd be leaving, and that he didn't know he was being sent away when he ran. Now, I do agree that he should have resigned once he knew. I'm also with you on the stupidity of trying to throw money at the Chargers. But although I don't agree with his politics, that doesn't override my disgust at the implication that military would take advantage of the war to go to Disneyland.... By kriste 9:49 p.m., Aug 13

4. Like I said before....much

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SUFFER

FROM?

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ado about nothing. He's

off playing G.I. Joe, and

now his wife wants her

place in the sun. It's

for her husband, right?

LMAO! Hopefully Chula

Vista has the political

courage to tell her to

5. As a veteran, I know

that a deployment is no

fun. It's twelve on/twelve

unethical to attempt to

retain public office while

on an extended deploy-

ment. The honorable

thing to do is resign. If

you really care about

your city, you can run

again when you get back.

If you did a good job, the

voters will remember.

a horrible job. He's a

shill for the Chargers.

He spent the whole of

last year campaigning

for a Republican seat in

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Sports Injury

-Insomnia

-Arthritis

-Spacticity

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-Depression

-Anorexia

-Glaucoma

Anxiety

-Anxiety

But McCann has done

And that's why it's

By PistolPete

10:28 p.m., Aug 13

kick stones.

off at best.

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the Assembly. (How much did the Spanos family donate to his campaign?)

By Fred_Williams 12:23 a.m., Aug 14 6. I wish I had met more soldiers like you, Mr. Williams. Maybe I wouldn't be so unsympathetic toward them. A LOT has to do with my own father, though. By PistolPete 12:45 a.m., Aug 14

7. I served from '84 to '88, at the end of the Cold War. I was first assigned to Fighter Squadron 211 at Miramar, the Fighting Checkmates. Then I was transferred to Airborne Early Warning Squadron 114, the World Famous Hawgs.

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check). Flight ops can

occur at any time of day or night, and as the

squadron ready room

petty officer, I had to be

on the jump in case we

were called on to launch

slept directly under the

number 3 wire. So my

sleep was punctuated

by heavy aircraft crash

landing just over my

head. On the Carl Vin-

son, I slept between the

two forward catapults.

it again. Sure, the rare

port visits (it's not easy

to accommodate an air-

craft carrier, so the

options are limited) were

interesting. But since I

was working nights, I

spent a lot of my pre-

cious free time just catch-

I'd never want to do

On the Kitty Hawk, I

an alert.

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scene. Five people were

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arrested. By Steve Horvath, 8/17

I.B. Politics as Usual

Imperial Beach — According to the San Diego County district attorney's office, the city council's appointment of former mayor Diane Rose to the city council wasn't a smooth political move; though, it isn't enough for a criminal prosecution, either.

Rose was appointed on May 27, three days after longtime city councilman Fred McLean passed away from cancer.

Imperial Beach residents complained that Rose's appointment wasn't included on the May 27 docket and was a direct violation of the Brown Act — the state's "open meeting" law.

To make matters worse. the day after the appointment, a notice was published in the local paper requesting applications for the open council position, motivating several residents to go down to city

By Fred_Williams 11:35 p.m., Aug 14

Happy Birthday

ing up on sleep.

Logan Heights — A man celebrating his 22nd birthday at a party on Saturday, August 8, received more of a surprise than just the party when he received a visit from the police.

San Diego police responded to a complaint early Sunday morning of a man urinating in public and breaking bottles near **27th Street and National** Avenue. According to the host, the man was angry after being asked to leave the party because he was not invited.

Twenty other partygoers, also uninvited, began fighting with each other.

The man celebrating his birthday says he tried to separate as many of the guests as he could.

Three San Diego police units responded to the hall to submit their applications, only to be turned away with information that the seat had already been filled.

The disgruntled applicants attended the following week's city council meeting and, moments before Rose was sworn in, accused the council of political cronyism and stripping away their constitutional rights. One resident filed a formal complaint to deputy district attorney Leon Schorr, asking for an investigation into the matter.

On August 3, Schorr released his decision: "[Rose's selection] could be considered a Civil Brown Act violation as it is not clearly an actionable item laid out in the agenda," reads Schorr's letter. "In order for it to be considered a 'criminal' violation of the Brown Act, knowledge on part of the council would need to be established. That knowledge would be that the council knew their actions were violating the Brown Act

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and they did so anyway. There is no evidence to support that assertion...." By Dorian Hargrove, 8/11 Comments

1. Does this mean that in Imperial Beach if you don't know of the law then you can't be held responsible? They have a city attorney who did advise them on this matter before they proceeded. As for the district attorney's office, they need to be brought to task on this matter (it is their job to protect the public and I think 24,000 citizens is the public). This counsel is now on record as of a March meeting that their plans were to use a consulting firm to collect information from a select group of citizens and then take that information, manipulate it to sell their plan to the citizens of Imperial Beach. When confronted. they backpedaled and decided not to proceed at that time.

By cashmann 7:23 p.m., Aug 11 2. There is a TON of knowledge that this was an intentional act — circumstantial — but that is how you catch criminals.

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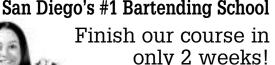
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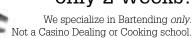
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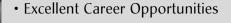
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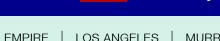
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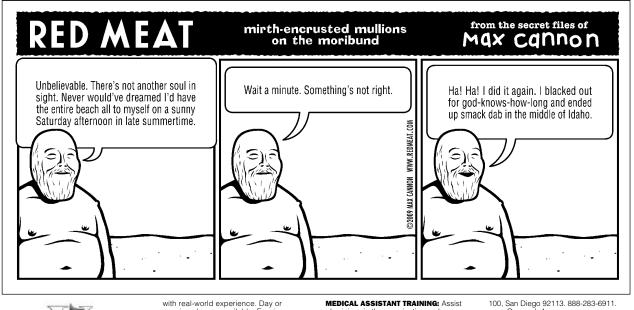


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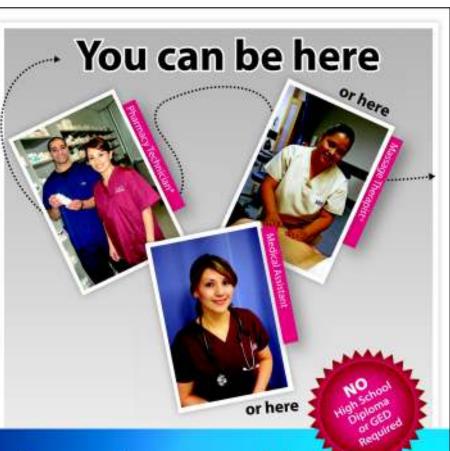
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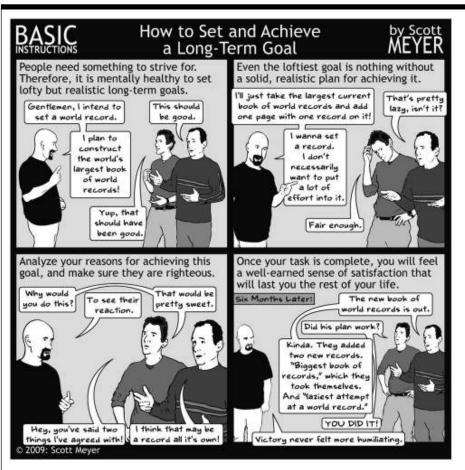
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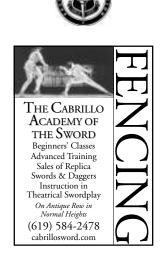
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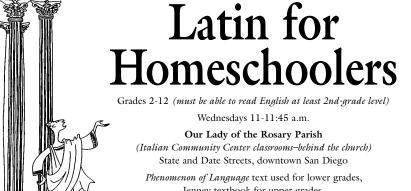
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Encinitas I had a gold nugget I had to pawn once. It originally came from Alaska. My grandfather was doing some work up there and got it. I was hard up for money, although thinking about it now. I don't even remember how much the pawn shop gave me for it. I'm sure I got ripped off because my intention vas to go buy it back at some point. And I think he was selling it for so much more than I got.



Chris Sinkovich Sales

Encinitas $\overline{\mathbf{I}}$ went to pawn my wedding ring. The one from my first marriage. This was in L.A. I went with my current wife, and the guy offered me \$20. I said, "No way," and we headed out. She asked me what else we would do with it and insisted I go back in and get the \$20. I think it had cost a few hundred. We figured we'd get dinner with it and went out for lasagna. And the 20 didn't even cover



Timmy Fredrickson Former Student

Leucadia I pawned some school books. I dropped out of high school and had all these leftover books that I forgot about. I think I got \$50 for all of them. And usually, when people sell things to pawn shops, they get ripped off. But the fact that I got these books for free originally, I made money on the deal. It's the school that lost out. I probably

shouldn't say what school I went to.



Rachel Stevenson Student

Oceanside sold my sister's stuff. But that's only because she smashed my Game Boy with a hammer. I don't know why. Maybe she was bored. So, I took her Game Boy and all the games and sold them and kept the money. That was a few years ago. She was mad but realized she couldn't do anything about it.



Veronica Segovia Marketing Hillcrest

I pawned the ring from my first husband. I don't recall how much I got for it, and I didn't really care. It was a simple ring. I don't wear lots of diamonds and things. I know this is going to sound bad, but...he passed away. I wasn't pawning it because the marriage ended hor-ribly or anything. Selling the ring was just something I needed to do. Some people would argue that you'd want to keep it after something like that. But it was better for me to get rid of it.



Oliver Banks Retired

Santee I pawned a few things when I was a younger man. It's not like now, where kids all have their own car, cell phone, blueberry or Blackberry, whatever those things are. If you wanted to buy something, whether that was a shiny new bicycle or a rusty old car, you had to save for it. And that often meant pawning things. I pawned a clarinet, a guitar, and a few tools that my grandfather had left in our garage. I never did buy a car with that money. It wasn't until I was 25 and had a steady paycheck that I got my first set of wheels.

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domly And now for the really small print:

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Across

- 1. "The Hills" airer
- 4. Radar reading: Abbr.
- 7. Former Buick
- 14. "Now I understand!" 15. Victorian
- 16. Mother-of-pearl source

Mary Arana, Encinitas, 31, Yeah!

Olga Betteridge, Ocean Beach,

Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 31.

Thanks, Reader puzzle entry tran-

31. For better, for worse.

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18. Super ending? 19. Bundt holder

- 20. Mythological actor?
- 23. Ancient theaters
- 24. Labor grp. since 1935
- 25. Iraqi, e.g.
- 29. Politico Gingrich
- 30. Like some undergrad studies
- 34. It's strummed at luaus
- 35. Calcutta wraps
- 37. Italian saint Philip
- 38. Henneck
- 39. Mythological singer?
- 43. Delivery possibility
- 45. "Why would ____?"
- 46. Goody-goody
- 49. "Monsters, ____" (2001 movie)
- 50. Chapel figures
- 53. Was certain about
- 54. Artsy NYC neighborhood
- 56. Prefix with con
- 57. Architectural curve
- 58. Mythological comedienne?
- 63. Source of much talk
- 66. Boise's state: Abbr.
- 67. ICU staffers
- 68. Symbol on the South Korean flag
- 69. One of a snorkeler's pair
- 70. D-Day arena: Abbr.
- 71. Agrees
- 72. Super Bowl stat
- 73. It's quite a stretch

Down

- 1. Dignified women
- 2 "Some nervel"
- 3. Flow-controlling tool
- 4. World leader who grew
- up in Milwaukee

Lucy Alderson, Chula Vista, 29.

And a T-shirt in a pear tree! Ben Cooper, Gaslamp, 29. So which is it - the first 100 or first 50? D. Faulkner, University Heights, 29. This puzzle delivered by bike. Sara Khwaja, Poway, 29. Welcome back, cross-country bikers! Julie Osburn, North Park, 29. / absolutely hate the new rules. Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 29. 7shirt, please Jerry Riccio, Rancho Bernardo, **29.** *Slxty minuti? Wow - that's a* good one!

Gayle Studer, Mission Valley, 29. Can you be sued for nasty comments on puzzle rules? Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 28. / don't jog - if I die I want to be sick. Vince Cuseo, Vista, 28. Listen...you smell something?

Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 28. Many good tunes are played on an old fiddle! Kurt Dornbusch, Mission Valley, 28. I got nothing to say today.

Ron Hootman, Santee, 28, Hoot 101: Don't like the new rules! No no no

Kyle Matzke, Vista, 28. The comments, not the puzzle, are the reason. Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside, 28. I am proud of my boys, Tommy and Jake.

John Pertle, Santee, 28. John 14:6 Tom Somich, Clairemont, 28. Thinking of you, Brother Johnno.

Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 27. Padres - rookie pitchers, improved hit-

Donna Cresta, Chula Vista, 27. / hope I make the list

Craig Curtis, Escondido, 27. Why is this puzzle not downloadable

online? People vacation! Dale Duffala, La Jolla, 27. / want

a Clark bar! Iggie Guerrero, Bay Ho, 27. Someone has her foot on the serpent.

Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 27. Kiera! Bodo!

Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 27. Still like the puzzles - just miss the leisure!

Marge Nelson, El Cajon, 27. Heartland Lions, "we serve

Michael Panther, Point Loma, 27. Could I trouble you for a glass of water?

Jack Rohrer, Clairemont, 27. 100 is better than 50. Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 27. Political Correctness: Picking up a turd by

the clean end.

Jay Sato, Carmel Valley, 27. Let's go Moneta-Pro! M. Zimmermann, Vista, 27.

Alimony is like buying hay for a dead horse!

Leslie Chase, Campo, 26. The greatest truths remain unknown and unpublished. "Orange.

Ellie Hoey, Spring Valley, 26. I love New York

James C. Nelson, El Cajon, 26. Go Padres!

Bill Pischke, Ramona, 26. What we worry? No one sees our story.

Lisa Torrescano, Spring Valley, 26. Booze cruise on the SS Favero! Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 25. The real fun is seeing your name in print!

Tom Seaman, Alpine, 25. New rules unfair. We get the Reader Thursday pm

scriber. You rock! OB is love. Gary Dismukes, Scripps Ranch, 31. What? No more medium T-shirts? Not that I'll ever win. Ron Meyer, Santee, 31. We will miss vou - Max. Garv Mocko, Ocean Beach, 31. Reefer Madness!..sdmrm.org. Eric Sandquist, Allied Gardens, 31. Awards based on when someone can find a Reader?

THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

Eddie O. Spaghettio, Coronado, 31. IVB143DEB! Let's enjoy premeditated spontaneity! CIUM!

Ted Scafidi, Hillcrest, 31, No FM radio or speed dialer, neither. Ric Witt, Clairemont, 31, Mv Warhol fifteen minutes are fadina fast. Jeff Battles, Ocean Beach, 30. Had a great time at Disneyland, Amber

Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 30. 100 is better than 50. Thanks, Reader, for responding

Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 30. What about the letter "y"? Anna McCutcheon, Downtown, 30. www.paintwithdan.com Jim Odell, Vista, 30. Oops

XXXI Glenn Walker, Pacific Beach,

30. Bet ya \$10 rules will change again this week.

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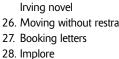
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8. "Voice of Israel" author

9. H.H. Munro's pen name

10. "The Downeaster ____

THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

Marty Ferullo, Pacific Beach, 24. Let's head to Vegas in Sept. Bob Vollmar, La Jolla, 24. "Chosen randomly?" What are the

recipients' names?

George Elam, Vista, 23. Happy Anniversary, Ruby. Love you. Scott Heimer, Mission Valley,

23. Did Obama take over the puzzle? Matthew Rosello, San Diego,

23. It is gone. John L. Drehner, North Park,

22. Roe vs. Wade - two ways to cross the Potomac. Joy E. Fernandez, Chula Vista,

22. Welcome back to the workforce. brother!

Alex Moran, San Diego, 21. Life is but a dream. Woody Anderson, Carmel

Valley, 20. New rules every week - the Reader sounds like our government!

Jen Barnes, University Heights, 20. Go Patriots! Way to go Vondis and Charlie.

William Cushing, Rancho Bernardo, 20. Happy Birthday, Rill

Edward C. Horbett, Jr., Crown Point, 20. Aya is six months old and needs a sleep shirt.

Marilyn Cooper, Chula Vista, 17. Please go back to listing all who right.

Gian Ghio, Chula Vista, 17. John! John! Jason! Todd! Todd! Gian! Gian! Sean Holt, Ocean Beach, 17. My friends aren't astounded and I'm not famous...anymore. Steve Kassiotis, San Diego, 16.

Thanks Tim and the house - we almost got reesed.

Marjorie Stewart, Point Loma, 15. Steve, hope the San Francisco adventure was fun!

Susan Williams, North Park, 14. Yachi da! You gotta have brains! Gordon Kanteena, San Diego, 11. New rules and no Pop Ouiz?

F.A. Nalu, El Caion, 10. This is my life of leisure Sunny Nelson, El Cajon, 10. 2

weeks have passed - no list of winners! What happened?

Ben Doverdahl, San Diego, 9. Time to drive again. Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 9. Don't know if I like the new rules. Ron Akers, Sabre Springs, 8. Red Light Ronnie loves Flippy-Doo

EIEIO. Mark E Jones, Clairemont, 8. NObama

Jacque Glick, El Cajon, 7. Did I miss something? Joe Musser, Encinitas, 7. Ontogeny recapitulates phylogeny D. Asencio Jr., Ramona, 6. 5, 71, 21. 43. 56 hike! Go Charaers! Diana Holt, Hillcrest, 6. /o tri-

umphe! Angela Sturman, Ramona, 6. How do I get a Reader on Wednes-

day night?

Robert McQuay, Linda Vista, 6. Bve, Buster - we had a ball! Linda Morris, Encanto, 5. Bob Morris - best husband ever bred. Kelley Wilson, Santee, 4. I need a T-shirt! XOXO - Mom. Sherie Hubble, Alpine, 3. Words...characters...words? Sigh.. Sarah Hyduke, Ocean Beach, 2. Love my Reader T-shirt/nightgown! Hi Garretts! Love you! Kevin McGee, San Diego, 2. // ain't over 'til it's over Cindy Traisi, Ramona, 2. Support the Fund for Animals Wildlife Center. Norman Williams, San Diego, 2. What's da deal? Mairin Bailey, La Jolla, 1.

Crossword Party '09!

Tim Koster, San Diego, 1. / love hanging out at Sara, Mairin, and Pat's house ..

Troy Moritz, San Diego, 1. Shake 'n' Bake. Duane Tremaine, East Village, 1. Love is not love which alters

when it alteration finds

Danielle Blind, Spring Valley,

1. King of the Panthers rocks!

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Christey Whitman, La Mesa, 2. Corey, get back to work! I love ALB and CAO!

MEDIUM:

- Reatles

Janie Redmond, Cardiff, 15,

One sweet dream came true today

Tiffany Renteria, San Diego,

12. I don't have to miss my turtle

Shannon Barry, Pine Valley, 11. 6

was the monkey who stole a banana!

Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 11.

Kodukso, Poway, 11. Actually I

Sylvia June, El Cajon, 7. Happy

Bernie Malihan, Mira Mesa, 6.

AFC half marathon finisher. Hello

Elliott Estrine, Poway, 5. Rules

Chhi-Chong Wu, San Diego, 5.

Beach, 4. 29 days and counting til

Henry Chung, San Diego, 4.

Much easier this week. It's on and

I enjoyed the pizza buffer

1st NFL game Go Chiefs

Kathleen Allegri, Pacific

anvmore. He's home

100 now, 50 later?

am an XXL, heh, heh

birthday, Nancy!

Bhurd!

are for fools

poppin' YES!!

Lynn Connearney, Serra Mesa, 4. Ahmi you enrich our lives. Daddy and Mommy love you Ryan Harris, San Diego, 4. Absence makes the heart arow fonder! SNH

George Elam, Vista, 3. No time to ponder, must submit now Tony Marsh , San Carlos, 3.

I'm doin' 100 in the shade! Douglas Mevers, La Mesa, 3. No Medium tees for a medium puzzle?

Simon Hubble, Alpine, 2. Stop wildfires, say "NO!" to SDG&E's powerlink

Dennis Jardim, Oceanside, 2. Yankees and Red Sox have ruined baseball \$

Terry Thomas, Chula Vista, 2. Resolve to do a random act of kindness every day

Skully , San Diego, 1. / love bike night, Desi N' Friends Wednesdays! By SDM Gordon Kanteena, San Diego, 1. Or the live with the conse-

quencez HARD:

Glenn R. Walker, La Jolla, 13. Let's change the rules again!

Flo Abena, Rancho

Penasquitos, 8. Which rates as better, making the print or winning a T?

Tiu Dexter, San Diego, 6. Gotcha!

Eileen Sprague, Oceanside, 6. Keep 'em coming

Rebekah Mathieu, San Diego, 5. I'm off to Biloa. Bve. Wan-Chen Wu, San Diego, 5. What's wrong with the phone bill?

Escondido, 4. NFL is here! Let's get it on!!!

Happy Anniversary 35 years John Strauch, San Diego, 3.

the Mondav Maniacs! Amanda Garcia, Chula Vista, 2. Mexico 2 USA 1 ya ganamos

Belated Happy 5th birthday, Cailin

everything. I love you. XOXO I make the 100!

Joe Arbusto, Rancho Peñasquitos, 16. Cash4Clunkers Rewards the flunkers! Prius owners are genius!

16. Here we go again!

16. Stop, look and Listen... SDMRM.ORG

P.J. Mole, Point Loma, 16. // was so nice and then the Reader went evil

MIchael Panther, Point Loma, 16. Old, lumpy cucumbers!

Glenn A. Walker, Pacific Beach, 16. Should be 16 this week!

15. Civilization is a thin and fraail

Julio Magno, San Diego, 15.

and Lise

15. Hix nix stix pix Olga Betteridge, Ocean Beach, 14. You are my best! (est) Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 14.

is hot!

Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 14. There is never enough time- unless

you're serving it. Forbes Paula Henderson, La Jolla, 14. Thanks!

Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 14. Bring back some sudoku from Tokvo Mark

Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 14. Welcome back Emily, Katie, and baby Michael

Joe Steinbach, Clairemont, 14. save water - fix leaks. Harry Walker , La Jolla, 14. Brother Glenn (LJ), you owe me!

Zdenek Hostomsky, La Jolla, 13. Karen, you are an evil player! Welcome! Susan Williams, North Park,

13. Back from Whales. Still doing

Ric Witt, Clairemont, 13, Looks like it's Thursday on Anonymity. Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 12. Am I in the nifty fifty this week?

Bliss Beedle, Encinitas, 12. Bless the beasts and the children Lily Gonzalez, Logan Heights, 12. Not evil enough... Gimme a shirt!

EVIL:

Jean Bradley, Spring Valley,

Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach,

Clyde Christie, East Village,

skin covering savagery

US Postal sudoku expert. Hi Jane

William Quinter, San Diego,

Can we submitt our own rules? O.B.

Edvin Shahmoradian,

Rei Sheu, San Diego, 3.

Hike the county and beyond with

Ruby May Justice, Santee, 2.

Ann! Tigger #11 , La Mesa, 1. Mom you're the BEST!! Thanks 4 Neil Gibbs, Encinitas, 1. Hope

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Linda Kokel, Tierrasanta, 12, Portland, Oregon Here we come Evelvn Greco, San Diego, 11. Back at it

Delfin Bernardo, National City, 10. Filipino are worth dvina for- Ninov Aquino Carolyn Woodbury, Chula

Vista, 10. Please convert to CFLs-

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Gary Lorenc, Encinitas, 9. Piece of cake! - Doctor Evil has left the room! Ed Vicino, El Cajon, 9. How hot

is that? Bruce Ness, Mira Mesa, 8. Does Mary Bently still play dominoes? Please call.

Thomas Daley, San Diego, 7. Looking for a breakthru!

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Toby Campbell, Lakeside, 4. Truth is treason in the empire of lies Greg Chauncey, La Jolla, 4. Honest honey, I was working. This took only 5 min

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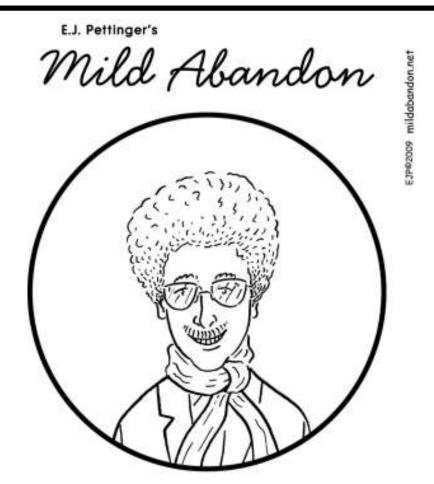
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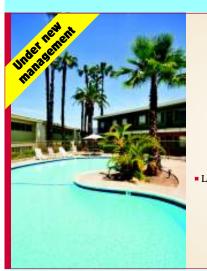
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LEAD STORY

Two formerly well-off retired couples in Speyer, Germany, whose nest eggs were largely wiped out by investments in sub-prime Florida mortgages, vented their anger by kidnapping their investment adviser, James Amburn, in June. They took him to the vacation home of one of the couples near the Austrian border, bound him like a mummy, and beat and tortured him over several days, fracturing two ribs, in repeated attempts to punish him and extort his own property as partial compensation for their losses. Police rescued him after he managed to send a coded message by fax.

Leading Economic Indicators

- A resident at 48 Commonwealth Ave. in Boston's Back Bay neighborhood paid \$300,000 in June for one outdoor, uncovered parking space, according to the listing agent. ... Texas accountant Randy Reeves, 50, paid \$1500 cash in April for the dentist's mold of the upper and lower teeth of Tiny Tim, which the late singer had given to the seller.

- In May, the University of Washington ran a two-month campaign of compassion to help

out people hurt by the downturn in the economy. Fans of UW's football team who lost their jobs or are otherwise financially unable to renew their Huskies season tickets can tap into a special philanthropic fund. A donor's \$500 taxdeductible gift to "Dawgs Supporting Dawgs' would permit a hard-hit fan to maintain his place on the priority season-ticket list (though this year's seats would be in an inferior location)

Science on the Cutting Edge

- Researchers from Cleveland State University, for a recent journal article, assessed the physical traits of 195 female characters from the first 20 James Bond films, revealing that more were brunette than blonde and that at least 90 percent were young, slim and of above-average looks. ... In June, a branch of the National Institutes of Health awarded a \$423,000 grant to the Kinsey Institute to find out why men seem to prefer not to use condoms during sex.

Anna Ryan, 42, of Blue Springs, Mo., was baffled for years why her normal 140 pounds sometimes ballooned to as much as 260 despite her consistently rigorous diet and exercise regimen. Finally, two years ago (according to a June 2009 dispatch in London's Daily Mail), nocturnal tests performed by Overland Park, Kan., physician Scott Eveloff revealed a disorder: Ryan was a sleepwalker whose routine included as many as eight kitchen visits a night in which she gorged herself but of which she had no memory the next morning.

Smooth Reactions

Marcus Johnson, 33, of Wichita, Kan., was sentenced to ten years in prison in May for an incident last year in which, angered by a police officer's demand to lower the volume of his car radio, Johnson immediately drove to city hall, went up a ramp at about 45 mph, crashed through the front door, and continued on through the building. ... Robert Caton, 50, was arrested in Andover, England, in May after he drove his Rolls-Royce through the front window of a Tesco store. His wife said he had been upset to find out that the bed they had ordered did not come with a mattress.

Least Competent Criminals

Victor Delfi was arrested and charged with

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- CITY LIGHTS: "SAN DIEGO SANDANISTA," Dan Trigoboff, August 23, 1979

Twenty-Five Years Ago

When the KGB Chicken (a.k.a. Ted Giannoulas) finally left radio station KGB in 1979, he made his debut as the San Diego Chicken during a Padres ball game. Since then, he's toured with the team on their jet, and for the last three baseball seasons has been hired by the Padres to appear at a minimum of 15 home games each year. But weeks after the Chicken celebrated his tenth birth-

day, the Padres management ordered the bird off the field during ball games

- CITY LIGHTS: "THE CHICKEN OR THE PENNANT?" August 23, 1984

Twenty Years Ago

So pleasantly are the 19th-century drawing rooms of Jane Austen's novels furnished, we jump as if shot when next to us the telephone rings and do not want to answer it. Robert Stone's Dog Soldiers or A Flag for Sunrise can do the opposite: take us as a thug, a hold-up artist might, up against the wall. Shaken, we try to resist, to keep our hand on the tea cup, and we half hope the telephone will ring.

"BETWEEN BOOK AND READER," Judith Moore, August 24, 1989

Fifteen Years Ago

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