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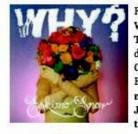
By Michael Caldwell, Sept. 30, 2009



Few could accuse San Diego metal-core stalwarts Mower of playing it safe. Half of their latest album, Make It a Double, is performed as Slower, the group's lounge-inspired alter-ego. "Road Rage" -- a punishing blast on their previous effort, Not For You -- loses none of its impact slowed and ...

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Eskimo Snow By Andrew Hamlin, Sept. 26, 2009



First thought on this latest from Why? How the hell did they clone They Might Be Giants? No, wait, I don't believe in human cloning. Okay, how did they get They Might Be Giants to record under another name? Are John Flansburgh and John Linnell so up-tothe-crusty-bibs in their kids' ...

Childish Prodigy By Andrew Hamlin, Sept. 24, 2009



Kurt Vile wants you to believe that's his real name, and it certainly provides a hook to hang the heavy hype this disc, his first for Matador, gets. Confidentially, though, a guy writing lines like "You say a good man is hard to find... Rewind!!!" probably wants to paper over ... • MORE COMMENT (1)

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Time to Die, the Dodo's third full-length record and follow-up to 2008's acclaimed Visiter, arrives with high expectations and delivers with a fuller sound due to the addition of multi-instrumentalist Keaton Snyder. Opening track "Small Deaths" suggests a more mature Dodos, layering pop-song

melodies into a multi-part progressive-rock structure. The ...
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House Party at the Brick By Earl Dove, Oct. 1, 2009



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Norwegian duo rocked the intimate setting as if ... • MORE COMMENT (1)

Old Crow Medicine Show By Earl Dove, Sept. 30, 2009



Friday night, September 22, Old Crow Medicine Show took the stage at 4th & B with a driving set of bluegrass, folk, and rock. I first saw these guys in Nashville in 1999, transitioning, at that ...

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Forget About Your Boyfriend By Karen Hawley, Sept. 27, 2009



With lyrics like "forget about your boyfriend and meet me at the hotel room," from his hit single "Hotel Room Service," hip-hop hottie Pitbull's September 19 concert at Harrah's Rincon

drew a predominantly female crowd. He ... • MORE OPOST A

Funny the Way It Is By Gian Ghio, Sept. 19, 2009



I had lawn seats for the Dave Matthews show at the Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre on Saturday, September 12, and got there just after opening act Switchfoot ended, about 15 minutes before DMB took

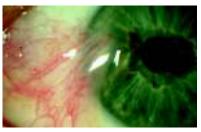
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to hear the president give a

speech. Jacobson cites health-

care reform. "Democrats

favor it and Republicans

oppose it without even knowing anything about it," he

says. Opponents spread tales

of death committees and free

health care for illegal aliens

even though such measures

are not in the package pushed

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UNDER THE RADAR

Paycheck politics Where do politicians turn when they need a spot of cash? In the



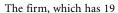
of San Diego County, to Advance America, "one of the nation's leading payday loan companies" that has "helped millions of hardworking Americans overcome financial challenges," according to its website. The Spartanburg, South

party \$1000 on August 18, according to a recent financial report.

A lot of states ban such lending operations, which allow clients to borrow against their next paycheck, and there's a move afoot in Congress to impose a nationwide prohibition of the practice. The loans don't come cheap. California law, which limits the amount of such transactions to \$300 each from a given lending firm, currently allows the lender to charge up to 15 percent of the face value of a paycheck, while waiting two weeks to cash it, amounting to an average annual rate of 460 percent.

Customers tend to be lower-income workers living paycheck to paycheck who don't have enough credit to get a better deal elsewhere. Ninety percent of industry revenue comes from those who have to roll over their loans every payday, says the

Center for Responsible Lending, which wants to stop the practice. Advance America argues that the loans are a "dignified, transparent and responsible" way to get quick cash without "asking family or friends for money or risking personal items as collateral."



sides of the fence to advance its agenda in Sacramento. In May, it contributed \$1000 each to Democrat Marty Block and Republican Joel Anderson, and on June 10, according to disclosure filings, it paid \$21.36 to take Anderson out to lunch at Sacramento's Lucca Restaurant. The firm spent a grand total of \$19,628 in the second quarter of the year lobbying legislators regarding Assembly Bill 377, authored by Norwalk Democrat Tony Mendoza, which would raise the \$300 loan maximum to \$500, and AB 33, which would reorganize state lending regulators. On March 18, Mendoza got a dinner worth \$75.92 at Sacramento's McCormick and Schmick's. Both bills are still making their way through the legislature. Reached this week by phone, county Democratic party chairman Jess Durfee said there "was no clear reason for the contribution," which he said "came in unsolicited."

Death of PR UCSD's budget crisis has claimed the glitzy job of Stacie Spector, the school's associate vice chancellor of university communications and public affairs. Deputy case of the Democratic Party communications director in the Clinton White House and deputy campaign manager for Al Gore's 2000 presidential bid, Spector arrived at UCSD in August 2004. In 2006, during the salad days of the university system, when money was no object, she headed up a six-figure "branding initiative" to promote the campus in the national media."The bottom line is, outside of San Diego the UCSD name is not that well known," she told the Union-Tribune. "What we're trying to do is Carolina-based firm gave the



beef up and strengthen the UCSD brand." Spector's biggest splash came in May 2007, when UCSD paid Al Gore \$100,000 to give a lecture on global warming at the school and threw a lavish VIP-only party in his honor at Scripps

Aquarium. Gore's contract banned contact with the

media. "There will be no press opportunities or availabilities, i.e., press conferences or statements, etc.," it said. "Vice President Gore will accept no interview requests."

Spector's PR duties are being taken over by Associate Chancellor Clare Kristofco, longtime second-in-command to Chancellor Marye Anne Fox. According to a database of UC salaries compiled by the Orange County Register, Spector was paid \$180,569 in 2007. Kristofco got \$184,300. Last month, UC regents voted to boost Kristofco's pay grade due to the added workload.

Cash prizes Last week, controversial J. Craig Venter, millionaire, self-styled master

of the human genome, and UCSD alumnus who maintains a handsome home in La Jolla, received the prestigious National Medal of Science from Barack Obama at a White House ceremony. Whether by coincidence or not, Venter is a big Democra-



Barack Obama tic donor, though he favored

the campaign of Hillary Clinton over that of Obama in the 2008 presidential derby, \$7150 to \$4600. ... State attorney general Jerry Brown has just opened his gubernatorial exploratory campaign kitty for business; one of the first donors is San Diego's Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc., with \$10,000.

- Matt Potter

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Poles Apart

By Don Bauder

verybody knows that Democrats and Republicans are barely speaking these days. But two political scientists at the University

of California at San Diego are statistically quantifying this mutual contempt: "Political polarization is at a post-Civil War high," says Keith Poole, poly sci prof who, along with two academics at other institutions, has carefully plotted the partisanship in Congressional roll call votes from the 1870s to the present. Today's yawning and widening gap between Republicans and Democrats (both Northern and Southern) is startling.

In the adjoining office at UCSD is Gary Jacobson, another poly sci prof. Jacobson plots the polarization of the public, as well as partisans and activists within the public, based on opinion polls. The citizenry is not as

intensity.

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says Jacobson. "A larger proportion of people are willing to believe unlikely things because of partisan biases."

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Poole takes a different view of the health-care debate: "The Democrats and the president say we can pass health-care reform, and 'Happy days are here again.' continued on page 8

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Tony Mendoza storefronts in San Diego County, is working both

Nowhere to Go

By Joe Deegan

While San Diego's homeless people wait for the City to provide winter shelter, they need, among other things, to

go to the bathroom. And there are precious few places to do it. Anyone who meanders through East Village knows the dispossessed aren't the only ones who suffer from this situation. As I mingle in a crowd of homeless folk in the shade of trees across from the Neil Good Day Center on 17th Street, light breezes carry the odor of human waste to everyone's noses.

There are scores of people lingering aimlessly on both sides of the street. Stephen, a lithe young man with a curious twang, tells me what happens after Neil Good closes for the night. There are two eral blocks from where they're sleeping, they can't wait anymore."

The outhouses were installed in September 2008 by David "Water Man" Ross, now notorious in San Diego for advocating relentlessly on behalf of those without homes. The City will not allow Porta Potties on its property and has refused to provide financial help to put them anywhere else. So Ross, who is 71, cut a hole (with permission) in the fence that surrounds God's Extended Hand, an organization that feeds people daily at 16th Street and Island Avenue, and placed



David Ross (right)

San Diego from Oklahoma

them." In 2000, Myers came to

Kelly Myers, 33, who has been on the streets since 2004, remembers the times before the Porta Potties arrived. People would excrete almost anywhere on the ground, she says, "behind Dumpsters, between cars, in the bushes. If the cops see you going to the bath-



Porta Potties in the area for 300 to 600 people, he says, "during that critical time between eight at night and six in the morning." Lines form to use the facilities, says Stephen, but they're not too long "because by the time people walk sevthe toilets just beyond the sidewalk. Last April, Ace Parking allowed Ross to put two more Porta Potties on its lot at 11th Avenue and C Street. He pays the \$300 monthly rental for each set largely from his Social Security income. room outside, they can arrest you for indecent exposure. There are pregnant women out here and women with bad bladders who can't hold it. It was so terrible. So I really appreciate the Porta Potties, even if there aren't enough of

16th and Island

with her mother, father, four siblings, and a one-and-ahalf-year-old child of her own. At first they all stayed in a motel — until the money ran out. "We had no understanding of what rents were like out here," says Myers. "After a while, we'd have to leave the motel and sleep outside. Both my parents got terrible spider bites lying on the ground

der bites lying on the ground. Then my father would send all us kids out to 'spange' [beg for spare change]. You could sometimes make \$50 a day by spanging. Other days you might make a dollar."

I speak with two dozen people. One man tells me he had a successful contracting business. "I kept learning new construction skills," he says, "but I couldn't handle the business side, all the paperwork, and I went under." Then came a breakup with his wife.

The homeless population seems to divide roughly into three categories: the mentally ill, the long-term unemployed, and alcohol and drug abusers. Kelly Myers has little use for the addicts. "They'll come and steal your stuff while you're sleeping," she says. "You might wake up and have no shoes."

> Many of the people I'm continued on page 8

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Rush Hour Spectacle

Tijuana — The naked and tortured body of a state tax employee, Rogelio Sanchez Jimenez, was found hanging from a bridge over the free road to Rosarito Beach on Friday morning at 6:00 a.m. A huge traffic jam developed as looky-loos stopped to witness the bizarre and terrifying spectacle.

The victim's head was swathed in adhesive tape, and he was found hanging by a cable tied around his neck, his feet tethered by another cable.



Tijuana crime scene

The corpse bore the marks of a hideous torture, including castration (his testicles were taped to his head). The victim was ultimately asphyxiated, according to medical examiners.

As soon as authorities began arriving on the scene, they began to surmise that the body was that of the government taxman, who was kidnapped on Wednesday morning near his home. Source: La Segunda

(afternoon newspaper) By T.B. Beaudeau, 10/10

Comments

1. The victim worked for the state issuing DRIVER'S LICENSES, not tax stuff, and was tied to organized crime. Otherwise, another feel-good story. Dude, don't trust the afternoon editions.

By refriedgringo 6:14 p.m., Oct 10

2. Refriedgringo, I'm sickened by your words of "another feel good story." I had the pleasure of knowing Rogelio Sanchez Jimenez. and its unfair that I have to not only read false publications about him, but unfair comments about him as well. Rogelio was a state official in charge of licences. He was of the few honest and humble men that were left in the Mexican government. A state government spokeswoman, made a statement saying that he was linked to the investigation of issuing fake licenses. She managed to leave out that while Rogelio was on his vacation her brother who also worked in that department, issued the fake licenses. At his return he discovered them and cancelled them. She failed to mention that her brothed fled to the United States. Unfortunately, journalist are twisting words around and are not reporting the truth. Anyone who had the pleasure of knowing Rogelio knows that he by no means was wealthy. He was a humble and a hard working man. Its unfortunate that people believe publications that are written poorly and lack the truth.

By beckyp97, 10/11

Plug In, Plump Up

Pacific Beach — The roofs Render October over eight parking spaces at the McDonald's restaurant on Garnet Avenue are covering soon-tobe-operational Charge-Point stations from continued on page 12 CITY LIGHTS

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Poles apart

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But it isn't true. They can pass it but can't control costs. We are going to go bankrupt at this rate." Poole would like to see some kind of a compromise, but polarization blocks the possibility. "We have to rein in the cost of entitlements [primarily Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid]," he says, but "the two political parties are so polarized that they are incapable of coming up with bipartisan deals" to make such reforms.

"Whatever health-care bill emerges will be Democratic — a center/left coalition," says Jacobson. "The Republicans have no center; they have just a right." However, he concedes that some Republicans will oppose it on economic grounds, not simply on party strategic grounds.

Poole points out that in the past, important pieces of legislation zipped through Congress with wide backing. "Social Security passed with a bipartisan majority in 1935," he says. "Medicare passed in 1965 with the support of 50 percent of Republicans in both houses [of Congress]." And in the early 1980s, a bipartisan coalition made changes that stabilized Social Security's finances for several more decades.

The book that Poole coauthored, *Polarized America: The Dance of Ideology and* *Unequal Riches*, came out in 2006. The split between the two parties has widened since then, says Poole.

Similarly, Jacobson's book, A Divider, Not a Uniter: George W. Bush and the American People, came out in 2006 and is now being revised to cover the period through 2008. The theme of the book, backed up by polling data, is that although Bush promised to be a uniter, his presidency deepened and widened the ideological split between the parties to an alarming degree. Indeed, polls show that Bush was the most polarizing president since statisticians began testing Americans' opinions 50 years ago. The most factional issue between Democrats and Republicans continues to be the Iraq War, says Jacobson. Opinion on the Vietnam War "was polarized, but not on party lines," says Jacobson. (President Lyndon Johnson was a Democrat, but it was liberal Democrats who protested the war most vehemently.)

Poole and Jacobson cite a great irony: although the parties are deeply divided, they are both in the pockets of Wall Street and the business community. You would think it would be warm and snug in those pockets, but it apparently isn't. Decades ago, Democrats got their funds from labor and Republicans from business and Wall Street. But labor has shrunk and lost its political puissance. "Democrats are much more reliant on business and corporate money than they once were. Democrats are getting plenty of support from Wall Street," says Jacobson.

Agrees Poole, "Wall Street basically owns the two major parties. It gives so much money, there is not likely to be much reform [of the banking industry] coming forward." He cites the problem of moral hazard: "Not letting the big banks fail is setting us up for another problem. It is a terrible mess." But the polarization - and both parties' sticky fingers - will prevent any solution. "They hate one another, but they are both getting massive amounts of money from huge economic interests. It is a total mess — really depressing. As long as they fly under the radar, the elites control. But if the public gets mad, the Congress does what the people want. What these characters in Congress care about the most is getting reelected." But the public isn't aroused enough to rebel, largely because the financial matters are so complex that few understand them.

Poole and his two collaborators have shown that, beginning in 1979, political polarization and income polarization rose in tandem. As a larger and larger share of wealth and income went to the fattest cats, political partisanship also grew. Although many of the superrich gave to both political parties (that's why each party is in business's pockets), many billionaires gave more heavily to Republicans. Tax cuts for the rich and increasing economic conservatism may have been factors.

By 2007, the richest 1 percent corralled a startling 23.5 percent of national income, highest since 1928, according to data from economists Emmanuel Saez of the University of California at Berkeley and Thomas Piketty of the Paris School of Economics. During the period, political partisanship also widened, says Poole. Piketty and Saez expect that income percentage to drop to between 15 percent and 19 next year. That's mainly because the superrich are heavily into financial assets, which have lost value dramatically.

If the superrich's percentage of income declines steeply, will political polarity also decline? Poole doesn't think so. The political partisanship "is still tied to economic inequality," he says. "It's true that the upper end has taken a hit, but the lower end has taken a worse hit, and it will be years and years before we come out of the economic downturn." Piketty and Saez think the superrich's percentage of national income is likely to bounce back up once the economy turns up.

Sums up Poole, "The Republicans ran the country into the ditch, and now the Democrats are having their turn running the country into the ditch." And they enjoy each other's misery.



continued from page 7 speaking with come from other parts of the country-Wichita, Kansas; Saint Louis, Missouri; Illinois; the Northwest. They come for San Diego's warmer weather and then discover what it's like to spend all night outside in January."It has become a tsunami of people swarming into East Village and moving closer and closer to the edge of downtown," says David Ross. "That's why I wanted one set of Porta Potties near the City College trolley station."

Ross attended a special city council meeting in mid-September to hear Mayor Sanders's first proposals for where to put this year's temporary winter shelter. When a suggestion was discussed for putting the shelter in an old warehouse near 14th and F streets, a woman came forward and argued vehemently against the idea. According to Ross, she was a young "classy looking" lady who "every morning before work descends the stairs of her new condo building to take her dog for a walk. And she said, 'The first thing that hits me when I turn the corner to go up the street is the smell of urine.' "

Other people, "dressed in fancy suits and Guccis," says Ross, testified about last year's tent at 16th and Island. Druggies and dealers moved into the area in droves to take advantage. For four months, the elegant neighborhood they were promised in East Village was ruined, they said.

CITY LIGHTS

As an accompaniment to John Moores's Petco Park and high-rise condo buildings, the Centre City Development Corporation, in the late 1990s, started promoting a new luxurious East Village. The corporation promised that, in response, the homeless would eventually move out of the area. It started making it rough for campers on the street, enlisting the police to keep them moving and forcing charitable organizations to cease their meal services. In late 2004, Centre City told the Salvation Army that its meal program at Seventh Avenue and E Street violated its conditional-use permit. The Army said it intended to be "civilly obedient" and stopped serving the food. Several months later, the meals began again and are still being served today.

Now similar tactics are turning up. Several months ago, a condo owner came out of his building near a spot where David Ross was handing out bottles of water. "I could see him heading in great anger right toward me," says Ross. "He accosted me, got right in my face, and began screaming, 'You're the one who's keeping all these street people here.' I told him I only wanted to help a few hot and dry people quench their thirst. And that the real reason he was angry was that he bought into the East Village hype the City fed him and now knows he can't get back half the value of the condo he bought. But he kept coming at me, and I thought I'd get a whooping for the third time down here. First I got stabbed. Then a cop threw me to the ground only because I questioned why he wouldn't let me hand out water bottles. That one I finally won in court. Ironically, the only way we got rid of this new ruffian was by someone calling the police."

On September 17, the City's Waste Reduction and Disposal Division posted notices in East Village that soon "Citycontinued on page 10





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owned property will be abated of all waste." If "items of personal value" were not removed in time, stated the notice, "They will be removed by City forces."

Five days later, Waste Reduction showed up with garbage trucks on 16th in front of God's Extended Hand. Several homeless people tell me they were already inside participating in a required prayer service before eating, having left their belongings across the street. They came out to see their sleeping bags, shopping carts, and other items being thrown into the trucks and crushed.

Those who witnessed it say a police car led Waste Reduction's truck and another trailed it. "They waited until those poor people went in to pray," says Ross. "The City forces were lying in wait. The sad part is that former Central Division police captain Chris Ball would never have done something like that. He was such a great help to the people down here, and they respected him for it."

But only weeks ago, Ball was transferred north to a beach community. He was replaced by Captain Mark Jones.

"The changeover in the Central Division was not simple career planning," says Ross, who claims the department has recently betrayed a realization that taking people's property was counterproductive."One woman lost \$4000 dentures she was still paying on. Gone in all those people's belongings were items of sentimental value. A mentally ill woman came to me and asked if she could get pictures of her father and mother back. And worst of all, she and many others had their medications thrown out. Lots of these people don't operate on all cylinders even while taking their meds. They won't be able to get new prescriptions anytime soon either. And the City," asks Ross, "wants to improve the homeless situation by throwing their meds away?

"In defense of the police department," he continues, "I will say this. For years, the City has failed to adequately address the homeless problem. Then, every once in a while, it tells the police to go out and do something about it."

The dodgeball approach to homelessness seems to be playing out again as Mayor Sanders tries to put the onus of finding a winter-shelter site on councilmembers, while they in turn have refused to identify possible sites in their districts. So the mayor gave them a list of 27 sites that are spread throughout the city. He demanded they choose one of them by Tuesday of this week.

Councilman Kevin Faulconer made it clear he didn't want the temporary winter shelter in his downtown district anymore. He offered to allow the longplanned homeless "intake facility" to be built in his district. But he sometimes talks as though the existence of a permanent facility near downtown would be a convenient excuse for bringing back illegal-lodging arrests for those who don't make it into the shelter.

Faulconer has also said he's not interested in temporary solutions. Problem is that the permanent shelter is probably four years away.

"We have immediate needs right now," says David Ross, "and bathrooms are high on the list." By staking out his Porta Potties for a few hours occasionally and observing their use, Ross has estimated the number of times they have been used in a year. His figure is 130,000 times. "If you brought in moving vans and filled them with the human waste that would otherwise remain outdoors," he says, "they would haul away 30 tons. But Faulconer isn't interested in temporary solutions. It would cost the City no more than \$40,000 to get the shit off the streets. My problem was that I didn't ask for \$40 million. Then I'd have probably had it the following afternoon."

Outside God's Extended Hand, I speak with Dennis and Cassandra, a married couple who met on the streets. Dennis, originally from Iowa, served three tours of duty in Iraq before being discharged from the Marines at Camp Pendleton two years ago. He then got several sales jobs, which he lost before becoming homeless. Cassandra is a Navy veteran who went to work as a hospital nurse after her military service. But she quit, she says, after a doctor at the hospital repeatedly harassed her sexually.

Cassandra is now pregnant. "If she or any other pregnant woman out here takes her pants down in the bushes to go to the bathroom," Ross tells me later, "she is vulnerable to psychopaths who might rape her or punch her just for the fun of it. If she tells the cops about any incidents, they're likely to say, 'Don't take your pants down in the bushes.' But where is she supposed to go to the bathroom?"

Meanwhile, the Water Man has taken another beating. Early last week, Ross says, he was handing out water bottles when he spotted a woman being kicked to the ground near 15th and C. "I yelled at the guy to stop," says Ross, "so he came after me, hitting me on the side of the cheek bone and then running off. I got one good punch in, though. It was about nine o'clock, when these drug dealers start showing up down here. They're like cockroaches, waiting until dark to come out."

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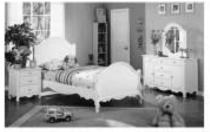




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McDonald's installed the first charging stations in July at a restaurant in Cary, North Carolina. A Coulomb Technologies press release issued at the time stated, "McDonald's will deliver yet another new facet of energy conservation by enabling EV drivers to have a place to recharge their vehicles while enjoying their meal." By Laura Meldrum, 10/8

Comments

1. I personally have no problem with electric cars. If people want to look like douchebags, that's their business. I think McDonald's is nuts to look like the good guys with the crap they serve. Yes, I do eat that crap as well.

> By PistolPete 3:46 p.m., Oct 9

2. When GM had their EV electric car testing in 1994, they had a few of the cars here in San Diego, and I will never forget the first, last and only time I saw one on the road, it pulled up next to me at the light and there was not a single sound to it.

I thought that was so cool.

By SurfPupp9619 3:58 p.m., Oct 9 3. C'mon man. People who buy electric cars are the very same people who bought pet rocks in the 70's. Not to mention, what's the point of having an electric car that can't get to Las Vegas

> By PistolPete 4:32 p.m., Oct 9

4. Pete, I think you might like one of our cars, at least a little bit anyway. It's a 1969 Camaro Z/28 RS. Well, a clone of one actually. I picked up a 69

(or anyplace that far)?



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cued three big sea turtles

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4:56 p.m., Oct 9

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By T.B. Beaudeau, 10/9

Butts Start Fire

University City — Approximately 250 people were evacuated from the 419room Hyatt Regency La Jolla at Aventine Wednesday morning, October 7. Smoldering cigarette butts ignited towels on a housekeeper's cart in a hallway on the fourth floor.

A 46-year-old female found in a stairwell had suffered smoke inhalation and was sent to UCSD Medical Center in Hillcrest, said Maurice Luque, spokesman for the San Diego Fire Department. Thirty-five firefighters, five engines, and three trucks were sent to the scene.

The incident caused an estimated \$150,000 in damage, mostly from sprinkler water damage on the fourth floor. The water traveled through the elevator shafts, causing damage to the first floor.

By Peijean Tsai, 10/7

Hot Pants

La Mesa — Two male transients robbed another male transient of his pants in the Best Buy parking lot on Fletcher Parkway on Sunday, October 4.

The victim reported being approached by two other males at approximately 9:30 p.m. as he was walking in the parking lot. One of the suspects punched the man in *continued on page 125*



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The Beauty Of A People

What a beautiful story told by Steven Sorensen ("Please Don't Tell Anyone That Old Surfers End Up Here," Cover Story, October 8). His observations on the Mexican people, their values and work ethics, moved me immensely. I spent five years during

the '90s working at a Nebraska meat-packing plant. I was one of just a handful of whites, not to mention the only white





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female. It was wretched, backbreaking work. Many days when my knife would be dull and my hands raw, I didn't give a damn about the quality of meat I was hacking away at. My line partner would scold me in broken English to take some pride in my work, to try harder. Seeing me struggle, he would "pull my turn," sharpen my knives, and get me back on track.

The days are endless on a factory line, mind-numbing. They would pass the time singing, talking of their families back in Mexico, laughing — smiling, while doing a job that used to make me cry at night. Every day, we would teach each other five words, in English and Spanish, and once the last hog hit the table, we'd be fluent in each. On days when the noise of the machines kept us from hearing one another, we'd write those words in blood on the white cutting tables we hunched over for 12 hours a day. These people taught me patience, tolerance, and that feeding your family is more important than the aches and pains of a slaughterhouse.

Mr. Sorensen expressed the beauty of these people so eloquently. I hope to see more from him in the future! Kathy

Scripps Ranch

Bridge Survivors

Re the letter titled "Grim Expectations" (October 8). John Kitchin writes, "I know of no Anglo using the pedestrian bridge who was not attacked and robbed in September." Meet two of them. We were in TI three times in one week last month, via the pedestrian bridge, and found TJ quiet, peaceful, and nonthreatening. After our dental appointments, we wandered around Pueblo Amigo, the area near the dog track, had lunch, bought groceries, all without incident. And best of all, we returned on the pedestrian bridge with healthy-looking teeth and new crowns.

Sue and Mac Persaud via email

Four Cops And A Flasher

Enjoyed "Stopped in Their Tracks" ("Stringers," October 8). I was one of the joggers mentioned. There were actually four of us — three *continued on page 62*







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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP BY MATTHEW ALICE

Hi, Matt:

Do baby monkeys also keep their parents up all night crying and wanting milk and stuff? What's the deal with crying babies? Wasn't it bad for cavemen to be super tired during the day and not having enough energy to go off hunting and stuff because they were up the night before trying to get their baby to go back to sleep? — Matt (tired, very

tired)

We'll pass on the caveman speculation. To our knowledge, no cave paintings have been found with pics of screaming babies and frazzled parents. We await further investigation, though. Monkeys, on the other hand, are about the most spied-on animals in the world. There's hardly a cor-

ner of the globe that doesn't have a bunch of chimps surrounded by biologists in the underbrush with telescopes. We're pretty much up on monkeys.

So, what's the deal with chimp kids? Screeching irritants or silent cuties? Consider a monkey's earliest days. Mom lugs the newborn around clutched to her chest. Kid wants food, it's right there. Vocalizing is, after all, just an indication that the child/monkey baby wants attention of some kind and nobody's close enough to poke. No need for the chimplet to "cry" since Mom's there, 24/7, meeting all comfort needs. And Mom and kid sleep together with other members of their troop, teaching the baby when it's sleep time. Chimps learn by imitation.

By contrast, Little Matt/Little Matty spends most of his/her time in a crib with Mom at a distance. You can see how this would raise the alarm level around the house. Crying is the baby's only option when it needs food, cuddling, a clean diaper, less heat or cold or noise or light, or is just exhibiting its highly sensitive nature. Then you get to play the evil baby game of "guess what I want this time."

So far, so dull. But with more digging we found scientific evidence that will probably satisfy a little corner of your soul. At some point, of course, monkey mom begins to lose interest in lugging around another whole monkey, so kid and Mom are sometimes separated. It appears that monkey babies can take only so much of this separation, and when they need her for whatever momly duty, they set about screeching and vocalizing like crazy. Reports are that monkey mamas can resist the cries, needing to teach the kid independence.

Here's the good part: If Mom and kid are in a group of monkeys of the same rank, Mom lets the kid carry on for long stretches of time.

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But if Mom and kid are near males or monkeys that outrank them, they tend to grab up the kid to stop the noise right away. Guess why. "Crying" baby monkeys apparently drive

other monkeys nuts. They get on their last monkey nerve. Dominant members of the troop of the noisemaker's mother will actually hit, chase, bite, or throw stones at her until she gets the baby to shut up. A nice fantasy for people who travel by plane or eat out in restaurants a lot, I'd guess.



Can you tell me why people get into the 10-itemsor-less line in the grocery

store, right under the big sign, the one that says, "No Checks," then put down their 20 items and start to write a check? How can they not know it's an express lane? We cash people are beside ourselves with angst!

– B, via email

And if we are beside ourselves, can we go through the line with 20 items? Is angst one item or several? Suppose we're buying a dozen cans of chateaubriand cat food; is that 12 items or only 1 item because they're all the same price? And if the large lady with the tubby children is buying Twinkies, rocky-road ice cream, Spaghetti-Os, and Lucky Charms, do we have the right to feel superior as we carefully arrange our edamame and turkey burger? No. Strike that. The real question is, exactly how superior can we feel? Slightly? Extremely? On the other hand, is there a way we can stack our Cheerios and grapefruit to hide that box of Depends? Do the people in line behind us need to know that much about our personal lives? Will the clerk make some kind of a wisecrack? I think, B, that a supermarket line raises so many important life questions that nobody pays much attention to "No Checks, Please."

Matt:

Why do they call it the clap? Personally, I wouldn't clap if I found out I had it...yikes!

— Gretchen, La Jolla

Let's hear it for the French! They gave us the clap. The word. Just the word, of course. Please, no France-bashing. Hooray for snails and frogs' legs and chain-smoking and *clapoir* (clap-WAHR), French for pustules characteristic of venereal diseases! We English-speakers contracted the word in the 16th Century and haven't cleared it up yet.



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He Was a Man



Mock photo of Ted Williams's preserved head

former executive of the Scottsdale cryonics company where baseball Hall of Famer Ted Williams's body is frozen launched a pay-per-view website with gruesome decapitation photos to raise money for his legal defense.

"To be honest with you," Johnson said Wednesday, "I fear for my life. The people at Alcor are whacked. They're unstable and dangerous, all of them. They're a cult. Fanatics."

The foregoing was published August 14, 2003, in USA Today. The speaker is former Alcor interim chief operating officer Larry Johnson.

Not a lot has changed in six years. Same guy, same charges, same fear for his life, same ghoulish head, same pictures on the internet. What's new is the packaging, courtesy of Vanguard Press.

Typically, a news story rises from the information slipstream, joins human flotsam for a day, two days, maybe a week, and then slips back into the info bog. The first round of news reports are often inaccurate, so are later news reports, but usually not to the same degree. Which is a long intro to Ted Williams's head. Second-wave coverage repeated the original story but took on a jolly tone:

FanHouse.com: Ted Williams's Frozen Head Used for Batting Practice.

Boston Herald: Author Frozen by Fear Over Alleged Ted Williams Head Hit.

Chicago Sun-Times: Fox Sports Employs Ted Williams's Frozen Head to Predict the Playoffs. Ted Williams is a grisly, macabre joke. He

was a man once. Theodore Samuel Williams was born in San

Diego. Mom worked for the Salvation Army, dad was an alcoholic, younger brother earned his way into jail after stealing household furniture. Problem was, it was his family's household furniture, taken from his parents' house. Mom dropped the dime. Mr. and Mrs. Williams were divorced in 1939.

There were 68,000 people living in San Diego at the time of Ted's birth. He attended Herbert Hoover High School, helped his team win a state championship, and signed with the local minor-league franchise (San Diego Padres). It was 1936, and Williams was 17 years old.

His first major-league game occurred on April 20, 1939. He played for the Boston Red Sox. His last game was on September 28, 1960. He played for the same team. Williams batted .406 in 1941, the last guy to break .400. He won too many awards to cite here, had a 19-year majorleague career followed by a 4-year managing career.

As the country entered the Second World War, Williams had a 3-A deferment (marriage and sole support of his mother). He was reclassified 1-A, appealed, lost on appeal, then saw the verdict overturned by the White House. In the process, he lost the good will of many, including his largest sponsor, Quaker Oats.

He enlisted into the Navy on May 22, 1942. Williams spent the war in school. He received preflight training, primary training, advanced flight training, and was commissioned in the Marine Corps in May, 1944. Then, posted to Pensacola as a flight instructor, wound up in Hawaii on his way to the war when it ended. Released from active duty January of 1946.

He sounds like a regular human being. Wasn't eager to go to war, used what influence he had to avoid being drafted, but when things didn't go his way, took his place without complaint. He could have spent the war playing baseball for the Navy but didn't.

But, he got his war. Ted was recalled to active duty in 1952, at the age of 34, and flew 39 combat missions in Korea. He never forgot where he came from, was loyal to his friends, kept some early San Diego friendships going all his life.

Leigh Montville, author of Ted Williams: The Biography of an American Hero, wrote, "Williams was also one of the greater champions in profanity. The Lord above, the crudest Anglo-Saxon words for male and (especially) female anatomical parts, sodomic acts - all were included in long but connected swearing diatribes, more often than not peppered by the adjective 'syphilitic."

He was married three times. Wife 1, Doris Soule, was the daughter of his hunting guide. Wife two, Lee Howard, was a model. Wife 3, was Miss Vermont, Dolores Wettach. His big love appears to be Louise Kaufman. They lived together for 20 years. She died in 1993.

Ted Williams had two daughters, both estranged, and one son, John Henry, who seems to be disliked by all who knew him. He was a great fisherman, a good friend, and anonymous benefactor. He came from one dysfunctional family and fathered another. When he was old and weak, he allowed his predatory son to take over his life. He was a great, great baseball player, and for 95 percent of his time on earth lived a normal, dysfunctional life. He doesn't deserve this.

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The filmmakers bring to the subject the unkind eye of the caricaturist.

he standard line on *A Serious Man*, and I see no reason to deviate from it, is that this is the Coen brothers' most "personal" work to date. To be sure, the brothers

that reflected their personal tastes and

personal attitudes and personal inter-

ests and personal viewpoints. Still, in

the strict autobiographical sense, their

new film must be acknowledged as

extra personal, set as it is in the Min-

neapolis suburb of their adolescence

(Jefferson Airplane on the soundtrack

to fix the date, "Somebody to Love,"

1967), in a Jewish household headed

by a university professor with a son

information to go much further than

that, but it's enough. Fargo, its title

notwithstanding, was similarly set in

Minnesota, albeit present-day. (Though

I have insufficient biographical

on the brink of his bar mitzvah.

have never been reduced to hired hands. They've always had the good fortune to be able to make the films they wanted to make, films MOVIE REVIEW DUNCAN SHEPHERD

down the regional accent they so mirthfully played up there. Been there, done that.) And the titular figure of *Barton Fink* was also explicitly Jewish, if only in heritage rather than in practice, and cut off from his roots. *A Serious Man*, however, trades the oblique

the brothers here have wisely played

approach for the direct pipeline, the exact place and the exact time and the exact "tribe."

Part of the Coens' good fortune, needless to say, has been their Oscars for *No Country for Old Men* (perhaps, as their first literary adaptation, their least personal work), sufficient Hollywood capital to enable them now to make what might appear, from a certain standpoint, to be a commercial throwaway, a commercial throat-cut, with no familiar names in the cast (Michael Stuhlbarg, Sari Lennick, Aaron Wolff, Jessica McManus, Fred Melamed, et al.), and only a couple of familiar faces (Richard Kind, Adam Arkin, and I believe, although I couldn't be sure,

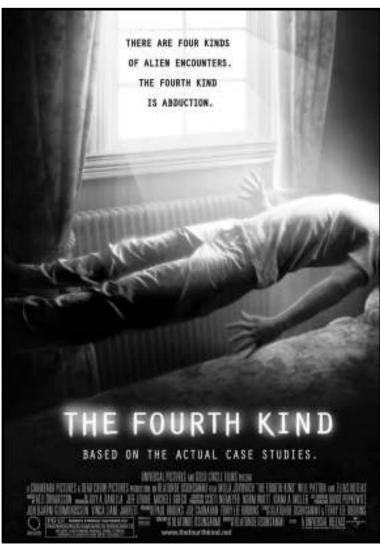


Michael Lerner, the studio head from *Barton Fink*, as a senior law partner who in long shot pitches over dead before he can utter a syllable), no concessions whatsoever to the market-place, no distractions from or dilutions of the Coens' vision. Purely per-

sonal. And inasmuch as the Coens are the undisputed stars of the show, the highest praise to be given the cast is that they one and all are at home in the brothers' universe, fit into it comfortably, keep up the masquerade.

As one who grew up in an adja-

cent Minneapolis suburb with a few years' head start, I can attest to the film's value as an historical document, attest in particular to the plaid shirts and ankle-length pants, to the haircuts and glasses frames, to the lawns and houses, to the deer-hunting gentile



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neighbor, to the Coens' eye and ear for local enterprises, the Red Owl supermarket, the Embers family restaurant, the Jolly Roger motel, the Log Cabin coffee shop, the Oak Knoll country club (my elementary school was in point of fact Oak Knoll). As one raised a Lutheran, leniently "confirmed" without completing my catechism, I must yield to the brothers' view of the Jewish community.

I suspect that many Jews, grinning and bearing it, will have to do likewise, given the audacious depths of self-loathing on display. Some of them, I suspect further, might have a hard time doing so, and will not be mollified by the disclaimer at the end of the closing credits, "No Jews were harmed in the making of this motion picture." (I find it telling that Landmark Theatres chose to open the film exclusively at the Hillcrest instead of their customary Jewish venue — Yoo-Hoo, Mrs. Goldberg, etc. — the La Jolla Village.) The filmmakers bring to the subject the unkind eye of the caricaturist. They demonstrate an acute and excruciating body awareness, the girth, the ear hair, the sebaceous cyst on the neck, the protagonist's half squat at the classroom blackboard, his outthrust butt, his pant cuffs riding up to his calves. And their subtly bulging face shots and torso shots, fronted and centered, approach the freak-show aura of the photographs of Diane Arbus. The parade of surnames has a Dickensian grotesquerie all its own: Gopnik, Finkle, Marshak, Nachtner, Ableman, Schlutz, seldom a simple Shapiro. And the three rabbis of three different generations are hilariously ineffectual in three different ways. But to complain that the character portraits are not rounded, are slanted, would be to complain that a caricaturist is not a classicist, that Daumier is not Ingres. An artist has to be free to loathe. This is, it bears stressing at this point, a personal film. It is a document, not a documentary.

It is also - unexpectedly enough, as unexpected as the superstitious Old Country folk tale of the prologue and its old-fashioned 4:3 aspect ratio - a religious film, a film concerned not just with the specific religion of Judaism and its whole exotic lexicon, but with much broader religious questions, universal inquiries into life's mysteries: what have I done to deserve this? what have I done with my life? what ought I to do? what am I here for? The 20thcentury Job at the center of the film has his unfair share of afflictions: an unloving wife who demands a divorce, a mellow-toned peacemaking home wrecker ("No one is playing the blame game, Larry"), a freeloading brother with

a gambling problem, a daughter who wants only to wash her hair and go out, a son whose sole use for his father is to fix the aerial so he can watch *F Troop* (the ration of four-letter words in the script is pretty much the exclusive property of wing-spreading adolescents), a grammatically enigmatic Korean student intent on buying an "A," a tenure committee in receipt of defamatory reports on the teacher, a bill collector from a record club he had never joined, and more. Why? Why him? "I am not an evil man," he objects. "I went to the Aster Art once. I saw Swedish Reverie." (I went to the Aster many times. I saw Bergman's Monika, Antonioni's La Notte, Vadim's Les Liaisons Dangereuses, or more to the point, Harriet Andersson skinny-dipping, Jeanne Moreau's nipple, and Annette Stroyberg barely covered up on a couch, respectively.) It's true that when he's on the roof fixing the aerial he can't resist shifting his position bathing neighbor. And it's true as well that he on one occasion is emboldened to ring her doorbell. But he has done nothing!

Doing nothing, or not doing anything, becomes a resounding refrain in the film. The straying wife and her bloated new soul mate claim to have actually done nothing ("This is not about whoopsy-doopsy"). The arrested brother declares that he too has done nothing. But doing nothing can have more than one meaning, "committing no transgression" but also "attaining no goal," a defense on the one hand and a recrimination on the other. "Doing nothing," the head of the Physics Department counsels the protagonist, "is not bad." Yet doing nothing isn't doing good, either. Wouldn't doing good be better? Shouldn't we be doing something? Such questions are not just to be taken away from the film but taken back into it for a second viewing. Keep an ear cocked.

Joel and Ethan Coen have long and

lately devoted themselves to the vast panoply of human stupidity. Stretching out now, stretching back to Barton Fink, they have chosen to reassure us, although "reassure" doesn't sound quite right, that an intelligent, educated, well-meaning, and would-be serious man, a man so earnest as to strain his voice continually at the upper reaches of its range, is no less at a loss. The Coens are often taken by their detractors to be nothing more than cold-hearted wisenheimers, and in fairness they often content themselves to pretend to be coldhearted wisenheimers. But the pretense looks to me to be a form of modesty. Let the film speak for itself, and believe the pretense at your poverty. These are serious men. ■

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Amreeka — Divorced Palestinian single mother (Nisreen Faour, a good actress in bad photography) moves to Illinois for a better life at the worst time - the thick of Operation Iraqi Freedom - and settles for a demeaning job at White Castle ("Support our oops" on the signboard outside), meets a sympathetic Jewish school principal ("You're not at all fat"), and imparts her wisdom to her troubled teenage son ("The important thing is that you can't let anyone question who you are"). Semi-autobiographical work by writer-director Cherien Dabis, didactic and preachy despite the sincerest efforts to maintain a sense of humor.







With Melkar Muallem, Hiam Abbass, Joseph Ziegler. 2009. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/16)

The Boys Are Back — Scott Hicks directs Clive Owen as a single-parent sportswriter, from the Simon Carr novel. (FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; FROM 10/16)

Bright Star — As recounted by Jane Campion, unusually taking sole screenwriting credit in addition to directing, the illstarred love story of John Keats and Fanny Brawne is such as to make us ask ourselves when we last had on screen a love story we could believe in. (In the Mood for Love, maybe? 2001?) That, or more exactly the believability part of it, is truly saying something when the principal characters are so prone to recite poetry extemporaneously, not only the poet who wrote it - the perfect Platonic ideal of the Poet, or at any rate the Romantic incarnation of him - but also the smitten one who, having invested in a copy of Endymion "to see if he's an idiot or not," has committed his words to memory: incontrovertible evidence of love. This is a closely observed affair, followed with patience and fascination, from spark to flame, a bonding of hearts with no assistance from lower organs, what once went unashamedly and today goes blushingly by the name of True Love. Campion can often be candidly carnal, as in Sweetie, The Piano, Holy Smoke, and In the Cut, and she certainly here is highly sensual, making great play of birdsong, breezes, snow, rain, gauze curtains, flapping sheets on clotheslines, a roomful of butterflies, a human nest in a treetop, and while the inevitable Vermeery white light is nothing to get excited about, the color loses none of its vividness and precision for its paleness and delicacy. But



the expressions of passion per se have been strictly limited to things like tender touches, first kiss, love letters, fetishistic fondling, and the physical pain of separation. The dirty deed is never approached, unless you can see a symbol in the needlework of the heroine, a cutting-edge fashionista of the early 19th Century, inspiration for some delightful period costumes. Abbie Cornish, Ben Whishaw, Paul Schneider, Kerry Fox, Edie Martin, Antonia Campbell-Hughes. 2009. ★★★★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; LA JOLLA VIL-LAGE)

Capitalism: A Love Story — Michael Moore's overview of the American economy is, needless to say, not a love story. "Capitalism is an evil, and you cannot regulate evil," In other words, Capitalism: A Horror Story, the moral of which might best be summed up as capitalism, no; democracy, yes — a tricky distinction for simpletons who think the only alternative to capitalism is totalitarian communism. Moore's shtick as the schlumpy crusader, the Lieutenant Columbo of the Radical Left, has gotten a little tired, or maybe it's just Moore himself who has gotten tired, but in any case he

now seems less funny and less inclined to be

so than in the past. And as the wit and the invention have thinned, the whine and the sneer in his voice have proportionately thickened. He has still dug up some treasures of found footage (an educational documentary on the fall of Ancient Rome, a Ronald Reagan cowboy film, a newsreel of the near-death FDR proposing his Second Bill of Rights), and he engineers some amusing juxtapositions in the editing room, yet the vast bulk of his movie divides into arbitrary anecdotes of human interest, on the one hand, and on the other a rehash of a subject already well and recently covered, the Meltdown and the Bailout. More simply, economics is by nature a dull subject on screen, and Moore has managed insufficiently to enliven it. 2009.

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TON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Cloudy with a Chance of

Meatballs — Computer-animated children's fantasy in 3-D, co-directed by Phil Lord and Chris Miller. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSS-MONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; TOWN SOUARE 14)

Coco before Chanel — Well-dressed tedium. Writer and director Anne Fontaine presumes your interest on the grounds that the dark-eyed orphaned heroine will go on to renown as Coco Chanel. With Audrey Tautou, Benoît Poelvoorde, Alessandro Nivola, and Emmanuelle Devos. 2009. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Couples Retreat — New Age relationship counseling in a tropical paradise, a stale, routinized, loveless marital comedy. With Vince Vaughn, Jon Favreau, Jason Bateman, Malin Akerman, Kristin Davis, Kristen Bell, Faizon Love, Kali Hawk, and Jean Reno; directed by Peter Billingsley. 2009.

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The Damned United — Fact-based tale of English soccer, with Michael Sheen, Colm Meaney, Timothy Spall, and Jim Broadbent, directed by Tom Hooper. (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/16)

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. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; LA PALOMA)

Extract — Mike Judge, the Office Space man, never mind the Beavis and Butt-head man, goes blue-collar at a food flavoring factory, where his fund of observations of workers on the job proves skimpier. The owner and central character comes close to a complete cipher, although Jason Bateman's flat-tire facial expressions serve as an adequate cover. Around him are more players than Judge can juggle — Kristen Wiig, Mila Kunis, Ben Affleck, J.K. Simmons, Clifton Collins, Jr., Gene Simmons, others - but at least two of them look likely to survive as memorable: the dimwitted, frosted-haired junior gigolo (Dustin Milligan) and, even likelier, the obtuse intrusive neighbor (David Koechner), guarding the adjacent driveway no less zealously than Cerberus the gate of Hades, incapable of cutting the conversation short, picking up the pace, or hearing the pleas of his prey: "Well, I'm not going to keep you long." 2009.

★ (GASLAMP 15)



Fuel — Documentary on the energy crisis in America, directed by Joshua Tickell. (KEN, 10/16 THROUGH 22)

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. (GASLAMP 15)

Indiana Jones and the Last

Crusade — The third Indiana Jones adventure, and more or less what you'd expect. Perhaps a little less, in that this is the most blithely comical of them, with the hero's father filling the bill of comic-relief character actor. Of course we hardly needed any added relief in what is already an unrelenting spoof. And to see Sean Connery, no less, reduced to playing C. Aubrey Smith is not a happy sight. From one angle, it's hard to resent Steven Spielberg's regression to an earlier stage now that we've seen him take a couple of plunges (or belly-flops) into the deeper waters of The Color Purple and Empire of the Sun; now that he's shown us that all that technique in the service of higher causes is still just a lot of technique. At the same time, though, it's hard to respect him for regressing beyond Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom and all the way back to Raiders of the Lost Ark; for knuckling under, it would seem, to the tongue-cluckings of a mixed chorus of critics and Concerned Parents. (Not just in the matter of violence, but in the matter of imputed racism too: what better, for that purpose, than to take your villains from among those obliging Master Racists: "Nazis," mutters our right-thinking hero. "I hate these guys!") An artist can never do his best work, can never properly do his work at all, if he's following the dictates of kibitzers. With Harrison Ford and Denholm Elliott, 1989. ★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 10/15

THROUGH 17, 7:30 P.M.)

The Informant! - Steven Soderbergh, working from fact, details an impenetrable case of corporate skullduggery blown open by an ambiguous black-hatted whistleblower: a kind of anti-Hitchcock suspense comedy, grudgingly putting any cards at all on the table, keeping the surprises coming only by keeping us in the dark, flouting the Master's tried-and-true method of fully briefing us. (It's also anti-Hitchcock in its rosy, fuzzy, vaporous image.) The hero's meandering stream-of-consciousness narration ("I like my hands. I think they're my favorite part of my body") gives us constant clues as to the variety of nut we are dealing with; and the exclamation point in the title, the anachronistic Groovy Sixties lettering, and the chipper Marvin Hamlisch background music, all to ensure that we know this is a comedy, seem outsized for the actual level of amusement: seldom laugh-outloud but often lip-twisting. Matt Damon puts up some surprisingly strong competition for future William Macy roles, in a stick-on mustache and a crimpy hairpiece which he waits an hour and a half to tug at, giving up all pretense of fooling anyone, and waits all the way to the epilogue to remove altogether. Scott Bakula effortlessly upstages him as the flat-haired, furrowedbrowed straight man, a straight-arrow FBI guy. Luckily for Damon, Bakula is much off-screen. 2009.

★★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Inglourious Basterds — Quentin Tarantino takes no more than the risible ti-

tle from Enzo G. Castellari's Dirty Dozen knockoff of 1978, and respells, misspells

that. (Did he ponder Basturds as possibly funnier?) Much of the movie, a revisionist revisitation of the French theater of operations in the Second World War, is unapologetically, unsanctimoniously silly. Yet the revisions give you plenty to chew on. 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 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. He 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 - at the close of two and a half hours - it stands as arguably his best-made to date, scene after scene meticulously shaped and timed, not to mention gleamingly photographed by Robert Richardson. 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. Brad Pitt, Christoph Waltz, Mélanie Laurent, Daniel Brühl, Diane Kruger. 2009. ★★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18: HORTON PLAZA 14:

LA PALOMA; PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15)

The Invention of Lying — High-concept comedy with and from Ricky Gervais, cowriting and co-directing with Matthew Robinson. It's set in an alternative universe where everyone by nature tells the brutal truth (even advertisers: "Pepsi, When They Don't Have Coke"), until the brutalized short portly hero, unable to make his rent, makes an evolutionary leap to deceit, and goes on from there to invent religion. The concept is certainly cheeky, if uncertainly funny, but the de rigueur romance takes it into sappy platitudes on skin-deep beauty and inner worth. With Jennifer Garner, Rob Lowe, Tina Fey, Louis C.K., Jonah Hill, Jason Bateman, Jeffrey Tambor, and uncredited cameos for Philip Seymour Hoffman and Edward Norton, 2009.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; DEL MAR HIGH-LANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15)

It Might Get Loud - Davis Guggenheim, the ignored director of An Inconvenient Truth (all glory to Al Gore), essays a different sort of documentary, arranging a "summit" of electric guitarists, Jimmy Page of Led Zeppelin, The Edge of U2, and Jack White of the White Stripes and the Racon-teurs. Not much comes of the meeting of minds and fingers, but the individual background stories are not without interest (especially the childhood footage of Page and Edge). All of which tends, however, to point up the arbitrariness of the selection: why not Beck? Clapton? Slash? But as long as you can abide the sound of the instrument - the title serves fair warning - you should have no major cause for complaint. 2009. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

Julie and Julia — As per its punchy subhead, this is "based on two true stories," parallel stories of feminist self-determination, set half a century apart, then and now

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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 into a rounded, humanized, full-service screen character. We want at all times, not just half the time, to be with Julia; and we should probably be grateful to writer-director 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 Lynch. 2009.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14: GASLAMP 15: TOWN SQUARE 14)

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Law Abiding Citizen — Disgust with the justice system drives a "brain," a diabolical omnipotent technological wizard, to punish the people who insufficiently punished the people who raped and murdered his wife and daughter. The humble flatfoot hits the nail on the head: "Un-fucking-believable." With Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler, Bruce McGill, Colm Meaney, Leslie Bibb, and Annie Corley; directed by F. Gary Gray. 2009. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: GROSS-MONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEAN-SIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18: PLAZA BONITA 14: POWAY 10: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15: RIVER VIL-LAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 10/16)

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,



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Ouizzical 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. ★★ (GASLAMP 15)

More Than a Game — Kristopher Belman's sports documentary on LeBron James's high-school basketball team. (MISSION VALLEY 20, FROM 10/16)

New York. I Love You — Anthology film by multiple directors including Fatih Akin, Yvan Attal, Mira Nair, and Brett Ratner. (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE: FROM 10/16)

9 — Post-apocalyptic computer cartoon by Shane Acker, set in a rusty, dusty, colordeprived future. "But life," intones the rumbling narrator at the outset, "must go on," even if only in the form of Lilliputian clothdoll automatons hounded by Brobdingnagian mechanized cutlery. The realistic graphic style displays an endless devotion to tactility - the gunnysack skin of the automatons, the grainy wood, the weathered metal - and since the line between live action and computer animation continues to narrow and to blur, it would be no problem to populate the very same terrain with flesh-and-blood people instead of their disembodied voices (Elijah Wood, John C. Reilly, Christopher Plummer, Jennifer Connelly, Martin Landau). The engulfing visual experience provides sufficient dis-



traction from, or compensation for, the rudimentary conflict of rebels against machines. 2009.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; MISSION MARKET-PLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Pandorum — Two astronauts wake up from hypersleep to find themselves more or less in the middle of a video game, greased martial artists versus slimy mutants, for the fate of humanity. Dark, incomprehensible topography and action, bone-rattling sound effects and music. With Ben Foster, Dennis Ouaid, Cam Gigandet, and Antie Traue; directed by Christian Alvart. 2009. (GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; OCEANSIDE 16)

Paranormal Activity — Young San Diego couple purchase a camcorder to document the "entity" - diagnosed by a psychic as a demon, not a ghost - that has haunted the female on and off since girlhood. Dirt-cheap digital horror film builds, not too high, to some effective frissons. The fixed-position camera during sleeptime approaches almost a structuralist rigor. Capably acted by Katie Featherston and Micah Sloat (in the roles of "Katie" and "Micah"); written and directed by Oren Peli. 2009. ★★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION

VALLEY 18: GROSSMONT CENTER 10: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROME NADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: PLAZA BONITA 14: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; TOWN SQUARE 14)

- Multiple storylines encircle many Paris facets of the French capital. The city looks splendid; the not very compelling characters (the brink-of-death Romain Duris excepted) keep getting in the way. Several liberating bits of dance, strictly gratuitous. With Juliette Binoche, Fabrice Luchini, Albert Dupontel, François Cluzet, and Mélanie Laurent; directed by Cédric Klapisch. 2008.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 10/16)

A Serious Man — Reviewed this issue. With Michael Stuhlbarg, Sari Lennick, Richard Kind, and Aaron Wolff; written and directed by Joel and Ethan Coen. ★★★★★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 10/16; HILL-CREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12, FROM 10/16)



The Stepfather — Remake of the 1987 psychological thriller, with Dylan Walsh and Sela Ward, directed by Nelson Mc-Cormick.

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Still Walking — Family get-together in annual commemoration of a premature death. Hirokazu Kore-eda (After Life, No*body Knows*) dons the mantle of Yasuiiro Ozu, and finds it a little large. The slow accumulation of domestic and conversational minutiae seeks a balance of the sublime and the monotonous, tilting ultimately toward the latter, Yoshio Harada, Kirin Kiki, Hiroshi Abe, Kazuya Takahashi, Shohei Tanaka, Yui Natsukawa. 2008. ★★ (KEN, THROUGH 10/15)

Surrogates — Vicarious living, virtual living, through flawless androids, so that this indeterminate future often bears an eerie likeness to a Ross Hunter production at Universal Studios circa 1959: "Life... only better." The basic situation is confusing enough without the murder mystery and the experimental zap gun that fries not just the brains of the robots but those of the distant humans hooked up to them. What's clear is the science-fiction fundamental of dehumanization and rehumanization. With Bruce Willis, Radha Mitchell, Rosamund Pike, Ving Rhames, and James Cromwell; directed by Jonathan Mostow. 2009. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14: CHULA VISTA 10: FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: PLAZA BONITA 14: POWAY 10: RAN-CHO SAN DIEGO 15; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Taking Woodstock — Ang Lee, evidently still banking on the critical goodwill since Brokeback Mountain, whips up some innocuous nostalgia around the milestone music festival of the summer of 1969, a fortieth-anniversary fictionalized addendum to Michael Wadleigh's official Woodstock, complete with imitative split-screen effects. This docucomedy, so to call it, never gets near the music — no nearer than the emblematic mud slide — so that the movie lacks a proper payoff, unless you can count the paint-by-computer acid trip or (cashing in a Brokeback dividend) the homosexual coming-out. It lacks, to put a finer point on it, a sense of purpose, a raison d'être. A few feigned tensions arise along the way -Mafia buttinskies, inhospitable townsfolk, congested traffic - but nothing to derail the prevailing love-in. We get our fill, never fear, of "far out" and "cool" and "groovy" and "heavy," and we get a handful of hindsight drolleries: "Can you believe it? A dollar for water!" Imelda Staunton, a bulldog in two-toned glasses frames, claims the limelight from both the protagonist (her on-screen son) and a supporting cast of half a million, in the part of a Russian Jewish immigrant who, as proprietress of the mom-and-pop El Monaco Motel, pinches pennies on a pathological scale (one dollar per towel), an irresistible candidate for a hash brownie. A vardstick, that brownie, of the filmmaker's docile conventionality. With Demetri Martin, Henry Goodman, Liev Schreiber, Jonathan Groff, Eugene Levy, Emile Hirsch. 2009. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

Toy Story — From Disney, the self-proclaimed First Fully Computer-Animated Feature Film: reason enough to disdain it on general principle. Reason in particular, and in plenty, is provided by the horrible forms of the figures - closer to Pup

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petoons, Claymation, Gumby, Speedy Alka-Seltzer, and the Pillsbury Doughboy than to the Disney family of cartoon characters. (Must we now include this with Snow White, Pinocchio, and the rest, in the studio's animation library?) The premise the activities, the feelings, the rivalries of assorted toys when their owner is out of sight — cannot bear much thinking about; the gags are rapid-fire and sophisticated; the few Randy Newman tunes do not bog things down; and the end is mercifully not far off. With the voices of Tom Hanks (as Woody the pull-string cowboy) and Tim Allen (Buzz Lightyear, battery-operated Space Ranger); directed by John Lasseter. 1995.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CEN-TER 10; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Toy Story 2— A sure bet to be enjoyed by all who enjoyed the first one. And endured

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by most others. The central theme of the built-in obsolescence of children's toys -Woody, the pull-string cowboy, has suffered a torn shoulder and is retired to the shelf while his owner goes off to summer camp without him - gives rise to some difficult, even painful, questions on aging, mortality, the instability of relationships, the impermanence of love, and the like. ("Do you really think Andy is going to take you to college? Or on his honeymoon?") The easy answers will doubtless be more soothing the younger you are. Parents, in consequence, are to be cautioned not for their kids' sake, but for their own sake. On another front, the advances in computer animation since the original Toy Story are plain to see, particularly in the depth of field (including at times an artificially blurry foreground), the openness and airiness of the space, and the lifelikeness of some of the human figures (all the way to nose hairs and a bad combover). Sometimes it is hard to know, or to remember, what you are looking at. This development, if you are old enough to be unsoothed by the aforementioned easy answers, is apt to be too fraught with misgivings and forebodings (where will it lead? where will it end?) to be entirely enjoyable. With the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, Joan Cusack, Kelsey Grammer, Wayne Knight; directed by John Lasseter. 1999. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CEN-TER 10; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Where the Wild Things Are — Spike Jonze's adaptation of the Maurice Sendak children's book.

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Whip It — Petite, apathetic Ellen Page finds a new calling — as "Babe Ruthless" in the rough-and-tumble of Austin roller derby, leading to a calendar conflict between the championship game and, her mother's dearest dream, the Bluebonnet Beauty Pageant. Drew Barrymore, who plays a minor supporting part, takes to the director's chair, a bully pulpit from which to spread the gospel of cuteness: a feeble feminist fable, all sugar, no spice, with nice photography by Robert Yeoman but unexciting, unconvincing sports action. Marcia Gav Harden, Daniel Stern, Alia Shawkat, Landon Pigg, Andrew Wilson, Kristen Wiig, Juliette Lewis, Jimmy Fallon. 2009.

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Zombieland — Nerdy, neurotic Jesse Eisenberg, the unlikeliest Texan, narrates a postmodern post-apocalyptic road trip through a population of secondhand flesheating zombies, in the company of the only three surviving humans east of Bill Murray's mansion in Beverly Hills: the Twinkiecraving Woody Harrelson and two scamming sisters, Emma Stone and Abigail Breslin. Smart-ass comedy, not to say smart, forgetful as it is of its own rules and logic. Directed by Ruben Fleischer. 2009. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15: GROSSMONT CENTER 10: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARK-WAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SOUARE 14)

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2:50) 4:25, 5:00, 7:10, 7:40, 9:20, 9:50; **The Stepfather** (Not Rated) Fri. (12:35, 3:00, 5:30) 7:55, 10:20 Sat.-Sun. (12:35, 3:00) 5:30, 7:55, 10:20; **Surrogates** (PG-13) Fri. (12:20, 2:30, 4:40) 7:15, 9:30 Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 2:30) 4:40, 7:15, 9:30; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri. (11:45, 12:30, 2:10, 2:55, 4:35, 5:20) 7:00, 7:45, 9:25, 10:10 Sat.-Sun. (11:45, 12:30, 2:10, 2:55) 4:35, 5:20, 7:00, 7:45, 9:25, 10:10; **Whip It** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05) 7:00

KENSINGTON

Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236) Fuel (NR) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:15), 7:00, 9:45; No 4:15, 7:00, 9:45 pm shows Thu., 10/22/09; Sat. & Sun. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (888-262-4386) Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs; Couples Retreat; The Informant!; The Invention of Lying; Law Abiding Citizen; Paranormal Activity; A Serious Man; The Stepfather; Where the Wild Things Are; Whip It; Zombieland La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236) New York, I Love You (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:20) 7:00, 9:30; Sat. & Sun. (11:10, 1:45) 4:20, 7:00, 9:30; Capitalism: A Love Story (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 5:00, 8:00; Sat. & Sun. (11:00) 2:10, 5:00, 8:00; Paris (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:20) 5:15, 8:10; Paris (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:20) 5:15, 8:10; No 5:15, 8:10; Bright Star (PG) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Sat. & Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45

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 Last Crusade (PG-13) Thu.-Sat. 7:30

MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18 7037 Friars Road (888-262-4386) Capitalism: A Love Story (R) Fri.-Sat.

(10:15) 1:15, 4:05, 6:55, 10:00 Sun. (10:15) 1:15, 3:55, 6:45, 9:35; Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:30) 12:40, 2:55, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45 Sun. (10:30) 12:40, 2:55, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Couples Retreat (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00) 12:00, 1:40, 2:40, 4:20, 5:20, 7:10, 8:10, 9:55, 10:55 Sun. (11:00) 12:00, 1:40, 2:50, 4:20, 5:30, 7:10, 8:10, 9:55; **Fame** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 12:15, 5:25, 10:30; **The Informant!** (R) Fri.-Sun. 2:45, 7:55; **Inglourious Bas-terds** (R) Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 7:00; **The Invention** of Lying (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:40) 2:20, 4:55, 7:35, 10:10; Law Abiding Citizen (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:45) 12:45, 2:25, 3:30, 5:05, 6:05, 7:45, 8:50, 10:25, 11:30 Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 3:30, 6:05, 8:50, 11:30 Sun. (11:45) 12:45, 2:25, 3:30, 5:05, 6:05, 7:45, 8:50, 10:25 Sun. 12:45, 3:30, 6:05, 8:50; Love Happens (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:25) 4:25, 10:20; Paranormal Activity (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:00, 11:15) 12:10, 1:30, 2:35, 3:55, 5:00, 6:20, 7:20, 8:35, 9:35, 11:00, 12:00 Sun. (10:00, 11:15) 12:10, 1:30, 2:35, 3:50, 5:00, 6:20, 7:20, 8:30, 9:40, 10:40; **The Stepfather** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. (10:40) 1:05, 3:40, 6:10, 8:40, 11:10 Sun. 12:05, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15; **Surrogates** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:30) 1:55, 4:15, 6:40, 9:05, 11:20 Sun. (11:30) 1:55, 4:15, 6:40, 9:05; Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Feature (G) Fri. Sat. (10:20) 2:10, 6:00, 9:50 Sun. (11:25) 3:25, 7:15; Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:05, 11:05) 12:35, 1:35, 3:05, 4:30,



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Showtimes subject to change.DOWNTOWN(Bargain showtimes in parentheses.)Gaslamp 15

Gaslamp 15 701 Fifth Avenue (800-326-3264 #2709) The Boys Are Back (PG-13); Extract (R); From Mexico with Love (PG-13); The Hangover (R); I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell (R); The Informant! (R); It Might Get Loud (PG); Jennifer's Body (R); Julie and Julia (PG-13); Love Happens (PG-13); Moon (R); Pandorum (R); Taking Woodstock (R); Trucker (Not Rated); The Way We Get By (Not Rated); Zombieland (R)

Horton Plaza 14

Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM) **Capitalism: A Love Story** (R) Fri. (12:15, 4:20) 7:25, 10:15 Sat.-Sun. (12:15) 4:20, 7:25, 10:15; **Cloudy with a C hance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri. (11:55, 2:05, 4:15) 7:05, 9:15 Sat.-Sun. (11:55, 2:05) 4:15, 7:05, 9:15; **Couples Retreat** (R) Fri. (12:10, 12:50, 2:45, 4:10, 5:25) 7:20, 8:00, 9:55, 10:35 Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 12:50, 2:45) 4:10, 5:25, 7:20, 8:00, 9:55, 10:35; **Inglourious Basterds** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:40) 9:35; **The Invention of Lying** (PG-13) Fri. (12:25, 2:50, 5:20) 7:45, 10:25 Sat.-Sun. (12:25, 2:50, 5:20) 7:45, 10:25, 5:15) 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45 Sat.-Sun. (11:50, 12:45, 2:35) 4:05, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri. (12:00, 12:40, 2:15, 2:50, 4:25, 5:00) 7:10, 7:40, 9:20, 9:50 Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 12:40, 2:15,

5:35, 7:15, 8:05, 9:40, 10:35 Sun. (10:05 11:05) 12:35, 1:35, 3:05, 4:05, 5:35, 6:30, 8:05, 9:10; Whip It (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20) 2:05, 4:45, 7:25, 10:05; **Zombieland** (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:10) 12:20, 2:30, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20, 11:40 Sun. (10:10) 12:20, 2:30, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20

Mission Valley 7 7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)



Where the Wild Things Are (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; Couples Retreat (PG-13) (11:00 2:00) 4:45 7:30 10:15: No 11:00 Sun.; Zombieland (R) (10:15 1:00 4:00) 7:00 10:00; No 10:15 Sat. & Sun.; No 7:00 Thu.; Asian Film Festival: Call theater for show times; Spookley the Square Pumpkin (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only; I Puritani Opera 10:30 am Sun, only; Castor et Pollux Opera 7 pm Thu. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (888-262-4386) Capitalism: A Love Story; Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs; Couples Retreat; The Invention of Lying; Law Abiding Citizen; More Than a Game; Paranormal Activity; The Stepfather; Surrogates; Toy Story; Toy Story 2; Where the Wild Things Are; Whip It: Zombieland

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) A Serious Man (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; Sat. & Sun. (11:00) 1:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; New York, I Love You (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:15) 4:50, 7:15, 9:40; Sat. & Sun. (11:15) 1:45, 4:20, 6:50, 9:45; Coco before Chanel (PG-13) Fri, Mon - Thu (1:45, 4:20). 6:50, 9:45; Sat. & Sun. (11:15), 1:45, 4:20, 6:50, 9:45: The Damned United (R) Fri., Mon. Thu. (2:00, 4:40), 7:30, 9:55; Sat. & Sun.: (11:30) 2:00, 4:40, 7:30, 9:55; A Serious Man (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. 8:30; Sat. & Sun.: 8:30; Amreeka (PG-13) Fri., Mon.-Thu, (1:15) 3:40, 6:00; Sat. & Sun. (10:50) 1:15, 3:40, 6:00

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center 1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) Adventures in Wild California (Not Rated) Fri, 3:00p.m. Sat, 11:00, 3:00, 7:00 Sun, 11:00, 3:00; Animalopolis (Not Rated) Sun. 6:00p.m.; Island of the Sharks (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00p.m.; Mummies: Secrets of the Pharaohs (Not Rated) Fri. 8:00p.m.; Under the Sea (G) Fri. 1:00, 5:00 Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 5:00



EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18 405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) Capitalism: A Love Story (R); Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG); Couples Retreat (R); Fame (PG); The Invention of Lying (PG-13); Law Abiding Citizen (R); Love Happens (PG-13); 9 (PG-13); Paranormal Activity (R); The Stepfather (Not Rated); Surrogates (PG-13); Toy Story (G); Toy Story 2 (G); Where the Wild Things Are (PG); Whip It (PG-13); Zombieland (R)

LA MESA

Grossmont Center 10 5500 Grossmont Center Drive (800-326-3264 #2710

2009 Capitalism: A Love Story (R); Cloudy with 15,

a Chance of Meatballs (PG); Couples Retreat (R): The Invention of Lying (PG-13)

October Law Abiding Citizen (R); Paranormal Activ

ity (R); The Stepfather (Not Rated); Surrogates (PG-13); Toy Story (G); Toy Story 2 (G); Where the Wild Things Are (PG);

RANCHO SAN DIEGO ğ

Zombieland (R)

Rancho San Diego 15 San 2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264)

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs $\left(\mathrm{PG}\right)$

S Fri. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05) 7:25, 9:50 Sat.-Sun.

(12:15, 2:40) 5:05, 7:25, 9:50; Couples Retreat (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:35, 12:05, 2:20, 3:00) 7:15, 7:50, 10:05, 10:35; Fame (PG) Fri.-Sun. 9:25a.m.; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sun (11:40) 9:35; The Invention of Lying (PG-13) (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 12:40, 3:10, 4:35) 7:05, 7:40. 10:15, 10:40; Paranormal Activity (R) Fri. (11:50, 12:20, 2:15, 2:45, 4:45, 5:20) 7:20, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30 Sat.-Sun. (11:50, 12:20, 2:15, 2:45) 4:45, 5:20, 7:20, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30; **The** Stepfather (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2:35) 7:10, 10:10; Surrogates (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:55) 6:45; **Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Feature** (G) Fri.-Sun. (2:05) 6:55;

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri. (11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:25, 4:30, 5:00) 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00, 12:00 Sat.-Sun. (11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:25)

4:30, 5:00, 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00; Whip It (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 3:15) 6:40, 9:40; Zombieland (R) Fri. (12:25, 2:50, 5:10) 7:35, 9:55 Sat.-Sun. (12:25, 2:50) 5:10, 7:35, 9:55

SANTEE

Santee Drive In 10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Couples Retreat (R); Fame (PG); Love Happens (PG-13); Where the Wild Things Are (PG)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

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



Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Fea-(G) (12:00 3:40) 7:30; Where the Wild

NEW YORK POST, Kyle Smith "The funniest comedy since 'The Hangover." TIME, Richard Corliss "Zombieland' is an exhilarating ride, start to finish." WOODY TSSE EMMA ABIGAL HARRELSON EISENBERG STONE COLUMBIA PICTURES PRESENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH RELATIVITY MEDIA A PARIAH PRODUCTION "ZOMBIELAND" """ BOAVID SARDY REGEBEZRA SWERDLOW PAUL WERNICK RHETT REESE RYAN KAVANAUGH """EPRHETT REESE & PAUL WERNICK """"" GAVIN POLONE R OR VIOLENCE/GORE AND LANGUAGE NOW PLAYING

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Things Are (PG) (11:30 12:30 2:00 3:00) 4:30 5:30 7:00 8:00 9:30 10:30; Law Abiding Citizen (R) (11:00 1:45) 4:45 7:45 10:30; The **Stepfather** (PG-13) (12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Opa** (PG-13) (11:15 1:45 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:30; **Zombieland** (R) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 6:00 8:30 10:45; Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG) (11:45 2:30) 5:00 7:15 9:45; Surrogates (PG-13) (1:30) 7:30; **9** (PG-13) (11:15) 4:15 10:00; **Barney: Jungle** Friends (G) 10 am Sat. only; Spookley the Square Pumpkin (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

Otav Ranch 12

Eastlake Parkway (at Olympic) (888-262-4386) Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:05) 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:35 Sun. 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:35; **Couples Re-treat** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:50) 1:45, 4:30, 7:25, 10:15; Law Abiding Citizen (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15) 2:05, 4:45, 7:30, 10:30; Paranormal Activity (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:30) 12:50. 3:10. 5:30. 7:50, 10:10, 11:00 Sun. (10:30) 12:50, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; The Stepfather (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:05, 9:10, 10:00; Surrogates (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15) 12:35, 2:55, 5:15, 7:40, 10:05; Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Feature (G) Fri.-Sun. (10:10) 2:10, 6:00, 9:50; Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:00, 10:40, 11:25) 12:30, 1:20, 2:00, 3:05, 4:00, 4:35, 5:40, 6:35, 7:15, 8:10, 9:45 Sun. (10:00, 10:40, 11:25) 12:30, 1:20, 2:00, 3:05, 4:00, 4:35, 5:40, 6:35, 7:15, 8:10, 9:45 10:30; Whip It (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:05) 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:55 Sun. 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:55; Zombieland (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:45) 1:05, 3:25, 5:45, 8:00, 10:20 Sun. 1:05, 3:25, 5:45, 8:00, 10:20

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road (888-262-4386) Capitalism: A Love Story: Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs; Couples Retreat; Fame; The Final Destination; From Mexico with Love; G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra; Inglourious Basterds; The Invention of Lying; Law Abiding Citizen; 9; Paranormal Activ ity: The Stepfather: Surrogates: Toy Story: Toy Story 2; Where the Wild Things Are; Whip It; Zombieland

Rancho Del Rey 16

1025 Tierra del Rey (off 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 (888-262-4386) Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG); Couples Retreat (R); The Invention of Lying (PG-13); Law Abiding Citizen (R); Paranormal Activity (R); The Stepfather (Not Rated); Surrogates (PG-13); Toy Story (G); Toy Story 2 (G); Where the Wild Things Are (PG); Whip It (PG-13); Zombieland (R)

NORTH INLAND

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16 West Valley Parkway (760-291-0119) Call theater for program information.

FALLBROOK

River Village 6 5256 S Mission Road (760-945-8784)



Where the Wild Things Are (PG) (11:30 2:00) 4:15 7:00 9:30; Law Abiding Citizen (R) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:30; The Stepfather (PG-13) (12:00 2:45) 5:30 8:15 10:45; Couples Retreat (PG-13) (11:15 1:45) 4:30 7:15 10:00; Zombieland (R) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 5:45 8:00 10:15; Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D (PG) (12:15 3:00) 5:15 7:30 9:45: Barney

Jungle Friends (G) 10 am Sat. only; Spookley the Square Pumpkin (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-1hu. No 10 am-3:45 pm shows Mon.-Thu.

POWAY

Poway 10 13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)



Toy Story & Toy Story2 3D Double Feature (G) (12:00 3:40) 7:30; Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 5:00 7:15 9:45; Where the Wild Things Are (PG) (10:00 11:30 12:30 2:00 3:00) 4:30 5:30 7:00 8:00 9:30 10:30; Law Abiding Citizen (R) (10:45 1:45) 4:45 7:45 10:45; Capitalism: A Love Story (R) (10:15 1:15) 4:15 7:15 10:15; The Stepfather (PG-13) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; Couples Retreat (PG-13) (10:30 1:15 4:00) 7:00 10:00; Zombieland (R) (11:15 1:30 3:45) 6:15 8:30 10:45; Whip It (PG-13) (10:30 3:30) 8:15; Surrogates (PG-13) (10:00 5:45 10:30; Spookley the Square Pumpkin (G) 10:30 am Sat-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18 1180 W. San Marcos Boulevard (at Old California Walk) (800-326-3264) Call theater for program information.

VISTA

Vista Village Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469) Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 2:15, 4:40) 7:05, 9:20; Couples Retreat (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 11:40, 1:40, 2:20, 4:20, 5:00) 7:10, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30; The Invention of Lying (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 5:05) 10:05; Law Abiding Citizen (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 11:40, 1:45, 2:25, 4:30, 5:10) 7:20, 7:55, 10:05, 10:35; Paranormal Activity (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 12:45, 1:30, 3:05, 3:40, 5:15, 5:50) 7:35, 8:10, 9:45, 10:30; The Stepfather (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 12:30, 2:20, 3:00, 4:55, 5:35) 7:25, 8:00, 9:50, 10:30; Surrogates (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:00) 10:10 Sun. (12:30) 10:10; Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Feature (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 3:10) 7:00; Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 12:40, 2:25, 3:05, 4:50, 5:25) 7:15, 7:45, 9:40, 10:20; Whip It (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:30) 7:30; Zombieland (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 5:40) 7:10, 7:50, 9:30

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469) **Couples Retreat** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:35, 2:10, 4:55) 7:30, 10:00 Sun. (11:35, 2:10, 4:55) 7:30; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40 Sun. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:00; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:20, 4:45) 7:15, 9:35 Sun. (12:00, 2:20, 4:45) 7:15; **Zombieland** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:20, 1:25, 3:35) 5:40, 7:45, 9:50 Sun. (11:20, 1:25, 3:35) 5:40, 7:45

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8 El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)



Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:30; Where the Wild Things Are (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; Law Abiding Citizen (R) (11:00 1:45) 4:30 7:30 10:15; **Paranormal Ac**tivity (R) (10:45 1:00 3:30) 6:00 8:15 10:30; **Bright Star** (PG) (11:30) 5:00 10:45; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (10:30 1:15) 4:15 7:15 10:00; **The Invention of Lying** (PG-13) (10:00 12:15 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; No 10:00 Sat. & Sun.; **Zombieland** (R) (11:15 1:30 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Whip It** (PG-13) (2:15) 8:15; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only

only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu. **Flower Hill 4** 2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)



A Serious Man (R) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; New York, I Love You (R) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; The Boys Are Back (PG-13) (11:15 2:00) 4:45 7:30 10:15; No 7:30 Tues.; Capitalism: A Love Story (R) (10:00 1:00 4:00) 7:00 10:00; One Fast Move or I'm Gone: Jack Kerouac's Big Sur (10:15

Daddy's home.

12:45 7:30 pm Tue. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

ENCINITAS

La Paloma 471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-7469) District 9 (R) Fri. 6:30p.m. Sat.-Sun. (4:00) 6:30; Inglourious Basterds (R) Fri.-Sun. 8:55p.m.

LA COSTA

La Costa 6 6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)



Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:15 9:30; Where the Wild Things Are (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; Law Abiding Citizen (R) (10:45 1:30) 4:30 7:30 10:30; Couples Retreat (PG-13) (10:15 1:00 4:00) 7:00 10:00; The Invention of Lying (PG-13) (10:30 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:15; No 10:30 Sat. & Sun.; Capitalism: A Love Story (R) (11:00 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:45; No 11:00 Sun.; Spookley the Square Pumpkin (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only; I Puritani Opera 10:30 am Sun.-Thu.

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Lincoln receiver Victor Dean hauls in a touchdown pass on a slant route

Game of the Week: **Mission Bay at Lincoln** Posted October 10, 2009

Emotions were running high before the game when Mission Bay quarterback Dillon Baxter jogged out to the middle of the field and emphatically slammed the ball on Lincoln's midfield logo, an act Hornets players were not too happy about. But Baxter backed up his brazen move by throwing for 268 yards and rushing for another 277 in a 41-34 comeback win.

In the first half, Lincoln's aerial attack was too much for Mission Bay. The Hornets had scoring drives of one and three plays in the opening quarter and led 17-7 after one. With 6:52 to play in the half, Lincoln quarterback Jake Marrion connected with Victor Dean for a three-yard touchdown — Dean's fourth score of the half — and the Hornets were ahead 31-14.

Mission Bay changed up their defensive scheme in the second half, and it paid off. The Bucs held Lincoln to only three points after halftime and pitched a shutout in the final quarter.

"We started blitzing safeties and that made a big difference," said Mission Bay defensive coordinator Mel Galli. "It seemed to throw them off."

While Mission Bay's defense stymied the Lincoln attack, their offense slowly chipped away at the 13-point deficit. The Buccaneers eventually tied the game with 9:40 left on a 99-yard scoring drive. On the drive, Baxter had a 66-yard thirddown run and capped the drive with a 27-yard pass to receiver Ray Herring. Baxter scored the game-winning touchdown on a two-yard run with 4:59 left.

By Anthony Gentile



Mission Bay quarterback Dillon Baxter gets up close and personal

Olympian on fast track to success

Posted October 8, 2009, 1:28 p.m. Through five weeks of the season, only one of the ten teams that call Chula Vista home has won all of their games. And it's not Eastlake, Chula Vista, Otay Ranch, or Hilltop.

It's Olympian. And in only the third year of their varsity program, the Eagles are swooping in on the South Bay. Olympian opened its doors in 2006 and the following year finished 2-8 in its first varsity season. Two years later, they are carrying a perfect record into October.

Tucked away in the hills less than five miles north of the border, Olympian might be the best-kept secret in the section. They use their relative obscurity as motivation.

"We have a chip because most other teams think they can beat us," said Eagles defensive back Hollis Hulin.

The Eagles' fast start is due in part to their speed. Warren said the starting secondary runs between a 4.5 and 4.6 40-yard dash.

"We're not getting beat deep like we were before," Warren said.

On the offensive side of the ball, Olympian is putting up 32 points per game out of a multiple-set I-formation. The Eagles have a threeheaded rushing attack led by junior running back Alex Cornist, who rushed for 106 yards and three touchdowns in a win over Mar Vista last week. Quarterback Ryan Van Nostrand, the only starter in program history, averages 13 pass attempts per game.

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C*runch*. Uh-oh. Patrick backed into my best friend's car.

I rang up Eddie Martin, owner and master technician at the Dent Devils (619-726-6767, thedentdevils.com), a paintless dentremoval shop. "People think of us as 'the body-shop alternative,'" said Martin, "but in reality, the body shop is the alternative to us. Depending on the damage, I bring the car back to factory specs without using paint or Bondo. If a body shop

uses Bondo or breaks the paint, then it's not factory original anymore. On top of that, we're usually cheaper, faster, and more environmentally friendly."

It sounded good, so I asked how he managed it. "Paintless dent repair is done with special

tools — stainless steel rods and hammers. You go in from the backside of the dent and gently massage or sculpt the metal back into its pre-existing shape. Sometimes, if you can't access the space behind a dent, there are little pads you can adhere to the outside that will help you pull the metal back into shape — but it all depends. There are so many variables" that determine time required (and therefore cost). Prices start at **\$85** and go up according to the variables.

Type and severity of dent is the first of those variables. Access is the second. "Some people drill holes to get access - they might put one in a door jamb where it won't be seen. But I think that's sloppy, and the car is no longer factory [condition] at that point, so I don't do that. I'll pull stuff off the car in order to get to a dent. A roof dent can have a difficult access point, but it depends on the car. If you have a Mercedes with a sunroof, getting the headliner out properly may take hours. A BMW might take only a few minutes." It takes skill and time to work on a dented door with airbags inside, but a dented Hyundai fender "might take only a few minutes." Getting an estimate means bringing your car to the shop or emailing photos - one from straight on and one from a sharp sideview.

Sometimes, of course, access is impossible or the metal is overly stretched or kinked. When paintless removal is not an option, that's when you call the alternative. Martin works in conjunction with Eurotek Auto Collision, downtown (619-239-7843). "And if you bring a car to them and it can "Make sure anyone doing your repair is registered with the Bureau of Automotive Repair."

be done paintless, they'll send you to me."

Martin left me with a warning. "There are scam artists out there doing dent repairs. Make sure anyone doing your repair is registered with the Bureau of Automotive Repair. There's a link on my site where you can check that. If they don't take the time to make sure they're legal, what's going

to stop them from doing a bad repair?" And even a registered repairer might not be completely thorough. "Other shops that offer paintless dent repair subcontract it out; they don't have a full-time guy like me. But you need experience to see if a problem is just cosmetic or something more serious. One time a Mercedes came in, looking like it just needed cosmetic repair on

the bumper. But once the bumper was off, we saw that the crash bar was folded. If the car had been hit again, it would not have withstood the impact."

Once, Martin did mobile repair. He stopped because "What I can do in my shop to make something 100 percent restored in five minutes might take me two hours and only end up 95 percent if I did it out of the shop."

But, sometimes, 95 percent is enough, so I called Jason Maguire, owner of Dent Medics (858-337-5299, fixthedent.com). "I've been doing this for over eight years," said Maguire. "We can't replace a body shop, but we *can* fix a variety of dents from the size of a dime to the size of a large dinner plate — as long as the metal isn't stretched and there's no paint damage. It's a matter of manipulating the metal by pushing it thousands of times."

Consider a dime-sized dent in a car door. "I'll roll down the window, then put an air wedge between the glass and the outer door skin. That creates a quarterinch gap for access. I use a stainless steel protector to keep the glass safe and then a variety of tools to work the dent away. A small dent with good access may cost \$75, though it might go up to \$125. A bigger dent with good access might start at \$300 and go from there. It's all a matter of size, depth, and access. A little dent with bad access may cost the same as a bigger dent with good access." Maguire works from Oceanside to Chula Vista to El Cajon. Call or email pictures to get an estimate.

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by Barbarella

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re you sure you don't mind if I eat in front of you?" I asked, as I moved up in line between a man in a white coat and a woman wearing camouflage fatigues. Dad had been instructed not to eat solids for 20 hours before the invasive butt-check he was about to undergo, so I knew he had to be hungry.

"Really, honey, go ahead," he said. "I just wish I had cash. I should be buying your breakfast." It was the third time he'd expressed his remorse for being cashless, despite having already informed me that the doctors told him to leave everything but his ID at home. "Because they can't be responsible for what happens to your stuff while you're out of commission," he'd explained.

"There's no reason you should have to feed me," I said. "I should have eaten before coming to get you. Anyway, it's less than two bucks. That's pocket change. Don't worry about it." As I'd hoped, Dad's sudden awareness of a bargain in his midst superseded his distress over not being able to provide for his daughter. Like a shiny piece of foil to a raccoon, a good deal to my father is an object of infatuation, a glowing gem that mesmerizes.

"When I first got in here, a young woman told me to turn around and show her my `better side.'" I collected my breakfast — egg and cheese on a wheat English muffin and joined Dad on the other side of the rope. "We've got plenty of time for me to sit and eat this here, right?" It was a rhetorical question; we had 45 minutes to make our way up the elevator to the fourth floor.

"The girl I spoke with on the phone asked me to

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not be there before a certain time," Dad said. "I can understand why she'd say that because military guys especially older military guys — would be here at six o'clock in the morning for an eight o'clock appointment, just waiting." "Why's that?"

"No one wants to be a bell-tapper," he explained. "I'm pathologically punctual. The military teaches you to be prepared, so when you're told to be somewhere at eight, that means all checked in and ready to go at eight."

We were checked in with half an hour to spare. I set up my satellite office (laptop, headphones, iPhone, chargers) in the corner of the room, away from the giant TV that was blaring national headlines. Dad sat beside me and handed me his keys, glasses, and cap for safekeeping.

"I was practicing jokes last night," I said. "I was going to bust 'em on you this morning, but you never set me up. I was expecting you to be all uptight about me wanting to drive my car instead of yours, so I was going to say, 'What, you got a stick up your ass?' and then I'd wait a beat and add, 'Oh, no, that comes later." I chuckled at my quip. The look on my father's face confirmed my suspicion that it was a lot funnier in my head.

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"You're lucky you didn't make me laugh," Dad said. Then, emphasizing his native Brooklyn accent, he added, "You wouldn't want that your nice new car should meet with some kind of 'accident.""

"Ew, *Dad*, gross!" I guffawed and then put a hand over my mouth as others cast irritated glances in my direction. It was nice to be in a lighthearted mood in that place. The last time I'd accompanied my father to the hospital, we'd learned he needed radiation to treat a spot of cancer on his forehead.

Just before Dad's name was called, he leaned over and said, "I can't wait for people to ask me how the colonoscopy went so I can say, 'It was great, they found my head.'" At my bemused expression, Dad elaborated, "Because it was up my ass...get it?" My face was blank. "You need a Plexiotomy, a little Plexiglas window in your belly button because your head's so far up your ass you need to see where you're going, then you'd know," Dad joked. I still didn't entirely get it, but I laughed anyway. The nurse who came to collect him told me it should only be an hour and a half, unless my father had a "mean colon." I retorted that his colon was the least "mean" part of the man's body.

Once Dad had been led away, I put on my headphones, cranked up the volume, and bounced in my seat as I toggled between tweeting on my phone and typing on my laptop. During a Sasha & Digweed track, my mind drifted back to five years ago, when Dad had undergone a sigmoidoscopy, during which the little camera on a wire only rounds one corner of the colon. It was quite the event, as I recalled; Dad had been proud of what he claimed the doctor had called his "beautiful canal." He had been conscious throughout, and the doctor had even allowed him to gaze upon the video screen depicting his "healthy, pink, and beautiful" innards.

After what seemed like only moments,

the nurse reappeared to collect me. She waited patiently for me to pack up three chairs' worth of my things and then led me through the labyrinth to my father's curtain.

I was surprised to see Dad in his hospital gown, lying flat against the small metal bed with an IV in his arm. I knew they were sedating him, but until that moment, I hadn't realized how incapacitating the checkup really was. His eyes were wide open, but they had a glassy quality, and his smile was a bit looser than usual. A young man in uniform with a clipboard in hand explained the follow-up procedure and asked me (the sober one) to sign on the dotted line. But just because Dad wasn't technically able at the moment didn't mean he wasn't with it.

"Hey, you know what they call a Jamaican proctologist?"

"No, what's that," said the uniform, his voice kind in a way that made me suspect my father might have already told this one a few times while under the influence.

In his best Jamaican accent, Dad delivered the punch line: "*Pokémon!*" Then he turned to me and said, "My feelings are hurt. When I first got in here, a young woman told me to turn around and show her my 'better side." He was on a roll.

"They told me you could eat right away," I said. "I'll wait outside while you get dressed and then take you anywhere you want to go, patient's choice." Asking was a formality. I knew Dad would want to go to Denny's, where the food was familiar and the senior discount kicks in at 55. I knew with equal certainty that on the way there, he would apologize a few more times for having left his wallet at home and that he would tell me the Jamaican-proctologist joke at least once more before our breakfast was served.

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FRIENDS ARE LIKE JEWELS

by Josh Board

was walking my dog around University Heights and saw a party setting up at a house near Adams Avenue. I dropped my dog off and headed back over. I walked in and a few women looked at me strangely. I asked who lived in the house, and they introduced me to the gal. I saw a few disco lights going and, out of the corner of my eye, a naked blow-up doll. I asked the woman if I could crash the party and she said no. I explained what I do, and she firmly said, "I don't know you and don't feel comfortable with that."

I went back home and took my dog to the park.

There was a woman named Jan I overheard talking about a party. I asked if I could follow her and crash it. She said that normally wouldn't be a problem, but this was a "celebration of life" for a guy named Robert, who only had a few weeks to live.

She called the people throwing the party, and they gave me the green light.

I got my girlfriend, and we brought a chocolate cake.

MapQuest didn't note that the street ended at a school, and I had to drive around it via three different streets before the original street continued. But, I finally found the place.

I was told Robert had cancer on his nose and it had quickly spread. I spotted him right away, wearing a *Phantom of the Opera*-style mask. He had long black hair and reminded me of a Mexican Jim Morrison.



Left: Robert and Sundi; Right: A painting of Robert; the woman standing is his sister

He was in good spirits, shaking hands and thanking people for coming. He talked about how great his life was and how he felt blessed to be having this party while he was still alive. When an older lady with all gray hair walked in, I heard someone say it was his mom. She started crying, and I almost lost it as well. She quickly regained her composure.

My girlfriend leaned in and whispered, "Okay...chill out."

My girlfriend and I looked at a collage of pictures. We especially liked a painting of Robert. He came over and told us about it. He said he'd paid a friend who had gone to a New York art school. He pointed out how she made a collage on the side, as he often used to create collages and other types of art.

Robert wore shoes with skulls and flames. As fast as he was walking (combined with his long hair), it was hard to read the sentences written on his shirt. At one point I told him he had the only T-shirt that nobody ever read completely. I saw the words "sole" and "body of the male." He turned around so I could read it. It was a long story about seahorses and love.

He mentioned how amazing seahorses are and how it's the male who gives birth. I said, "I've heard that, but it seems a more logical conclusion that the scientists just labeled the wrong ones male and didn't want to admit to the mistake." He laughed and said, "No. It is the male who gives birth." He then explained it in more detail.

When I complimented a guy's pendant — a turquoise scarab beetle — he pointed at Robert. "He gave it to me years ago.

And I never take it off." Robert told me he worked

with jewelry, and we met a cute older lady who did some work with him. She told some interesting stories about reading fortunes by looking at gemstones. I told her about some pet psychics and how I thought it was BS. She believed they were real, and as I started to talk about it, my girlfriend leaned in and whispered, "Okay...chill out."

I did agree with the last thing she said: "Friends are like jewels. The more you have, the richer you are."

An African-American woman named Debra saw me grab some Hershey's Kisses and pointed to her husband, who was passing out brownies she made. I asked if they were funny brownies, and she said, "The only thing here funny, honey, is me!" We talked about the desserts she's made. At one point, she broke out this amazing operatic voice to sing a few verses of something.

A couple who owns Café 2121 brought some delicious cookies. They have a cute kindergarten-age kid named Elmar, who told me he has a number of different girlfriends. My girlfriend said, "What a coincidence. So does he."

Elmar wanted me to guess their names, and it got tough with some of the foreign students. When he said, "I have a few boyfriends, too," his dad looked shocked. I replied, "I think a lot of people at this party do, too."

There were guys at the party with AIDS whom Robert had met at a medical marijuana place.

An attractive sister of Robert's was dancing to one of the songs and joking with the many people she knew. At one point I saw her crying as she talked with someone about Robert. He came over to me and said how wonderful she is. He added, "This isn't a sad day. I'm so happy right now."

The backyard had a canyon view and many different sections. One area had a bar with a fivefoot-in-diameter sculpture of lips behind it. The homeowner told me the lips were hanging at Foggy's Notion, near the Sports Arena, for years. He had an artist repaint them, which cost more than he'd anticipated (\$800).

There were stairs that descended to a lower level, where I noticed a mariachi band was performing. Robert danced and sang along. I said, "You can't possibly know the words to this tune." He got a huge smile on his face and said, "I know all the songs."

He got a few other people to get up and dance, and they were having a blast.

I talked to Sundi, who lives with and has helped take care of Robert during his battle with cancer. She told me many stories about what a great guy he is.

And as Robert went back upstairs, I overheard him talking about his 15-year battle with the disease.

I made my way out and listened as people tried to figure out who blocked a car with their Porsche. I glanced over and saw Elmar saying bye to Robert. He asked a question about his mask. Robert politely answered him, and then there was a moment of silence. The boy extended his arm up to him, and as they shook hands, he said, "I hope you feel better soon."

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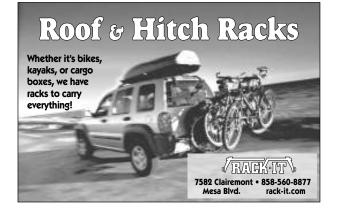
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It's six o'clock in the

evening on July 21, and the brilliant blue of the late-afternoon sky over San Diego is bleaching at the edges as the sun moseys toward the horizon, throwing the downtown buildings into gray relief as I speed toward them along the 94 west. Once I reach downtown, I turn

left on Tenth, find a parking spot just shy of Market, and begin hoofing it toward the visible sliver of Petco Park, passing under banners hung from streetlamps and declaring the 40th anniversary of our home team, the San Diego Padres. The Franciscan Friar who serves as our mascot is, true to history, clad in brown; the banners, like (some of) the team's current uniforms, are strangely, tastefully navy. I head south toward the park, on my way to see the home team take on the Florida Marlins, a .500 team mired in the middle of the National League East. It's a beautiful night for baseball.

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"He was known for strikeouts and home runs." A lanky, graving man with a Padres cushion tucked under his arm and a professional air about his person is walking just ahead of me. His name is Daniel Haslam, and he is director of development for the Gaslamp Quarter Historical Foundation. When I catch up to him, I learn that he's been coming to Petco ever since it opened and counts himself a fan. "The only reason I have Cox cable at home is so I can watch the games," he says. He's on his way to meet friends. "There are between six and seven in our group; I'm the youngest at 55, and they range up close to 90. There are some really sharp people who can

spout statistics, who can tell you who was on the team whenever. There are some who are learning; and there are some who just go for social reasons and hardly even watch the game."

Along the way, he points out a couple of bars that are good for baseball fans looking to talk about the game, including the Tilted Kilt, just outside the stadium gate. (Lots of cleavage and short skirts on the waitstaff, because, hey, baseball doesn't have cheerleaders.) But Haslam himself doesn't frequent the bars; he heads straight for his seat in the upper deck, overlooking third base. "We've moved around every year — I love this

park, it's hard to get a bad seat — and now we've found our element. We're in row 7 that's a front row, so there's nobody in front of us. We've got a 13game pass; we don't know if we'd want to go for more."

The first year he came — 2004 — Haslam had a 15-game pass but came to 30. "It was exciting" — for one thing, the Padres were winning. "There's no excitement now. I think we're going to finish in last place." As predictions go, it sounds pretty safe: the Padres are 37–56, two games behind Arizona. Part of the problem is injuries, and "there's nothing you can do about that." But part of the problem, he

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thinks, is Padres manager Bud Black. "I don't have a lot of confidence in him. Last year, we'd have a pitcher up on the mound in trouble, and Black would leave him in until he'd ruined the game, and then he'd decide to change the pitcher. This year, I think, he's overreacting. He's pulling them too quickly."

And the real shame of it is, it isn't just the pitchers who are getting sent off. "When something goes wrong, they change course. The trading business has just gone wild. They get somebody like Scott Hairston, who's halfway decent, who's proving to be one of the starters, and they trade him away for someone they think is going to be better. We don't know any of these players. They come here for a short time, and then it's off to Tradeland. Why do it? You're

not going to get the sponsors or the people who pay the freight. I came to the game on Sunday afternoon, and the stadium was less than half full. That's terrible." His advice for management: "Don't try to reinvent yourself every two weeks; it ain't going to work." We part company just outside the stadium proper, under a huge banner featuring homegrown ace Jake Peavy, currently languishing on the disabled list. (How's that for foreshadowing?)

The 5-for-\$5

"For a while," says Haslam, "we were bringing lots and lots of snacks to the game, and we'd share and have our little meal up there in the upper deck. But ever since they got the 5-for-\$5, we've been doing that. It's pretty good everybody likes it." He's right — just about everybody I talked to at the game mentioned the wonders of the 5-for-\$5: a hot dog, a drink, a cookie, and bags of peanuts, and popcorn for just \$5. That's just a dollar more than a grilled (kosher) hot dog at the K Street Grill inside the stadium. It's the same price as the Caramel Bliss popcorn being sold on the promenade behind right field. And it's less than a cheeseburger (\$7), an Oggi's cheese pizza (\$6), nachos (\$5.50), or a Tubby's Bucket at Dippin' Dots (\$5.75). I had to try it. God help me, I'm going to sound like a snob, but here goes: the hot dog tasted mostly of salt - not necessarily a bad thing, but there it is. My Coke was heavy on the syrup - a touch flat. The popcorn was good if a little chewy; ditto the Mrs. GoodCookie chocolate chunk cookie (the sort

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filled with a brown sugar mush to give the effect of just-baked softness). Sadly, the Hampton Farms salted and roasted peanuts were tired to the point of being unpleasant. But hey, \$5. As my mother would say, "What do you want, egg in your beer?"

So here I am at Petco Park, built in part with public funds by a private citizen, Padres owner John Moores, who wanted to reap the benefits of East Village redevelopment and who threatened to take the team elsewhere if we didn't, ahem, play ball. But you know what? St. Peter's in Rome was built in part through the sale of indulgences money covering a multitude of sins. That's not to excuse either one; it's just to say that in both cases, the results are wonderful enough to soften the heart a bit.

Looking around the Park at the Park, tucked in behind the outfield wall, you can almost believe that all is well with America and that baseball is still our national pastime. Cooling shadows are beginning to stretch over the outfield to my left, and the air surrounding all those cream-colored girders is fine and clear. Up there on the right, atop a grassy knoll, stands a statue of Tony Gwynn ("Mr. Padre") in midswing — a monument to old-style baseball. His whole remarkable career with one



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team, his excellence arising from consistency and mechanics instead of power and raw athleticism on the lawn. Before him, a father plays catch with his son; the boy, barely more than a toddler, gleefully heaves a tennis ball toward his dad. Down the slope, parents guide their children through a round of Wiffle ball on the miniature diamond. What soccer moms?

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cage set up inside the stadium walkway, just a few feet from the Friar Fastball pitching cage. Get your tokens and test your skill: one for \$3, two for \$5. But I will ignore the money-sucks and the boy clutching his Nintendo DS even as he takes a \$40 seat behind the first base line. The kids still like baseball.

Bob Minnich, 81, though he does call himself "a different kind of fan. I'd rather miss seeing them win than see them lose. When we have a lead and the other team is up, it's sometimes painful for me to watch. There was one time, for the last out of the ninth inning of a game that would have won us either the division or league title, I left my seat and went into the tunnel — this was at Qualcomm. I couldn't watch it. There's a strong feeling for the game, and winning is important to me. Though I can handle a loss if it's good play. Most of my foul language comes as a result of a reaction to baseball plays - less so at the stadium than at home."

Minnich has been coming since 1973, the year his sister gave his parents quarter-season tickets just behind the Padres' dugout for their 50th wedding anniversary (also, the year before the debut of the San Diego Chicken). "My father immediately bought two more, so that the four of us could go." He remembers the days of great tailgates in the Jack Murphy Stadium parking lot. "We'd have three to four couples, and we were beer drinkers. When we were ready to go in to the game, we would take all the beer, open it, dump it into a gallon jug, and bring it in with us. It was okay in those days.

It didn't matter what variety or brand though they were all good brands." (Today, there is a two-beer limit per customer inside the park, but you can still get good brands — Bass, Shiner Bock, Peroni, etc. — for \$8.50 a pop.)

He was here when Hank Aaron came to town after breaking Babe Ruth's career home-run record. "My father had been quite influential in New York State, and Babe Ruth once signed a baseball for him. I took that baseball down to the locker room, on the chance that Aaron would be willing to sign it. What I didn't know at the time was that Aaron went through hell when he set the record" death threats and hate mail from people who didn't want to see a black man surpass Ruth — "and so he wasn't too

happy with anybody, and probably less so with white folks. But maybe he was flattered that it was a ball signed by Babe Ruth. Anyway, he signed it. Where that ball is Charger stadium, you take an elevator down to the tunnel where the players walk to their lockers. One time, we were leaving, and Wiggins was coming by. I said something like, 'Great

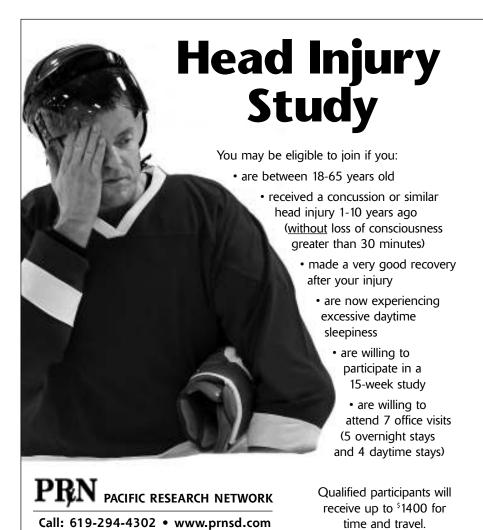
They rake and re-rake the cocoa-brown earth.

today, I have no idea." And he was here for Alan Wiggins's brief stardom in the early '80s he stole 70 bases for the '84 team — before drugs destroyed his career. "I once saw him steal home, which was exciting. In some ways, it's only successful if nobody's aware it's happening, so that you don't really see anything until he's already home. It kind of fools the fans as well as the other team. At

job,' and he said, 'Yeah.' It was an interesting reaction — the tone of it. I felt like he was beating himself up for what he was doing."

Thirty-odd years in, "I've seen two All-Star Games and two World Series. I've seen them in their best of times, but I'm not sure I've seen them in their worst of times yet. There are 100 losses looming on the horizon this season. We

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were golden our first three weeks, and my joke is that they finally learned to play down to their level. They've done the best they can. The \$40 million payroll limit has to be part of it. It seems to me that the era of moneyed people who like the prestige of owning a major-league sports enterprise is gone. Unfortunately, it's now seen as a business for profit."

Obligatory Tony Gwynn Anecdote Minnich's wife Laureen is with him tonight and cannot help relating the following: "When my oldest son Mike was in Little League, I would take him to the batting cages off Mission Gorge Road. At the time, I think Tony Gwynn was a part-owner. One Saturday, I had taken Mike there early to practice, and Tony was practicing in the next cage over. I was a single mother at the time and didn't know how to advise Mike to hold the bat. He was missing balls, and I felt so bad. Tony looked

over and saw what was going on, and he came over and asked if I would mind him going into the cage with my son and giving him some pointers. He helped him for about 20 minutes. I'll never forget that."

The Late Greats

"There was a period of time," recalls Minnich, "when this team would hire big names in their waning years. Sometimes they were very productive for us, and sometimes they were just

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it created some exciting moments just the same." A few highlights from those days: "The most exciting

going out to pasture. But

was Fernando Valenzuela. I just loved watching him pitch. He was a classic intellectual pitcher: he would pitch to the man he saw based on the man who was coming up. A joy to watch." (Valenzuela was 13-8 for San Diego in 1996, with a 3.62 ERA.) Slightly less exciting, if more successful: "Gaylord Perry won a Cy Young with us in 1978" — he was 39 vears old and went 21-6 with a 2.73 ERA. "Graig Nettles was a

"Graig Nettles was a great third baseman who had been a Yankee all his life" — or at least, for the 11 seasons before he came back to his hometown of San Diego in 1984. (Yankees owner George Steinbrenner traded him after seeing a promotional copy of Nettles's memoir *Balls*, which was critical of Steinbrenner.) "His family lived here. His father was a district counselor, and I was a psychologist at one of the schools he 40, Graig Nettles the Padre was selected for the National League All-Star team.) "Goose Gossage had been a Yankee as well" and came over at the same time as Nettles, delivering over 20 saves a season for his first three years with the

The Jumbotron buzzes with facts about every man who comes to the plate.

was assigned to. He has a picture of Graig and his younger brother Jim in his office." The two both played baseball at San Diego State. "Jim had hit a home run and was rounding third base, giving that look to his brother. It was a great picture." (In 1985, at age team.

"We had Dave Kingman for a while. He was tall, and he wore a skintight uniform — you've seen some of these players, there isn't a ruffle. He was a good-fielding first baseman, and he was known for strikeouts and home runs. Unfortu-

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E-mail: info@therapeuticsresearch.com Website: www.therapeuticsresearch.com nately, when he played for us in 1977, he opted for the former (48) more than the latter (11)." Two years later, he uncorked 48 for the Chicago Cubs.

"Willie McCovey was a classic first baseman. He was 6 feet 4 inches, and his nickname was Stretch — a great defensive player. And Steve Garvey, of course, had a moment or two with us," including a couple of years as an All-Star in the mid-'80s.

While Minnich talks, members of the field crew — outfitted in their glamour-free uniforms of khakis and light blue shirts — set to work prepping the infield: misting the dirt, raking it smooth with broad brushes, formatting and laying the white lines around home plate,

smoothing the pitcher's mound. The ritual is its own sort of entertainment. If there is a Zen quality to baseball ---the back and forth of pitcher to catcher, shortstop to second to first, and all the rest of it it's only half as perfect as the perfect sameness of the field crew's motions as they rake and rerake the cocoabrown earth, rendering it absolutely uniform so that it contrasts with the outfield's stripedy crosshatch of lawn-mower lines.

A team from the San Diego Zoo lines up along the third base line and displays a collection of beasties: raptors, turtles, etc. Four men from the Oceanside Police Department Color Guard — two with rifles — bear the flags of the United States and the State of California to a patch of infield just behind the pitcher's mound, and we're ready for the national anthem. Encinitas resident Michael Ahmann takes his place at the microphone set up behind home plate. Backsides heave up from their seats, hats slip off of heads, and the words flash on the digital screens along the walls lining the playing field. "O! say can you see by the dawn's early light..." And now we're ready to play ball.

As soon as we watch this exciting video on the JumboTron, anyway. The one that takes us on a computer-generated roller-coaster ride past helicopters and scenery and Padres players making wonderful catches. And as soon as we hear the starting lineups, which are received in silence.

Padres pitcher Chad Gaudin gets off to a

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Eats at the Outset I will never forget taking my sons to their first ballgame at Petco, way back when it opened. The boys were young, maybe seven and five. We had sweet seats along the first base line — a friend had given us tickets. But the drama of the evening was unrelated to the game. The drama came from the endless parade of goodies passing before their eyes. Here's what gets hawked at the beginning of tonight's game: 7:04: popcorn. 7:05: iced tea. 7:06: popcorn again. 7:07: iced tea again. 7:10: snow cones. 7:18: Cracker Jacks, peanuts. 7:35: ice cream. 7:37: soda. By 7:45, the cotton candy man had shown up. After that, I stopped keeping track.

Shortstop Cabrera walks to lead off for the Padres. And after Tony Gwynn Jr. advances him to second, the San Diego Chicken

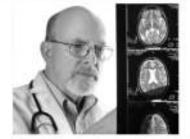
starts to dance and we hear our first blast from the organ — CHARGE! Our enthusiasm is rewarded: first baseman Adrian Gonzalez singles to center, and Cabrera scores. It's only the first inning; it's just one run. But it's still thrilling. When third baseman Kevin Kouzmanoff grounds into a double play to end the inning and a lady in the row behind me cheers, she catches more than one look of shock and chagrin. What's a Marlins fan doing way down here in the infield seats? She's harshing our buzz! But she is not intimidated and continues to hoot and holler for her boys in gray. And the boys in gray respond, scoring runs in the second, third, and fifth while the Padres fizzle.

Fun Facts

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didn't come to the game to hammer on the Padres or on the fan experience. I came to see what it's like. So I'm not going to dwell overlong on the practice of giving the fan a little dollop of infotainment to go with his at-bat — the JumboTron factoids offered up about the man at the plate. Often, factoids make

good marketing sense. If the fan really is the tenth man — if his or her enthusiasm can help to make the difference in a game — then you want to sell the fan on the action. Or the memory of action. Or the promise of action. Viz: "John Johnson has had at least one base hit in his last 38 games." He's been doing so well! Hooray!

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Do You Have Type 2 Diabetes?

Sunder Mudaliar, M.D., and his associates at the Center for Metabolic Research at the VA San Diego Healthcare System are currently looking for patients for a research study of an investigational drug to determine if adding it to your current Type 2 diabetes medicine can provide better control of your blood sugar.

- You may qualify if you are:
- Male or female 18 years of age or older, with Type 2 Diabetes
- Currently taking a stable dose of type 2 diabetes medication
 Have poor blood sugar control
- Have a fasting blood sugar less than 240 mg/dL at office screening Have an HbA1C between 7.5% and 9.5% at office screening

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Does major depression change your outlook?

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You (or someone you know) may be eligible to participate in the **STEP-D study if you:**

- Are 18 to 65 years of age Have been told by your doctor that you have MDD
- Are experiencing depression lasting at least 8 weeks
 Have tried at least one antidepressant without success

In addition to receiving study-related physical exams and laboratory services at no charge, participants may receive the investigational medication and will be monitored by a medical team, including a study doctor. After the STEP-D study ends, some participants may be eligible to take the investigational medication as part of another research study. Ask your doctor if the STEP-D study is right for you.



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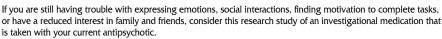
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In recent years, schizophrenia treatments have improved significantly, however, to date, they've shown success in reducing some symptoms more than others. A study is being conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of an investigational medication for its ability to help reduce negative symptoms of schizophrenia, such as a loss or decrease in ability to express emotion or enjoy pleasures in everyday life.

To prequalify for this study, you must: • Be 18 to 55 years of age • Have been diagnosed with schizophrenia for at least two years • Have negative symptoms of schizophrenia • Have been on a stable dose of antipsychotic medication for at least 12 weeks • Not have notable positive symptoms (delusions, unusual thoughts or perceptions) of schizophrenia, AND · Have no history of psychiatric crises, visits to the emergency room, hospitalization, or increased level of care for at least 12 weeks

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Is your current Schizophrenia medicine treating all your symptoms?

Sprained ankle pain patch study

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within the past 48 hours, AND

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To learn more about this local study, please contact: San Diego Sports Medicine and Family Health Center • 619-229-3909

And if we cheer hard enough, perhaps he will do well again! So the hype machine roars into life, and the JumboTron buzzes with facts about just about every man who comes to the plate. The screen is the spectator's color commentary.

But this is one of the problems with hype. If you keep pushing it all the time, pretty soon your audience develops an appetite. They expect it: Hype me. So what do vou do when there's nothing to hype? A color

commentator might shift the discussion to larger matters — say, the way umps are calling the strike zone this year. But the JumboTron isn't equipped for that. Can you just turn off the big screen and hope people will concentrate on the game? Apparently not. Instead, you have to put up bits like this:

"Everth Cabrera has started every game at shortstop since being activated from the DL on June 19."

"Kevin Kouzmanoff was the last everyday

third baseman in the majors to make an error this year."

The subtexts are genuinely sadmaking. First, your team is so riddled with injuries that it is hypeworthy to note that your shortstop has been healthy and starting for over a month. Second. your third baseman had a good start in the field this year. But the followup looms: What happened since then? Has he gone on a bobble spree? (As it happens, no.)

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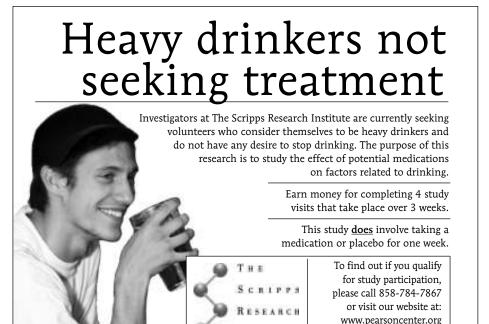


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The crowd fizzles right along with the Padres, despite the best efforts of the computerized Swinging Friar on the JumboTron, who urges us to make some noise and cups his ear while a bouncing needle registers our collective output. Like oh my God/ Jump off that sofa/ Let's get get off/ I know that we'll have a ball...I gotta feeling that tonight's gonna be a good night...

The song is about clubbing and dancing, but gosh, it's so optimistic and peppy and

"Hell's Bells" is an anthem about Satan coming to drag you to hell.

Later, animated clapping hands will set an example. At one point, the Black Eyed Peas' "I Gotta Feeling" starts up over the speakers:

Tonight's the night/ Let's live it up/ I got my money/ Let's spend it up/ Go out and smash it/ cheerful — it's hard to knock its inclusion here. I mean, it could almost be about baseball and going down to the park to watch a game, right? In that way, it's a lot like Queen's "Another One Bites the Dust" (which we'll hear a line from tonight after a Marlin strikes out). *That* song is about a guy who gets pushed too far and goes on a machine-gun murder spree: "Out of the doorway the bullets rip/ To the sound of the beat/ Another one bites the dust..."

(Can we digress from this digression for one second and marvel at the way Queen's music has been caught up, not just once but twice, by the world of professional sports? How many times have you attended/watched a Big Game and heard Freddie Mercury croon, "We are the champions - my friend/ And we'll keep on fighting — till the end...?" Me? Lots. The man was flamboyant beyond belief [at least onstage] — eschewing a leotard only when leather pants and sus-



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penders or a bandleader's uniform seemed more apropos. And yet, millions upon millions of sports fans — not a notoriously gay-friendly crowd — are happy to sing along with his tenor warblings. Maybe we *can* all just get along...)

So anyway, "I Gotta Feeling" makes sense at a ballgame. Some of the other songs, less so.

A Sampling of Songs Heard Over the Course of an Evening at Petco Park

"My Sharona" by the Knack. Fun sample lyric: "Never gonna stop, give it up, such a dirty mind/ Always get it up for the touch of the younger kind..."

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"I Love Rock 'n' Roll" by Joan Jett. Fun sample lyric: "He smiled so I got the chair of the city's gas chamber/ Why I'm here, I can't quite remember..."

"Kids in America" by No Secrets. Fun sample lyric: "Much later, baby, you'll be saying 'Never mind'/ You know life is cruel, life is never kind." "Snow (Hey Oh)" by the Red Hot Chili Pep-

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up and asked for his name/ That don't matter, he said, 'cause it's all the same..."

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As C-3PO said: Shutting up, sir. But maybe, just maybe, there's a teensy bit much mood management going on? A faint whiff of desperation in the constant juicing of the crowd with vaguely inappropriate musical interludes? I mean, we're in para-

dise. The park is beautiful. We came here on purpose. You're not gonna distract us from the sad spectacle taking place on the field with guitar riffs and sexy talk. I'm reminded of Bob Minnich's appraisal of sports-talk shows: "I'm disgusted with them, particularly during the game, when they think they have to do the entertaining and not the ballplayers. It's kind of sad." Ease up; we promise not to fall asleep in our seats. And while you're at it, maybe settle on a uniform? (The Padres this evening are wearing short-sleeve blue tops and long white pants; the Marlins aren't quite as uniform in their uniforms — some wear pants, while others opt for calf-high stockings and teal shoes.)

And as long as we've got a few minutes to kill, a rock song, and a JumboTron, how 'bout let's make a music video? Maybe show highlights from the season — great catches, big hits, sharp plays? But then, this is baseball we're talking about, a sport that stubbornly resists glamming up. Watching a pitcher work the strike zone is a meditative exercise; a well-turned double play is more poetry than rock

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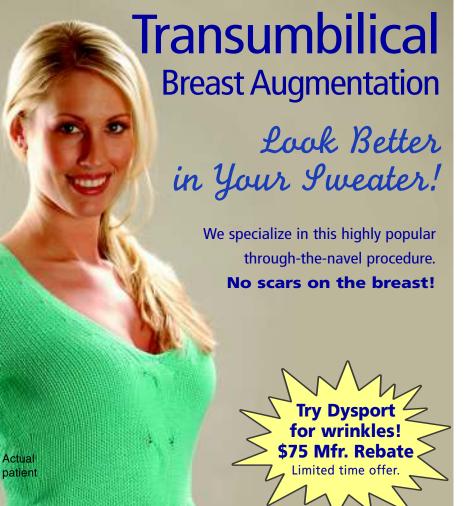
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and roll. And the sad fact is, when you're watching it on television (or the JumboTron), a home run looks much the same leaving the bat as a long fly ball. You need something extra — a hollering play-by-play man, for example. Or CGI explosions.

Wait, what? You better believe it. Little bursts of energy surround each crack of the bat, as if we were reading a comic book about the game. Players glow as they slide into second. Lasers flash around pitches. When an outfielder leaps to snag a ball before it slips over the fence, the screen splits so that we can see him do it in stereo, giving us twice the action. It comes off a little bit silly — if we can't get worked up enough to admire feats of outstanding athleticism and

skill on the baseball field without lasers and light shows, maybe we shouldn't be here? (Happy caveat: a little later, they do it right, showing a montage of former Padres catcher Benito Santiago gunning

man next to me. But the Padres don't respond ---at least, not right away. You want to know what the middle innings are like? Here's color man Andy Masur, heard over the radio broadcast playing by Oggi's Pizza

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down a swarm of wouldbe base stealers including St. Louis speedster Vince Coleman — and doing it from his knees. No special effects, just great highlights.)

"Come on, Padres, win on my birthday!" cries the 63-year-old

inside the stadium: "Both offenses have been kind of flat. That's just what happens when you don't have a lot of offense." Ouch. It takes a lot - or rather, very little — to make a color man reach like that. So I chat up Ray Rossicone, who is standing at the

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stainless-steel counter on the landing and sipping a beer before returning to his seat just behind the first-base dugout. He's been coming to games since '85. "I've got neighbors who have been season-ticket holders for 30 years. I got in on a really good package-seat thing," he explains. "Eight games a year. That keeps me coming — if I don't, I'll lose my seat. And besides, what's not to like? Even when they're not doing well, I come to see them because it's a nice stadium."

It *is* a nice stadium. And they are not doing well. "You've got to spend money to make money," surmises Rossicone. "But we're a small-market team, and the owners don't want to spend any money. You never know who's going to be there next week — it's a surprise every time."

Rossicone hails from New York and grew up rooting for the Yankees and Mets. "Roger Maris, Mickey Mantle. And the Mets were something else in '69" — when they won the series after going 73-89 in '68. His favorite moment as a Padres fan came in the 1998 National League Championship Series, "with Trevor coming in and 'Hells Bells' playing" and the white towels swinging in the crowd. "The old stadium was rocking."

Tonight, he's here with his son and daughter, who are home from college. "Are your kids fans like you were?" I ask. "Probably not. I coached seven years of Little League, and my son ended up playing lacrosse."

His beer finished, he heads down to join his family, and I drift off to the cheap seats behind the netting that forms part of the right-field wall. Kids are playing in the sandpit behind the netting; a relaxed young man I'll call Sid sits with his friends near the top of the seating area. "I've been to a handful of these games," he says. "I'll try to come more, now that I have a job. It's a gorgeous ballpark, and

you can pay just \$10 to sit here or \$7 or \$5 to sit on the grass behind us."

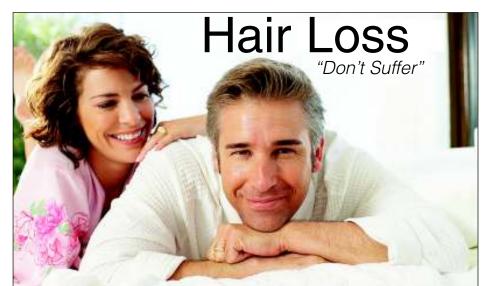
Sid became a Padres fan upon moving south to attend Point Loma Nazarene, but he hasn't stopped rooting for his beloved A's up in Oakland. "It's been pretty depressing, kind of like it's been being a Padres fan the last few years. Whenever we'd get someone, they'd go on to the Yankees or somewhere

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and then come back when they were washed up." He likes San Diego's smaller ballpark. "There are around 20,000 people here — that's similar to Oakland. But here, they're packed in a little more, and that's good. It's less dispersed."

In the top of the seventh, shortstop Cabrera guns a long throw well to the left of first base: E-3 and a man on first. A smattering of boos rises





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By the eighth the crowds are leaving in earnest. But not 20-yearold Hawna and her friends, lounging on a blanket on the hill behind the sandpit. (They are just four of the many, many young folks in attendance — it ain't all families and oldtimers.) "I stay until the end," she says. "I'm, like, 'Come on. Really? You can't stay another inning?' I mean, if you have kids, it's understandable...'

Hawna, who attends San Diego State, has been following the Padres since she was ten. Her father liked baseball, and she played softball. "The whole league would go to Before, I knew everybody — Ken Caminiti, Wally Joyner. That was a fun year. Now, I just know Kouzmanoff and Adrian Gonzalez." Mostly, she cheers for

Shortstop Cabrera guns a long throw well to the left of first base.

games down at Qualcomm. We'd do the tailgate thing in the lot. We did that almost every year. But Petco is the coolest park I've ever been to — and I've been to Wrigley." These days, she gets down to maybe five games a year. "It's kind of hard right now. This is the first year where I don't know most of the guys on the field. Gonzalez. "He's a really down-to-earth person; I can just tell. He's not one of these big shots that wants to follow the money. He's not just in it for show; he plays for the game, and he plays for the fans. I hope they hold on to him. I would be really upset if they didn't. They got rid of Jody Gerut, and I was, like, 'Really? You have to get

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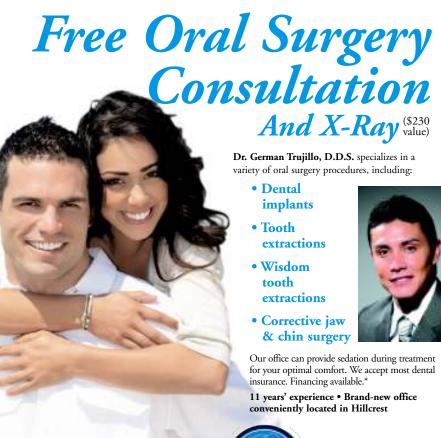
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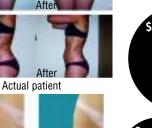
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rid of Jody Gerut?' It would be a big mistake."

(As it happens, today's Union-Tribune features a story headlined, "Gonzalez wants to stay, but..." "Would I want to be traded? No," Gonzalez told the paper. "Is it to a team that has a chance to win the World Series? I'd have to be intrigued by it. Know what I mean? I'm in the prime of my career. Who wouldn't want to play for a chance at the World Series every year?")

Going into the bottom of the ninth, it's still 3–1 Marlins. Two young women pass by my seat on their way out of the stadium; one turns back and calls out, "Go, Padres! Padres are winners to me!" But apparently, not so much so that she's going to watch these last three outs. A gentle wave — a wavelet, really - passes through

the lower decks of the stands. Then the monitors flash to life, and everything I've said about electronic hype goes out the window. As the portentous choral boom of Carmina Burana blares forth, the flashbacks kick in, complete with subtitles: "May 7, 2009, Padres vs. Diamondbacks, bottom of the 10th — you believed" - and second baseman David Eckstein hit a game-winning single to right. "May 16, Padres vs. Reds, bottom of the 16th — Nick Hundley provides the magic," belting a home run over the left-field wall. "With you as the 10th man, we can do it again...Victory...RALLY TIME." What's left of the crowd explodes, and a few fans even inside-out their hats to form rally caps.

And then, holy cow, can it be, yes it can,

rookie Kyle Blanks takes the first pitch from Marlins closer Leo Nunez and sends it over the left-field wall — a long, loping shot that amps up the cheers even further. "Let's go, Padres!" someone shouts, and the CLAP-CLAP/CLAP-CLAP-CLAP sounds in response. It's not huge noise, but it's constant again and again, the shouts and claps ring out.

Two outs and a number of audible sighs later, rookie Will Venable bloops a single to center and promptly steals second. I'm wishing I had a radio so I could hear Ted Leitner tell me that the tying run is in scoring position. I know it, I'm looking at it, but it would be good to hear him say it. It would add to the anticipation.

Then Cabrera hits a ground ball that doesn't make it out of the infield,

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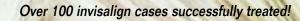
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loss.

The crowd files up the stairs and out onto the concrete platforms that will lead them to the exits. "Same as last night!" cries a frustrated fan, recalling the previous evening's (ultimately insufficient) back-toback homer heroics. But don't be fooled by that exclamation point: his frustration is a leaky balloon; even before he finishes, he's starting to sag. The fans — the people who stayed long enough to get their hopes up in the bottom of the ninth — are deflated. Two guys in Padres hats pass two guys in Dodgers hats. "Boo - they suck!" says Padre to Dodger

with the sour pout of a punished child. Dodger just shoots Padre a look — his team is 9 games up in the National League West and 24 games ahead of the Padres. "They suck? Really?" The radio speakers sound out Ted Leitner's summing up as he accentuates the positive. "If these kids can play, it would be really, really nice," he says of the rookies Blanks and Venable. "They showed that today, but they fell short."

No one, as far as I can tell, is talking baseball at the Tilted Kilt though some are watching it on the flat-screen TVs hung about the place. The fans disperse into the sticky warmth of the evening. The last one I see before I reach my car is a heavy woman with a cane making her way down F Street, wearing an oversized T-shirt bearing the name and number of Trevor Hoffman, a longtime Padre traded in 2008 to Milwaukee, where he has successfully saved 25 of 27 games this year.

Epilogue to the Epilogue

On July 31, the Padres traded (injured) pitching ace Jake Peavy to the Chicago White Sox in exchange for four pitchers with much less professional experience but much, much less wear and tear. I gave a call to Dan Haslam, the guy I met walking to the game, and asked what he and his fellows thought of the deal.

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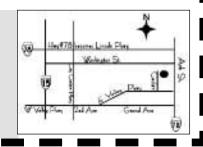




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Tamales, Tacos, Flies

When we moved down here five years ago, there were

tamale carts on every corner, tamale carts in every parking



Author: Katherine Lopez Neighborhood: Logan Heights Age: "40s" Occupation: Caregiver

Editor's note: This is the winner of September's \$500 first-place prize for our monthly neighborhoodessay contest.

Deadline for the next contest is October 30, midnight.

To post your entry, go to SDReader.com/neighborhoods, find your neighborhood or campus, and follow the instructions to create a blog. lot, tamale carts at the park, and

tamale carts on the playing fields.

Every market had its tamale cart beside the entrance. Even the local barbershop had a cart. I could walk a block in any direction and eat tamales from a cart. Then, all of a sudden, they disappeared. Which is okay, since they weren't very good in the first place.

I ordered some tacos and tamales from the Old Town El Indio one day about a year ago when I was passing by — highpriced, not delicious. There are different kinds of tamales; my neighbors from Nayarit make them different than my neighbors from Guanajuato. Wasn't loving



them, either style.

The thing about tamales is they are labor intensive; to get the best results they shouldn't be mass produced. What happens is people try to make large batches of tamales fast. If you don't take the time to make them right, they won't turn out right, that's all there is to it.

My grandmother made tamales every Christmas. Hers were Tex-Mex style: smallish and rectangular, smooth corn dough, shredded pork in red chili sauce, folded cornhusks. The preparations began early; my grandfather would order a pig head in early December. My grandmother would start buying dried cornhusks, dried chili pods (two kinds, New Mexico and California), and other things that would keep. She'd sort the husks and the chili pods and put them aside for soaking. On Christmas Eve morning, when it was time to get going, she'd get out her big tamale pots, her meat pots, her cornhusk and corn-dough tubs. The corn dough was brought in and prepared to taste, the cornhusks soaked, the head and additional meat cooked and shredded, the sauce prepared with the different chili pods. One or two friends and her sisterin-law helped with the preliminary work.

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When all that was done, it was time to assemble the tamales. By then it would be late afternoon; friendly calls would go out. The house would start to fill with family and their company, friends and their family and company, and neighbors and their family and company. My grandfather would serve up Coke-andwhiskeys, or rompope, homemade eggnog he made himself spiked with cane alcohol snuck across the border from Tijuana. The men would stand around the kitchen, the women slapped and smeared corn dough on husks, and my grandmother doled the meat into the dough, folded the tamales, and put them into pots to steam on the stove. There was music, people talking louder and louder and laughing, singing, and my grandmother trying to keep the corn-dough women in order, struggling to be heard. The kitchen was fragrant with the smell of cooking tamales.

Eventually somebody got too drunk and did something funny and that really got the party rolling. By the time the first batches of tamales were cooked and people started eating and drinking hot coffee or champurrado, it was a great Christmas Eve. Starting that evening and going through days until the tamales ran out, everyone would drop by for tamales, eating them there as they came off the stove and taking some home. My grandmother always tried to keep count of how many tamales were made but never could do better than estimate. We made something like 500 tamales every year.

If you like Tex-Mex style tamales, I can recommend one guy who makes excellent ones. He sells them at the Memorial [Park] playing fields on Sundays when the teams are playing. You can get fair tamales at a cart in front of Rancho Fresco on César Chávez and National Avenue. You can get okay tamales in the cold weather at McCord's Bakery on 30th and National. And you can get so-so tamales at Las Cuatro Milpas on César Chávez and Logan Avenue.

Las Cuatro Milpas has been around so long, my grandparents ate there when they worked at the tuna cannery. After my grandfather passed away and my grandmother stopped cooking, I started going there more often when I wanted a bowl of beans and rice or some tacos. Las Cuatro Milpas makes its tortillas on site — corn and flour — there in your view at the back of the store. You can buy packages of fresh, hot tortillas when they have them; they often run out by midday. The lines are long at breakfast and lunch, but if you go after the rush — say, nine in the morning or two in the afternoon — you can get in without too much waiting.

Las Cuatro Milpas has a really limited menu. Pork tamales, tacos (beef

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I read about this place on 31st and National, Tacos el Paisa, so I went there to see what they were about. You stand in line outside to order your food. They have a row of little glass barrels filled with iced *aguas frescas*, drinks made from *tamarindo*, *jamaíca*, *horchata*,

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melon, pineapple, and my all-time favorite, strawberry. Next to the drink stand is the grill where they keep the beans warm and grill chilies, huge gueritos and jalapeños, and sliced onions. You order the kind of tacos you want — carne asada, carnitas, chicken, adobado, cabeza, tripa then you either wait for it as a take-out order or you sit down inside the opendoor restaurant or on the patio. The waitress brings you your drink, a tray of appetizers, a plate of grilled onions and chilis, and a cup of the beans which are cooked just right, and you can get seconds if you ask. The tacos come a minute later. They are hot and fresh the tortillas are soft corn, filled with generous servings of meat, sprinkled with fresh chopped onions and cilantro. You can add toppings from

the appetizer tray. Delicious, and not at all expensive. The drinks are two bucks; the tacos, less than two bucks each. The only drawback is they play radio music full blast.

Oh, one other thing, same as with Las Cuatro Milpas: flies. You have to wave your hand over your food to keep them from landing on your food. Oh, there you go, making that face just because I mentioned flies. Please: same hand-waving technique applies when you're barbecuing or having a picnic. Just deal with it. Or eat your tacos at Jack in the Box, Del Taco, Burger King, Taco Bell, or any other hermetically sealed fake-o taco place on the planet. No flies, no flavor.

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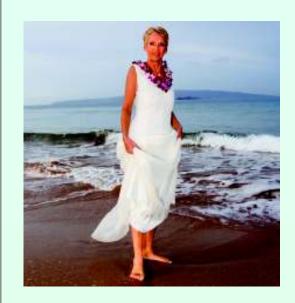
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homicide detectives and one intelligence detective from SDPD. The suspect was on the ground because we put him there (he wanted to fight as opposed to wait for a patrol unit) after he tried to interrupt our after-work run through the park by exposing himself to us on the Bridle Trail. J. Beard

via email

SEPTEMBER BLOG WINNERS

FIRST PLACE

See "Tamales, Tacos, Flies" on page 58.

SECOND PLACE

Author: refriedgringo Blog: Beyond the Big Metal Fence

Entry: "Independence Day" Last Tuesday was to be an excursion with a purpose, although I immediately began to question my own good judgment before I arrived at my first stop, and I considered the years and years of avoidance that conceived this particular expedition. Last Monday was all business at first, to cross the border and bank and complete postal errands and so on, followed up by unsuccessful attempts at locating friends in and around Centro de Tijuana, and it was generally not rewarding. At every cantina I sipped at a beer only to have the cantinera remark, in Spanish of course, that this person or that were in the other day inquiring about me. None showed up

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on Monday. This is what happens.

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THIRD PLACE

Author: FullFlavorPike Neighborhood: Normal Heights

Blog: Normal Heights Through the Blue and White Entry: "Occasionally, when having Difficulties at my Lackluster but otherwise Uninteresting job I may (on occasion) become Grouchy"

Unforeseen Benefit of keeping up this Blog: It is hot outside and I am inside where it is (slightly) cooler. Since I am producing something-instead of the pre-blog days of just *looking* at craigslist for the sheer joy of the thing — I do not feel like I am wasting my days hiding from the sun.

As far as today's Runner-Up goes, I have this to say:

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Laser Eve

Oh, snap! Somebody bought Lavendar (sic) file folders and then decided it would be a terrible idea to file everything in light purple. Live and learn, eh?

Read the rest at SDReader.com/3

Trips For The Limited

Re"Roam-O-Rama,""Mine Canyon" (October 8).

Thanks for this column. I am a fan of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. I have become handicapped and have limited mobility. In this column, Jerry Schad provided good information for someone like me regarding car camping and accessibility by car.

Schad's columns are usually designed for fit people who can get around better than I can. Can he please mention in his columns portions of these "Roam-O-Rama" trips that would be suitable for persons with physical limitations?

Best wishes and thanks from a longtime reader. John Fox

Chased Out Of Town

via email

Re "Soon There Won't Be a Barrio Logan" (Cover Story, October 1). Thank you for writing this story. The young males of Barrio Logan seem to be bearing the brunt of the police force and undercover detectives, as they are harassed on a daily basis. I am convinced that the DA's office is pressuring the police to clean up Barrio Logan for the downtown expansion, even if it means placing false accusations on these young men, who cannot afford to defend themselves in court. I realize not all are innocent, but we need to remember not all are guilty. I have witnessed this harassment myself and couldn't believe what I was seeing. We need to come up with a plan that benefits all at hand and not push residents out by placing them in jail or harassing them to

sell their homes. As your story states, some have lived here for over 55 years.

My prayer is that the police harassment stops and that the DA's office does not continue to offer merit promotions to those officers that arrest the most individuals. This only causes temptation to abuse the system. Could the reason that young men in Barrio Logan are suffering be due to the eastward expansion of the Ballpark Protection Zone and its investors?

> Virginia via email

Three-Strikes Cleanup

I'm sure you wouldn't be writing a story about non-"Anglos' taking over any other neighborhood ("Soon There Won't Be a Barrio Logan," Cover Story, October 1). Regarding Principal Hernandez's comment that "especially since Petco Park went up, from 1995 onwards, it's [the reduced violence and gang activity] really changed the community." The reason why Barrio Logan and every other community in the State of California is safer is because of the Three Strikes Law. That law has sent thousands of people convicted of committing three or more violent crimes to prison for 20 years to life. That law has also deterred many thousands more from committing violent crimes.

Bruce Jamieson via email

It's Better Than Ehhhh...

The Side Man at the Diversionary Theatre hits on all cylinders with fascinating characters that seem like you are watching real people, a complex but understandable story, and history imparted along the way. These actors are putting it out there. You obviously thought highly from your review (October 1). Your best rating of "Worth a try" suggests maybe it's time to add some breadth to the ratings in your theater reviews. This play should be seen!

> Tom Wiczynski via email

Jeff Smith responds: "Worth a try" is, admittedly, a large

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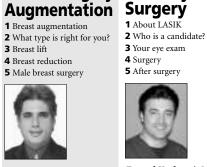
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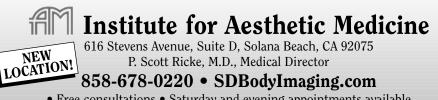
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your readers whenever a regular columnist goes missing. It is one of an editor's prime responsibilities.

Hopefully, with this letter to jog your memory, you'll start paying attention and advising your readers whenever it becomes necessary to explain a missing column. Roban Barr

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Aside from normal vacation weeks, to help the paper save money and space, Reader regular writers take one out of eight weeks off — Editor

Critic Of The Critic

I think it's about time the Reader gets a new movie critic already. Does this guy like movies? It just seems that he doesn't enjoy any movie he sees unless it's before the '60s. Anyway, isn't it about time you get a fresh face and even fresher opinion than the stale one you have already. I should go even further and say that the whole paper needs updating. It's the same ads with the same placement every month. When you have mag-

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azines like 944 and now SoCal out that are so much better and free as well. Just food for thought. Your paper has seen its day, unless you restructure, starting with the movie critic!

Barbara via email

Comments from Reader Website

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

Cover Story Published Oct. 7

Posted by refriedgringo on Oct. 7, 1:22 p.m.

Steven Sorensen, this is the best cover story I've read in The Reader in a long time. Lip-smacking good. My only advice would be to change that ring-tone. Otherwise, very well done!

Posted by BAJAmigo on Oct. 8, 5:09 p.m. Steven,

Thank you, thank you,

thank you! On behalf of all Baja lovers, thank you. The way the LA Times and the SD Tribune portray Baja is truly shameful and completely out of context. I can't even get my friends to visit me because they believe that they will return in a body bag. We need more advocates like you to shed light on the reality of the situation; to quote from last month's Surfing Magazine "stay low-key, don't go flashing expensive things, if you're not looking for trouble, then trouble will

likely not be looking for you." Baja is a magical place, and this viking-blooded

gringo truly gets it. Posted by Fulano_de_Tal on Oct. 11, 6:43 p.m.

Steve, there seems to be no "misconception of Mexico being more dangerous than the U.S." unless you think the Mexicans are spreading that misconception. The Mexican NGO

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Centro de Investigación para el Desarrollo A.C. did their own study, which was released last August. They too, reported that Mexico is more dangerous that the U.S. You can read it yourself: http://www.cidac.org/vnm/pd f/pdf/IncidenciaDelictivaViolencia2009.pdf

And it sure would be nice if the surfer Gabachos would stop infantilizing Mexicans by suggesting they are happy with their lot in life. The Pew Research Center just released a report that shows that 1/3 of Mexicans would migrate to the U.S. for a better life. http://pewglobal.org/reports/ display.php?ReportID=266

Your article makes nice reading, but I'll have to file it in the Fiction section of my library.

Diary of a Diva Published Oct. 7

Posted by Kansaskid on Oct. 7, 2:02 p.m.

Good grief. My bride, 14 years younger, also has no idea about the therapeutic value of newsprint. Browsing through the paper, New York or San Diego, is of value in and of itself. You just can't get it from a computer. While preparing to travel to the Midwest for a class reunion I was talking to an old buddy about the bike rides the five of us used to take out to Horseshoe Cliff. Now a lot of people drove out to the cliffs but only the kids rode their bikes. The quality of the experience on two wheels as opposed to four wheels is about the same as newsprint vs. computer. Try it out, you may enjoy comments on page 7 or 9 that would never be noticed on the screen.

Cover Story Published Sept. 30

Posted by enchavez on Oct. 9, 9:23 a.m. So I can understand the pros and cons of the area transformation. My family

was and will always be a part of Chicano Park and Barrio Logan. Recently I lived in a little house right smack in the middle of both areas on 16th St. between Logan Ave. and Commercial. I have seen the way people live there from the homeless to the Mexican people further south; it doesn't matter who you are, the community is changing. I believe that downtown is a pressure cooker about to explode and the family community that don't want to live in the high-rise hustle and bustle area will move toward East village and down towards Logan but will get a rude awakening by the younger thug group of kids that don't understand change. I was born in 1977, and my parents helped in developing the surrounding area. I loved this story speaking of the historical past that I never knew about pushing through to the now. The bottom line is that "money makes the world go round"; the ballpark will continue to affect the transformation in the community. Something tells me that this is not the last we will hear of the situation.

City Lights, by Don Bauder **October 7**

Posted by Visduh on Oct. 7, 4:17 p.m.

To look deeper at the SDG&E matter, it appears

that the insurers are doing something that many folks have experienced after having an automobile accident, and not necessarily one that was their fault. Have a claim or two against your auto policy, and the rates go up, way up. Prior to the accidents that resulted in the claims, you were paying for coverage that was, according to the industry, reflective of the risks they were covering. Yet, once you had a claim or two they said that your risk profile had changed, i.e. those who have claims tend to have more claims in the future. But there's not much evidence of that if they are talking about people with usual behavior profiles. No, what is actually happening is the insurance companies are trying to recover, after the fact, the losses they had when they paid the claims. As a result, many motorists who could make a small claim on their auto insurance decide to pay for the repairs themselves rather than risk a big rate boost.

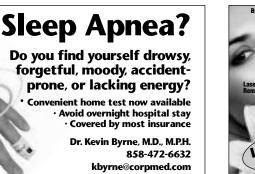
Part of what SDG&E claims to be experiencing is the insurance industry wanting to recoup over the next sev-



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eral years much of the settlement cost it had as a result of the 2007 fires. But has the risk profile for SDG&E changed? Probably not in a negative direction, and if anything, SDG&E is now doing a better job of maintaining its transmission lines than in many years. That would mean their insurance cost should go down, not up. But the insurance industry is going to soak them for its losses on the fires.

I have no sympathy for SDG&E wanting to have the ratepayers cover the cost of their malfeasance. It's not just SDG&E that wants to do the ratepayer rip-off, it is also the insurance companies who now want several times more in premium each year to cover the transmission line risk than they were getting prior to 2007. Moreover, I'm hard-pressed to think of any equity invest-

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ment of mine that was able to insure itself from management malfeasance, avoid taking an earnings hit when it had a screwup, and thus avoid a decline in shareholder value. No, the way it is supposed to work is that when management does a bad job, the earnings suffer, and the shareholders see their stock lose market value. But now in San Diego, we no longer play by the usual rules of corporate governance and capitalism.

Under the Radar September 30

Posted by Fred_Williams on Oct. 2, 1:55 a.m.

Good to hear someone in San Diego is finally paying attention to the issue of law enforcement under the influence of steroids.

If there were a random unannounced test of current SDPD officers, I bet at least 10% would show up positive.

People wonder why cases of police violence are spiraling out of control...well, here's one of the reasons. They're hyped up on 'roids and are completely unable to control their tempers.

Posted by SurfPuppy619 on Oct. 2, 10:44 a.m.

"People wonder why cases of police violence are spiraling out of control...well, here's one of the reasons. They're hyped up on 'roids and are completely unable to control their tempers."

By Fred_Williams

Well, I think it has much more to do with hiring the wrong people.

As in all gov hiring, the more the job pays, the less likely a person will be hired on the merits. In fact it goes something like this in PD hiring;

- 1- Family (Hi Jim Duffy), 2- Friends,
- 3- Military workfare and4- Civil rights lawsuit con-

sent decree hires for engaging in 1 & 2 above. her *Posted by SurfPuppy619 on* and

Oct. 2, 10: 50 a.m. "Anabolic steroid abuse among law enforcement professionals is a rapidly growing problem. This presentation will discuss the challenges this issue presents to

law enforcement regarding the job/personal related effects, as well as the legal and civil ramifications."

Steroids are a Schedule III controlled substance under Title 21 of the United States Code — aka the "Anabolic Steroids Control Act of 1990" — using steroids is no different than using coke or heroin in the eyes of the law, and any cop who is on should be summarily fired.

Posted by whyigotahaveid on Oct. 2, 10:53 a.m.

I can understand the police or law enforcement's frustration. they like people to comply with their DEMANDS to the letter. And it's tiring fighting the war against never-ending crime. But why do they ALL have that DEEK head haircut? Why not like Eric Estrada? Posted by SDaniels on Oct. 2, 10:57 a.m.

"But why do they ALL have that DEEK head haircut? Why not like Eric Estrada?" Hee hee. Why not, indeed,

Hot "Latin" temper stereotype. Check.

Acne. Nope.

Dope? Maybe coke; after all, early 80s.

Posted by SurfPuppy619 on Oct. 2, 2:47 p.m.

"But why do they ALL have that DEEK head haircut? Why not like Eric Estrada?"

By whyigotahaveid Because PD's hire almost

exclusively ex military. The

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only way to get in and NOT come from the military is the "family and friends" routeor the URM route from consent decrees (yes, every major PD and FD in this state has been sued for civil rights violations in the workplace-and settled).

Police dept.'s are also known as the "Full Employment Act For Ex Military" because they will hire a GED doofus from the military over a college grad 10 times out of 10.

This is true not just in CA, but across the nation. It is part of the LE culture and one reason why the police are not a part of the community but are antagonistic to the community because they still have an "it's us vs. them war" in their GED minds.

Posted by Burwell on Oct. 9, 11:13 p.m.

At least 650 sworn officers on the SDPD payroll have memberships in MENSA.

Posted by PistolPete on Oct. 9, 11:18 p.m.

Source?

Posted by antigeekess on Oct. 9, 11:39 p.m.

Somebody called Burwell pulled this one out:

"At least 650 sworn officers on the SDPD payroll have memberships in MENSA." Wow. Where'd ya get THAT

data? For that matter, how many officers are there in the SDPD? Sounds like that would be an ungodly high percentage.

Posted by PistolPete on Oct. 9, 11:40 p.m.

Maybe they meant 65…lol! Posted by SDaniels on Oct. 10, 12:16 a.m.

How much is a membership to MENSA? (Men Engaged in Steroidal Autism)

Posted by Fred_Williams on Oct. 10, 7:27 a.m. In Czech, we call people

"dement." It means stupid, so it's probably related to the same Latin root that gives Spanish "mensa" and English "demented."

No matter what you call it, turning a blind eye for decades to rampant steroid abuse by SDPD officers is just stupid. Have a look at some of the information available on the topic:

http://www.mesomorphosis.com/articles/hoberman/co ps-on-steroids.htm http://www.infowars.com/arti cles/ps/big_guns_police_use_ steroids.htm

http://oceanbeachpoliceabuse.blogspot.com/2005/09/ steroid-abuse-by-law-enforcement.html

Best. Fred Williams

(former member of the

San Diego Crime Commission) (P.S. I'm unable to attend this meeting in person. I'm currently working in Prague. I participate as much as I can from a distance because my heart is always in San Diego.)

Posted by SurfPuppy619 on Oct. 10, 8:17 a.m.

"At least 650 sworn officers on the SDPD payroll have memberships in MENSA." By Burwell

LOL...considering 80%+ of the SDPD (and ALL major PDs in the state) is hired with just a GED or HS diploma, you might want to recalculate that number downward Burell, by about 645, maybe

649.

Posted by Burwell on Oct. 10, 11:05 p.m.

With an IQ of 160 Jerry Sanders is fairly typical of SDPD officers. He outweighs all of you on the bathroom scale and the Stanford-Binet scale as well.

Posted by Fred_Williams on Oct. 10, 11:35 p.m.

Burwell, who says Sanders has a 160 IQ? Posted by antigeekess on

Oct. 10, 11:41 p.m. Fred sed:

"Burwell, who says Sanders has a 160 IQ?"

Is that a rhetorical question, Fred? He still hasn't even cited his source for this silly BS, back in #13:

"At least 650 sworn officers on the SDPD payroll have memberships in MENSA." Still waiting for that,

Burwell. Posted by SurfPuppy619 on Oct. 11, 4:38 p.m.

"When the CHP tried to arrest him for drunk driving, he fled arrest in his

Porsche." Have not heard this one...please tell!

Posted by Burwell on Oct. 11, 8:58 p.m.

"Have not heard this one...please tell!"

By SurfPuppy619 Sanders' arrest was reported

in the newspapers at the time and recounted in the U-T when he first ran for mayor. If any of us had attempted a stunt like his we would have likely been charged with a felony.

http://www.signonsandiego.com/uniontrib/20050705/news_1m5san ders.html

Posted by Visduh on Oct. 11, 9:27 p.m.

Go to that link. It is one of the most blatant pieces of political puffery in the history of the U-T. It's worse than BS up to your knees. It is BS up to your neck! Lordy, how do they get away with such crap?

Posted by SDaniels on Oct. 12, 12:02 a.m.

"[Sanders] drew a 10-day suspension in 1976 for driving while intoxicated and leading the California High-

way Patrol on a chase in his Porsche 914. He said he was not charged."

Wow, the "good" old days...Maybe he intimidated CHP officers with his "steely gaze."

Posted by Duhbya on Oct. 12, 5:27 a.m.

Or got a pass on his reputation as being such a "decent" guy. The best line, for me, in the U-T's smoochfest, was "...Sometimes he's just too damn honest," as if the reporter was up on the subject.

Posted by SDaniels on Oct. 12, 5:52 a.m.

Yes, Duhbya, there are definitely a few gems to be had. Another:

"'I've made decisions that I guarantee you none of these other people have ever had to even dream of making," he said...'"

Then there is the line about his work at the PD being seen as a little too political and that he just kept "renaming" the work. Anyone know what he called it?

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> DINE AND DANCE Spend an evening being entertained, French-Canadian style! Enjoy poitrine de poulet

au sirop (we think that's chicken), potatoes Niçoise, and pouding du chomeur, among other items, before watching a performance by the Canadian dance company BJM Danse.

See FOOD & DRINK, page 74.

Friday | 16

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Put down that handheld Nintendo and try a toy that requires real dexterity. Duncan Yo-Yo presents demonstrations "that will blow your mind." Learn tricks from the experts of a company with 80 years in the biz. See **FOR KIDS**, page 75.

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Saturday | 17

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Help keep San Diego River healthy! Calling for volunteers to help collect data on the river's current state of health, including presence of trash, illegal camps, and invasive plants. Teams led by trained leaders will use GPS, cameras, and field data sheets to document their findings (no experience needed). See **OUTDOORS**, page 70.

ROOM FOR ONE MORE

Monster Manor returns, with visits to

the Ghastleys' haunted family home. The Victorian mansion hosts night haunts for those 13 and older, and during the day

the manor transforms to "lite frite" for young children and families. See SPECIAL, page 71.



Sunday | 18

OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO ART FESTIVAL

Rescheduled from September, the festival is set to take place this weekend. More than 150 contemporary artists and finecraft, fashion, and home-decor artisans will display their wares. Also, wine-tasting pavilion and continuous live entertainment. See SPECIAL, page 72.

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Southern California German Shepherd Rescue hosts "Barktoberfest" for humans and all breeds of well-behaved, leashed dogs. "Swimming with Trish for your pups," training session with Salem, live music by the Pheromones and Goddard Brothers Band, "authentic German lunch," locally brewed beers, and more! See **SPECIAL**, page 72.

Monday | 19

HALLOWEEN FOR HALF-PINTS

Give your costume a test run at this week's "History for Half-Pints," where you can listen to a Halloween story, make a scary craft, and play some Halloween games. For kids three to five years old. See FOR KIDS, page 75.

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Tuesday | 20

WHAT WOMEN DO FOR FASHION

Grossmont College history professor Susan Gonda will give an illustrated talk on fashion, body images, and "fascinating female anatomy theories of the 19th Century," comparing those fashion theories with today's. See LECTURES, page 77.

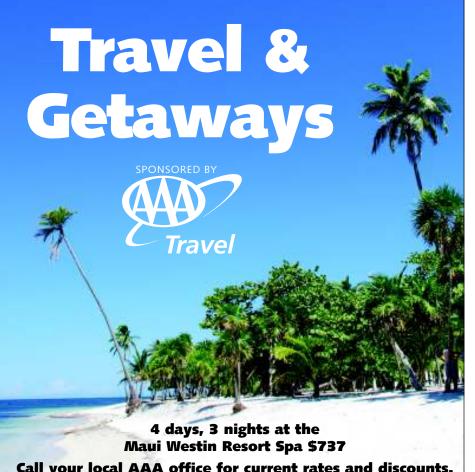
Wednesday | 21 **EPIC ADVENTURE!**



John and Jean Silverwood bought a sailboat named Emerald Jane, left their jobs, packed up their four children, and embarked on a

journey that took them halfway around the world in 2003. The North County residents share their story of self-discovery and survival in person and in Black Wave. See IN PERSON, page 76.

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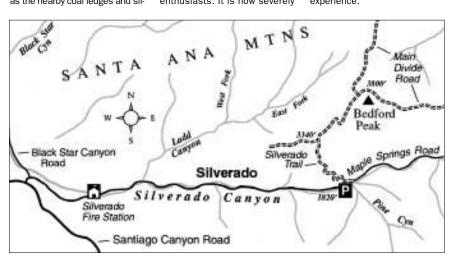
To get to the trailhead in Silverado Canyon, exit either of Orange County's eastern toll roads (Highway 241 or 261) at Santiago Canyon Road. Drive six miles east to Silverado Canyon Road, turn left, and drive east into Silverado Canvon, You'll pass the sites of Carbondale and Silverado, boom towns that popped up in response to coal and silver strikes in the late 1870s. After population in the area peaked at around a thousand. boom turned to bust by 1883 as the nearby coal ledges and silver-ore bodies were depleted. Today, a fair number of people have returned; Silverado Canyon Road is lined with attractive homes and cabins. Proceed a total of 5.4 miles on Silverado Canyon Road to the forest gate (which may or may not be closed and locked to keep out vehicles) at the east end of the community of Silverado Canvon. Park near here, and be sure to post a National Forest Adventure Pass on your parked car.

On foot now, continue uphill past the vehicle gate into Silverado Canyon. In about 300 vards, just after crossing the alder-shaded bottom of the canyon, turn sharply to the left (west) on the old roadbed that climbs sharply up the north wall of the canyon. This is the Silverado Trail (Silverado Motorway on older maps), built originally for fire control, then used for a while by four-wheel-drive enthusiasts. It is now severely

eroded in places, but suitable enough for hiking.

Eventually, you swing right at a junction and follow the top of a ridge on a wide track striking northeast, toward the Main Divide. On reaching Main Divide Road (2.9 miles from the start), turn right, continue 0.3 mile, then walk up the rounded 3800foot summit of Bedford Peak on the right. There's no place to rest comfortably on the open summit, but the view — from the Pacific coast to the peaks of the Peninsular Ranges — can be stupendous on a clear day.

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Hay-On-Wye, Wales By Derek Ray

Hay-On-Wye, a village in Wales, is a bibliophile's paradise. Nestled along the River Wye just across the Welsh border from Herefordshire, England, Hay-On-Wye boasts nearly 40 secondhand bookstores and is known as "the town of books." The village hosts an annual tenday literary festival that attracts bibliophiles from throughout Europe.

Strolling through the narrow streets, I encountered one gem of a shop after another, each with its own unique flavor. There is the Honesty Bookstore with no clerk on hand but a notice to "please put money in the letterbox opposite." There's a poetry bookstore, a cinema bookstore, and a bookstore where each book is just one pound.

In the center of town is the 800year-old Hay Castle, crumbling after invasions by Normans and others. It's also now a used bookstore with bookshelves flanking its entrance.

Hay-On-Wye is blessed with picturesque scenery and an abundance of bedand-breakfasts. Even non-readers would find it a pleasant stay.

Cafayate, Argentina By Niki Van Buren

Wine-flavored ice cream? It's possible at Helados Miranda in Cafayate,

Argentina (just off the main square). Since this was just one of many stops on the wine-tasting tour, I opted for a double-scoop of Torrontes and Cabernet.

Besides the tasty vintages (and ice cream), this region of Argentina boasts incredible scenery. On a day-trip north from Salta, you can follow the Rio de las Conchas as the highway

twists through red-and-pink Grand Canyon–esque scenery. Highlights along the road include El Anfiteatro, an inspiring natural amphitheater; the Garganta del Diablo ("throat of the devil"), a tall rock waterfall; and the Posta de las Cabras, part goat farm,



part touristy rest stop. The Posta offers delicious desserts, boutique cheeses, sandwiches, and a café latte or glass of Malbec.

If you don't have your own transportation, there are many tours leaving the city of Salta daily for the valley of Calchaquies/Salta wine route.

Other Adventures







Bonnie/Maffei: Antoni Gaudi's Sagrada Familia Cathedral, Barcelona, Spain

Greece Costa

sanso66: Capuchin monkey in Costa Rica

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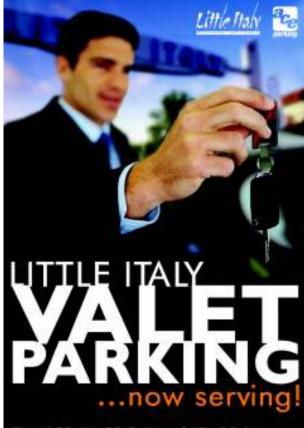
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OUTDOORS

October's Lowest Tides, coinciding with afternoon hours on sequential days, usher in several months of excellent tidepooling opportunities. A -0.5 foot tide occurs at 3:24pm on Saturday, October 17, a -0.6 foot tide occurs at 4:05pm on the 18th, and a -0.5 foot tide occurs at 4:47pm on the 19th. November through January's lowest tides will dip to even lower levels. The region's best-known places to view intertidal life include Cabrillo National Monument, and rocky stretches of coastline northward from La Jolla.



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Leaves are beginning to turn in Orion, and many leave long-lastcoastal San Diego County's riparing trains, or glowing trails. Comet ian woodland and oak woodland Halley is believed responsible for natural habitats. In response to a this shower. Every year at this time, nearly rainless spring and summer, the earth plows through a stream the summer-green crowns of wilof icy particles presumably shed by lows and sycamores are already that comet in the past. Apart from fading to yellow and brown. Bethe Orionid meteors that radiate neath the oaks, the deciduous poifrom the direction of Orion, you son oak is flushing red. Good will also spot a handful of "sporadic meteors" coming from other places for autumn walks this month and next include San directions. Clemente Canyon (Marian Bear) "Daley Ranch Scenery" A di-Park adjacent to Freeway 52, Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve

north of Mira Mesa, and Wilder-

ness Gardens Preserve east of Pala

A Delicate Crescent Moon, its

cusps diagonally inclined, sinks to

the western horizon as twilight

fades on Monday evening, Octo-

ber 19. On the following evening, a

somewhat more robust crescent

moon follows a similar but more

delayed trek to the same setting

point. From Coronado Beach or

Seaport Village, watch the crescent

moon sink toward and disappear

behind the dark profile of the

The Orionid Meteor Shower

peaks on the evening of Tuesday,

October 20, and the morning of

October 21. Viewing of this rela-

tively minor meteor shower will

start when Orion rises (around

10pm). Meteor rates will continue

to rise into the wee hours of the

21st, when 20 to 30 meteors per

hour can be spotted under clear,

dark skies. The Orionids appear to

"radiate" from the constellation of

Point Loma peninsula.

in North County.

verse plant population, expansive views await those taking "occasionally strenuous" four-mile hike with naturalist Rick Paul. Ask about "the Daley Ranch keepsake." 760-839-4680. Sunday, October 18, 9am; free. Daley Ranch — Cougar Pass trailhead, North Broadway and Cougar Pass Road. (ESCONDIDO)

"Rewarding Workout" Naturalist Don Parnell leads "sometimes strenuous but always interesting" 16-mile hike promising "some of the best hills and viewpoints on the ranch." Expect to be on trails for about 6.5 hours; bring snack, minimum of two liters of water. 760-839-4680. Saturday, October 17, 7:30am; free. Daley Ranch — La Honda trailhead, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

"RiverBlitz Survey" Redux Interested in health of San Diego River? Volunteers beckoned to help collect data on health of river including presence of trash, illegal camps, invasive plants. Teams led by trained leader will use GPS, cameras, field data sheets to document findings. No experience needed. Required RSVP: 619-297-7380. Saturday, October 17, 9am; Sunday, October 18, 9am; free. River Garden, 3270 Camino del Rio North. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Spark in the Park" Take trail guide-led interpretive walk to awaken your natural curiosity. Guide will point out "the rich biodiversity and history of our huge urban park." 619-668-3281. Saturday, October 17, 9:30am; Sunday, October 18, 9:30am; Wednesday, October 21, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Afternoon Fitness Hike Join naturalist Rita Ospelt on sevenmile double-loop hike following Creek Crossing, East Ridge, Sage, Ranch House, Boulder Loop trails. Expect a brisk pace, some steep upand downhill sections. Not suited for children. 760-839-4680. Tuesday, October 20, 4pm; free. Daley Ranch — La Honda trailhead, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

Banish Arundo Donax! Volunteers called to help San Diego River Park Foundation and Friends of Buchanan Canyon to help with erosion control, restoration projects. Naturalist-led canyon tour, hands-on activities. Tools, supplies provided. 619-297-7380. Saturday, October 17, 9am; free. Johnson Avenue at Lincoln. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Bird-Watching Easy walk with variety of birds and views of salt marsh habitat hosted by Friends of Famosa Slough starts at first bench on Famosa Boulevard. Bring binoculars if you have them. 619224-4591. Saturday, October 17, 1pm; free. Famosa Slough, West Point Loma Boulevard and Famosa Boulevard. (OCEAN BEACH)

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)

Florida Canyon Cleanup This Balboa Park canyon has 150 acres of coastal sage scrub providing important habitat for native wildlife and miles of hiking trails. Remove nonnative plant species, trash, debris in canyon and on trails. Light refreshments, water, pickup sticks provided. Find group at Park Boulevard and Morley Field Drive. 619-232-2282. Saturday, October 17, 8am; free. 10 and up. Morley Field sports complex, 2221 Morley Field Drive. (BALBOA PARK)

Help Monitor Border Habitat

Join San Diego Audubon Society and Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve to monitor habitat in Border Field State Park; volunteers needed to help with transect and photo-monitoring activities in sensitive habitats along U.S.-Mexico border. Volunteers required to attend training; upon completing training, volunteers asked to participate in one fourhour monitoring shift during week of October 18. Registration: 619-575-3613 x330 or 619-682-7210. Friday, October 16, 9am; free, Tijuana Estuary Visitors' Center, 301 Caspian Way. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

I Spy in the Sky... Seasonal migratory birds have arrived! Mission Trails birders head out "in search of as many different feathered creatures" as they can spot along Kumeyaay Lake and San Diego River. Learn their chirps, songs, differences, habitats. 619-668-3281. Saturday, October 17, 8am; free. Kumeyaay Lake Campground entry station, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

Interested in Wildlife Monitoring? San Diego Tracking Team hosts training for those interested in assisting with county wildlife monitoring. Learn to recognize tracks of native mammal species, join experienced tracker on one or more wildlife surveys. Bring sack lunch. 760-715-4102. Saturday, October 17, 9:15am; free. 16 and up. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, 12020 Black Mountain Road. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Tidepooling for All at Dike Rock Fall is an excellent time to explore local tide pools because lower tides reveal wider beaches and pools teeming with native marine life. Learn about ocean critters when Birch Aquarium at Scripps hosts tidepooling led by aquarium naturalist. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Saturday, October 17, 2:30pm; \$12. 2 and up. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

Tree Walk Offshoot Tours offers hour-long guided tour highlighting various Balboa Park trees. 619235-1122. Saturday, October 17, 10am; free. Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Work Party in Silverwood Sanctuary Help prepare for fire season at Silverwood by clearing brush within fire clearance zones; join volunteers to prune shrubs, remove invasive plants, spread wood chips. Wear old clothes, long pants, boots or sturdy shoes, hats. Work gloves, tools, snacks, water provided. RSVP: 619-443-2998. Saturday, October 17, 8:30an; free. Silverwood Sanctuary, 13003 Wildcat Canyon Road. (LAKESIDE)

SPECIAL

"Books and Bites" Program sponsored by Warwick's Bookstore, promising lunch and discussion with novelist Jennifer Niven, who will discuss, sign *Velva Jean Learns to Drive*. With purchase of *Velva Jean*, lunch tickets are \$20. Required reservations: 858-454-0347. Friday, October 16, 12:30pm; \$20. Burgundy Grill & Wine Bar, 830 Kline Street. (LA JOLLA)

"Clever Ways to Entertain Kids — Anywhere, Anytime" Demonstration of "all the cool ways kids can be entertained using things found in a pocket or purse." Meet Lee Silber and Mike Metz, authors of *Bored Games: Simple Fun from Your Pocket or Purse* — *Anytime, Anywhere.* 619-293-0284. Saturday, October 17, 3pm; free. Fashion Valley Mall, 7007 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Exploring Samhain: Celebrating Our Beloved Dead" "A time of remembering, reassessment, letting go, and change. What does this holy day mean?" Explore Día de los Muertos and altar making. Donation. 619-298-9978 x8014. Monday, October 19, 6:30pm. First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, 4190 Front Street. (HILLCREST)

"Future of Surfing" Surfboard swap, community fundraiser hosted by *Rerip.com* in Fletcher Cove Park. In addition to swap and green product offerings, take in demonstrations by OB Surf and Skate's team on two skate ramps. Trade used surfboards for variety of "green" products. Surfboard recycling bin on-site for broken or unsurfable boards. 858-829-5510. Saturday, October 17, 11am; free. Fletcher Cove, Lomas Santa Fe Drive. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Loa Du Marias" This "subculture art show" presented by SWC includes "artists and bands...in the horror and subculture genres." Artists: D.W. Frydendall, Stacey Lyn, Teresa Swartz, Tattoo Kristen. 858-210-5008. Friday, October 16, 7pm; \$7. 21 and up. Radio Room, 3519 El Cajon Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

"One People, One Sky!" Photographic exhibition opening Friday, October 16, presents great landmarks against backdrop of stars, planets, celestial events, "attesting to the truly unified nature of Earth as a planet." Show features images from TWAN (The World at Night), an international team of night sky photographers including local Dennis Mammana. Through Sunday, November 8. 760-767-5252. Friday, October 16, 5pm; free. Borrego Art Institute, 587 Palm Canyon Drive, Suite 105. (BORREGO SPRINGS)

"Room for One More" Monster Manor returns, with visits to the Ghastleys' haunted family home in their Victorian mansion during the night haunts (for those 13 and older). Manor transforms for "lite frite," aimed at young children and families (October 17, 18, 24, 25, 31; noon-4pm; \$5). 858-222-4815. Friday, October 16, 7pm; Saturday, October 17, noon and 7pm; Sunday, October 18, 12 noon; \$5-\$12. Target Center, 8235 Mira Mesa Boulevard. (MIRA MESA)

"Sight and Sound" Preview night with "rare acoustic" performance by the Burning of Rome and Scarlet Symphony. Program includes the Shimmy Sisters, pervasive video projection, live artists, DJ. Proceeds benefit Green Scene Gallery. Complimentary beverage with paid admission before 8pm. 619-846-7180. Saturday, October 17, 7pm; \$5. 21 and up. Zagrodnik & Thomas Architects, 3956 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Surprised by Joy" Awards ceremony for 13 artists working in variety of styles participating in digital art show. Juror: Carolyn O'Barr. Viewing continues through October 17. 858-273-1480. Saturday, October 17, 10am; free. Saint Mark's United Methodist Church, 3502 Clairemont Drive. (CLAIREMONT)

"Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" To raise awareness of domestic violence, "brave men and women" take one-mile walk in high-heeled shoes. Proceeds support YWCA's Becky's House Domestic Violence Programs. Events begin at Fourth Avenue and K Street. 619-239-0355 x216. Thursday, October 15, 4pm; \$50. Downtown San Diego, Columbia Street and West B Street. (DOWNTOWN)

2009 Arts and Culture Fest Collection of cultural art, entertainment, merchandise, international foods, kids' zone with activities and workshops. Three stages with live entertainment. 619-527-6161. Saturday, October 17, noon; free. Market Creek Plaza, Euclid Avenue and Market Street. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

50 Acres of Fun! Celebrate "100 Years of the Vilter Corliss" during fall tractor show promising working antique equipment demonstrations, n-scale model trains, weaving demonstrations, tractor games, wagon rides, blacksmithing and wheelwright, vendors, food, more. Live entertainment includes "Gold Hill" Julian Gold Rush Musical (October 17, 11:30am) and Celia Thunder Rose (October 17, 2pm); Michael Chain (October 18, 11:30am); Virtual Strangers (October 24, 11:30am), California Heritage Dances (October 25, 11:30am). Camping by reservation. 760-941-1791. Saturday, October 17, 9am; Sunday, October 18,

9am; free-\$9. Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. (VISTA)

Frankenstein, or the Modern Prometheus Mary Shelley's 1818 romance is topic when San Diego Great Books group meets. Newcomers welcome. 619-440-5625. Saturday, October 17, 2pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Books Sale Bargain books in all categories offered. 619-297-3166. Saturday, October 17, 8am; free. University Heights Library, 4193 Park Boulevard. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Candlelight Walk for Human Rights The 21st annual event hosted by Amnesty International to highlight human rights violations. Goal is to encourage people to write letters, e-mails or sign petitions on behalf of people being wrongly detained. Speakers present personal accounts. 760-731-9174. Sunday, October 18, 5:30pm. Oceanside Pier Plaza Amphitheatre, 200 North the Strand. (OCEANSIDE)

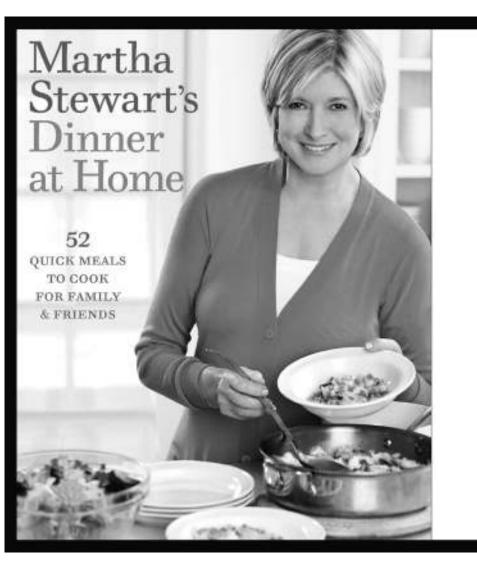
Celebrate National Wildlife Refuge Week Enjoy birding and nature tours, guest speakers and performers, children's environmental activities, crafts, more. Margie Stinson discusses history of sea turtles in San Diego Bay. Running Grunion (a.k.a. Abel Silvas) combines storytelling, comedy, and mime while interpreting Native American history and culture from past to present. 619-409-5900. Saturday, October 17, 10am; free. Chula Vista Nature Center, 1000 Gunpowder Point Drive. (CHULA VISTA)

Check-In Time at Haunted Hotel Experience all kinds of scares in this hostelry. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays except October 26 and 27. 619-696-SCARE. Thursdays, 7pm; Fridays, 6pm; Saturdays, 6pm; Sundays, 7pm; Wednesdays, 7pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$14-\$24. 10 and up. Haunted Hotel, 424 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN)

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)

Covet Cacti? The 27th annual fall plant sale features items from over 100 local growers, whole-salers, retail nurseries, individuals. Select California natives, cacti, succulents, bromeliads, fruit trees, subtropicals. Also for sale: garden-related items, used books, specialty jellies. 760-436-3036 x206. Saturday, October 17, 11am; Sunday, October 18, 11am; free-\$12. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Djembe Drumming Workshop Learn popular rhythms, techniques for djembe, practice exercises, ways to get best sounds from your drum during class led by



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Escondido Street Faire Enjoy live entertainment, over 600 vendors selling wares, international food on Grand Avenue (between Centre City Parkway and Ivy Street). 760-745-8877. Sunday, October 18, 11am; free. Downtown Escondido, Grand Avenue at Centre City. (ESCONDIDO)

Gem Faire Over 80 manufacturers, wholesalers, importers offering jewelry, gems, beads, crystals, silver, and minerals. Classes, demonstrations for all skill levels. Weekend pass: \$5. 760-390-3599. Friday, October 16, noon; Saturday, October 16, noon; Saturday, October 17, 10am; Sunday, October 18, 10am; \$5. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Ghost Tours! Meet "real ghosts" and hear their "scary and tragic stories" during jaunts led by a "clueless ghost hunter" who misses "seeing the ghosts our visitors always see." 619-220-5422. Fridays, 6:30pm and 7pm; Saturdays, 6:30pm and 7pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$5-\$10. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

Go Native! California Native Plant Society hosts annual native plant sale in Casa del Prado courtyard. Native plants and bulbs, seeds, books, experts on hand to answer questions. 858-922-3843. Saturday, October 17, 11am; free. Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

House of Czech and Slovak Republics Enjoy kolaches, apple strudel, sauerkraut, rye bread, and more during lawn program with ethnic dance and music. Food for sale (10:30am-4pm). 619-287-0971. Sunday, October 18, 2pm; free. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

International Festival Choir concerts (11am, 5pm), church tours (10:30am, 4:30pm), dancing, music, food, craft booths, children's crafts. 858-674-1931. Saturday, October 17, 9am; free. Saint John of Damascus Orthodox Church, 16903 Espola Road. (POWAY)

Julia Cameron Celebration Stop in for celebration of Julia Cameron's latest work, *The Artist Date* and *Morning Pages*; share your experience of *The Artist's Way*. 619-284-7684. Sunday, October 18, 3pm; free. The Grove, 3010 Juniper Street. (SOUTH 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)

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La Tomatina Harvest Festival

Fall harvest celebration with Spanish-style tomato toss to return rotten tomatoes to the soil in Pauma Valley. Also on offer: pumpkins, hayrides, tapas, wine, entertainment for children and adults. 760-742-4213. Saturday, October 17, 12 noon; \$5. Tierra Miguel Farm, 14910 Pauma Valley Drive. (VALLEY CENTER)

Lux at Night Sculptor Elizabeth Turk was artist-in-residence (September 10-October 3), transforming "solid 400-pound blocks of Sivec and Carrara marble into improbable shapes." Reception promises art, wine, music. Turk's work may be viewed through October. 760-436-6611. Wednesday, October 21, 7pm; free. 21 and up. Lux Art Institute, 1550 South El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

Meet Ganesh and Shiva! P&R Discussion Group focuses on "Understanding Hinduism." 619-370-1027. Thursday, October 15, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

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)

Monster Mash on Wheels Dr. Sketchy's Anti-Art School convenes for "renegade rollergirls of San Diego" posing as "gorgeous ghouls." Bring your art supplies. 619-299-7372. Saturday, October 17, 3pm; \$10. 21 and up. Ruby Room, 1271 University Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Old Town San Diego Art Festival More than 150 contemporary artists, fine craft, fashion, home décor artisans display their wares. Live entertainment. Event was rescheduled from September 19 and 20. 619-233-5008. Saturday, October 17, 10am; Sunday, October 18, 10am; free. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

Oom-Pup-Pup? Southern California German Shepherd Rescue hosts "Barktoberfest" for humans and all breeds of well-behaved, leashed dogs. "Swimming with Trish for your pups," training session with Salem, live music by the Pheromones and Goddard Brothers Band, "authentic German lunch," local brewed beers, vendors. 858-349-2318. Sunday, October 18, noon; \$15-\$35. Markim Pet Resort, 4393 Carmel Valley Road. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Paint-Out Paint/draw/explore Balboa Park, whether you work in oils, acrylics, watercolor, digital, charcoal, pencil, pastels, or mixed media. All artists, amateur to professional, encouraged to participate. Co-hosted by Maura McHugh and Lee Sautereau. At noon, meet back at SDAI for group discussion of work created, potluck meal (bring food and/or drink to share). 619-236-0011. Saturday, October 17, 9am; free. San Diego Art Institute: Museum of the Living Artist, 1439 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Rock and Gem Roundup El Cajon Valley Gem and Mineral Society hosts annual show with exhibits, demonstrations, vendors selling rock and mineral specimens, gems, jewelry, more. 619-719-3444. Saturday, October 17, 10am; Sunday, October 18, 10am; free. Lakeside Rodeo Grounds, 12584 Mapleview Street. (LAKESIDE)

Stamp-Collecting Show Stamp and cover dealers offer their wares. 619-218-7835. Sunday, October 18, 10am; free. Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road. (KEARNY MESA)

Survivor Crop! Participants are "cast away on an island with only scrapbooking supplies for 24 hours" during scrapbooking event raising money for Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Fun includes "make and takes," food, games, raffles, prizes. Fee includes meals, snacks. 760-630-2767. Saturday, October 17, 9am; \$110. Ever After Scrapbooks, 1954 Hacienda Drive. (VISTA)

Sweet Skulls! Maryann Luera and Ana Ibarra lead class, promising brief Day of the Dead history, symbolism of sugar skulls, and their use in altars. Learn basics of crafting and decorating sugar skulls; each student leaves with completed sugar skull. Required reservations: 619-280-8408. Thursday, October 15, 6pm; Saturday, October 17, 2pm; \$20. Vintage Religion, 3821 32nd Street. (NORTH PARK)

Take the Haunted Trail This "all-outdoor haunted attraction," follows mile-long trail through twisted grove of pines and gnarled oaks. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays except October 26 and 27. 619-696-SCARE. Thursdays, 7pm; Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 7pm; Sundays, 7pm; Wednesdays, 7pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$14-\$24. 10 and up. Marston Point, Laurel Street at Sixth Avenue. (BALBOA PARK)

Throw an Atlatl! What is archaeology all about? San Diego County Archaeological Society hosts day of archaeology with mock excavation, games, tours of Adobe Ranch House, archaeology exhibits, hands-on time with stone spear thrower. Archaeologists on hand to answer questions. Frontier Army of the West plans U.S.-Mexican War Dragoon encampment. 858-538-0935. Saturday, October 17, 10am; free. Los Peñasquitos Ranch Adobe, 12122 Canyonside Park Drive. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

Time to Scream! Del Mar "Scaregrounds" hosts annual Scream Zone, boasting "House of Horror" with rooms filled with "terrifying scenes and scares," haunted hayride through haunted barns on racetrack, and "the Chamber," promising "the largest spinning tunnel in San Diego." Call to confirm hours, open dates: 858-755-1161 x2855. Thursdays, 7pm; Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 7pm; Sundays, 7pm; Mondays, 7pm;

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Ukes and Hula Ukulele Society of America gathers to play, teach ukulele. People hula as well. 760-729-4131. Thursdays, 6pm; free. Ocean House, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Writers' Workshop Meet author Carlene Rae Dater and meet other writers, get writing practice, explore publishing possibilities during group meeting monthly on third Tuesday. 619-469-2151. Tuesday, October 20, 10am; free. 18 and up. La Mesa Library, 8074 Allison Avenue. (LA MESA)

CLASSICAL MUSIC

"An American Salute!" Jeffrey Siegel presents tribute to Gershwin for "Keyboard Conversations" concert. Program includes rarely performed solo piano version of "Rhapsody in Blue," selected pieces by Bernstein, Copland, Scott Joplin. Siegel provides commentary for each piece. 800-988-4253. Sunday, October 18, 4pm; \$27-\$30. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

"Berenika" Solo piano from a recipient of prestigious Leonard Bernstein Scholarship from Harvard University. Music from Chopin, Beethoven, Phillip Glass promised for Concert Hour Series. 760-744-1150 x2316. Thursday, October 15, 12:30pm; free. Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10), 1140 West Mission Road. (PALOMAR COLLEGE)

"Flying Solo" Orchestra Nova musicians and guest pianist Norman Krieger plan concert without a conductor. They'll play and discuss Beethoven's "Piano Concerto No. 3" and "Moonlight Sonata," and Mozart's "Salzburg Symphony No. 1." 858-350-0290. Wednesday, October 21, 7:30pm; \$22-\$60. Saint Paul's Cathedral, 2728 Sixth Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

"Historia del Mandolino" The Duo Acquavella/Jarrell mandolinguitar duo performs for "Pleasure of Your Company" chamber music series. Recital traces history of mandolin with selections from baroque to contemporary music. Postconcert reception. 858-538-8158. Sunday, October 18, 2:30pm; free. Scripps Miramar Ranch Library, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

"The Topping Tooters of the Town" The City Musick explores music of the waits — wind instrument players who served as city watchmen, marking the hours with their signature tunes in Renaissance London. Five musicians playing sackbuts, cornets, and recorders will play music for ceremony, civic procession, sophisticated masque and theater, as well as popular dance and song. 619-291-8246. Friday, October 16, 8pm; \$10-\$25. Saint James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 743 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

Two Guitars and Two Centuries Odeum Guitar Duo performs solos and duets from 17th and 18th centuries for fall concert series. Fred Benedetti and Robert Wetzel will play compositions by Albinoni, Rameau, de Visée, Weiss, Vivaldi, Scarlatti, Bach, Torelli. 619-236-5810. Saturday, October 17, 2:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

All-Shostakovich! Listen for "Cello Concerto No. 1" and "Symphony No. 10" when San Diego Symphony continues Jacobs' Masterworks concert series. Reservations: 619-235-0804. Friday, October 16, 8pm; Saturday, October 17, 8pm; Sunday, October 18, 2pm; \$20-\$93. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. (DOWNTOWN) Elegant Style Across Musical Genres Shanghai Quartet performs the "String Quintet in A Major" by Glazunov, Schubert's "Quartettsatz in C Minor for Strings" and "String Quintet in C Major" for Revelle Series hosted by La Jolla Music Society. 858-459-3728. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; \$25-\$75. Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA) **Music for Winds and Percussion** Hillcrest Wind Ensemble presents "First Suite in E-Flat,""Lincolnshire Posy," more. Also featured: premiere of composition finalists Eric Daino (first place), Ralph Raymond Hays (second place), Matt LaRocca (honorable mention). 619-692-2077 x814. Sunday, October 18, 6pm; \$10. Salvation Army Kroc Community Center Performing Arts Theatre, 6611 University Avenue. (COLLEGE AREA)

Organ Concert Civic organist Carol Williams performs. 619-702-8138. Sunday, October 18, 2pm; free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 2211 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

Organist and "Improvisateur" Stef Tuinstra, director of North Holland Organ Institute, performs selections by Bach, Buxtehude, and an improvisation. Reception follows. Donation: \$5. 619-223-6394 x13. Sunday, October 18, 4pm. All



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Souls' Episcopal Church, 1475 Catalina Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

Stars of Tomorrow Twenty-five young aspiring opera stars compete for chance to end up onstage at New York's Metropolitan Opera. Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions with judging by John Baril, Anthony Dean Griffey, Danielle Orlando. Donation: \$5. 619-479-8184. Saturday, October 17, 10am; 6 and up. Birch North Park Theatre, 2891 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

USD Symphony North County Outreach USD music faculty, alumni, the Immaculata Choir, members of San Rafael choir gather to sing Haydn's "Second Missa Cellensis." 858-487-4314. Sunday, October 18, 4pm; free. San Rafael Catholic Church, 17252 Bernardo Center Drive. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

DANCE

10th Anniversary Belly Dance Show Javna, Jessenia, Meleah, Shalimar perform to live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble. Donation: \$5. 619-688-9845. Thursday, October 15, 8pm; Claire de Lune, 2906 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Zip Zap Zoom Enjoy this piece and Les Chambres des Jacques when the Canadian contemporary dance company BJM Danse takes stage for ArtPower series. 858-534-TIXS. Thursday, October 15, 8pm; \$30-\$40. Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Bulgarian Dance Party Bring a snack or finger food to share when Vassil Bebelekov (gaida), Dan Auvil (tupan), and Maria Bebelekov (vocals) perform for dance party. 619-281-5656. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; \$8-\$12. Folk Dance Center, 4569 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Bulgarian Dance Workshop Class led by Nina Kavardjikova. 619-281-5656. Monday, October 19, 7pm. Folk Dance Center, 4569 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Cajun and Zydeco Dancing Zydeco lesson and dance. Beginners' dance lessons at 7pm; open dancing to recorded tunes 8pm. 619-857-8409. Tuesdays, 7pm; \$5. Tio Leo's, 5302 Napa Street. (LINDA VISTA)

Dance Like No One Is Watching DanceJam hosts "barefoot boogies" every Friday. Contact improvisation classes on second and fourth Friday (8-9pm); improvisational jams with live music and dancers on first and third Fridays. DIs spin dance mixes 9-midnight. Fee: \$10 for class/iam and barefoot boogie; \$5 for barefoot boogie before 9:30pm, \$7 for after 9:30pm. 760-758-8270. Fridays, 8pm. Eveoke Dance Theatre, 2811 University Ave., Suite A. (NORTH PARK)

Flight Path Band provides music, JoAnn Koppany calls for contra dancing hosted by San Diego Folk Heritage. Beginners' dance workshop 7:30pm; dances taught and called to live music 8-11pm. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. Friday, October 16, 7:30pm; \$7. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

Hot Hustle and Nightclub Dancing DJ plays hustle, nightclub two-step, and requests for singles and couples of all ages. Hustle lesson: 8pm. First time free. 619-275-3533. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; free-\$7. Pattie Wells' Dancetime Center, 1255 West Morena Boulevard. (BAY PARK)

Time to Swing Dance! Firehouse swing school's classes include "Lindy Hop 1b" instruction with Giselle and Nelson focusing on six-count basics; and "Lindy 2" routines with Joel and Emily (7-8pm). Class fee includes admission to Firehouse swing dance (8-11:30pm) with music by DJ Jack Pham. Fee: \$15 per class or \$50 for four weeks. Dance only: \$8 general, \$5 students. All ages. 858-395-6060. Wednesdays, 7pm; through

Wednesday, October 28, \$15-\$50. Firehouse Swing Dance, at San Diego Woman's Club: 2557 Third Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

FILM

Anemic Cinema Catch this flick and Sparrows when Silents on Sundays series curated by Kelle Anzalone continues with look at films of 1926 in Seuss Room. 858-834-8074. Sunday, October 18, 7pm; free. UCSD Arts Library, Geisel Library, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Away We Go Film Forum screening of Sam Mendes' comedy with script by Dave Eggers and Vendela Vida, starring Maya Rudolph, John Krasinski, many others. 619-236-5800. Monday, October 19, 6:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Dust and Bones Beyond Bikes teams up with San Diego Mountain Biking Association for final fundraising movie night of season featuring "the final chapter in the epic saga known as New World Disorder" on screen in the gardens. All ages welcome; youths must be accompanied by parents or legal guardians. 760-471-4999. Tuesday, October 20, 7:30pm; free. Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, 1999 Citracado Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

The Others Carlsbad Library's "spooky" film series continues with 2001 film in which Nicole Kidman struggles to protect her children and her sanity! Evenings include prefilm (5:30pm) and postfilm discussions. 760-602-2026. Wednesday, October 21, 5:30pm; free, Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane, (CARLSBAD)

Walk the Line "Dive-in theater" screening event combines "eclectic film choices," food, drink, light conversation at hotel's poolside lounge and theater (outdoors). Reservations: 619-226-6100. Wednesday, October 21, 8pm; free. Pearl Hotel, 1410 Rosecrans Street. (POINT LOMA)

Night Vision Series See Wayne Dyer's first feature film, The Shift. Offering. 619-303-6609. Wednesday, October 21, 7pm; 14 and up. Vision Center for Spiritual Living, 11260 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (TIERRASANTA)

Oceanside International Film Festival First festival boasts feature films, short features, documentaries, student films, workshops, awards gala. Multi-day passes available. Events also take place at Sunshine Brooks Theatre, Flying Bridge. 760-433-3632. Thursday, October 15, 7pm; Friday, October 16, 2:50am and noon: Saturday, October 17, 2:45am and 11:30am; Sunday, October 18, noon; \$10-\$185. Spectrum Video, 1043 South Cleveland Street. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Italian Festival Festival gets underway with Paolo Virzì Retrospective. Virzì is considered heir of commedia all'italiana. a popular genre in Italian cinema usually featuring lower- or middleclass characters in some kind of life struggle. Enjoy La bella vita (Living It Up) on October 16 and Ferie d'agosto (August Vacation) on October 17. 619-238-7559. Friday, October 16, 7pm; Saturday, October 17, 7pm; free. Museum of Photographic Arts, 1649 El Prado. (BAL-BOA PARK)

FOOD & DRINK

"Smokin' in the Park" Barbecue championship and festival, with more than 60 teams competing. Vote for your favorite barbecue with every sample purchase. Entertainment by Los Lobos, the Texas Tornados, more. Kids' area, vendors. 619-659-2070. Saturday, October 17, 10am; free. Viejas Casino, 5005 Willows Road. (ALPINE)

Dine and Dance Enjoy poitrine de poulet au sirop, potatoes Niçoise, and pouding du chomeur, among other items during community dinner in International Center planned before performance by Canadian dance company BJM Danse, RSVP: 858-534-TIXS, Thursday, October 15, 6pm; \$12. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive, (LA JOLLA)

Fresh Dinner! Chef Alex Carballo and Stone Brewing crew descend upon organic farms of SD for "the freshest food" on offer. Enjoy "several courses of amazing fare prepared with ingredients harvested from local fields the very same day." Fresh, locally crafted brews also available. Fee includes tax and tip. Reservations: 760-471-4999. Monday, October 19, 6pm; \$49. Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, 1999 Citracado Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

Stems, not Steins! Raise your stems, not your steins, for a "unique Oktoberfest dining experience." Evening promises "traditional German menu along with...German wine pairings from Patrick Ballow of Free Run Juice." RSVP: 619-255-0616. Thursday, October 15, 6:30pm; \$41. 21 and up. Alchemy, 1503 30th Street. (SOUTH PARK)

What's Cooking? Culinary arts students host five-course dinners in Culinary Arts patio dining area near student center. Dinners include appetizer, intermezzo, entrée, dessert, coffee service; vegetarian meals available. Dinners are fundraisers for students to compete in state and national culinary competitions, as well kitchen maintenance, equipment, supplies. Reservations: 619-644-7550 or 619-644-7549. Thursdays; through Thursday, November 5, \$15. Grossmont College, 8800 Grossmont College Drive. (EL CAJON)

Zinfandels from Around the World Taste an array of Zins. 760-591-9113. Friday, October 16, 5pm; Saturday, October 17, 5pm; \$15.21 and up. Vino 100, 133 South Las Posas Road. (SAN MARCOS)

FOR KIDS

"An Unscary Story" Millie Patterson's Weaver's Tales present Witches Brew, a Halloween tale told with hand puppets. 619-544-9203. Thursday, October 15, 10am and 11:30am; Friday, October 16, 10am and 11:30am: Saturday, October 17, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Sunday, October 18, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

"Creeps from the Deep" Celebrate weird, wacky, wonderful creatures living in the oceans during Family Days program. Meet animals from deep ocean, and creatures that glow, slime, slither. Create an anglerfish to take home. Included in admission (\$12 general). 858-534-3624. Saturday, October 17, 11am. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

"Exploring Abstraction: American Art" Family drop-in day program encourages exploration, learning about this exhibit through variety of child-friendly activities. For families with kids 6-12. Included in museum admission (\$12 adults). 619-231-7092. Sunday, October 18, 1pm; 6 and up. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Seeing Spots and Stripes" Take bus tour of zoo, on lookout for zebra stripes, giraffe spots, other animal patterns. Make spots and stripes cookies, hear Ziggy the Zebra story. Fee does not include admission to zoo. Required reservations: 619-557-3969. Sunday, October 18, 9am; \$12. 3 and up. San Diego Zoo, 2920 Zoo Drive. (BALBOA PARK)

"Some Enchanted Evening" J*Company Youth Theatre opens season with Rodgers and Hammerstein's South Pacific, which premiered on Broadway 60 years ago. Score includes gems such as "Bali Ha'i," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair," others. Reservations: 858-362-1348. Thurs-

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day, October 15, 7pm; Saturday, October 17, 8pm; Sunday, October 18, 1pm and 4:30pm; \$13-\$17. David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"Yo-Yo with Your Ma" Duncan Yo-Yo presents demonstrations "that will blow your mind." Learn tricks to amaze your friends. These folks know their Yo-Yos, with 80 years in the business. 858-755-4488. Friday, October 16, 4pm; free. Thinker Things, 943 Lomas Santa Fe Dr., Lomas Santa Fe Plaza. (SOLANA BEACH)

The Magic Purple Potion Puppet Express plans show with "jokes, music, and illusions...for all ages." 619-544-9203. Wednesday, October 21, 10am and 11:30am; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

Bats: Frightful Faces! Preschoolers (2-5) and parents learn fun facts, take short hike, make craft during Ant-Sized Adventures led by Linda Hawley. 619-582-6261. Thursday, October 15, 10am; free-\$5. 2 and up. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Halloween for Half-Pints Wear a costume, listen to a Halloween story, make a scary craft, and play some Halloween games during "History for Half-Pints" program. For kids three to five years old. Reservations required: 619-232-6203 x129. Monday, October 19, 10am; \$5. 3 and up. Museum of San Diego History, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Nature Explorers Go Batty Awaken senses, learn amazing bat facts, then see them fly during night hike. Bring flashlights. Reservations: 619-582-6261. Friday, October 16, 6pm; free-\$5. Kumeyaay Lake Campground entry station, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

GALLERIES

"Contrast + Unity" Opening reception for Namita Sharma's master of arts thesis exhibition. Closes Thursday, October 22. 619-594-6511. Saturday, October 17, 6pm; free. Flor y Canto Gallery at San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

"Creature of the Imagination" Opening reception for exhibition of prints by Lois Adler-Roussell. Closes Sunday, November 15. 619-299-4278. Saturday, October 17, 6pm; free. San Diego Art Department, 3830 Ray Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Elizabeth Carmel: Tuscany" Opening reception for exhibition by Carmel, "a recipient of the prestigious Hasselblad Master Photographer award." Also on view: photographs by Tom O. Scott, Peter Fay, Abe Ordover, Lisa Ross; paintings and monoprints by Saphire. Closes Sunday, January 17. 858-720-1121. Thursday, October 15, 6pm; free. Ordover Gallery, 410 South Cedros Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

Full Moon: The Apollo Missions

Opening reception for exhibition of photographs from Michael Light's book *Full Moon*, commemorating 40th anniversary of Apollo 11 and first moon landing. Through Saturday, December 5. 858-456-5620. Saturday, October 17, 5pm; free. Joseph Bellows Gallery, 7661 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

"Looking Out, Looking In" Opening reception for exhibition of work by Adam Belt and Michael Whiting. "Both artists work in a reduced, concise manner and at the same time explore large ideas." Art talks begin at 11am and 1pm. Exhibit continues through Thursday, November 5. 760-795-6657. Thursday, October 15, 11am; free. Kruglak Gallery at MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

"Reality and Beyond" Reception for exhibition of digital art by Mark Donnelly, Carole Deubbert, Dana Levine, and John Valois. View work through Sunday, October 25. 858-459-1196. Saturday, October 17, 5pm; free. La Jolla Art Association Gallery, 8100 Paseo del Ocaso, suite B. (LA JOLLA)

"The Railroad" Opening reception for exhibition of railroad paintings in watercolor, acrylic, and oil by Stan Goudey. Closes Sunday, November 22. 760-765-1676. Saturday, October 17, 4pm; free. Santa Ysabel Art Gallery, 30352 Highway 78. (SANTA YSABEL)

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Judith Parenio, whose show is on display along with "Town and Country: Common Threads" by Betty Hock. Also on view: juried, awarded artwork from "Outstanding Visual Artists" of region. Through Sunday, November 8. 619-236-0011. Friday, October 16, 6pm; \$3. San Diego Art Institute: Museum of the Living Artist, 1439 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Wildlife Art Opening reception for exhibition of new works by artist Marla Epstein. Through October. 760-639-6164. Sunday, October 18, 1pm; free. Rancho Buena Vista Adobe Gallery, 640 Alta Vista Drive. (VISTA)

IN PERSON

"American Country" Sara Petite, Cherish, and the Villagers (original 1960s folk group) take stage for Oceanside Music Festival. Family pass: \$25. 760-433-3632. Wednesday, October 21, 7pm; \$10-\$15. Sunshine Brooks Theatre, 217 N. Coast Hwy. (OCEANSIDE)

"From Handel to Halloween: Music for Our Spirits" San Diego Master Chorale presents variety of "spirited" choral music, including classics, folk songs, popular music in keeping with the season, spirituals, with special focus on men's voices. 858-581-2203. Friday, October 16, 7pm; \$15-\$20. Sonrise Community Church, 8805 North Magnolia Avenue. (SNNTEE)

"Homeward Bound" Take musical journey through history of Simon and Garfunkel with stories and songs from their 50-year career during this tribute to the duo. 800-988-4253. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; \$20-\$25. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

"Page One: Celebration of the Written Word" Festivities hosted by San Diego County Library include author talks, panel presentations covering a variety of book genres, receptions, book signings. Author Victor Villaseñor — Rain of Gold, Crazy Loco Love, others talks about his life and literature. Reception, book signing follow. 760-643-5100. Friday, October 16, 6pm; free. Vista Library, 700 Eucalyptus Avenue. (WSTA)

"Page One" Day Two! "Celebration of the Written Word" hosted by San Diego County Library includes author talks, panel presentations covering a variety of book genres, receptions, book signings. Susan Vreeland (*Luncheon of the Boating Party, Girl in Hyacinth Blue*, others) shares insights into her fiction. Reception, book signing follow. 619-475-4642. Saturday, October 17, 11:30am; free. Bonita-Sunnyside Library, 5047 Central Avenue. (BONITA)

"Page One" Day Three "Celebration of the Written Word" hosted by San Diego County Library includes author talks, panel presentations, receptions, book signings. Mystery novelist Jesse Kellerman (*The Genius, Trouble, Sunstroke*) discusses his works. Reception at 1pm; talk, book signing at 1:30pm. 619-475-4642. Sunday, October 18, 1pm; free. Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive. (ENCINITAS)

"Poems of Octavio Paz, Humanist" Selected readings by Jesus Sierra-Oliva, founder of the Hispanic Theatre, from writings of Nobel Prize winner Octavio Paz, described as "the foremost figure in modern Latin American literature." Paz wrote *The Labyrinth of Solitude*. 619-670-4159 or 619-544-0640. Sunday, October 18, 2pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

"Songs of the Southwest" Palomar Chorale performs "The Settling Years" by Libby Larsen, Native American poetry from Chippewa, Sioux, Yaqui, Papago, Seminole tribes in settings by Kenneth Jennings. 760-744-1150 x2453. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; Sunday, October 18, 2pm; \$8-\$12. Howard Brubeck Theatre at Palomar College, 1140 West Mission Road. (PALOMAR COLLEGE)

"Swinging with Dean" Dean Ratzman plays piano, trombone, trumpet, sings in "styles of Sinatra, Nat 'King' Cole, Cole Porter, Ray Charles, Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, Elvis, the Temptations," others. 858-573-5007. Wednesday, October 21, 6:30pm; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

"The Zombie Show" Technomania Circus presents "two hours of unique and eclectic acts by the dead, half dead, and undead." Expect circus, performance art, shadow puppetry, dance, black light, absurd humor, "strange talented musicians of all shapes and sizes." 619-231-1950. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; \$10-\$15. The Center for Amusing Arts, 2438 Commercial Street. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

"Third Thursdays" Native San Diegan Gary Mitrovich, author of *East of San Diego: The Lost History of the East San Diego Police Department 1912-1923*, discusses, signs books. 619-232-4855. Thursday, October 15, 6:30pm; free. The Upstart Crow Bookshop and Coffee House, 835 West Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

A Misrepresentation of Myself Author Mary E. Gilder discusses "connecting with your passions," reads from and signs her novel. Books available for purchase. 858-573-1384. Wednesday, October 21, 5:30pm; free. Tierrasanta Library, 4985 La Cuenta Drive. (TIERRASANTA)

Cowboy and Wills Actress, author Monica Holloway discusses and signs her new memoir, sharing story of a puppy who changed her autistic son's life. 858-454-0347. Wednesday, October 21, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Hex in High Heels Paranormal romance author Linda Wisdom



signs books. 858-268-4747. Sunday, October 18, 2pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

Hungry: A Mother and Daughter Fight Anorexia Food critic/author Sheila Himmel discusses, signs her memoir. 858-454-0347. Thursday, October 15, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Life as a Sandwich Book launch party for Escondido author Eric Peterson, celebrating his novel with Mexican fiesta (with food) in courtyard of center. RSVP: 760-738-2040. Thursday, October 15, 5:30pm; free. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

The Dig You Later, Alligator Blues Jazz reviewer and mystery novelist Skoot Larson hits Galaxy to sign books. 858-268-4747. Monday, October 19, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

Annual Poetry Reading San Diego Writers, Ink plans evening of poetry by Michael Klam, Jihmye Collins, Sylvia Levinson, Jim Moreno, Sylvia Telafaro, Jennifer Geran. 619-641-6123. Friday, October 16, 7:30pm; free. City Heights Performance Annex, 3791 Fairmount Avenue. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Boo the Villain, Cheer the Hero! Time for Julian Triangle Club's annual old-time melodrama and olio, a comedy loosely based upon Julian history entitled Flume of Doom, or One Slip Was to Be Her Downfall. Between acts, enjoy an "olio" (variety show) featuring local talent with guitar and dulcimer players, singers, junior cancan dancers, and (in)famous Julian Floozies. 760-765-1857. Fridays, 7:15pm; Saturdays, 1:15pm and 7:15pm; Sundays, 1:15pm; through Sunday, October 25, free-\$10. Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main Street. (IULIAN)

Cason and Green Antoine Cason and Tyronne Green will be on hand to sign autographs. Fees: 858-487-0636. Saturday, October 17, 2pm; American Icon Autographs, 11305 Rancho Bernardo Road, Suite #109. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Comedy on the Crest Improv sketch comedy show by members of Comedy Under Construction. 858-550-8088. Wednesdays, 8pm; through Wednesday, November 18, \$5. 14 and up. Café Libertalia, 3834 Fifth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Conscious Comedy Explosion Third annual " '70s jam featuring Jamal Doman" served up with cuisine from Abba's Catering, "sultry, groovy music" by DJ Barry. 619-564-4425. Friday, October 16, 8pm; \$7-\$12. 18 and up. Upaka Center, 6875 El Cajon Boulevard. (COLLEGE AREA)

Epic Adventure! John and Jean Silverwood bought a sailboat named *Emerald Jane*, left their jobs, packed up their four children, and embarked on a journey that took them halfway around world in 2003. The North County residents share their story of self-discovery and survival in person and in *Black Wave*. 760-753-7376. Wednesday, October 21, 6:30pm; free. Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Evening with Armantrout Poet Rae Armantrout discusses poetry at Griffin Gate. Armantrout is UCSD professor of writing, poetry, poetics; author of ten books of poetry, most recently *Versed*. 619-644-7523. Thursday, October 15, 7pm; free. Grossmont College, 8800 Grossmont College Drive. (EL CAION)

Fantasy Authors Laura Anne Gilman (*Flesh and Fire*) and Lynn Flewelling (*Shadows Return*) visit to discuss, sign books. 858-268-4747. Saturday, October 17, 2pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

Martha Herself! Crafter/cook/ decorator/businesswoman Martha Stewart visits to sign *Martha Stewart's Dinner at Home.* 760-929-0963. Sunday, October 18, 3pm. Costco Wholesale Carlsbad, 951 Palomar Airport Road. (CARLSBAD)

Meet Freddy Actor/author Robert Englund visits shop to sign *Hollywood Monster: A Walk Down Elm Street with the Man of Your Dreams* and share tales of his Hollywood experiences including his incarnation as horror icon Freddy Krueger. 858-268-4747. Thursday, October 15, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA) **New Writing Series** Vanessa Pl., Teresa Carmondy, other authors from innovative Les Figues Press read from their work in Visual Arts Center. 858-534-2230. Wednesday, October 21, 4:30pm; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

San Diego Jewish Book Fair

Begins! Rabbi Harold Kushner opens event offering "insights on handling difficult issues." His most recent release is *Conquering Fear — Living Your Life to the Fullest.* 858-362-1348. Monday, October 19, 7pm; \$14-\$17. Temple Solel, 3575 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

Shark Attack Comedy troupe presents "long-form improvised comedy based on audience suggestion followed by an original sketch show." Improv jam follows. 858-231-7278. Saturday, October 17, 11:30am; \$5. Compass Theatre, 3704 Sixth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Southern California Noir Author Stephen Jay Schwartz signs, discusses *Boulevard.* 858-268-4747. Tuesday, October 20, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

Support Your Local Athlete "Joey Seymour has worked for such professional sports franchises as the Los Angeles Dodgers, the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, and the Kansas City Royals." The author and blogger will sign *San Diego's Finest Athletes: Five Exceptional Lives.* 619-482-9893. Saturday, October 17, 4pm; free. Borders Books and Music — Chula Vista, 878 EastLake Parkway. (CHULA VISTA)

Thinking College? Rob Franek, senior vice-president and publisher of *The Princeton Review*, shares insights on how to choose the best college, and how to pay for it. He'll discuss *Paying for College Without Going Broke* and *The Best 371 Colleges*, 2010 Edition. 858-454-0347. Monday, October 19, 7pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

West Coast Funnies Comedy variety show with Kurt Swann combines sketch and stand-up comedy. Headliner: Jeremy Hotz. 619-997-3033. Saturday, October 17, 8pm; \$25. 18 and up. Carlsbad



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Village Theatre, 2808 State Street. (CARLSBAD)

What Do Zombies Wear to Prom? Find out during Zombie Prom, a "new twist on teen romance during the atomic '50s" spoofing familiar '50s musicals with toe-tapping music and rousing dance numbers. 619-522-4050. Friday, October 16, 7pm; Saturday, October 17, 7pm; Sunday, October 18, 2pm; \$10-\$15. Coronado School of the Arts, 650 D Avenue. (CORONADO)

Words Alive Annual authors luncheon includes talk by novelist Chris Bohjalian, joined by author Kylie Jones (Lies My Mother Never Told Me). Mingle with avid readers, local book groups. Tickets include marketplace, luncheon, signed copy of Bohjalian's Skeletons at the Feast. Reservations: 858-274-9673. Tuesday, October 20, 10am; \$100. Hyatt Regency La Jolla at Aventine, 3777 La Jolla Village Drive. (LA JOLLA)

LECTURES

"Artist Encounters: A Panel Discussion" Artists Adam Belt, Roman de Salvo, Raul Guerrero Jean Lowe, Kim McConnel discuss their current bodies of work. Question-and-answer session follows. Included in regular admission (\$5), 760-839-4120, Saturday, October 17, 4pm. California Center for the Arts, Escondido Museum, 340 North Escondido Boulevard, (ESCONDIDO)

"California's Nuclear Future" Rochelle Becker and Shirley Vaine of Alliance for Nuclear Responsibility discuss recent state analysis. legislation, proposals pertaining to our aging nuclear reactors when Life at Mira Costa group meets in room 1068 (1pm). DeWitt Drury focuses on "Michelangelo, the Divine Sculptor" at 2:30pm. 760-721-8124. Friday, October 16, 1pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

"Celebrating the Architecture of Homer Delawie" "Historic Places" architecture lecture focusing on Delawie's early career highlights. 619-232-6203 x129. Wednesday, October 21, 5:30pm; \$15. Museum of San Diego History, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Corsets, Hoops, and Arsenic: What Women Do for Fashion" Grossmont College history professor Susan Gonda plans illustrated talk on fashion, body images, "fascinating female anatomy theories of the 19th Century," comparing those theories with fashion theories of today. 619-232-6203. Tuesday, October 20, 6pm; \$10. 10 and up. Museum of San Diego History, 1649 El Prado, (BALBOA PARK)

"Dive Into Drip" Kathy Eagle, director of ornamental horticulture at Barona Vallev Ranch Resort and Casino, teaches how to tune up existing irrigation to make it water smart. Gain introduction to drip irrigation, pros and cons of drippers, appropriate applications for drip, demonstration of basic drip system installation. Reservations: 619-660-0614 x10. Saturday, October 17, 9am; \$20-\$30. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (CUYAMACA COLLEGE)

How to Have Fun Tidepooling Learn about SD's intertidal zones, flora and fauna, and plan a trip to a tidepool. Donation. 619-298-9978 x8014. Tuesday, October 20, 6:30pm. First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, 4190 Front Street, (HILLCREST)

It Doesn't Take a Rocket Scientist Dwain Deets of Architects and Engineers for 9/11 Truth speaks for Toreros for Truth, presenting "forensic evidence that proves that the Twin Towers and World Trade Center Building 7 were all brought down by controlled demolition." Event includes screening of 9/11 Blueprint for Truth. Panel discussion follows. 619-222-2120. Wednesday, October 21, noon; free. Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

"Local and National Economic Conditions" Economist Marney Cox discusses economic conditions for SD and nation during meeting of San Diego City-County Reinvestment Task Force. Public welcome. 619-578-7538. Thursday, October 15, noon; free. San Diego City Administration Building, 202 C Street. (DOWNTOWN)

"Looking Out, Looking In" Art Talk Adam Belt and Michael Whiting both "work in a reduced, concise manner and at the same time explore large ideas." Art talks in conjunction with reception for their exhibition. Exhibit closes Thursday, November 5. 760-795-6657. Thursday, October 15, 11am and 1pm; free. Kruglak Gallery at MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive, (OCEANSIDE)

"Nature as Trophy" Talk San Diego artist Jeff Irwin presents informal talk about his art, in conjunction with current exhibit of two dozen ceramic sculptures. 619-238-6627. Saturday, October 17. 1pm; free. Pacific Beach Library, 4275 Cass Street, (PACIFIC BEACH)

"Painting, Pleasure, and Passion" Getty Museum assistant curator of paintings Scott Allan examines "Jean-Honoré Fragonard in Southern California Collections? 619-239-5548. Wednesday, October 21, 10am. Timken Museum of Art, 1500 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Planting Bamboo Is Not a Crime!" Ralph Evans of Botanical Partners and Bamboo HO focuses on bamboo "and other drought tolerant plants" when MiraCosta Horticulture Club in student center (building 3400). Visitors welcome. 760-729-8172. Saturday, October 17, 12:45pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive.

"Radicalizing the Local: Beyond the Politics of Style!" Teddy Cruz, architect and UCSD public culture professor, speaks for Friends of San Diego Architecture. Discussion follows lecture. Requested donation: \$5 (students

free). 619-224-8584. Saturday, October 17, 9:30am. NewSchool of Architecture and Design, 1249 F Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

"Really Reliable Recall" Frustrated when Spot won't "come when called"? Remedy problem during workshop. Registration: 619-299-7012 x2704. Saturday, October 17, 9am; \$35. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street, (LINDA VISTA)

"Reclaiming Your Real Self" Seminar and discussion with Rick Johnson, presenting "an approach to self-healing that combines a psychological model with an inclusive view of spirituality." 619-296-1560. Friday, October 16, 7pm; \$10. Controversial Bookstore, 3063 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

"San Diego Canyonlands" Eric Bowlby talks about San Diego

Canyonlands' goals and programs, opportunities to support a vision of restoration and sustainable stewardship of local unique habitats. This California Native Plant Society meeting takes place in room 101. Bring mystery plants for identification. Tuesday, October 20, 7:30pm; free. Casa del Prado,

El Prado, (BALBOA PARK)

"San Diego's Naval Training Center" Author Jennifer A. Garey plans brief pictorial history of San Diego Naval Training Center for "Third Thursday Author Series." Fee: \$35 at door includes lecture, book; pay \$15 for lecture only. Tickets: 619-297-9327. Thursday, October 15, 6pm; \$15-\$35. Adobe Chapel, 3963 Conde Street, (OLD TOWN)

"Show Me the Money — For College" Workshop offered in classroom 303. Reservations: 760-753-7073. Wednesday, October 21,





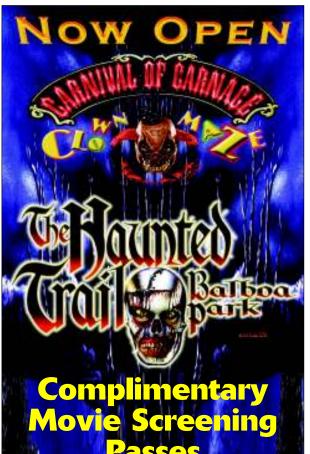
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6:30pm; \$29. Carmel Valley Middle School, 3800 Mykonos Lane. (CARMEL VALLEY)

"Sneaking Up on Wildlife" Do you enjoy seeing wildlife but always seem to scare your prey away? Dan Story talks about his new book, *Where Wild Things Live: Wildlife Watching Techniques and Adventures* for Tijuana Estuary Speaker Series. Learn guidelines for successfully finding, observing wildlife. Book signing follows. 619-575-3613. Saturday, October 17, 11am; free. Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center, 301 Caspian Way. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

"Telepathic Communication with Animals" Wonder what your pet is thinking? Learn about telepathic communication with animals from "animal communicator" Brigitte Noel. Lecture aims to help "you strengthen your relationship with all living creatures," covers how intuitive communication with animals takes place, when it works (and doesn't), and why. Registration: 619-243-3424. Thursday, October 15, 6:30pm; \$12. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

Art and Conversation "Studio Series" continues when former Lux resident artist Daniel Wheeler leads discussion, answers questions about current resident artist Elizabeth Turk's work. Wheeler knows whereof he speaks; he is a fellow sculptor and friend of Turk's. Evening begins with wine reception (5pm), presentation at 5:30pm. Reservations: 760-436-6611. Saturday, October 17, 5pm; \$5-\$10. Lux Art Institute, 1550 South El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

California-Friendly Gardening Class for water-wise gardeners covers soils and fertilizers, garden design process, irrigation systems and scheduling, California-friendly plants. 619-533-4136. Saturday, October 17, 8am; free. Richard A. Reynolds Desalination Facility, 3006 North Second Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

College Funding on Your Mind? Mindy Chenault, "college planning specialist," provides parents, students with tools to maximize financial aid and scholarships, plus increase grades and SAT/ACT scores for admittance leverage to colleges. Reservations: 619-579-0728. Thursday, October 15, 6:30pm; free. 13 and up. Casa de Oro Library, 9805 Campo Road #180. (SPRING VALLEY)

Computer Genealogy Mini Fair Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego hosts mini-fair with discussion of *Footnote.com* or "The Transition of a Computer Geek to a Computer Genealogist" during session one. Session two promises discussion on how to administer a DNA project, or research methods used to develop databases from different primary and secondary resources. 619-426-8295. Saturday, October 17, 9am; free. Robinson Auditorium complex at UCSD, off Pangea Drive. (LA JOLLA)

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, October 20, 6:30pm; free. 13 and up. Rancho San Diego Library, 11555 Via Rancho San Diego. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Dialogue on Art and Culture Filmmaker, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego curator Neil Kendricks discusses work of renowned filmmaker Stan Brakhage. 619-232-7931. Monday, October 19, 7pm; \$10-\$15. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Art and Architecture Dialogues Series examining "Perspectives on Art, Architectural Design, Urban

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Planning, and Our Changing Ecology," promises talk by writer, art collector, practicing physician Kóan Jeff Baysa, M.D. How did this New York physician became a curator of international art exhibitions? 858-454-5872. Thursday, October 15, 7:30pm; free. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

First Aid for Dogs and Cats American Red Cross class covers treatments for pet emergencies including choking, shock, poisoning, broken bones. Required reservations: 619-243-3424. Saturday, October 17, 1pm; \$60. San Diego Huo mane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

Get Close Phillip Roullard leads "Close-Up Flower Photography" class; learn to create high-quality close-up nature images with 35mm macro photography. Tripod, camera with interchangeable lenses (digital or film SLR) required. Class meets October 15, 22 (6:30-8:30pm), October 17 (8am-4pm). Registration: 619-255-0203. Thursday, October 15, 6:30pm; \$89-\$99. San Diego Natural History Museum, 1788 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Get a Home San Diego Association of Realtors leads seminar to educate homebuyers about process of buying a home, including qualifying for a home loan, navigating assistance programs, choosing a realtor, analysis of current real estate market. 858-715-8000. Thursday, October 15, 6pm; free. City Heights Recreation Center, 4380 Landis Street. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Home Buying? San Diego Association of Realtors hosts seminar to educate homebuyers about process of buying a home, including qualifying for a home loan, navigating assistance programs, choosing a realtor, analysis of current real estate market. 858-715-8000. Wednesday, October 21, 6pm; free. Otay Mesa-Nestor Library, 3003 Coronado Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

Home Grown: Cover Crops Legumes and grasses are good for

soil! Learn more at community gardening seminar with master gardeners Diane Hollister and Pete Ash hosted by Agri Service Inc. Reservations: 800-262-4167 x4. Saturday, October 17, 1:30pm; free. El Corazon compost facility, 3210 Oceanside Boulevard. (OCEANSIDE)

How to Live Happily Ever After with Your Cat Training secrets, cat behavior, nutrition, preventing destructive behaviors, socialization with people and other animals, how to communicate with cat. For humans only. Required reservations: 619-299-7012 x2247. Thursday, October 15, 6:30pm; \$35. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

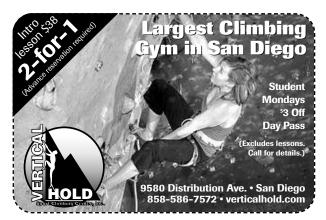
Human Rights Symposium Gerald Mackie focuses on "Human Rights Deliberations in Rural African Communities"; "Towards a Concept of Global Justice: El Caso Pinochet and the Limits of Human Rights and International Justice" presented by Luis Martin-Cabrera. Other speakers include Cathleen Kozen, Viviana MacManus, and Joseph Hankins on a variety of topics in Social Sciences Building room 104. Registration: 858-822-5297. Friday, October 16, 12:30pm; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Magee Park Poets Writing Workshop Poet Claudia Poquoc leads poetry writing class for all levels. Registration required: 760-602-2400 x8149. Sunday, October 18, 10am; free. Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Mind-Body Health Explore the connection with Dr. David Simon, M.D., during conversation, book signing by this practicing physician, researcher, discussing healing the body by healing the mind. 760-753-5786 x848. Friday, October 16, 7pm; \$25. Seaside Center for Spiritual Living, 1613 Lake Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Silva Art Talk Ernest Silva, who can claim a 30-year history of creating and teaching in SD, discusses his works, in conjunction with current "Moving Points" exhibition. 760-602-2021. Tuesday, October 20, 6:30pm; free. Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

Small Business Fair Various federal, state, and local government agencies, as well as other organizations that support small busi-



Alpine Community Center, 1830 Alpine Boulevard. (ALPINE)

nesses, provide training in areas

small businesses need most. Park-

ing: \$3.888-847-9652. Wednesday,

October 21, 8:30am; free. The

Handlery Hotel and Resort, 950

Hotel Circle North, (MISSION VALLEY)

Sogetsu School Ikebana Learn

basics of Sogestsu style ikebana

(Japanese flower arrangement)

from Yumi Rakers. Materials list

upon required advance registra-

tion. Fee: \$15 per session, or \$40

for three sessions. Registration:

619-232-2721. Tuesdays, 9:30am;

through Tuesday, October 27, \$15.

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Century Why has the U.S. consis-

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the Middle East? San Diego Jewish

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dresses this topic. He will discuss

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dle East negotiator Dennis Ross),

Myths, Illusions, and Peace: Find-

ing a New Direction for America in

the Middle East. 858-362-1348.

Tuesday, October 20, 7:30pm; \$14-

\$17. Temple Solel, 3575 Manches-

Understanding ACORN Dave

Lagstein, San Diego ACORN head

organizer, explains recent events

involving ACORN, for East

County Democratic Club. Dinner

at 6pm, meeting at 7pm. 619-447-

3246. Thursday, October 15,

6:30pm; 18 and up. Coco's Bakery

Restaurant, 1025 Fletcher Parkway.

SPORTS

"Bikes for Tykes" The 14th an-

nual fun bike ride boasts eight-

mile route, followed by parking lot

fiesta with brunch. 619-297-4330.

Saturday, October 17, 10am; \$35.

Old Town Mexican Café, 2489 San

16th Annual Bruce Gorder

UCSD 5k Walk for Melanoma

Event begins and ends at Moores

UCSD Cancer Center, with walk

route through Stuart Collection.

858-822-1328. Saturday, October

17, 8am; \$30. Moores UCSD Can-

cer Center, 3855 Health Sciences

Barry Alford Memorial Ride

Bicycle "way out in the back coun-

try" for 80 miles with Bicycle Tour-

ing Society riders. 619-473-8513.

Sunday, October 18, 8:45am; free.

Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

ter Avenue. (CARDIFF)

(EL CAJON)

American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

Bolts Take on Broncos San Diego Chargers host Denver Broncos. Game broadcast on ESPN. 800-745-3000. Monday, October 19, 5:30pm; \$54-\$98. Qualcomm Stadium, 9449 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

Dempsey Holder Ocean Festival and Surf Contest WiLD-COAST hosts sixth annual festival with surf contest for all ages. Registration for surf competition has closed. Free viewing. 619-423-8665. Sunday, October 18, 7am. Portwood Pier Plaza, Seacoast Drive at Imperial Beach Boulevard. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Fishing Fun Catch and release bass fish up to seven pounds. Fishing for all ages. 619-442-9891. Fridays, 5pm; Saturdays, 5pm; Sundays, 5pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$10. Cottonwood Golf Club Bar & Restaurant, 3121 Willow Glen Drive. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Mountains or Roads? Whether you ride a road bike or mountain bike, head out to bicycle with Knickerbikers. Visit Ranch House, head out on 25-mile ride in neighborhood. All riders will meet for lunch at Fuddruckers (bring money). 619-240-6659. Sunday, October 18, 9am; free. Los Peñasquitos Ranch Adobe, 12122 Canyonside Park Drive. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

Out of the Darkness Walk

Event in support of American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. Registration for 5k starts at 9am, walk starts at 10am. 818-593-8110. Saturday, October 17, 9am; free. De Anza Cove, 3000 East Mission Bay Drive. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Showpark County 6 Horse Show 858-481-9085. Saturday, October 17, 8am; Sunday, October 18, 8am; free. Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

Walk to Fight Diabetes Choose from 1.5-mile or 5k walk at Liberty Station. Dogs welcome. Check-in at 7:30am, event starts at 9am. 619-234-9897. Saturday, October 17, 7:30am. NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road. (POINT LOMA)

Wildfire versus Rollergirls San Diego Flat Track Wildfires take on Cincinnati Rollergirls during flat track roller derby competition in Wyland Center Hall. 619-589-0890. Saturday, October 17, 7pm; \$7-\$35. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Musicians On A Mission FREE CONCERT October 24 • 12-5 pm 5810 Alleghany St. San Diego 92139 619-795-6234 Dixieland/Blues/Folk/Jazz/Pop Dustbowl Revival • Paul McCarty DonnyBoy • Cartie Wade Joseph Angelastro Games! Prizes! Food! Dancing! ANGELCARE Child sponsorship programs for underprivileged & disabled children www.angelcare.org



MUSEUMS & PUBLIC ART

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum The museum locates, collects, documents, and preserves historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related to agriculture and the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil-drilling, and construction industries. Blacksmith and wheelwright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steamoperated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. 2040 North Santa Fe Ave., 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

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

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

Birch Aquarium at Scripps Facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. More than 60 tanks contain marine life of Pacific Northwest, California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and South Pacific. The La Jolla Kelp Tank is a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. "Feeling the Heat: The Climate Challenge" examines science behind climate change; "Art of Deception" explores undersea camouflage. "Wonders of Water" waterplay area includes three interactive stations. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, bamboo, and wobbegong sharks. 2300 Expedition Way, 858-534-3474. (LA JOLLA)

California Surf Museum Along with a timeline of surfboards, featured opening exhibit at new location is "Sidewalk Surfers," offering historic look at roots of skateboarding. The skateboard evolved as a method of enjoying feeling of surfing while waves were flat or inaccessible. Display focuses on surfboard shapers and professional

riders and their skateboard models over the years. 312 Pier View Way, 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Heritage of the Americas Museum More than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 B.C.) through the Ming periods (A.D. 1368-1644) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China." From ancient times, jades in China

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

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

Japanese Friendship Garden Pan American Rd., 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

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

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

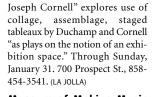
Mingei International Museum

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

"Sonabai: Another Way of Seeing" continues through Sunday, September 5, 2010. The self-taught artist lived in enforced isolation for 15 years in a remote village in central India, developing an innovative art form that she later taught to other artists. Exhibition includes 33 sculptures by Sonabai and her family as well as 38 works by four artists trained by Sonabai. 1439 El Prado. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla "Automatic Cities: The Architectural Imaginary in Contemporary Art" is innovative exhibition mapping influence of architecture on contemporary visual art in an international context. Exhibition sets work by architecturally engaged artists such as Julie Mehretu, Matthew Ritchie, Rachel Whiteread in dialogue with that of emerging practitioners including Catharina van Eetvelde, Jakob Kolding, Sarah Oppenheimer. On view through Sunday, January 31.

"Museums in Miniature: Works by Marcel Duchamp and



Museum of Making Music "Waves of Inspiration: The Legacy of Moog," on view through Friday, April 30, highlights inventor Bob Moog's career, impact it had on world of music. See rare vintage synthesizers, other related Moog instruments and memorabilia from Bob Moog Archives and private collections. Exhibit explores numerous musicians, engineers, colleagues who played vital roles in evolution of Moog sound. Instruments featured trace history of Moog's work.

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

The past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. 5790 Armada Dr., 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

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

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

In celebration of Day of the Dead, Oceanside High School graduate and artist Daniel F. Martinez installs mixture of paintings, fabrications, and marionettes. "Café con Muertos (Coffee with Death)" comments on artist's ritualistic practice of drinking coffee before he creates or teaches art, fused with his devout observance of El Día de los Muertos. His work is strongly influenced by indigenous cultures of Mexico reflecting his ancestry, familial traditions, and native art. On view through Sunday, November 1.

"American Dream" — a body of mixed-media work by ceramic artist Gregg Jabs — continues through Sunday, January 10. "By questioning the reality of the American dream, the myth begins



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Olaf Wieghorst Museum Displays paintings and prints by Olaf Wieghorst and features exhibits of other artists' American West art. Adjacent to museum is courtyard with cactus gardens, 20x20-foot reproduction of Wieghorst's painting Navaios 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 County Sheriff's Museum The 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. 2384 San Diego Ave., 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

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

San Diego Museum of Art "Calder Jewelry" boasts approximately 90 works by the famed modernist - including necklaces,

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bracelets, brooches, earrings and tiaras - demonstrating the artist's love of abstraction and his mastery of this wearable art form. "Conceiving of his objects as 'wearable mobiles,' Calder individually hammered, chiseled, shaped, and composed more than 1800 pieces of iewelry." Closes Sunday, January 3.

"Picasso, Miró, Calder," on view through Sunday, December 6, features works by "three of the greatest artists working in the 20th Century." Installation celebrates generosity of museum's donors, boasts "choice selection of the museum's collection of modernist painting and sculpture that has long been out of sight."

"Oceanic Art: A Celebration of Form" features 97 works of art primarily from Melanesia and Polynesia, as well as objects from Micronesia and Taiwan. Closes Sunday, January 3. 1450 El Prado, 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Natural History Museum Imagery by National Geographic photographer/author/

expedition leader Ralph Lee Hopkins is gathered in "Baja California," continuing through Sunday, January 3. In addition to photographs by Hopkins, images by American and Mexican photographers may be seen.

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

Earth: Pole to Pole; Ocean Oasis; and 3-D Dinosaurs Alive. 1788 El Prado, 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Public Library Traveling exhibition "Helen Suzman: Fighter for Human Rights," regarding iconic South African leader who devoted her life to fight against apartheid, continues through October. Exhibition explores nearly four decades of Suzman's life, vision through photographs, personal letters, quotations from speeches and news articles.

"Leaves of Gold: An Exhibit of Illuminated Manuscripts" is currently on view in library's Wangenheim Room. "Illuminated manuscripts flourished from the 5th to the 15th Century and are handwritten texts that are supplemented by the addition of decoration, such as decorated initials, borders (marginalia), and miniature illustrations." Highlights of exhibit - continuing through Thursday, December 10include a 15th-century book of hours from France, a 13th-century Latin Bible, a Spanish missal from 1615, a highly illuminated 20thcentury manuscript of Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam, more. 820 E St., 619-236-5800, (EAST VILLAGE)

USS Midway Museum Permanent exhibits include 25 restored aircraft. Former World War II pilots and other veterans share personal stories with guests in front of a restored SBD Dauntless dive bomber on Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays. Navy knot-tying demonstrations and activities for youngsters offered most weekends. Self-guided audio tour narrated by former Midway sailors. 910 North Harbor Dr., 619-544-9600. (DOWNTOWN)





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Caught Inside Canes is finished. After 13 years, Eric Leitstein, owner of the beachfront venue that hosted artists such as Prince, Linkin Leitstein did not want to go into specifics, only stating that the club "won't be Canes anymore." He says some 80 employees will be



Park, Maroon Five, and Snoop Dogg, has been informed that his lease will not be renewed. Though Canes sits on city property,

the lease for the Belmont Park complex is held by Tom Lochtefeld, who controls the WaveHouse business adiacent to Canes. In 2006, the WaveHouse hired local talent buyers and started booking national acts for its outdoor summer concert series. The WaveHouse initiated an aggressive booking policy, going after many of the acts (Ozomatli, Unwritten Law, Eek-A-Mouse) that regularly played Canes.

displaced when his club closes November 1. He would not disclose whether or not he would sell his liquor license to Lochtefeld.



WILL THERE BE A NEW ROOM IN LOCHTEFELD'S WAVEHOUSE?

He says it was his quality staff and great relationships that allowed Canes to succeed where four other businesses failed. He says the building previously housed Belmont's at the Beach, the Hop, Chillers, and Sirens.

"Anyone who saw the De La Soul show [at the WaveHouse] would understand why the WaveHouse would want to take over Canes," says a music-industry insider who did not want to be identified. "The sound was terrible. I don't think the WaveHouse is set up for live bands.... They need Canes to host bands." He says he remembers when Canes did not have such a good reputation. "They used to have these real abusive bouncers. They were all juiced up, and they used to be on a huge power trip. I remember when a lot of local punks boycotted that place. But that was back in 2000, 2002. Canes cleaned up its act over the past few years...but [Leitstein] got muscled out."

A farewell party is being planned for October 27, and the last headliner to perform at Canes will be Jamaican band Inner Circle on October 30.

— Ken Leighton

No God Music "I played a song in my after-school dance class, a job that I had for five years [and] this song mentioned the name 'Christ,' " says former Lemon Grove arts teacher Kathy Villalobos. "This name...seemed to bother an administrator, a clerk, and an after-school coordinator; subsequently, I lost my job a few days later."

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DANCE TEACHER DAMNED (KATHY VILLALOBOS)

"Religious art and musicdshould not be banished fromcour schools," says attorneyrKaren Milam of the PacificJustice Institute, which isJustice Institute, which isaappealing a recent San DiegocoCounty Superior Court decision dismissing Villalobos'sffclaim of wrongful discrimination because "[Villalobos] hadunot suffered as much as them

Jews in Nazi Germany." The song in contention, "O Sifuni Mungu," is mostly sung in Swahili. Villalobos claims the song — chosen for its danceable African due to missing a number of classes and district rescheduling.

rhythm — was the cause of

her termination. The Lemon

Grove School District main-

tains she was fired mainly

"They are also on record as saying this is about insubordination," says Villalobos. "I have never, ever in all the five years had one complaint or warning laid against me until someone heard the name of Christ in one of my songs.... They have offered me a 'settlement,' what I call 'hush money,' and they absolutely refuse to publicly admit what they did." — Jay Allen Sanford The Economy of Rock

The troubled economy may not be affecting concert ticket sales of top-draw bands, but what about acts on the local level? When I posted the question online as to how San Diego bands were weathering the economic downturn, I received a variety of responses with a common theme, summed up best by Jared from the band Off Track: "You don't have to be rich to rock-n-roll, but money helps. [We've] gotten a lot of 'can't afford to go' responses this past year...so we do what we can."

From Luke Chandler of Reason to Rebel and Above Ground Records: "[I] am involved with a lot of bands in [North County], and I think that the economy has definitely had an effect on us.... When we have control over the cover charge at our shows, we make it as cheap as possible, even at our own expense, in order to get people to come out."

Nick Razor, singer of GFI, attested to the financial hardship on fans and posted that though "the Warped Tour and Street Scene lowered their ticket prices this year, local venues refuse to. So, [local bands] are not getting paid anymore."

While many in North County agree that the situation is unfortunate, there are bands that have seen a differ-

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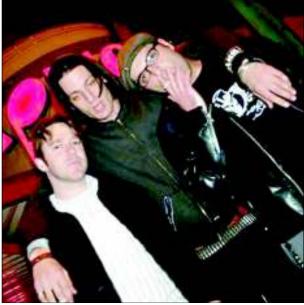
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ent effect on the music scene. Josh Arend of the Morning Riot posts, "I don't think that the music scene has taken a hit at all. If anything, it's spiked in a lot of areas where it was once maybe weak ---it's creating unity!"

Of a similar mindset are the Hillstreet Stranglers. Singer-bassist Dick Strangler



STRANGLERS SAY: WELCOME BACK TO THE DIVE BAR

and drummer Kendall met with me to discuss their observations on the economy and the band. "Being the only one in the band with a job," says Strangler, "I can see the effect that the economy has had on the members of my

why we try to keep the shows we play cheap or free." Contrary to some of the other bands' experiences with the recession, Strangler says, "I've found that the fan base has gotten better. It seems that instead of big arena

band. It's been hard to get

not everyone can pitch in,

but I try to remain

optimistic."

our new release out because

Kendall, unemployed,

described to me his daily

conflict of having to weigh eating against "replacing the

cord that broke last night or

Strangler expressed a similar concern for fans of other

the cymbal that cracked."

NC bands: "We know that

many people are having a

tough time right now. That's





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shows, most people have been attending small dive-bar shows. The glitter and glitz crap is gone, and I say good!"

Though the release date of the new Stranglers album is uncertain, Strangler stuck to his optimistic guns, reassuring me that "the Hillstreet Stranglers have been through a lot, but we always keep pushing ahead and so will America. I don't see that changing." — Adam Crawley

Looks Like We Made It!

Before Barry Manilow plays the Sports Arena on Sunday, October 18, "Barry's fan club shows up at 11 a.m. to decorate his dressing room." Security must be manning hallway doors by 3 p.m. because "Barry will want a closed sound check.... We want to keep anyone from inadvertently running into Barry."

In addition, "Under no circumstances is anyone not directly affiliated with the tour [wearing a laminated



one backstage."

Manilow's dressing room



IS IT DAYBREAK ON A NEW ERA FOR MANILOW?

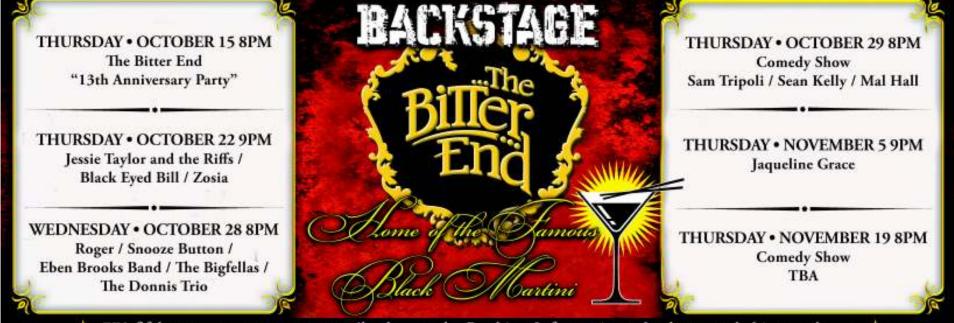
tour pass] to disturb the artist at any time. There are to be no requests for autographs or photos from anyvate shower, toilet, and sink" stocked with "soft bathroom tissue and neutral deodorant spray, an adequate supply of hand soap, and Kleenex tissues." A piano tuner must be on hand who "must be able to tune the piano to a midi module."

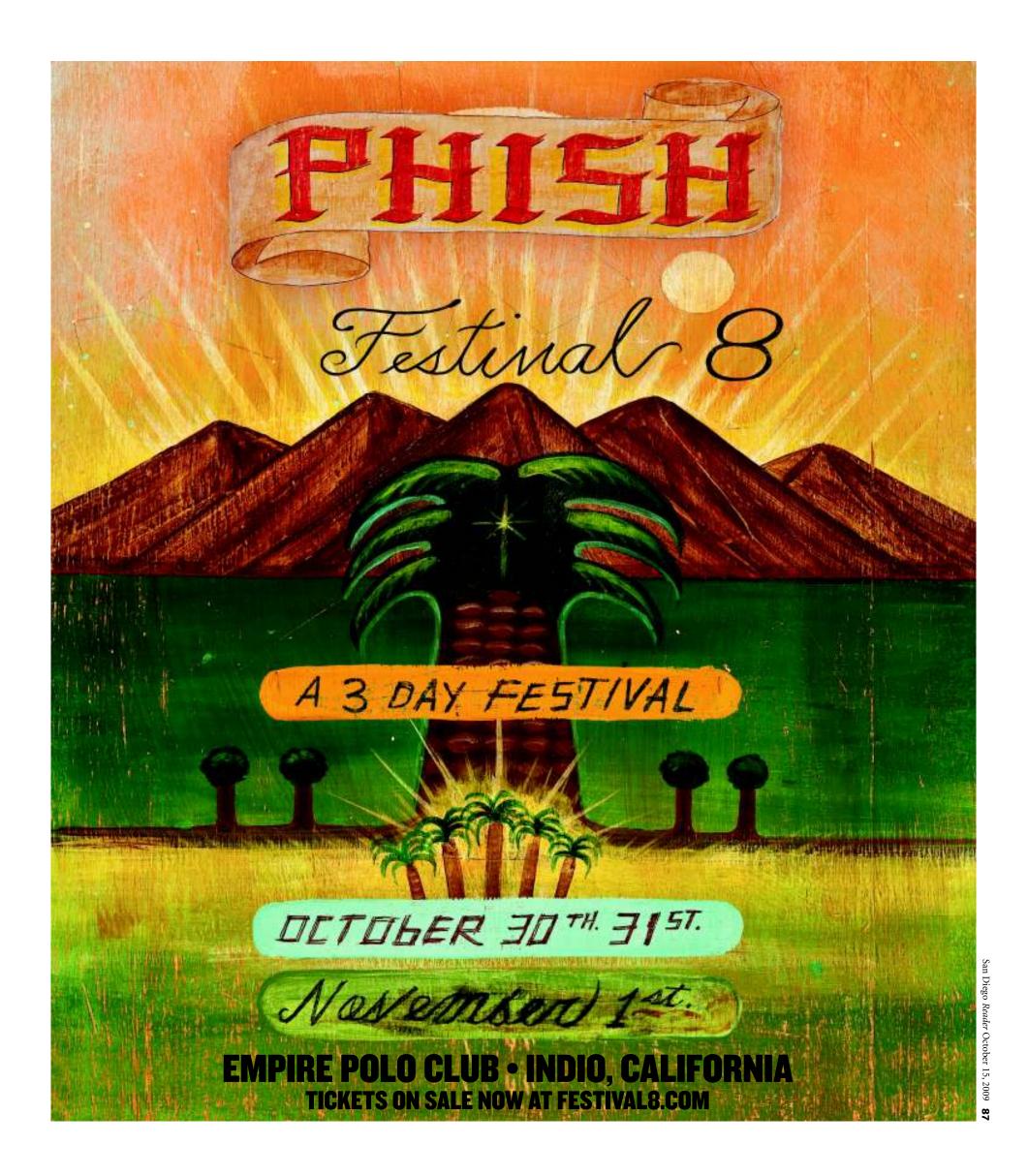
Finally, "Barry will want the arena to be 65 degrees on stage at 8 p.m. This is very important and must be adhered to." After all, at that temperature, fans will be more inclined to make tourshirt purchases.

In other Manilow news, according to a recent issue of Variety, R.E.M. front man Michael Stipe and his Single Cell film company are in production on a Barry Manilowthemed romantic comedy about a group of Manilow fans who follow the pianopop star to showbiz mecca Las Vegas. Money, baby. — Jay Allen Sanford

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This Week In Music

Thursday Noise-pop anyone? There's a real ear-plugger at Casbah tonight with A Place to Bury Strangers, Darker My Love, and All the Saints. Brooklyn feedback trio A Place to Bury Strangers has just dropped their hotly anticipat-

ed sophomore psych-out Exploding Head, a cavernous collection straight out of J&-MC's Darklands. L.A.-based Darker My Love swings more like Brian Jonestown with lisping psychedelia. And Atlanta's All the Saints split the difference with big pop hooks.... Wu-Tang playa Ghostface Killah rolls up on Canes behind his latest, Ghostdini: The Wizard of Poetry in Emerald City, an R&B cuts collection

GHOSTFACE KILLAH AT CANES that adds a new hue to Killah's palette. Mayer Hawthorne & the **County** and **Buff1** will set the seaside stage. BTW: check out this week's "Blurt" on the Canes club. Nooooo fuuuutcha For you lo-fi aficionados, Bar Pink books local psych-folk faves $\ensuremath{\textbf{Vision}}$ of a Dying World and Tape Deck Mountain. Tape Deck'll drop their debut Ghost November 17 "It's an album about thinking you're a ghost, dreaming you're a ghost, being a ghost, and get-ting good grades in school".... Synth-pop songsmith Michael Angelakos and his Cambridge, Mass quintet Passion Pit play Soma behind their Billboard climber Manners.... Dance-beats band Bobby Fantasy will celebrate a CD release for Can't Stop the Night at Ruby Room.... And Canada's piano-pop hit **Patrick Watson** will plink and sing some cool cabaret at the Loft.



Casbah's cleaning out the garage-rock Friday night when homegrown hit Nathan Williams makes Wavves with the Soft Pack (ex-Muslims), the Beaters (ex-Sess), and Pitchfork-approved Sactown psychedelics **Ganglians**, whose Woodsist debut *Monster Head Room* is a bona fide grower. And then — holy moley! — there's the super-awe-some **Drug Wars** in the Atari Lounge. That right there's the bill to beat this week.... Soma stages New Jersey trio and indie elders Yo La Tengo. Georgia, Ira, and James dropped critics' pick Popular Songs last

month to fine reviews for its YLT pastiche of polite pop and audacious skronk. "The new Canned Heat." a Brooklyn blues-rock band called **Endless** Boogie, is up first Else: the Grammy-winning Mexi altrockers Jaguares appear at Belly Up...acoustic dudes **Drew Andrews** and John Meeks make a Whistle Stop stop...and heavy-metal mayhem hits Brick by Brick in the guise of female fourpiece Kittie.



Sick Saturday night, with the Black Heart Procession processing into Casbah behind their sixth proper, Six. Dave Good has the

goods on that one in his "Of Note" this week Apparently, Pall and Nathaniel thought they'd try something dark. The Mumblers and Family Curse share the bill.... Two of Kurt Cobain's three favorite bands, San Antonio psych-punk pack the Butthole Surfers and sludge-rockers the Melvins, take Canes.... NYC gypsy-punk collec-tive Gogol Bordello roll into 4th&B with Broken Social Scenesters Apostle of Hustle Glaswegian college-rockers Snow Patrol visit

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SDSU's Open Air in support of A Hundred Million Suns.... Skate-punk perennials the **Angry** Samoans throw down at the Jumping Turtle with North County kids the **Bombpops** and **Hillstreet Stranglers**.... With members of B-Side, P.O.D., and Psydecar, the **South Town Generals** take command of Ruby Room ... and former Fantastic Magic cats Heavy Hawaii and Spirit Photography snap off indie-pop sets at Soda Bar.

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Singing in "German, French, and English or what-

ever," German twoman band **Dos** Hermanos visit their "country-trash" riffing on Bar Pink. Fine. fun stuff. Check 'em out at myspace.com/doshermanosmonaco.... More Germany? How about Hamburgian industrial rockers **KMFDM**? The heavy-beats band just released their 16th(!) disc, Blitz. They'll join Angel Spit and Legion Within at House of Blues.

Monday

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Shane MacGowan and his pub-rock punks the Pogues will play House of Blues Monday night. The big band hasn't had a record this decade but are enjoying a whirlwind world reunion tour. From the Washington Post:

"[MacGowan] still has a banshee wail, and the singer's abrasive growl is all a band this marvelous needs to give its amphetamine-spiked take on Irish folk a focal point".... Radio 94.9 presents Canadian pop imports **Our Lady Peace** and Chi-town trio Company of Thieves at Belly Up.



Hot-topic supergroup the Monsters of Folk, featuring Conor Oberst, M. Ward, Jim James, and

Mike Mogis, will fill Spreckels Theatre. The quartet's s/t record, which was five years in the making, suffers some heavy-handed production, but the chops are there where the songwriting slips.... Former Hüsker Düde **Bob Mould** has a new studio set out on Anti- called Life and Times that alt-rock writers grade about a high C. Check some takes yourself at *myspace.com/bobmould*. The beardo plays Belly Up with Pavement's Scott 'Spiral Stairs" Kannberg, who today dropped his solo debut *The Real Feel*. (You all heard the Pavement reunion news? Apparently, it's for real).... Local jazzman Jesse Davis will sing a birthday set - his birthday set - at Humphrey's Backstage, with plenty of party fare and special guests. Jesse's, like, 150 years old, but he looks half that! Go get this San Diego institution and real class act a drink 91X checks into House of Blues for a couple of nights with alt-rock acts **Brand** New, Manchester Orchestra, and the Builders and the Butchers In case you hadn't heard, the Jay Reatard riot's been canceled at Casbah. His band quit. There there, punky. Here's Jay's Twitter on the de-tour: "Band quit! Fuck them! They are boring rich kids who can't play for shit!"



Grizzly Bear and Beach House sold out Belly Up. No surprise, that, Vekatimest has been spin ning nonstop at the Monk house Go see Thee Oh Sees, the Fresh & Onlys, and Dan Melchior und Das Menace as they fill a fabulous avant-pop bill at Bar Pink Alsos: hip-hop



honky Brother Ali hits Canes in the kisser with his new alt-hop collection Us while electric folkies Noah and the Whale and Robert Francis get all straight-faced and cinematic at Casbah

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all Me Alice is in the final stages of completing their new CD *How Motivation Killed the Man*, scheduled for release this fall. At least, that seems to be the plan.

The San Diego techno-goth fivepiece has been working on the CD since 2005, the year they were voted "Best Rock Band" at the first

annual Inland Empire Music Awards (IEMA). Their first CD, *All About Sive*, has been remixed by local DJs in the clubs.

True to the gothic M.O., the band members are only known by their stage names: Crosby the vocalist, Epiphany the bass player, Jude the keyboardist and electronic sound programmer, Aughustine the guitarist, and a percussionist known only as THRaWN.

"One thing you can say about us as a band is we're not snobs about when and where we play," says Crosby. "We'll play pretty much anywhere, any time-slot if we can grab some new listeners, especially young ones. Yes, we'll talk shit about it later, but we're very considerate and only badmouth those places to one another or several years later in interviews like this one."

IN THAT CASE, WHAT ISSUES DO YOU HAVE WITH LIVE SHOWS? Epiphany

"Many venues have too many bands on one bill, which means bands are rushed with short sets and no sound checks, so by the time the sound is dialed in — if at all — your set is almost over. We're a bit more HM [high maintenance] than

other bands because we also use keys, samples, and electronic drums, which all need to get mixed in on top of

the usual guitar, bass, drums, and vox."

HISTORY OF YOUR GEAR?

Jude "My keyboard is getting really old, by technology standards; I can't seem to let it go, though." Crosby

"I was born with it. It makes me feel good to use it. I'm glad I can take it with me wherever I go, no matter what I'm doing." Aughustine

"The history of my main CMA axe is it was broken in two pieces when I bought it. I repaired it, hated it, and I never played it. Khrys Maxwell, who helped us produce our new album, strongly suggested I use it on the recording. It sounded great, so I've grown to love it and compare most axes to it these days."

BEST SAN DIEGO HANGOUT? Crosby

"McDonald's. I'm severely addicted to vanilla iced coffee. I know they put narcotics in it because I can feel the chemicals in my brain change when I begin to drink one. Watch for me at your local Mickey D's, and if you're in front of me, hurry, get your stuff, and get out of my way." Epiphany

"By the looks of me I'd have to say the tattoo shops, specifically Guru or Avalon." Aughustine "Hill Street Cafe. The vibe

is right, the people are right, and it's locally owned."

EARLIEST CHILDHOOD MEMORY? Jude

"Riding in the child's seat on my dad's bike."

Crosby "In the mountains somewhere with large trees everywhere, the air is cool, playing with a tiny green John Deere tractor in a pool of water — possibly a creek? But then again maybe this wasn't me but just a dream that I'm misinterpreting as a memory."

THRaWN "Throwing my middle finger in

the air and watching relatives or my parents' friends laugh at me. They thought it was the funniest thing."

BEST GIG? THRaWN "Some battle-of-the-bands thing we played in Vegas. We hate doing contests and only did it because it was a free trip to Vegas. We didn't really care about the contest at all, got liquored up, went out and did our thing, and still placed second. We got back to the hotel around 2:30 a.m. and headed for the casino in full makeup."

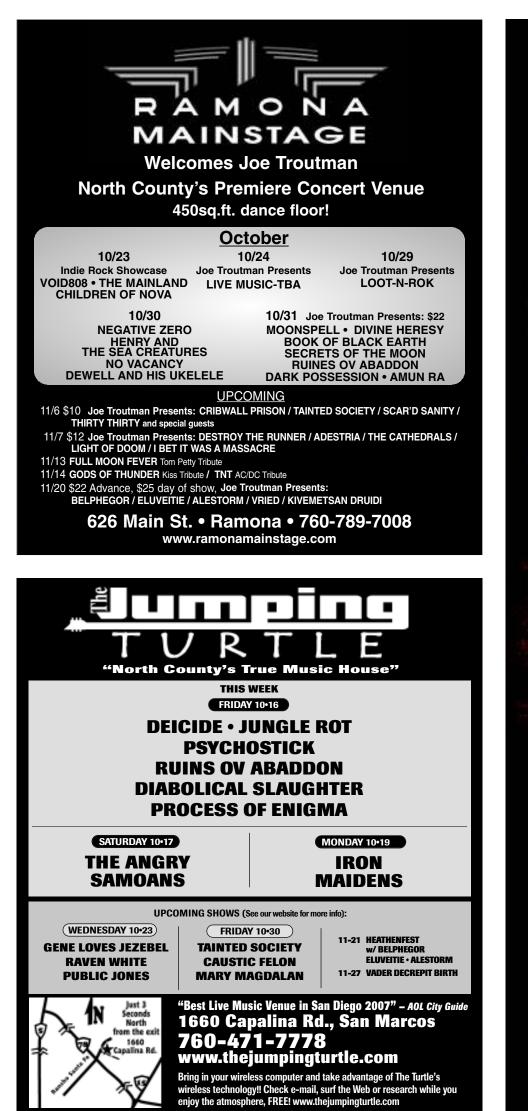


Call Me Alice

WORST GIG? Epiphany

"Was it the random strip club we played in Anaheim up on a stage not built for bands with the dirty pole in our way the entire set? Was it the bowling alley full of kids waiting to see us play but couldn't because we kept blowing the power in the place a minute into a song? Or was it the show we did at an ice rink where we had to drag all our gear out on the ice and play while kids and families skated around us? You pick the worst. Not many bands can top those gems."





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THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

4th&B: 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343. *Saturday*, 8:30pm — Gogol Bordello. Folk/punk/rock. \$25. 21 and up

and up. Sunday, 7pm — Old School Funk. Featuring Bonafyde Players, MC Funk, and WC Funk Konnection. Funk. \$20-\$30. 21 and up. *Wednesday*, 7:30pm — Anna Troy and Lee Coulter. Rock and blues. \$5. 21 and up.

AcousticMusicSanDiego: 4650 Mansfield St., Normal Heights, 619-303-8176.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Kelly Joe Phelps. Acoustic/folk. \$15-\$20.



Alpine Inn: 2225 Alpine Bl.,

Friday & Saturday, 9pm — Stone

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little

Thursday, 7:30pm — Earl Thomas.

Saturday, 7:30pm — The Eldar

Djangirov Trio. Jazz. \$23. 9:30pm — Johnny Polanco. Latin. \$18.

Ascension Lutheran Church:

Athenaeum Music and Arts

Library: 1008 Wall St., La Jolla,

Monday, noon — Michael Sellers.

Monday, 7:30pm — Joe Rathburn.

With Nicole Torres and Lou Evans

Bar Leucadian: 1542 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Leucadia, 760-753-2094.

5106 Zion Ave., Allied Gardens,

Sunday, 4pm - Lighthouse.

Bluegrass/roots. \$5-\$10.

Ir. Folk/rock. \$10-\$15.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Bernie

Williams. Jazz/Latin. \$29.

Alpine, 619-445-5172.

Italy, 619-595-0300.

Wolf. Rock.

Blues. \$18.

619-582-2636.

858-454-5872.

Jazz. Free.

The Black Heart Procession, October 17, Casbah

Saturday, 9:30pm — Semisi & Fulabula. Reggae/ska.

Beach Grass Café : 1476 Encinitas Bl., Encinitas, 760-942-2741.

Thursday, 6pm — Adrienne Nims. Jazz.

Beauty Bar: 4746 El Cajon Bl., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-516-4746. *Tuesday*, 9pm — White Rhino. Rock. 21 and up.

Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140. *Thursday*, 9pm — Federico Aubele. With DePedto. Latin/dub. \$13-\$15.

21 and up. Friday, 10:30pm — Jaguares. Latin/rock. \$50-\$55. 21 and up. Saturday, 9pm — Buju Banton. Reggae. \$26-\$28. 21 and up. Monday, 8pm — Our Lady Peace. Alternative/rock. \$10. 21 and up. Tuesday, 8pm — Bob Mould. Alternative/rock. \$18-\$20. 21 and up.

Wednesday — Grizzly Bear. Indie/rock. 21 and up.

Brick by Brick: 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483. *Friday*, 7pm — Kittie. With Soil, Arkaea, Straight Line Stitch, Despite the Wolves, and Silence Betrayed. Metal. \$15. 21 and up. *Saturday*, 7:30pm — Grandview. With Manic Diffusion and a Swift End. Rock. \$10. 21 and up.

Canes: 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780. *Thursday*, 8pm — Mayer Hawthorne. With Ghostface Killah and Buffl & 14k. R&B/soul. \$12-\$12. 21 and up. *Friday*, 8:30pm — Sean Kingston. With the New Boys. Pop/R&B/ reggae. \$25. 21 and up. *Saturday*, 8pm — The Butthole Surfers. With the Melvins. Alternative/pop/rock. \$22. 21 and up. *Wednesday*, 8pm — Brother Ali.

Hip-hop/rap. \$15. 21 and up. **Carlsbad City Library:** 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad.

Monday, 6:30pm — Adrienne Nims and Raggle Taggle. Celtic/jazz. Carlsbad Wine Merchants:

5814 Van Allen Way, Carlsbad, 760-804-9994. *Saturday*, 7pm — The Gregory Michael Trio & Friends. Jazz. \$10.

The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355. *Friday*, 8:30pm — The Soft Pack. With guests. Rock. \$12-\$14. 21 and up.

Saturday, 8:30pm — The Black Heart Procession. With the Mumblers and the Family Curse. Indie/alternative/rock. \$15. 21 and up.

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Sunday, 8:30pm — Wax Tailor. With Abstract Rude and guests. Electronic/hip-hop. \$12-\$15. 21 and up.

Tuesday, 8:30pm — Jay Reatard. With Nobunny, Hunx & His Punx, Box Elders, and Digital Leather. Punk/rock. \$14. 21 and up. *Wednesday*, 8:30pm — Noah and the Whale. With Robert Francis. Folk/rock. \$10-\$12. 21 and up.

Celebration Center for Spiritual Living: 5820 Oberlin Drive #108, Sorrento Valley. *Sunday*, 8pm — Angel Travis. Indie/pop. \$25.

The Coffee Grounds: 2654 Jamacha Road #103, Rancho San Diego, 619-670-7476. *Friday*, 6pm — Regina Leonard. Acoustic/blues/soul. Free.

The Coyote Bar & Grill: 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4695. *Friday*, 6pm — The Clay Colton Band. Alternative/covers/rock.

Davina's Cabo Grill: 212 North Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-637-2450. *Friday* — Chill Boy, R&B.

Dirk's Niteclub: 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344. *Friday & Saturday*, 9pm — Serious Guise. Rock.

Dizzy's: 200 Harbor Dr., Downtown, 858-270-7467. *Wednesday*, 7:30pm — The Andrea Wolper Quintet. Jazz. \$10-\$15.

Dream Street Live: 2228 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131.



Thursday, 9pm — Translation: Audio. With Counter Launch, Sour Foul, and Rock, Paper, Tiger. Rock. 21 and up.

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

First Baptist Church of Pacific Beach: 4747 Soledad Mountain Rd., Pacific Beach, 858-273-8888. Saturday, 7pm — Eddie and Martha Adcock. With Highway 76. Bluegrass/roots. Free.

Four Seasons Yoga: 7770 Regents Rd., La Jolla, 858-455-0364. Saturday, 7pm — Bviolin.

Featuring Sven-Erik-Seaholm and Peter Bolland. Folk. \$12.

Gallagher's Pub & Grill: 5046 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-5300. Saturday, 9pm — Dannicus Live. Acoustic/metal/rock.

Hensley's Flying Elephant Pub and Grill: 850 Tamarack Ave., Carlsbad, 760-434-2660. *Friday*, 8pm — Cowboy Jack. Country.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill: 5500 Grossmont Center Dr., La Mesa, 619-713-6900. *Friday*, 9pm — The Flophouse Playboys. Blues/rock. Free. *Saturday*, 9pm — The Fooks. Celtic/punk. Free.



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

My wife is a practical Midwesterner and doesn't have a lot of patience for songs that go on for more than three minutes. If we're playing a CD in the car and a guitar solo stretches on for more than eight bars, she'll hit the skip button. She doesn't mind if a song gets noisy or weird, so long as it's over quickly. One of her favorites is Guided By Voices, that band of Midwesterners who indulged their every drunken whim but were polite enough to end each song before it repeated

Yo La Tengo, on the other hand, presents problems. She loves *Fakebook*, the band's

House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.

itself.

Thursday, 7:30pm — Honor Society. Pop/rock. \$15-\$20. *Friday*, 6pm — The Academy Is... and Mayday Parade. With Set Your Goals, the Secret Handshake, and You Me at Six. Rock. \$12. *Sunday*, 8pm — KMFDM. Industrial/metal. \$23-\$40. 21 and

Monday, 8pm — The Pogues. Celtic/punk. \$49-\$92. 21 and up.

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Tuesday, 7:30pm, *Wednesday*, 7:30pm — Brand New. With Manchester Orchestra. Rock. \$23-\$26.

(mostly) covers album, and

she likes sweet, pop-ish orig-

inal songs such as "Sugar-

cube" and "Hey Mr. Tough."

But when we last saw Yo La

Tengo together a few years

ago, she got antsy when-

ever one of Ira Kaplan's

skronky guitar solos stretched

on for a while, or when Ka-

plan. Georgia Hubley. and

James McNew locked into

a krautrock- or Sun Ra-

inspired groove and held it un-

til time seemed to stand still.

La Tengo gets more than a lit-

tle self-indulgent at times.

The new album, Popular

She's got a point: Yo

Songs, ends with a suite of three songs with

a combined running time of more than 36

minutes — much of it with no vocals, no drum

Humphrey's Backstage

Music Club: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577. *Monday*, 7pm — Red, White & Blues. Featuring Chet and the Committee, Jaqui Foreman, Kingfish Jones Band, and the Delta Heat. Blues. \$12.

beats, and only minimal guitar and bass. But I like that side of Yo La Tengo almost as much as I like the "Sugarcube" side.
And to me, the remarkable thing is that Yo La
YO LA TENGO: Soma, Friday, October 16, 7 p.m. 858-226-7663. \$20.

> Humphrey's by the Bay: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577. *Thursday*, 7:30pm — Loggins & Messina. With the Gabe Dixon

YO LA TENGO

Messina. With the Gabe Dixon Band. \$85. Sunday, 7:30pm — Roger Daltrey.

Rock. \$100. Java Joe's at Café Libertalia: 3834 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-

9360. Saturday, 9pm — Rob Deez. With Isaac Cheong and ejp. Acoustic/ pop. \$5. 21 and up.

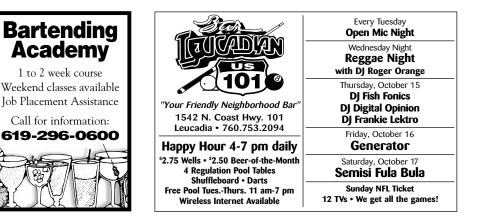
Tengo has mastered these two seemingly in-

congruous styles, and many more. If you don't

like one song, just wait a minute — or 36. You'll

The Jumping Turtle: 1660 Capalina Rd., San Marcos, 760-471-7778. *Friday*, 8pm — Decide. With Jungle

Rot. Metal. Saturday, 8pm — The Angry Samoans. Punk/rock. Monday, 8:30pm — The Iron Maidens. A tribute to Iron Maiden. Covers/rock.



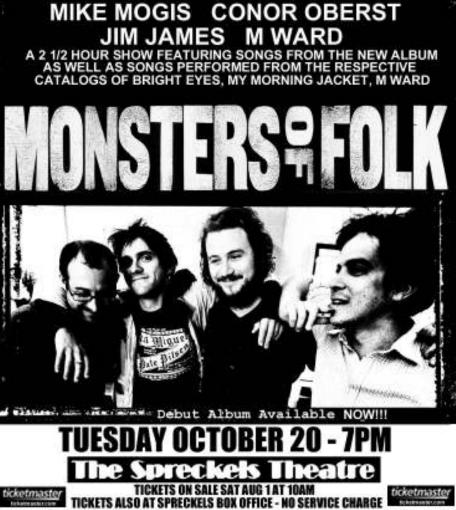


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Kassebaum Theatre: 1615 Mater Dei Dr., Chula Vista, 619-

423-2121. Saturday, 7pm — Cavatina Duo. Pop/rock.

Last Call: 4977 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-287-9505. *Wednesday*, 9pm — Taters Invaders. Blues/covers/rock. Free.

Lestat's Coffee House: 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437. *Friday*, 9pm — Jordan Reimer. With TIff Jimber. Acoustic. \$8. *Saturday*, 6pm — The Eben Brooks Band. Rock.

The Loft: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-8497. *Thursday*, 9pm — Patrick Watson. Alternative/electro/pop. \$15.

Mangia Italiano on Third: 248 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 619-623-3553.

Thursday, 7pm — Bill Cabalerro. With guests. Jazz. Free. *Friday*, 7pm — The Third Avenue Village Band. Pop/rock/surf. **The Marine Room:** 2000 Spindrift Dr., La Jolla, 858-459-

7222. *Friday*, 7pm — David Patrone. Blues/jazz/standards. Free.

McCabe's Beach Club: 1145 S. Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-439-6646

Friday, 4:30pm — The California Rangers. Country. Free.

McDini's: 105 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-6771. *Friday*, 9:30pm — Rising Star. Covers/funk.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill: 1107 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-5280

Thursday, 8pm — Harmony Road. Rock. *Friday*, 9pm — The Elevators.

Rock. *Tuesday*, 8pm — Gene Warren. Blues/folk/rock.

The Metaphor Café: 258 East 2nd Ave., Escondido, 760-747-1882. *Saturday*, 6pm — Caustic Felon. With Metal to the Masses, Vaudevillain, and Unloaded. Rock. Molly Malone's: 1270 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-9050. Friday, 9pm — Strive Roots. Metal/punk/reggae. Saturday, 9pm — One Thread. Metal.

New Village Arts Theatre: 2787 B State St., Carlsbad, 760-433-3245. *Monday*, 7:30pm — Tokeli.

Jazz/Latin. \$10.

Spirits: 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido, 760-480-8228. *Thursday*, 6pm — Mike Gardner. Rock. Free.

O'Connells Pub and Nightclub: 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-276-5637.

Friday, 9:30pm — Skee-Lo. With afterschoolspecial and the Kneehighs. Alternative/hip-hop/ R&B. 21 and up. Saturday, 9:30pm — One Inch Punch. With Pulse Anatomy, Being Jared, and Sic Waiting. Metal/rock. 21 and up. Sunday, 9:30pm — The Morning on Fire. Experimental/indie. 21 and up. *Tuesday*, 9:30pm — Dead Record. With My Client's Hand. Alternative/rock. 21 and up. *Wednesday*, 9:30pm — Sour Soul. Rock/soul. 21 and up.

O'Sullivan's Irish Pub of Carlsbad: 640 Grand Ave., Carlsbad, 760-729-4072. Saturday, 9pm — The Clay Colton Band. Acoustic/standards/rock.

Ocean House: 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4131.

Friday, 6pm — The Mar Dels. Covers/pop. \$5. 9pm — Leo Rising. Rock. \$5. 21 and up. *Saturday*, 9pm — Misty and the

Mobys. Covers/rock. \$5. Oceanside Library: 330 N. Coast Hwy., Oceanside.

Saturday, 7pm — Rahim AlHaj. World. \$15. Old Time Music: 2852 University Ave., North Park, 619-280-9035. Saturday, 7pm — Wayne Riker. With Laura Kuebel, John Dodge, and Veronica May. Acoustic. **Open Air Theatre:** 5500 Campanile Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.

Saturday, 8pm — Snow Patrol. Alternative. Wednesday, 7pm — Rob Thomas. With One Republic and Carolina Liar. Pop/rock. \$49-\$79.

Pala Casino: 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-7252. *Saturday*, 8pm — Rolling the Stones. A tribute to the Rolling Stones. Covers/rock. Free.

Patrick's II: 428 F St., Downtown, 619-233-3077. *Thursday*, 9pm — Blue Four. Blues/soul. *Friday*, 9pm — Missy Andersen. Blues/funk/soul. *Saturday*, 9pm — Shari Puorto and the Rhythm Addicts. Blues/rock. *Sunday*, 9pm — Jasper and Ain't Misbahavin'. Rock. *Monday*, 9pm — Jeff Moore & the Witch Doctors. Blues/rock. *Wednesday*, 9pm — 145th Street. Blues/funk.

Pechanga Resort & Casino: 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, 951-693-1819. *Friday*, 8pm — Steely Dan. Pop/rock. \$90-\$150.

Pepper Park: Tidelands Ave., south terminus, National City, 619-686-6225. Saturday, 2pm — National City Jazz Festival. Featuring Pete Escovedo Latin Orchestra, Sweet Baby J'ai, and Bill Caballero. Jazz/Latin.

Perry L. Meyer Fine Art Gallery: 2400 Kettner Bl., Suite 104, Little Italy. Saturday, 6:30pm — Camarada. World. \$40-\$50.

Portugalia: 4839 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-7678. *Sunday*, 7pm — Regina Leonard. Acoustic/blues/soul. Free.

Pounders: 125 West Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-739-1288. *Friday*, 9pm — Lipstick N Leather. Metal/rock.

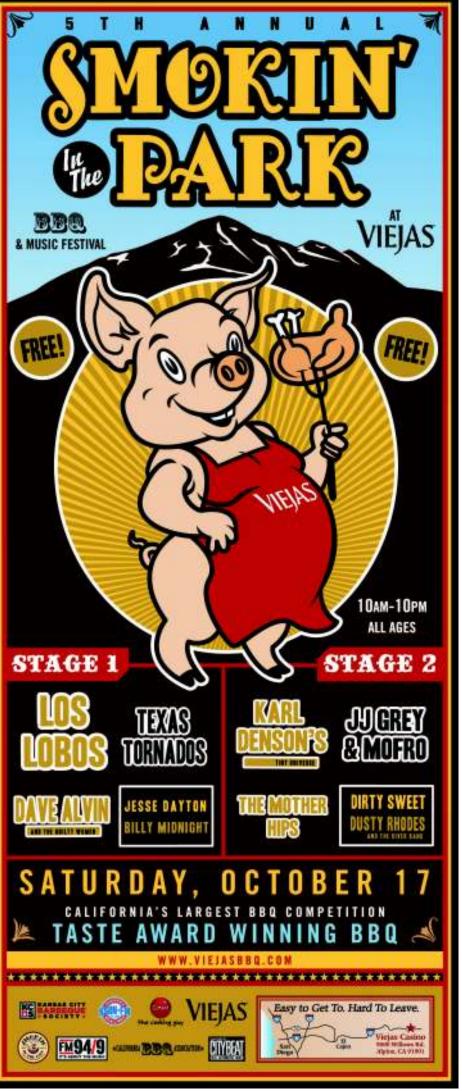
Prohibition: 560 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-8068. *Thursday*, 9pm — David Patrone. With Sky Ladd and Grant Clarkson. Covers/jazz/lounge. Free.





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Friday, October 30 Coco Montoya



RT's Longboard Grill: 1466

Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-4030. Friday, 9pm - Flock of '80s. Covers/pop/rock. Saturday, 9pm — Wonka Bar. Rock.

Radio Room: 3519 El Caion Bl., North Park, 619-284-3323. Friday, 7pm — The Watchmen With Knock 'em Stiff. To Walk the Night, the Mad Mummies, and DJ Johnny Crypto. Punk/rockabilly. \$7. 21 and up.

Ramona Mainstage

Nightclub: 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008. Friday, 8pm — Industry. With Prosthetic Arms and Eken Is Dead. Rock. \$15.

Ruby Room: 1271 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-7372. Thursday, 9pm — Bobby Fantasy. With Confessions of a Corn Silo Electronic/pop/rock. Free. 21 and up.

San Diego Sports Arena: 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171. Saturday, 8pm - Wisin y Yandel. Latin. \$36-\$66. Sunday, 8pm — Barry Manilow. Pop. \$59-\$129.

Soda Bar: 3615 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-255-7224. Wednesday, 9pm — White Rhino. Rock.

UPCOMING SHOWS

4th&B: 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343. October 24 — Mandy Lion. November 6 — Enrique Bunbury. November 8 — Tiesto. November 14 --- Insane Clown Posse

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Heights, 619-303-8176. October 22 — Tony Furtado. October 24 — The Ditty Bops. October 25 — Catie Curtis. October 30 — Tim Flannery November 6 — The Battlefield Band November 11 - Hot Buttered Rum. November 14 - Peter Mulvey.

November 21 — Ambrosia. November 28 — Po' Girl. December 4 — Tom Russell. December 13 — John Gorka. December 20 - Charlie Louvin. January 7 - Al Kooper. January 23 — Barry McGuire. January 29 — Tom Chapin. February 6 — Eric Bibb. February 9 — Fred Eaglesmith. February 12 — Chris Smither. March 5 - Ellis Paul.

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little

Italy, 619-595-0300. *October 22* — California Transit Authority. October 23 - Astra Kelly October 23 — Lavay Smith and Her Red Hot Skillet Lickers. October 24 — Ronnie Laws & Michael Burks. October 29 — NovaMenco. October 30 - KPRI Homegrown & Spencer Day. October 31 — Teedra Moses November 4 — Jean-Luc Ponty. November 5 - Tyrone Wells November 7 — Bill Champlin. November 11 — Great Big Sea. November 12 - The Gin Blossoms. November 13 - Jon Mayer & Chris Pierce. November 14 — Hiroshima. November 18 — Charles McPherson. November 19 — Jake Shimabukuro. November 20 & 21 — Joe Sample. November 25 — Eve Selis. November 27 — Colin Hay. November 28 — Brian Culbertson. December 4 — The Kenny Neal Band & Detroit Underground. December 11 - Stepping Feet. December 16 — Charles McPherson. December 17 — Five for Fighting. December 18 — Haute Chile. December 23 — David Maldonado December 26 — Wild Child. January 2 — The Squirrel Nut Zippers. January 29 & 30 — The Legendary

Count Basie Orchestra. February 23 & 24 — Al DiMeola. February 25 & 26 — Dave Mason.

Athenaeum Music and Arts Library: 1008 Wall St., La Jolla, 858-454-5872. November 2 — Jaeryoung Lee Jazz

Trio. November 9 - Sara Petite

Athenaeum School of the Arts Studio: 4441 Park Bl



BY DAVE GOOD

Sit down and pour yourself a big cup of melancholy, and while you're at it, set some extra places at the table tonight for panic, desolation, and a dark and hellish nightmare or two. That noise coming from the basement? It's the Black Heart Procession's new CD Six, the latest in a progression (well, at least the first three were numbered) from Pall Jenkins and Tobias Nathaniel. Late of the famed San Diego band Three Mile Pilot, Jenkins and Nathaniel formed the Procession as a side project in 1997. Whatever their original intentions, the collaboration grew legs and morphed into a solid spook-show brand without the help of black lipstick. BHP are keen on prying up the boards and having a look at the kinds of personal afflictions that are, by and large, unpleasant. "I took your poison to see how you suffered," sings Jenkins. "And I took your drugs to see you high/ And I took your hand to walk with you." That's from "Drugs," a song about slipping down the drain along with an addictlover. "But we're not mopey," Jenkins says. "As people, we just like making dark records."

Six is a concept album. The music floats séancelike on layers of echoey piano or rocks out with the

aid of homemade instruments such as the musical saw. Guitars wail like beasts, and the occasional midnight hook recycles like a theme in a recurring bad dream. There is a rather bleak but central theme that repeats as well, as told in the different stories about lost love, madness, and suicide: that sometimes, the only difference between heaven and hell is a difference of opinion. "With this



record." Jenkins says. "I left out any sense of hope in the lyrics. I jokingly encourage people to keep sharp objects put away and to be in a positive state of mind when they listen to Six. It's not the most uplifting record."

BLACK HEART PROCESSION: Casbah, Saturday, October 17, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-HELL. \$15.

Balboa Theatre: 868 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100. November 7 — Celtic Thunder.

Hwy. 101, Leucadia, 760-753-2094.

Bar Pink: 3829 30th St., North

October 29 — Gift of Gab. November 5 — Sea Wolf.

English Beat. November 11 - Loud & Rich. November 12 — The Raveonettes. November 13 - Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations. November 14 — Keller Williams. November 15 — Pinback. November 17 — They Might Be Giants November 18 — David Lindley and John Hammond. November 19 - Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers. November 20 - West Indian Girl. November 21 — Sara Petite & Stripes and Lines. November 22 — B.B. King. November 25 — Buck-O-Nine. November 27 — The Aggrolites. December 12 - Son Volt. December 13 — Average White Band. December 17 - Venice. December 29 — Cracker and Camper Van Beethoven. January 2 — 40 Oz. to Freedom. January 7 — Robben Ford. January 8 — Pato Banton. January 15 - Keb' Mo'. January 30 - Atomic Punks.

November 6, November 7 — The

Birch North Park Theatre: 2891 University Ave., North Park, 619-239-8836. October 30 — The Dirty Projectors.

February 27 — Arturo Sandoval. The Bitter End: 770 Fifth Ave.,

Downtown, 619-338-9300. October 22 - Jessie Taylor and the Riffs. October 28 — The Eben Brooks Band

Brick by Brick: 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.

October 23 — My Elysian. October 24 - Lead Burns Red. October 27 — Koffin Kats. October 30 — Bluebloodred. October 31 - Halloween Bash. November 1 - Brigitte Handley & the Dark Shadows December 12 - The Business.

California Center for the Arts, Escondido: 340 North Escondido Bl., Escondido, 760-839 4438

October 31 — Heartbreaker. April 14 — Arlo Guthrie.

Calvin's Sports Bar and Restaurant: 28841 Old Highway 80, Alpine, 619-473-1266. October 24 — The Umpa Band. October 31 — Old Highway 80 Band

Canes: 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780. October 22 - Platinum Rock Stars. October 23 — Daniel Johnston. October 24 — Lyrics Born. October 25 - Peaches October 29 — Rakim. October 30 — Inner Circle.

Carvers: 11940 Bernardo Plaza Dr., Rancho Bernardo, 858-566-2400

October 23 - Nite Hawk.

BC's BBQ: Sat. and Sun. Noon 'til Midnight

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The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355. October 22 — Valient Thorr. October 24 - Blind Pilot. October 28 — Art Brut. October 31 — The Night Marchers. November 1 — Melt Banana. November 8 — The Revival Tour. November 10 — Electric Six. November 20 — Friendly Fires.

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Normal Heights. December 5 — Allan Holdsworth.

> Bar Leucadian: 1542 N. Coast October 23 — Nude BBQ. October 24 - The Tighten Ups. October 30 - Red Octopus. October 31 — Hazmatt.

Park, 619-564-7194. October 29 - Finn Riggins

Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140 October 22 — Poncho Sanchez.

October 23 — Big Bad Voodoo Daddy. October 28 — The Tragically Hip.

October 30, October 31 — The Nightmare Before Halloween. November 2 — Minus the Bear. November 3 — Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros. November 4 - Dinosaur Jr.

Chateau Orleans: 926

Turquoise St., Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. *October 23, November 13* — Robin Henkel.

Claire de Lune: 2906 University Ave., North Park, 619-688-9845. *November 1* — The Eben Brooks Band.

Club Anitas: 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido, 760-747-2811. October 23 — D-Pain.

Copley Symphony Hall: 750 B St., Downtown, 619-235-0804. *December 8* — Morrissey. *December 12* — Smooth Jazz Christmas. *December 29* — The John Mayer Trio.

The Coyote Bar & Grill: 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4695. *November 8* — The Chris Klich Jazz Ouintet.

Creative Arts Complex at MiraCosta College: One Barnard Dr., Oceanside, 760-757-2121. October 23 — Frequency.

Dirk's Niteclub: 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344. *October 23 & 24* — West of 5. *October 30 & 31, November 6 & 7* — FX5.

November 13 & *14* — Zone 4. *November 20* & *21* — 6one9.

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2204. October 23 — Flashback. October 24 — Wickhauser. October 30 — Dark Possession. November 20 — Full Moon Fever: A Tribute to Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers.

Gaslamp Quarter: , Downtown. October 31 — Monster Bash. December 10 — Blue Christmas.

Hard Rock Hotel: 207 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 866-751-7625. *October 29* — LMFAO. *October 30* — Buckfast Superbee.

Harrah's Rincón: 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-

751-3100. October 31 — Alice Cooper & the Clay Colton Band. November 7 — The Baytown Band. November 21 — Gary Puckett.

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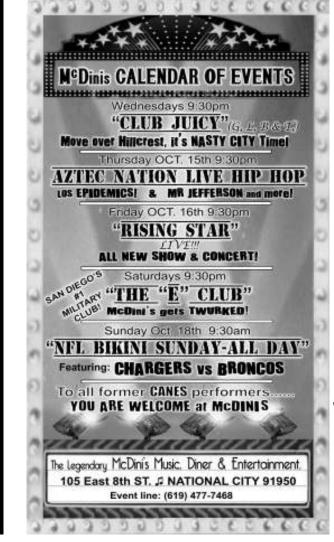
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Humphrey's Backstage Music Club: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577. October 24 — Ronnie Baker Brooks October 25 — Michael Ward. October 30 — Coco Montoya.

November 1 - Willovealot. November 2 — The Robin Henkel Band.

J.J. Lander's Irish Pub: 125 South Main St., Fallbrook, 760-731-0839. October 23 - Drive By Jones. October 30 - The Clay Colton Band.

Java Joe's at Café Libertalia: 3834 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-9360. October 31 — Rob Deez. November 22 — The Eben Brooks Band.

The Jumping Turtle: 1660 Capalina Rd., San Marcos, 760-471 7778. October 23 — Gene Loves Jezebel. October 30 - Moonspell.

Kassebaum Theatre: 1615 Mater Dei Dr., Chula Vista, 619-423-2121. November 14 — This Land is Your Land.

La Jolla Presbyterian Church: 7715 Draper Ave., La Jolla. November 8 — The San Diego Jazz All-Stars.

from moniker down, in wit.

CD Review by Andrew Hamlin

Kurt Vile wants you to believe that's his real name, and it certainly provides a hook to hang the heavy hype this disc, his first for Matador, gets. Confidentially, though, a guy writing lines like "You say a good man is hard to find... Rewind!!!! probably wants to paper over his life,

Lake Henshaw Resort: 26439 Highway 76, Santa Ysabel, 760-782-

3501 October 24, November 7 & 14 — Steve Phillips and the Pescadero Pickers.

Lakeside Rodeo Grounds: 12584 Mapleview St., Lakeside. October 24 - CountryFest East.



Childish Prodigy

very little chest-beating or effrontery to drive you out. The album starts out with Vile calling himself a hunchback, but he doesn't whine, he just lays down his grease-reeking take on the blues (the feel, not the form). He knows when he's having a bad day, and he knows it just might resemble your bad day.

And that's not a bad thing. Over the disc's 50

minutes he strews enough wit to bring you in and

The maestro and his merry men (often though not always his Violators backing band) take very little from the strident, pleading soul of Vile's native Philly. They love such throbbing and smearing early '70s guitars and keyboards as can be salvaged from pawnshops. They love echo, both for echo's sake and for the extended life it grants to anything whooping, twanged, or banged. Against all of that, Vile works his witty vocal voodoo like a lethargic Jagger or the sleepy-headed EPMD. Two bonus tracks make for one bonus track too many, but Vile remains a hail-fellow-well-met, fond of junkyard sounds. This disc is a must-have for the Memorial Day barbecue.

Last Call: 4977 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-287-9505. October 28 — Taters Invaders.

Lestat's Coffee House: 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437. November 8 — Ari Hest

Music <u>Reviews from Our Readers</u>

House Party at the Brick

Concert Review by Earl Dove

Rocking their signature red tracksuits and sunglasses Tuesday night, September 29, Datarock transformed Brick by Brick into an electro-pop dance party. The Norwegian duo rocked the Brick as if they were headlining Coachella.

The evening began with U.K. garage rock courtesy of Kay. Fellow Brit and pompadour popster Esser took the stage next with his own brand of ultra-pop. Carrying the elec-

UCSD, 858-534-8497. October 27 — Yasmin Levy. October 28 — Cyro Baptista's Banquet of the Spirits. October 29 — Bobby Long & Zion I. November 2 - Port O'Brien. November 21 - eighth blackbird.

The Loft: 9500 Gilman Dr.,

tro-pop torch, Datarock sounds like the musical offspring of the Talking Heads and Devo. They played kev tracks "Com-



puter Camp," "Bulldozer," and "I Used to Dance with My Daddy." Audience members were invited on stage for a "running man" dance-off. The band interacted with the audience throughout the night, often walking among spectators while playing. The show had the feeling of a house party.

The night ended with Datarock paying tribute to the recently deceased Patrick Swayze by playing "I Had the Time of My Life" from the classic '80s movie Dirty Dancing. The band-audience sing-along was like a moment out of an '80s movie.

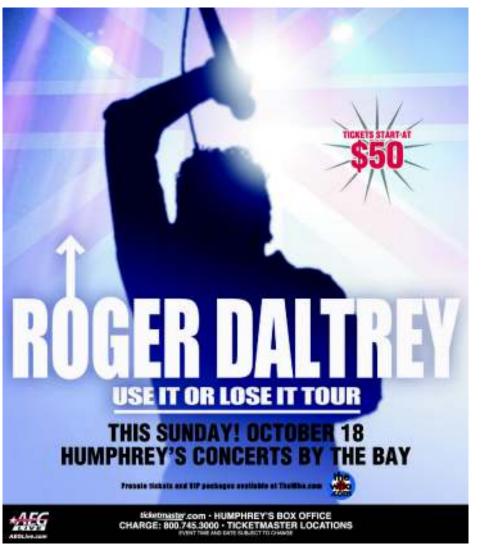
Judging by the size of the audience, most San Diegans have not heard of Datarock. Anyone who is a fan of early electro-pop should check these auvs out.

For full reviews, go to sdreader/critic.com

December 3 — Jenny Scheinman. *February 11* — Brooklyn Rider. February 16 - Suzanne Vega. February 18 — Mauger. March 17 — Kalaman Balogh & the Gypsy Cimalom Band. April 7 — Gretchen Parlato

Lyceum Theatre: 79 Horton Plaza, Downtown, 619-544-1000 October 26 — Michael Sellers. November 9 — The Jaeryoung Lee Iazz Trio. November 23 — The Ian Tordella Iazz Trio

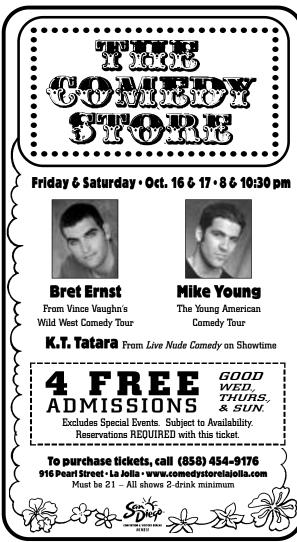
Main Tap Tavern: 518 E. Main St., El Cajon, 619-749-6333. October 23, December 4 — Hugh Gaskins & the G String Daddies.





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Mangia Italiano on Third: 248 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 619-

623-3553. October 22 & 29 — Bill Cabalerro.

Manhattan Cocktail Lounge: 400 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-6641. *October 30 & 31* — Stone Wolf.

November 13 & 14 — Tommy Budd's Windy City. November 27 & 28 — Stone Wolf. December 11 & 12 — Tommy Budd's Windy City. December 31, January 1 & 2 — Stone Wolf. **The Marine Room:** 2000

Spindrift Dr., La Jolla, 858-459-7222. *October 23* — David Patrone.

McDini's: 105 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-6771. *October 31* — Soul Train

Halloween Bash. McP's Irish Pub and Grill:

1107 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-

435-5280. October 22 — Bordertown Blues. October 23 — The Stilettos. October 24 — The Offbeats. October 27 — Jim Moore. October 29 — The Manic Brothers.

October 30 — BlueFrog. October 31 — Northstar. The Metaphor Café: 258 East

2nd Ave., Escondido, 760-747-1882. October 24 — Tiawnee.

Museum of Making Music: 5790 Armada Dr., Carlsbad, 760-438-5996. *November* 6 — George Duke.

NTC Promenade: 2640 Historic

Decatur Rd., Point Loma. *November 14* — Snatam Kaur and the Celebrate Peace Band. **Neurosciences Institute:** 10640 John Jay Hopkins Dr., La

Jolla. November 17 — Peter Erskine and Alan Pasqua. November 28 — The Mike Wofford New York Trio.

O'Connells Pub and Nightclub: 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-276-5637. October 23 — The Knockout Bell. October 25 — The Western Set. October 27 — Rockin' the Locals. October 30 — The Bermondsey Joyriders. October 31 — Hey! Ho! Let's Go!

O'Sullivan's Irish Pub of Carlsbad: 640 Grand Ave., Carlsbad, 760-729-4072. *October 24* — The Clay Colton Band.

Oceanside Museum of Art: 704 Pier View Way, Oceanside, 760-435-3720. *October 22* — Gilbert Castellanos

and the New Latin Jazz Quartet. Old Town State Historic

Park: 4002 Wallace St., Old Town. *October 24* — San Diego City Guard Band.

Pala Casino: 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-7252. October 23 — The Basix. October 24 — Knights of Monte Carlo. October 30 — 80z All Stars. October 31 — Platinum Rock Stars. November 29 — The Willovealot

Band. January 31 — The Pink Floyd Experience.

Palomar College Performance Lab (room D- **10):** 1140 West Mission Rd., Palomar College. *November 19* — Arthur Golden. *November 24* — Electro Acoustic Music Festival. *December 3* — The Palomar Electronic Music Ensemble.

Patrick's II: 428 F St., Downtown, 619-233-3077. *October 22* — 3rd Degree Blues. *October 23* — The Buick Wilson Band.

October 24 — The Bill Magee Blues Band.

October 25 — Chet and the Committee.

October 26 — Len Rainey & the Midnight Players. October 28 — Missy Andersen. October 29 — Jasper and An't Misbahavin'. October 30 — Joev Fender and the

55's. October 31 — Soul Diego.

Patrick's Irish Pub: 13314

Poway Rd., Poway, 858-486-0764. *October 24* — The City Limits Band.

Pechanga Resort & Casino:

45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, 951-693-1819. October 23 — Rob Thomas. November 5 — Billy Currington. November 11 — 311. November 19 — Julio Iglesias. April 15 — Mark Knopfler.

PianoSD.com: 1233 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley. *December 1* — Olga Reztsova.

Pierview Pub/Bub's Whiskey Dive Bar: 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside, 760-757-2827.

October 23 — Civil Unrest.

Pilgrimage of the Heart

Yoga: 3301 Adams Ave., Normal Heights. *November 6* — Bhava Ram. *November 7* — Gregory Page.

Pounders: 125 West Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-739-1288. *October 23 & 24, December 4 & 5* — Stone Wolf.

Price Center at UCSD: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-6467. *February 10* — Umalali.

Prohibition: 560 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-8068. *October 22* — David Patrone.

Qualcomm: 5775 Morehouse Dr., Sorrento Valley. *October 24* — Kick Gas Festival.

Qualcomm Hall: 5775 Morehouse Dr., Mira Mesa, 858-259-5508. *November 15* — The Robin Henkel

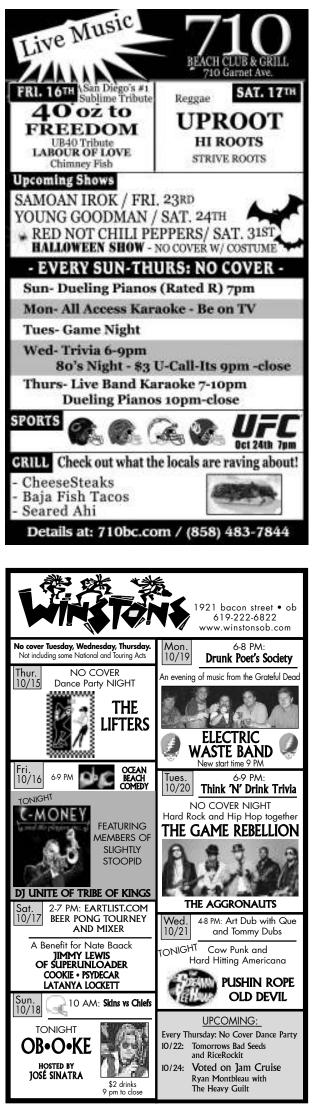
Blues Trio. Queen Bee's Art and Cultural Center: 3925 Ohio St.,

North Park, 619-255-5147. *October 23* — The Howls.

RT's Longboard Grill: 1466 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-4030. October 23 — Helicopter. October 24 — Pushin Rope. October 30 — Flock of '80s. October 31 — Stepping Feet. November 6 — Da Groove. November 7 — The Pheromones. November 13 — Flock of '80s. November 14 — Radioactive. November 21 — The Pheromones. November 27 — Flock of '80s. November 27 — Flock of '80s. November 28 — Pushin Rope.



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The Rhythm Lounge: 3048 Midway Dr., Midway District,

619-224-4835 October 30 - Dave the Butcher. Ruby Room: 1271 University

Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-7372. October 26 — The Foreign Resort.

San Diego Civic Theatre: 1100 Third Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100. November 14 — The Ultimate Doo-Wop Show. December 3 — Mannheim Steamroller.

San Diego Harley-Davidson: 5600 Kearny Mesa Rd., Kearny Mesa, 858-616-6999. January 9, February 6 Willovealot Band.

San Diego Sports Arena: 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171. November 11 — Fame Kills

CANCELLED November 27 — Kiss. December 4 — Trans-Siberian Orchestra. December 12 — Aventura.

San Dieguito United Methodist Church: 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas. November 7 — Cici Porter.

Savanna Grill: 3773 Willow Glen Dr., El Cajon, 619-592-4745. November 9 — Tokeli

Second Wind (Magnolia): 8528 Magnolia Ave., Santee, 619-596-8350.

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Tiki House: 1152 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-273-9734. October 22 — Full Moon Fever: A Tribute to Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers. October 23 — The Dirty Dishes. October 24 — Pushin Rope. October 30 - The Tighten Ups.

Tin Can Ale House: 1863 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-955-8525 October 24 — The Attack!!

Tio Leo's: 5302 Napa St., Linda Vista, 619-542-1462. October 23 — Fight From Above. October 28 - Classic Soul and R&B Night. October 30 — The Nightmare Before Halloween.

U-31: 3112 University Ave., North Park, 619-584-4188. October 28 — Commune.

University of California San Diego: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD,

858-534-2230. October 24 — Yacht. November 4 - Susan Narucki. November 18 — Aleck Karis. November 24 — Justin Nozuka

United Church of Christ Paradise Hills: 5810 Alleghany St., Paradise Hills, 619-479-3796. October 24 — Dustbowl Revival. VFW Hall: 136 Chambers Rd.,

El Caion. October 31 — Halloween Blowout. December 31 — New Year's Eve Mobster Bash.

VFW Post 5179: 1116 South 43rd St., Southcrest, 619-262-0566.

October 28 — Willovealot.

Valley View Casino: 16300 Nyemii Pass Rd., Valley Center, 866-843-9946. October 23 — The Clay Colton Band.

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

October 30 - Jamey Johnson and Randy Houser. November 7 — Billy Currington. November 14 — Buddy Guy. December 12 — Tower of Power. February 19 - David Sanborn.

Waterfront Bar & Grill: 2044 Kettner Bl., Little Italy. October 24, November 21 & 28, December 19 & 26 — Willovealot.

WaveHouse Bar & Grill: 3125 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-228-9283. November 18 — The Disco Biscuits.

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The Wit's End: 420 Robinson Ave., Hillcrest, 619-294-4848. October 31 — The Touchies.

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O'Brothers: Every day, 3:30-6:30pm: \$3 bottled beer, \$5 glass of wine. \$7 sliders with fries.

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.

Rockin' Baja Lobster: Monday Friday, 3-6pm: \$3.50 margaritas. \$4 Long Islands. \$3-\$5 drafts.

Sally's Seafood on the Water: Monday, 2:30-5:30pm: \$3 local beer

on tap. Tuesday, 2:30-5:30pm: \$4 margaritas, \$3 Mexican bottled beers. Wednesday, 2:30-5:30pm: \$3 hot sake, \$3 Japanese bottled beers. Thursday, 2:30-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$5 wells/house wine.

San Diego Wine and Culinary Center: Tuesday-Saturday, 5-8pm: \$5 house wine, wells, \$7 Christopher's Cuvee, 12-9pm: tasting flights.

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.

Stage Saloon: Every day, 5-8pm: 1/2-off all wells, beer, wine.

T.G.I. Friday's: Monday-Saturday, 3-7pm; 10pm-close; \$3 large domestics & bottled beers, \$4 well/wine, \$5 Ultimate Long Island Ice Teas & Ultimate Margaritas. 1/2-off appetizers.

Tabule: Monday, Wednesday-Friday, 5-6pm: 1/2-off all drinks and appetizers. Tuesday, 5pm-close: 1/2-off all drinks and appetizers. Saturday-Sunday, 2-6pm: 1/2-off all drinks and appetizers.

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Main Tap Tavern: Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$1 off 16-oz. drafts, \$2 off pitchers, \$3 calls. \$5 nachos.

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Bangkok Thai Bistro: Every day, 4-7pm: 1/2-off wine, beer & appetizers.

Cafe Eleven: Every day, 2-6pm: \$4 house margaritas, \$3 wells, house wine, bottled beer. \$3 appetizers: shrimp cocktail, stuffed mushrooms, thai chicken skewers, more.

Café Bleu: Every day, 3-7pm: \$5 wines, specialty cocktails, \$6.50 specialty martinis, food specials.

KEARNY MESA

94th Aero Squadron: Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm: \$2.75 Bud Light on tap, \$3 wells. Saturday-Sunday, 1/2-price bottles of wine.

Carriage House Cocktails & **Karaoke:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic bottled beer, \$3 wells, domestic pints. Free munchies.

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The Kensington Club: Every day, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 wells, drafts, domestic bottles.

Kensington Vine: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$5 fine wine. \$5 appetizers.

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Beaumont's: Every day, 4-7pm: \$3-5 cocktails, wine, beer.

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

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LEUCADIA

Bar Leucadian: Monday-Friday. Sunday, 4-7pm: \$2.75 wells. \$2.50 domestics. \$3 Corona, Pacifico, Imperial. The Calypso Café: Every day, 5:30-7pm: \$4 wells, sangria, margaritas \$4 house wine \$3.50 beer

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The New Morena Club: Every day, noon-7pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$2.50 domestic bottles, wells.

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MIRA MESA

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 pitchers. \$2.50 wells. \$3.50 chicken strips, chicken wings.

MISSION BEACH

Coaster Saloon: Every day, 5-8pm: \$2.50 draft beer, wells. 1/2-off all appetizers. 10pm-12am: \$2.50 draft beer, wells.

Guava Beach Bar & Grill: Monday-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.

Bing Crosby's Restaurant and Piano Lounge: Monday-Saturday, 3-7pm: \$3 draft beer, \$5 wells, \$6 wine by the glass, \$7 house cocktails.

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.

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Triple Crown Pub: Saturday, 12-5pm: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off beer pitchers. *Sunday*, 12-2am: \$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

Cricket's Pub and Grill: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, \$2.75 domestic bottles, wells, \$4 margaritas.

Lips: Sunday, \$5 homojitos. \$10 build-your-own tacos.

Redwing Bar & Grill: Monday-Thursday, 11am-6pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles. Fridav-Sundav, 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.

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The Vine: Every day, 4-6pm: 1/2price entire wine and specialty beer list

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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.

Wine Cabana: Monday, till close: \$5 off Malbec. Tuesday, till 7pm: 1/2price appetizers. Wednesday, Girl's Night Out: complimentary chocolate fondue. Thursday, till 7pm: \$3 beers, 1/2-price appetizers. Friday, Cabana Magic Show (usually monthly). Saturday, till 7pm: \$3 beers, disco with DJ & PJ. Sunday, till close: \$4 Sangria, live jazz at 5pm.

PACIFIC BEACH

710 Beach Club: Monday-Thursday, 1-7:10pm: \$7.10 beer & shot. Friday, 1-7:10pm: \$7.10 beer & shot. Two fish tacos for \$7.10. Saturday-Sunday, 12-7pm: \$7 pitchers.

Big Kahuna's: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2.50 beer, wine.

Costa Brava: Every day, 4-7pm: 1/2-price sangria. 1/2-price tapas.

The Dog: Monday-Thursday, Sunday, \$6 pitchers.

Hennessey's Tavern: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic drafts, \$1 off house wine, wells, \$3 well shot/\$4 call shot, \$5 drink specials. Saturday-Sunday, till 1pm: \$3 Bloody Marys.

Hooters: Monday, 11am-10pm: \$4 drafts, \$14.99 pitcher Pyramid Haywire & Hefeweizen. Tuesday-Wednesday, Friday, 3-6pm: \$2.50 Bud, Bud Light, Coors Light, Miller Lite drafts, \$3 wells, 1/2-price appetizers. Thursday, 11am-10pm: \$4 drafts, \$14.99 pitcher Newcastle Brown Ale. Saturday, 11am-11pm: \$3 drafts, \$10.99 pitcher Coors Light, Miller Lite. Sunday, 11am-10pm: \$3 drafts, \$10.99 pitcher Bud Light, Budweiser & \$3.50 drafts, \$11.99 pitcher Shock Top.

Johnny V: Tuesday, 4pm-close: \$3 wells, drafts, selected wines. \$1.95 street tacos, \$3 off appetizers. Wednesday, all day: \$3 wells, drafts, selected wines. Friday, 4-9pm: \$2 drinks. Complimentary appetizers. Saturday, all day: \$2.50 Bud Light bottles, Absolut, \$3 margarita.

Miller's Field: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 wells. \$2 street tacos

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Pacific Beach Ale House: Monday-Saturday, 3-6pm: \$3 drafts, wells, house wines. 1/2-price appetizers.

frozen margaritas. Wednesday, \$2 off

all drinks, \$2 beers. Thursday, 8pm-

close: \$2 wells, drafts, 1/2-price

drinks. Friday, 3-10pm: \$2 drafts,

wells, 1/2-price drinks. Saturday, 4-

Sinbad Café: Every day, 4-8pm:

\$1 drafts, \$1.50 wells, shots, \$2 im-

ports. \$3.50 appetizers. 11am-8pm:

The Turquoise, Café-Bar Eu-

ropa: Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 5

7pm: \$3 cask wine, sangria, draft. \$3

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C-Level: Monday-Friday, 3:30-

5:30pm: \$3.50 Bud Light, Karl

Strauss, Stone IPA, \$5 specialty

drinks, wells, house wine. \$5 crispy

calamari, ahi tuna poke, steamed Fox

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. Satur-

day, \$2 bottled beer of the month. Sun-

Riley's Music Lounge: Monday,

4-7pm: \$4 calls. *Tuesday, Sunday,* 4-7pm: \$2.50 pints. *Wednesday,* 4-7pm:

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California Comfort: Every day.

4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, wells,

Bud's Louisiana Café: Tuesday

Friday, 1-2:30pm; 4:30-6pm: 1/2-

price wine and beer. Saturday, 4:30-

JP's Pub: Monday-Friday, 3-5pm:

\$2.50 wells, domestic drafts, \$3.25

6pm: 1/2-price wine and beer.

SERRA MESA

Grill: Monday-Friday, 8am-11am: \$1.50 drafts, wells.

SOLANA BEACH

The Fish Market: Monday-Friday, 3:30-9:30pm: \$3.50 wells, discounted beer & wine. \$.95 oysters, \$4.25 smoked trout quesadilla. Saturday-Sunday, 11am-4pm: \$3.50 wells, discounted beer & wine. \$.95 oysters, \$4.25 smoked trout quesadilla.

Pacific Coast Grill: Every day, 4-7pm: \$5 gold margaritas, \$1 off draft, wells, wines by the glass, 25% off wine bottles.

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The U.S. Grant Hotel, completed in October 1910, is one of the city's grandest old hotels. Its signature restaurant, the Grant Grill, is equally historic. For its first 90-some years, it was a clubby, old-fashioned chophouse with paintings of hunting scenes on the wall, perfumed with the cigar smoke of the city's movers and shakers - politicians and big businessmen making deals under the lunch table. (Shocked?) Their tabletops were likely to be laden with beef Wellington, huge veal chops, plate-filling steaks, ponds of heavy brown sauces — espagnole, sauce madère, périgourdine, et al. So masculine was the room that females were not even allowed to lunch there until 1969, when several locally prominent women staged a sit-in. (You can't play ball with the big boys if you can't lunch with them; two female mayors soon followed.) In the evening, the atmosphere mellowed romantically, as those who could afford it wooed their ladies over dazzling dinners and winsome wines before proffering proposals or propositions.

Eventually, under the neglectful ownership of Wyndham Hotels, both hotel and restaurant started to show signs of genteel rot. Then the Sycuan tribe bought and renovated the rooms and the Grill, spiffing up the premises until the Grant could qualify as a prestigious Starwood Resort.

Last time I ate at there, shortly after the renovation and reopening in October 2006, I looked around at my fellow diners, and there at the next table was a man who had done me wrong (details not forthcoming): "Dr. Evil" was smarmily wooing a blonde who, judging by her skimpy clothes-to-expose, seemed highly unlikely to be his wife. (Grant Grill is no place for secret trysts you never know who might be there watching.) Other tables included older couples quietly celebrating anniversaries, younger couples courting, and probably some conventioneers (aren't there always?).



DINING

NAOMI WISE

The garb was formal for a weeknight — suits, date-dresses. The Grill's renovation had sacrificed none of its romantic resonances. There was a new chef at the time, a Euro-style guy who

thought he could teach San Diegans how to eat. He was wrong, and he's also gone; his food was not all that seductive. The new young waiters didn't compare to the pre-renovation staff of tuxedoed elderly gen-

tlemen, who made you feel their greatest pleasure was to give you pleasure.

Returning three years later for Restaurant Week, after learning that they have a hot new chef, I noticed more long-sleeved shirts than suits, more "day-to-dinner" dresses than datenight décolleté (perhaps more a sign of changing times than the week's budget menu). I ate with three friends — the prix-fixe offered three choices for each course, but a fourth wheel would let us roll smoothly into a few à la carte selections.

None of us is a politician, corporate mogul, or otherwise mover-and-shaker (except when

dancing). Just as in the pre-renovation era of those courtly old waiters, our adept, mature waitress made my posse feel completely comfortable. The vibes

were as fine as the food and decor.

We were seated in a lounge area. Like the adjoining dining room, there are mahogany-paneled walls and vanilla real-leather furniture (chairs, banquettes), but also a large light fixture that allows you to see your food. Michelle, an interior decorator, savored every detail.

The current chef is Michigan-born Mark Kropczynski, who trained at the Culinary Institute of New York and has headed several major

Grant Grill

 $\star \star \star \frac{1}{2}$ (Very Good to Excellent)

326 Broadway, downtown, 619-744-2017, 744-2077, *grantgrill.com*

HOURS: Breakfast and brunch through dinner daily, 6:30 a.m.–closing (circa 10:00 p.m. week-nights, later weekends; bar-lounge open after hours with light eats).

PRICES: Dinner starters, \$10–\$24; entrées, \$28–\$46. Corkage, \$25 per bottle. **CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** California-con-

tinental cuisine, mingling luxury traditions with seasonal, fresh local flavors. Long, awesome wine list but almost no bottles under \$45; plenty by the glass and half-bottle at equivalent or higher prices. Full bar.

PICK HITS: Seasonal menu with frequent changes; seafood well treated. Try mock-turtle soup, just to say you've tasted it. **NEED TO KNOW:** Rating based mainly on prix-

NEED TO KNOW: Rating based mainly on prixfixe Restaurant Week dinner, which appears reasonably representative of regular menu. Validated valet parking \$9 (garage on Third Avenue side). Outdoor seating available. Great "special occasion" and business-meal destination, with deluxe decor, highly competent friendly service. Business-casual clothes or day-to-dinner dress on weeknights.

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hotel restaurants, including Rancho Santa Fe. His chef de cuisine, Chris Kurz, previously worked at the Lodge at Torrey Pines and the late Prince of Wales at the Hotel Del. They're both dedicated to the local ethos of seasonal cuisine made with mainly local products. If your heart's set on beef Wellington, go to Rainwater's.

I don't like reviewing based on a Restaurant Week dinner if the menu is atypical (as in, a



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bunch of cheap stuff) and the dining room is uncharacteristically jammed. But here, the room was a scant, right-sized weeknight crowd, and the menu was reasonably akin to the normal choices. This would be a difficult review in any event, because the seasonal menu changes so frequently, I'd have to revisit six times over the course of a year to do it justice. I'd love that — but you do the best you can with the budget you've got.

Dinner began off-key with an amuse of a spoonful of fresh fruit salad topped with a slice of rare filet mignon. "The charring on the beef wipes out the fruit flavors," said Michelle, to general agreement. But the house bread was delicious --soft, warm, fresh. Served along with the butter was a lovable spoonful of kosher salt to sprinkle on top.

The Restaurant Week starters were all quite good. The table favorite was country pork pâté with pears, pistachios, pickled onions, and frisée. (Doomed to become leftover frisée, as usual. Hey, this is America — we eat arugula! Only pretentious Francophiles actually eat this other stuff.) Michelle's palate was acute that night, picking out subtle hints of cinnamon and nutmeg in the pâté mixture.

A warm stone-fruit salad was garnished with almonds, wild arugula, and "Iowa white lardo" — that Mario Batali fad made from pork fatback, here served in delicate ribbons draped over the peaches. Interesting, but it's a weird setting for pork fat. I want to taste the stuff in a more natural context.

Smoked albacore was disappointing — the usual seared-on-the-edge number, nicely garnished with various beans and tender leeks. But I'd hoped for the much smokier fish you'd find, for instance, in the fish market on the Ensenada waterfront. Lacking deep smoke, it's just another searedahi vawn.

The shibboleth of the à la carte menu since 1493 (when Columbus landed in San Diego and the Kumeyaay greeters from Sycuan said, "Here, have some soup") is mock-turtle soup. (I've eaten real sea-turtle stew at a mediocre restaurant in Panama City long ago, and the meat tastes like canned dark-meat chicken or swamp/Cajun-braised alligator belly.) The mock-turtle meat is tender minced beef tongue in a gentle tomatospiked clam-and-meat stock. garnished with minced veggies, sherry poured in at serving. "You know, this just tastes like a good, smooth minestrone," said Fred. Nice, but none of us could imagine how this became an enduring "signature dish," except for nostalgia's sake. (Maybe they used to make it with the authentic mock-turtle meat that inspired Lewis Carroll's "soup of the evening, beautiful soup.") Big plus for service: four soup spoons, without our having to ask for them.

For our à la carte entrée, we picked Maine lobster (\$36) served over braised dark greens with uni (sea urchin), goat-cheese ravioli, oyster mushrooms, and daubs of whole-grain mustard, along with poufs of some loose white cheese so angelically soft and mild it must have been made from the milk of a virgin goat. The sea urchin was nowhere evident; perhaps it was incorporated into the ravioli filling, tragically obscured by thick, undercooked pasta skins. The lobster pieces were so sensuous that at first bite I closed my

eyes and purred aloud, until my tablemates teased me about the feline sound effects. The meaty, slickety oyster mushrooms mirrored the lobster's texture. "But do you think this comes all together?" asked Samurai Jim. Well, no — it seemed scattered, mainly the fault of the chewy ravioli skins that, instead of unifying, insisted on upstaging all their plate-mates, like a Shakespearean clown showing up raucously drunk for his bit part in Hamlet.

Our favorite prix-fixe entrée was California white sea bass, cooked tender (automatically — no pleading!), accompanied by sweet roasted local tomatoes that tasted like golden plums, plus sweet corn flecked with bacony little chunks of speck (Austrian prosciutto). The fish was garnished with a subtle, coral-colored sauce that we couldn't nail down (not even Michelle), but it drew everything together.

With Maple Leaf duck breast, the quacker was okay — properly rare, garnished with fresh peach slices, succulent grapes, tasty roasted bites of "Onaway potatoes" (whatever they are) and meaty chanterelle wild mushrooms. But I don't really love those mass-raised Maple Leaf ducks (the usual fare in San Diego restaurants), having been spoiled by flavorful little Petaluma-grown fresh Muscovies at my local groceries and Cantonese roasteries back up north.

Estancia-brand grass-fed flat-iron steak also came as deeply rare as it should. Grassfed cattle get more exercise than their penned-up cousins, and this cut is from the chuck (the well-muscled front shoulder). It called for real steak knives (not provided), not wimpy entrée knives. That is, it wasn't the tenderest. The flavor was disappointing until we thought of sprinkling the meat with loose salt from the butter plate, which perked it right up. We loved the accompanying capers and sweet-pepper relish and suave Bordelaise (a classic red wine-butter reduction sauce for steaks). Onion-bread pudding was a touch overcooked, mere minutes past the optimal gooey moistness you want with a steak.

It's the wine list, more than the menu, that consigns Grant Grill to special-occasion status. I spotted only a few under-\$40 bottles. We began with the reliable Ferrari-Carano Sauvignon Blanc (\$45, \$7–\$10 higher than normal restaurant price). The sommelier helped us choose a red for our radically divided entrées (lobster and bass, versus duck and beef). The "chocolate-y" White Oak Merlot (\$51) proved a smooth, bipartisan red, flirting most with the duck as merlots like to do. If you're going in heavy for beef, the list includes a tannic, full-bodied Qupé fake-Rhône for about the same price.

For dessert, a lively melon consommé with lemon-verbena sorbet was like a passing glimpse of Fairyland, here for a minute, then — whoosh! vanishing to unearthly realms. Roasted apple-frangipani tart with brown-sugar ice cream included candied walnuts with a secret that only Michelle picked out — a tiny lash of cayenne in the coating. Marble bundt cake with toffee and cinnamon mousse was also light, if more substantial. By now, my main craving was for espresso, and it was great espresso, rich and balanced with a full-bodied mouth-feel like hot chocolate — best espresso this year,

and my real dessert.

I base ratings about 90 percent on food. The previous two times I've eaten at Grant Grill ('04 and '06, before and after renovation), I loved the place — but after several days of digesting my impressions rated it "Very Good" or "Very Good to Excellent," same as now. The grand decor leads you to expect sublime cooking (on a par with, say, the Ritz Carlton, the Savoy, the Plaza Athenée, the Hotel Mamounia, et al.). The flawless service, comfort, and luxury seduce you into enjoving the meal as if the food actually were that wonderful. But a few days later, you real-

ize it was, however delicious, a bit less. It's not the Don Juan of restaurants (a woman-hating bad guy) but the Casanova the lover who loved to give pleasure.

"So — would you come back?" I asked my friends. "If I could afford it, I'd eat here every month," said Fred, "if only to track the seasonal changes in the menu." Michelle said, "I love the feel of the place as well as the food. The whole atmosphere is so enjoyable ---it's beautiful and luxurious but not snooty." And Jim said, "Our waitress made us feel like we belonged here." That's saying a big, tasty mouthful. ■



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Curry Pies, Coffee, Art

"Don't forget we have really big Indian communities in our coastal cities, Natal and Durban."

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ve been called flaky. But hey, this is flaky. Who woulda thought? Eating a pastry-covered curry pie for breakfast in a converted condo in East Village?

Here's how it happened: I was wandering hopelessly around downtown, trying to find a Wi-Fi hotspot for my Eee PC (couple of hundred, Toys R Us). Big step up from tin cans and string, hehheh. So, I've just learned

emailer's Rule Number One: forget Starbucks. Some guy there quoted me \$4.95 for the Wi-Fi privilege. Puhleez. Then, right here on Sixth, I saw this li'l place that says, kinda mysteriously, "Coffee & Art." It's in one of the spaces in these new clapboard-and-concrete apartment buildings called 777 Lofts. And I noticed the laptoppers. Two of them at tables outside, under a red umbrella. They just looked like they were online, emailing very important people.

So, I climb the steps to the tiny patio behind a planter filled with green upright plants and carry on inside. It's all very vertical in here, too, loft-y, with stairs climbing the Matterhorn to a bedroom-type space. Down here at ground level, there're a couple of tables, a dark- and milk-chocolate-brown-striped counter at the back with a fairly empty pastry display case, and a supersmart espresso coffee machine called La Marzocco. "The Lion." Arty photographs, framed and strung on vertical wires, crowd both side walls. Long lights dangle from the way-high ceiling, plus there's a squiggle of track-lighting. A head bobs behind La Marzocco.

"You have Wi-Fi?" I ask

"Oh, yeah," says the guy, Wayne. "Password's 'Junkyard.' "

Wow. That's trusting. He has an accent that sounds South African. "My friend Rui and I

came over from Pretoria, our capital," he says. "We started this place up in May."

Price list doesn't have straight drip coffee, but there are Americanos for \$1.95. Figure the internet access is worth that. And

the Americano's nice. From Caffé Calabria, Wayne says. Served in a tall glass cup, too. While I'm about it, I scan through the menu, Hmm... Could do with breakfast — haven't eaten a

crumb all morning. I sit at a table and fire up my little Eee PC. Okay, it's not that cool. But it fits in my wide jacket pocket and only weighs around a pound. That's worth a thousand Apples.

They have things like stuffed croissants for breakfast, but methinks I'll have lunch for breakfast. More to it. "Lite Lunch Menu," the menu card says. The Coffee and Art salad, which has mixed greens and veggies, artichoke hearts and chicken (or whatever the lunch meat du jour is), sells for \$7.25. A Greek salad is \$5.25. They have a panini "sandwich of the day" with salad for \$7.25 and a grilled-cheese sandwich with salad for \$5.25. Then, huh. "Savory Pot Pies." This gets my nose twitching. Beef curry pie with a salad is \$9. There's also steak-and-mushroom or chicken-and-mushroom (\$9.75), and vegetarian curry (\$8.75) or cheese-and-spinach pie (\$9).

But, no contest. Curry. Love that Indian tang. Carla's always been into Indian cooking. Actually, everything Indian and colonial. Lately she's got me going, too. We've been reading Joseph Conrad's Lord Jim to each other. Oh, man. That sweaty, troppo, raffish scene. Curry for breakfast? But of course, old bean. Perfecto, before the tiger hunt, what?

"An English lady makes these," says Wayne. "She has the place next to the Shakespeare

Pub." He takes out one of the big triangular slabs of pastry I'd noticed in the display cabinet. A triangular pot pie? And nine buckeroos ain't that cheap, even with a salad. Guess that's East Village rents we're helping pay for.

But all doubts disappear the moment I lift the first chunk to my lips. The pastry. Omygod. So flaky, so light, golden, crunchy, plus that beefy curry dotted with peas and beans and carrots inside. It's one of those moments

"Man, that is so-o good," I say to Wayne. "Is this a South African thing?"

"Well, don't forget we have really big Indian communities in our coastal cities, Natal and Durban. You get great curries there."

He points out that each pie has a different shape branded into the pastry. Like, a heart for chicken, a cross for steak, a V for the vegetarian. "We get a lot of Aussies coming in," he says. "We know who they are because they all like ketchup on top."

Ketchup with curry? Is nothing sacred? You can hear Gandhi turning in his grave.

Meanwhile, I'm chomping arugula. The salad is fresh, well lubricated with oil and vinegar, and has tasty olives.

Wayne says he stages a new photographic exhibit every month. Charges the artist maybe \$350, plus 30 percent commission. These are selling for a few hundred clams each. "Our original name was 'Coffee and Art Photographic Art Gallery," he says. "But people were intimidated by that. They thought we were a

gallery, not coffee and food."

Now he's off to chat with other customers. They all seem to know him. Everyone talks about work, boyfriends, parties, breakups. Seems like Wayne's the confidante for the neighborhood, the neighborhood these local condoístas must be trying to create.

So, finally, I get online... Lessee, must do an email. Who do I have to message? Ah, yes. "Carla. Dinner. Reply instantly if you want me to bring home the flakiest curry pies of your life." ■

The Place: Coffee and Art, 777 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-501-8458 Type of Food: Pies, panini, salads

Prices: Breakfast: fruit, yogurt granola, \$4.75; cheese-and-tomato croissant, \$5.50; "Coffee and Art" lunch salad (mixed greens and veggies, artichoke hearts, and lunch meat), \$7.25; Greek salad, \$5.25; panini sandwich of the day with salad, \$7.75; grilled-cheese sandwich with salad, \$5.25 (with tomato, \$5.50); beef curry pie with salad, \$9; steak-and-mushroom pie, salad, \$9.75; chicken-and-mushroom pie, salad, \$9.75; vegetarian curry pie, \$8.75; cheese-and-spinach pie, \$9.

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Alpine

Mediterraneo 1347 Tavern Rd., Alpine, 619-445-9902. Tasteful, ambitious little trattoria with scenic patio dining. The pizzas are outstanding with airy, silken crusts. Entrées change with the seasons. Desserts are big and sweet. Expensive.

Baja

From the United States use the prefix 011-52 when calling Mexico.

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 Rincón del Oso Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria #47, Tijuana. Kid for breakfast? You scoop the juices and meat into a hot corn tortilla, adding cilantro, lime, grated onions, and a splash of salsa. It's meaty, slightly rich, almost gamey — like deer or buffalo. Inexpensive.

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 sizzling on a tabletop grill. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Tacos el Francés Paseo de Playas de Tijuana #2553, Tijuana. Cisco the cook flaps the cloth open, pulls a tongue out, plonks it on the chopping block. Chop chop chop. Your first cowtongue quesadilla? Inexpensive.

Vallarta Natural Boulevard Agua Caliente #1252 (just before El Toreo de Tijuana), Tijuana, 664-686-1560. Smoke-free, lacto-ovo-vegetarian haven, making their own yogurt, soy hash, breads, salsas, and wheat-glutenfree fake meats. Wonderful juices, breakfast scrambles, excellent soups like the filling caldo tlalpeno. Inexpensive.

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 regulars here prefer. Wilder hits include calamari fritto misto, duck breast, and coconut-lime crème brûlée. Moderate.

Bonita

Romesco 4346 Bonita Rd., Bonita, 619-475-8627. Sophisticated Mexican food, including smoked marlin carpaccio, grilled duck breast, escolar. The whole menu is worth exploring, full of surprising treats. Moderate to expensive.

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.

California Bistro 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6868. Fresh California cuisine in a luxurious hotel dining room. Moderate to expensive.

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.

Carmel Valley

Ruth's Chris Steak House 11582 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley, 858-755-1454. Also 1355 N. Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-233-1422. Flashcooked steaks of USDA Prime, topped with butter and parsley, are the hallmark of this chain. Side dishes are à la carte. The broiled tomatoes are a delight. Very 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.

Taste of Africa Cuisine 5241 University Ave., City Heights, 619-583-5788. At this gathering place for Somalis, the cuisine combines African, Italian, Arab, and Indian influences, emphasizing fish, lamb, and goat meat. Start with a *fadareshin*, a mixed sampler plate of meats, spaghetti, rice, and veggies. Inexpensive.

College Area



Sala Thai 6161 El Cajon Bl., College Area, 619-229-9050. Classy atmosphere, 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 superb ingredients, so finely cooked you'll be thrilled to eat your veggies. Expensive.

Café 1134 1134 Orange Ave., Coronado, 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.

Costa Azul 1031 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-3525. Enjoy peoplewatching 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.

Momo

Tandoori Chicken





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 vourself with stuffed cabbage, overstuffed deli sandwiches crisp-skinned cheese blintzes, matzoh brei, hot brisket with latkes - on 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.

Downtown



Bay Café 1050 N. Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-595-1083. If famished at the ferry landing, you can eat decent burg-ers, good clam chowder, or other basic fare in the bare-bones interior, or tote it upstairs to a serene bay-view terrace. Inexpensive.

Blue Point 565 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-6623. In a handsome,



plushy, noisy dining room, pristine seafood and Prime-grade steaks and chops. Expensive.

Brian's 24 828 Sixth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-8410. Open 24/7, it has a fab-ulous 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 spe-cials. Inexpensive to moderate.

Currant Sofia Hotel, 140 W. Broadway, Downtown, 619-702-6309 Parisian-chic brasserie decor with light, seasonal "American brasserie" cuisine that's often uneven but can include a glorious five-onion soup with short ribs and marrow that beats the French classic, and creative desserts to finish with. Moderate to expensive.

Dobson's 956 Broadway Circle, Downtown, 619-231-6771. The food, served in a classy, comfortable atmos phere, is often very good, as with chicken liver mousse pâté, Mediter-ranean blue mussels and, when available, the soft-shell crab. Romantic up stairs dining room. 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. Oth-erwise, a noisy barn with plain cooking. Moderate to expensive.

Gourmet India 810 Fourth Ave. Downtown, 619-702-7967. Rare regional delicacies include appetizers of crunchy sev poori (wheat wafers with a fresh spicy topping), *bel poori* (India's railway snack), and Chennai's *uttapam*, pancakes. Entrées include mirchi tikka. tender tandoori chicken steeped in spicy lime-juice marinade. Moderate. Grant Grill 326 Broadway, Down town, 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.

Kansas City Barbecue 610 W. Market St., Downtown, 619-231-9680. The beef and pork ribs (or rib tips or chicken breast) are smoky, cooked over an oakfueled fire, although some diners complain of toughness. Good happy-hour deals. Inexpensive to moderate.

Sally's Seafood on the Water One Market Place at Manchester Grand Hyatt, Downtown, 619-358-6740. Great view, and an appetizer sampler makes delicious grazing, as does a raw tuna and salmon Napoleon. Black cod with miso-orange broth is a sensuous entrée. Expensive.

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What the Chef Eats by Pamela Hunt-Cloyd

THAI GRILLED STEAK SALAD BY JACK JAROEN

After school in 1999, I

traveled around the states

and heard that San Diego

moved here in 2001. Even

though I had my MBA, I

still loved cooking. I was a

wanted to cook for some-

friends. So, I opened Lanna

is a beautiful city with

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He is very health-con-

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use too much salt or spice.

healthy choices like brown

rice, salads, and fish and

phere, 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 laven-

der lemonade, root beers, an intelligent

Cowboy Star Restaurant and

Butcher Shop 640 Tenth Ave., East

Village, 619-450-5880. A Western-

themed restaurant specializing in

great steaks and game meats, where the food is as good as the decor, and

the decor is more fun than a rodeo

The Mission 1250 J St., East Village

619-232-7662. Also 2801 University Ave., North Park, 619-220-8992. Eco-

conscious big breakfasts and Chino-

Latino lunches in arty surroundings are

halfway between health nut and old-

time diner fare. Great eye-opener:

wine list. Moderate.

clown. Expensive.

At Lanna Thai we offer

five in the morning to go

together.

Executive Chef, Lanna Thai

I grew up in Bangkok with three siblings. My mom was always in the kitchen preparing and cooking for us. At dinnertime, we all helped out in the kitchen — all six of us. It was a nice time of memories.

I came to the States to get an MBA. I went to the Study Abroad Center in Bangkok and they told me that the University of Toledo didn't have any hurricanes or tornados and they spoke regular English there. The program there accepted me, so I went. Toledo was a good place for school. There was a lot of grass and cows and soybeans - nothing to distract me. We had a Thai student organization there, and we had cookouts

Sixth Avenue Bistro 1165 Sixth Ave., Downtown, 619-239-4194. Cred-ible Creole cooking in airy café. Sandwiches include an outstanding oyster po' boy (big juicy oysters, light batter) and a fine, fully packed approximation of a muffaletta. The jambalaya is okay, too. Inexpensive.

East Village

Basic Urban Kitchen and Bar 410 Tenth Ave., East Village, 619-531-8869. Hipster atmosphere, late-night hours, and thin-crust Connecticut pizzas, which include toppings like mashed potato with bacon and cheese, or Little Neck clams. Inexpensive. Café Chloe 721 Ninth Ave., East Vil-

lage, 619-232-3242. Parisian atmos-



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chicken.

I miss Thailand and go back to visit, but I consider San Diego to be my home now. I love going to the beach when I'm not working. When the water is warmer I do a lot of snorkeling and swimming. I work almost seven days a week, so most of the time my friends come to our restaurant for birthdays or friends' birthdays. When I do have friends over to the house, one of my favorite dishes is a Thai salad. There are so many different kinds of them: greenbean salad, chicken laarb salad, grilled-steak salad. Salads are light, healthy, and perfect for a hot day. In Thailand it's very hot and humid, so salad is the perfect meal. There are so

bounteous chicken-apple sausage and

Salad Style 807 F St., East Village,

619-255-6731. Original salad concoc-tions for lunch include Scott's Grilled

Skirt Steak, with organic greens, toma-

toes, smoky mushrooms, hearts of

palm, bleu cheese, red meat. The To-

tally Vegan, a golden volcano of quinoa

and snowy tofu slabs, should be in a

El Cajon

Chen's Golden Palace 530 N. 2nd

St., El Cajon, 619-442-2541. A Lao-Chi-

nese family serves mostly basic Chinese

cuisine, plus a few Southeast Asian

dishes like Thai spicy shrimp noodles

Main St., El Cajon, Traditional Middle Eastern eatery and social center for

Iragis, Syrians, Which means excellent

- and good fish 'n' chips. Inexpensive. Palms Family Restaurant 1255 E.

gallery. Inexpensive to moderate.

egg platter. Inexpensive



many flavors — a little spicy, a little sour, and a little sweet.

INGREDIENTS SERVES 2

1 lb. skirt steak or flat iron steak

2 T sov sauce 1 T sesame oil

¹/2 tsp ground coriander

3-5 fresh Thai chilies, sliced

thin crosswise or 1/2-1 tsp ground roasted dried

Thai chili

3 T fish sauce 6 T lime juice

1 T sugar 1 small red onion, sliced very thin

> plant and tabbouleh. Mideast videos. Înexpensive

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 Tepatitlán 290 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-943-9612, Also 248 Main St., Vista, 760-758-4531. The



What the Chef Eats

7 sprigs fresh mint (leaves only) 5 sprigs cilantro (stems removed)

2 T roasted rice powder (see recipe below) 1 heart of romaine lettuce

1 Roma tomato, sliced crosswise 1/3 cucumber, sliced crosswise

HOW TO DO IT

Marinate steak with sov sauce, sesame oil, and ground coriander for 20 minutes. Grill or broil the steak until medium-rare. Trim off any fat. Cool and slice into pieces approximately 2 inches across and 1/8 inch thick.

Mix chilies, fish

sugar in a small bowl. Add the sliced meat and toss with red onion, mint leaves, cilantro, and roasted rice powder. Taste and add more chilies, lime juice, or fish sauce if desired.

sauce, lime juice, and

Make a bed of the lettuce on a serving plate. Place the steak on top. Garnish with cilantro, sliced tomatoes, and sliced cucumber.

ROASTED RICE POWDER

1 cup uncooked sticky rice 5 kaffir lime leaves, chopped

surprise combo, or try spinach salad.

Inexpensive.

food's cooked in the style of Tepatitlán, 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 shortgrain rice, mild house-made macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the outstanding kalua pigzesty, 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 biscious (try the comforting cannelloni), cuits and sausage gravy to a pretty the staff spirited. Pastas moderate, en cheap top-sirloin steak and eggs. A ba-con-cheddar burger with fruit is a good

1 lemongrass stalk, chopped 1/3 small galangal, chopped

(optional) Roast rice in a hot skillet (cast iron is good) or wok over low to medium heat until golden brown (about 12 minutes). Stir constantly so that it does not burn. Mix in chopped lime leaves, lemongrass stalk, and galangal into the skillet and keep stirring for about 5 more minutes. Grind in a mortar with a pestle or clean electric coffee-grinder until pulverized. Some small pieces of rice may still be visible. This will

make about 1 cup of roasted rice powder and it can be used in other kinds of Thai salads. Keep in a sealed container and store in a dry cool place for up to 2 to 3 months.

Note: You can purchase galangal and other fresh southeast Asian ingredients from Specialty Produce in San Diego: 1929 Hancock Street, 619-295-3172 or at Asian markets such as Vien Dong and 99 Ranch.

To get other recipes from local chefs, go to sdreader.com.

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 rockbottom prices. Huge portions, low prices

O-Nami North County Fair, 240 E. Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido, 760 738-7522. Also Mission Valley Center 1640 Camino del Rio North, 619-295-9774. These Japanese buffets offer fresh, artful dishes, including *sunomono* (cucumber salad), terivakis, sashimis, and sushi rolls. Among the winners are the California roll, tempura shrimp, guacamole roll, veggies, green tea ice cream. Moderate.

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. Înexpensive

Sand Crab Café 2229 Micro Pl., Escondido, 760-480-2722. Entrées in-clude 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 sandwicher named after the volcanoes of the world (get it?). Inexpensive.

Hillcrest

Arrivederci 3845 Fourth St. Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. A narrow, evercrowded room with a long menu offering a familiar regional Italian potpourri, including reliable veal in a





brandy cream sauce, "straw and hay' pesto pasta, shellfish pasta. Moderate. Baia Betty's 1421 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-269-8510. Extensive cocktail, margarita, and tequila list and regular Cal-Mex food in a lively atmosphere. Inexpensive to moderate.

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 Mar-ket 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.

Jimmy Carter's Café 3172 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-295-2070. This comfy, middle-class eatery at the edge of Balboa Park has Indian breakfasts — try chicken curry or *pessaratu* (mung bean crepe with onions, peppers, ginger, dhal, and chutneys). Good



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Vigilucci's Ristorante & Pizzeria 505 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-942-7332. Also in Carlsbad, Coronado, Oceanside, and La Jolla. Freshness, simplicity, and savvy seasoning – that's Italian. The pastas are lus-

trées expensive.



Mexican and decent Chinese food, too 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.

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 *cu*caracha (a corn tortilla stuffed with ham. cheese, and sour cream). Inexpensive

Kearny Mesa

China Max 4698 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-650-3333, Local Asians flock here for authentic Hong Kong cooking, including seafood in live tanks (black cod, Dungeness crab, abalone), dim sum daily, superb Peking Duck. Even homey dishes (e.g., wonton soup, crabmeat cakes) sing with flavor. Inexpensive to exorbitant, mainly moderate.

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.

Tofu House 4646 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-576-6433. Korean tofu dishes, flavorful and healthy, but with meat, too. Try soontofu soups (beef,

\$**9**95*

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A-La-Carte or

pork, seafood, or mushroom) with raw egg drop you drop yourself and a side of tasty fresh kimchi. 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, with best food at breakfast/brunch: Coast Toast, the French toast of your happiest dreams, puffy and airy with orange flavor. Coffee is excellent. Moderate to expensive.

La Jolla Brew House 7536 Fav 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.

Tapenade 7612 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-551-7500. Major French chef Jean-Michel Diot presides at this bistro featuring sunny Provencal flavors, where the dishes balance creativity and rigor ous technique. Some bargain early-bird dinners. Otherwise, expensive to very expensive (and worth it).

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 musteat. 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.

Lincoln Park

Batter Up! 342 Euclid Ave., Lincoln Park, 619-262-3333. Casual, familyfriendly small sports bar (beer only) with big patio offers fried seafood, thick sandwiches, and juicy Angus burgers with creative dressings, all well above the pub-grub norm. Inexpensive.

lour \$18.95, 55+ \$18.95

Linda Vista

Sab-E-Lee 2405 Ulric St., Linda Vista, 858-650-6868. Tiny eatery serving authentic, fiery, fabulous food from northeast Thailand, as spicy as you want. Don't miss onion-rich tom vum soup or amazing liver salad. Look for "Linda Vista Food" awning. Cash only, BYO, no reservations, waits at primetime. Inexpensive.

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 ready-made 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 aapams drenched in coconut milk to hefty, frit-tata-like *uttapams*. (Try the last with the delicious, not-too-spicy chili-onion stuffing.) Inexpensive.

Mission Beach

Jake's Tiki Bar at Mission Bay Deli 1548 Quivira Way, Mission Beach 619-223-5056. This everyday deli does the usual sandwiches, burgers, and dogs for boatyard crews - but on Sunday afternoon don't miss the scene at the palapa with beer and live music. It's one of this town's best-kept secrets. Deli daily till dusk. Inexpensive

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 terivaki 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 sit-down, all about Thai noodles and saté. Next door, take-out only, owner Su-Mei Yu serves







10% off





skewered grilled chicken marinated in garlic, ginger, and spices. Delicious green curry, too. Inexpensive.

Shakespeare Pub & Grille 3701 India St., Mission Hills, 619-299-0230 English pub grub is bluff and plainspoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing). Inexpensive.

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



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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.

Normal Heights

Jyoti Bihanga 3351 Adams Ave., Nor mal Heights, 619-282-4116. Bengalitinged vegetarian health food from Sri Chinmov devotees can be delicious. Chutney-topped Neatloaf bursts with nutty, intriguing flavors. Even the accompanying mashed potato and gravy tastes different. Also delish: Brahma Burrito, Infinite Blue (brown rice salad with bleu cheese dressing). Inexpensive.

North Park

Lefty's Chicago Pizzeria 3448 30th St., North Park, 619-295-1720. The ultimate is Leftv's "stuffed" pizza, a 14-inch.





8-pound monster that needs one hour 'make and bake" time. They do Chicago hot dogs, char burgers, beautiful spicy fries, juicy Italian beef au jus sandwiches. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

The Linkery 3794 30th St., North Park, 619-255-8778. The artisanal "slow food" cuisine here features local ingredients and made-from-scratch prepa-rations. The focus is on sausages. Some of the best include the juicy "super bison Mexi-dog," the linguisa, and the Polynesian pork. Moderate.

The Ritual Tavern 4095 30th St., North Park, 619-283-1618. A quiet, civilized tavern serving Niman meats, Jidori chicken, locally grown organic vegetables, and a mouth-filling, étouffée-thick Saddlebrush (Yankee) gumbo that's not remotely Cajun or Creole (it's got carrots but no okra or 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.

Ocean Beach

3rd Corner Wine Shop & Bistro 2265 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-223-2700. Also 897 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encipitas, 760-942-2104 Eclectic dishes designed to go with wine until late evening, with bottles a pittance over re-tail. Low-moderate.

Portugalia 4839 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-7678. The menu is split between the homeland and including coconut-milk-Brazil, 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.

Oceanside

Paul's Place 3671 Mission Ave., Oceanside, 760-721-0124. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek halfchicken, the spiced grilled chicken sliced over salad, and the gyros mix with all-American three-egg breakfast specials and meaty burgers. Inexpensive

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Chateau Orleans 926 Turquoise St., Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. Charming setting with folk art, live blues, offering Louisiana fare in dire need of a refresher course (avoid the jambalava). Safest choices: crawfish bisque, lush "purple fries" (eggplant), gumbo. High-moderate.

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.

cific 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.

Point Loma

The Pearl 1410 Rosecrans St., Point Loma, 619-226-6100. The fare is California-eclectic and emphasizes grazing, with local produce and sustainable meat and fish. Candied pork belly, "deconstructed" shrimp nachos, wings du jour, and salmon with skin are among the hits. Moderate.

Red Sails 2614 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-223-3030. Vintage wa-terside eatery serves seafood and steaks of uneven quality. Start with clams on the half-shell or clam chowder. Coconut shrimp entrée is a good, guilty pleasure; finfish fare less well. Lowmoderate.

Solana Beach

California Pizza Kitchen 437 S Coast Hwy. 101, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999. Additional locations in Mission Valley, Carmel Mountain, University City, Vista, Chula Vista. The Original BBQ Chicken Pizza, the chain's first hit, is their top seller. It has barbecue sauce, smoked Gouda and mozzarella cheeses. BBO 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 Vallev, 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). Sophis ticated 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., Southcrest, 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.

University City

P. F. Chang's China Bistro 4540 La Jolla Village Dr., University City, 858-458-9007 Additional locations in Mission Valley and Chula Vista. The decor at this busy Chinese chain (130-plus restaurants) is fun; the food is mainly mediocre, but the massive Great Wall of Chocolate dessert will knock you over. Moderate.

Venice Ristorante Italiano 4365 Executive Dr., University City, 858-597-1188. Refined northern Italian dishes include an antipasto assortment, lush pastas, and airy gnocchi, while 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 tab-bouleh salad. Ghourmeh sabzi is a lamb stew. Koufteh-Berenii 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.

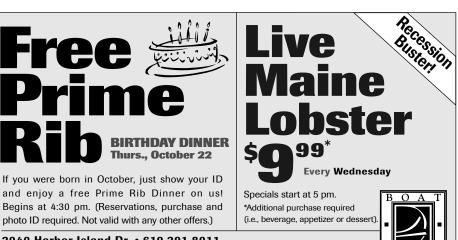
Valley Center

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 oyster bar attached. Best attraction: the long, adventurous wine list. Moderate oyster bar; upper-moderate to very expensive in restaurant.

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Libelous Tell-All

Humiliated on the streets and in the classroom, Gustav vowed revenge.

hus far, the La Jolla Playhouse's season has been forgettable. In Terrence McNally's slight *Unusual Acts of Devotion* and Claudia Shear's not-ready-for-prime-time *Restoration*,

the sets — for good or ill — were more memorable than the plays; *Herringbone* and *The 39 Steps*, a curio and a diversion, stressed performance over theme. None of

these plays dared to engage large emotions, in the characters or in us.

Doug Wright's expert adaptation of Strindberg's drama *The Creditors* ups the stakes. In this stormy *folie á trois*, love becomes mere economics, and mental cruelty, once unleashed, assumes a life of its own.

Seven years ago, after he taught her taste and refinement, Gustav's wife Tekla took a lover and not only dumped Gustav, she wrote a libelous tellall about him. The book became a best seller, Gustav a national villain. Humiliated on the streets and in the classroom, where he taught "dead languages," Gustav vowed revenge.

Gustav — and the misogynistic Strindberg swears that Tekla's a vampire of souls (the idea appears in Marlowe's *Dr. Faustus:* when the doctor kisses a demon disguised as Helen of Troy, he shouts, "Her lips suck forth my soul!"). For seven



the receipts.

Tekla's second husband Adolf also sees himself as a creditor. Now an invalid — Tekla stole his energy? — Adolf taught her to write and, by calling in favors from crit-

reputation. But as in her first marriage, Tekla's begun to gaze beyond her vows.

years, Gustav's certain, Tekla stole his talents. He

gave, she took. He was the "creditor." She tore up

Both men define themselves as victims. They'd much rather scapegoat Tekla than admit culpability. That they see love as a commercial exchange — a keeping score, rather than a mutual giving — indicts them. They refuse to acknowledge that in any punctured relationship, each side digs half the hole.

Along with soul theft, Strindberg became fascinated by a demented form of autosuggestion: using hypnosis and insistent repetition, so the theory went, one could induce negative thoughts and debilitating physical symptoms in another (Strindberg believed, for example, that Iago used autosuggestion on Othello). As part of his revenge on Tekla and her husband, Gustav tries to implant epilepsy in Adolf. The ploy's certainly a stretch. And even Gustav's surprised at how well he succeeds.



Omar Metwally, T. Ryder Smith in The Creditors

The Creditors by August Strindberg, translated by Anders Cato, adapted by Doug Wright La Jolla Playhouse, Potiker Theatre, UCSD Directed by Wright; cast: Kathryn Meisle, Omar Metwally, T. Ryder Smith; scenic design, Robert Brill; costumes, Susan Hilferty; lighting, Japhy Weideman; sound, Jill B.C. DuBoff Playing through October 25; Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 858-550-1010.

For the La Jolla Playhouse, Robert Brill devised a stately seaside resort's day room (though his antsy lighting telegraphs important moments, Japhy Weideman's design includes the hypnotic flickering of water images on gray tile). Long, wooden wheelchairs suggest infirmities throughout the building. Stage right, the playwright provides a constant visual comment on the proceedings: the unfinished sculpture of a naked woman. It's of Tekla who, even after we meet her, remains somewhat incomplete. The statue also underscores a leitmotif: all three characters are, or wish they were, the sculptor; and each, in different ways, is as malleable as clay.



Mary hatches a plan to bring Margaret back into the fold by enlisting the aid of their unsuspecting parish priest and throwing a truly devilish dinner party.



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The 90-minute piece unfolds, almost musically, in three movements: Gustav's lengthy indoctrination of Adolf: Tekla and Gustav's reunion; Adolf and Tekla's final confrontation. The play, even with Wright's crisp translation, feels longwinded. What director Wright does beneath the dialogue, however, fascinates.

Every exchange is a contest of wills. At any given moment one will rise and the other sink: Tekla grabs control, then Adolf trumps her, or by means of some deft twist, Gustav vaults up several rungs. As each works to dominate the other, the actors reveal a growing desperation — a sense of the battle being lost, more troops needed, change the rules of engagement. Strindberg believed that all human interaction, every second, was a "mental struggle for domination." Wright and his fine cast create an uncivil war.

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ance, T. Ryder Smith gives Gustav a precise, patient surface not always able to conceal the volcano within. As tormented Adolf, Omar Metwally flips from assertion to grave hurt, often using the latter as his best control tactic. By the time she enters, given Strindberg's descriptions, one would expect Tekla to swoop down on a broom, with fangs for teeth and snakes for hair. Instead, in Wright's balanced staging, Kathryn Meisle is lively and vital (albeit too young to hear she's "too old to take a lover"). Her Tekla's capable of everything Strindberg says, but Meisle gives Tekla equal time in what have been unequal partnerships from the start.

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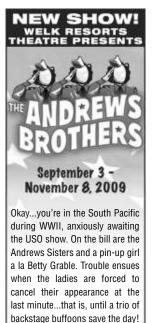


The Andrews Brothers

Like Forever Plaid, The Andrews Brothers is a musical revue held together by a sketchy plot. When Laverne of the Andrews Sisters has chicken pox, the trio's quarantined. So three male stagehands, burning to strut their stuff, cross-dress as Patty, Laverne, and Maxene. The males entertain the troops with the tight, boogie-woogie harmonies that made the sisters famous - including "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree," "Beat Me, Daddy, Eight to the Bar," and "Bei Mir Bist Du Schoen."

Andrews Brothers won't usurp Hamlet's pedestal in the realms of gold. It's about sheer forget-yourtroubles entertainment. And the expert cast at Welk Resorts Theatre provides it. Bets Malone, Jeffrey Parsons, David Engel, and Johnny Bisom have worked together before, and it shows. Their voices blend beautifully. Even their shenanigans are flawless. Musical director Justin Gray added two trumpets to his band. And one of them - don't know which - gets to be the immortal "Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy (of Company B)." Worth a try. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860

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Creditors

La Jolla Playhouse stages the worldpremiere adaptation of August Strindberg's 1888 tragicomedy about a sculptor, his wife, and another man. Doug Wright 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 OCTOBER 25.

Dog Act

Moxie Theatre inaugurates its new playing space with a reprise of Liz Duffy Adams's seriocomical look at a postapocalyptic future. 858-598-7620.

MOXIE AT ROLANDO THEATRE 6663 EL CAJON BLVD., SUITE N. COLLEGE AREA. 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 22.

Fires in Heaven

The Theatre, Inc., of San Diego presents the world premiere of Marianne McDonald's drama

about Rabid Al-Adawavii, the eighth-century Sufi saint. Douglas Lay directed. THEATRE, INC., 899 C ST., EAST VIL-LAGE. 619-216-3016. 8PM THURS-DAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS THROUGH OCTOBER 24.

Frozen

ion theatre company presents Bryony Lavery's drama of confrontation: a murderer, the mother of one of his victims, and a psychologist "explore our capacity for forgiveness, remorse, and change after an act that would seem to rule them out entirely." Claudio Raygoza directed. SUSHI PERFORMANCE AND VISUAL ART.

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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 THURS DAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 22

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

Dagnabit Productions presents the popular "mating game" musical about "the joys of dating, romance, marriage, lovers, husbands, wives, and in-laws." Arielle Rosenbaum directed.

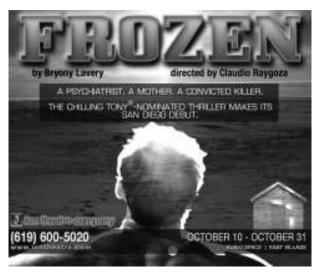
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Joyful Noise

Lamb's Players presents Tom Slover's "historical backstage drama" about the creation of Handel's Messiah, which Lamb's produced, for an extended run, off-Broadway a decade ago. Robert and Deborah Smyth codirected. LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATUR-DAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUES-DAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 22.

The Lion King

The award-winning Julie Taymor musical makes a return visit to the Civic Theatre. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN. 619-570



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Long Story Short

The San Diego Rep opens its new season with Brendan Milburn and Valerie Vigoda's "audacious musical" about the 50-year relationship of Hope and Charles.

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Man From Nebraska

In Tracy Lett's drama, Ken Carpenter suffers a profound crisis of faith. He doesn't just tumble outside the box — the box disappears. He goes to London, where a kind of vague cultural exchange occurs: the emotionally blank have-everything learns from artists who have nothing (Letts is better with the condition than the solution, which just comes about). Cygnet Theatre gives the play top production values: Brian Redfern's minimalist set, Jessica John's detailed costumes, music by Jason Connors, and Eric Lotze's inspired lighting create contrasting worlds. And the supporting cast brims with sharp cameos. On opening night Michael Sears took a

while to empty Ken convincingly (gestures indicated but felt unconnected to actual hurt). Sears did express how it feels to lose one's sense of permanence. In a subplot — *Woman from Nebraska?* — Robin Christ's Nancy struggles almost wordlessly to keep her world from breaking and herself from breaking down.

Worth a try.

CYGNET THEATRE — OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUN-DAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 1.

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9 Parts of Desire

Mo'oleo Performing Arts Company presents Heather Raffo's drama about nine Iraqi women living in Baghdad, London, and New York, "revealing conflicting perspectives about an age-old war zone." Janet Hayatshahi directed. 619-342-7395. TENTH AVENUE THEATRE, 930 TENTH AVE., EAST VILLAGE. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 1.

North Park

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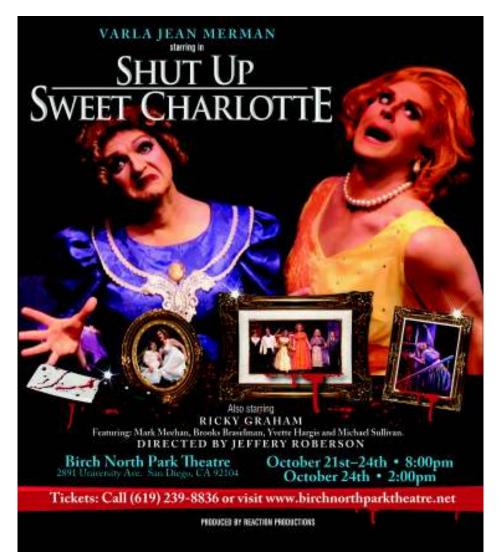
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The Savannah Disputation

Evan Smith's comedy creates the illusion of a dispute. Young, Evangelical Melissa squares off with Margaret, her sister Mary, and their priest, Father Murphy. The play takes potshots at religious rigidities on both sides. Some strike home, but Evans takes his themes and characters only so far. He'd much rather entertain than enlighten or, perish the thought, offend, and concludes with such a sweet sitcom wrap that everyone returns to their one-note ways with most scratches healed before curtain call. The Old Globe cast received a well-deserved standing ovation on opening night. Throughout Nancy Robinette (be-atific Mary), Mikel Sarah Lambert (feisty Margaret), James Sutorious (pensive Murphy), and Kimberly Parker Green (perky Melissa) tried to make a 90-minute, joke-driven play character-driven. Their spiky interactions made the ride enjoyable, while the ride lasted. Deb O built her cluttered set on a familiar expression. Piles of Good Books hold up the stage: the four M's literally testify on a stack of Bibles. Worth a try. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE

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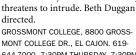
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As the suspects fled the area on foot, the victim ran to a nearby fastfood restaurant to call police. The victim said he knew both of his attackers. Within minutes, La Mesa Police had located one of the suspects in the

8300 block of Parkway Drive. The suspect was found wearing the victim's baseball cap and had the victim's belt draped around his neck. By Cindy Winslow, 10/7

Traffic Fix

Carlsbad — To improve the traffic capacity and relieve heavy drive-time congestion, road construction has begun on **Palomar Airport Road** between Armada Drive and Paseo del Norte (just west of Legoland and south of the flower fields).



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City of Carlsbad, the project will provide an additional westbound through lane and a deceleration lane for a future driveway.

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By F.T. Yoshida, 10/8

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continued from page 125 is worried that a possible El Niño weather pattern could bring heavy winter rains. Last year, even without an El Niño, ranches, stables, and farms in this area were flooded. No human lives were lost. but four horses and a dozen goats were swept away and drowned by fast-moving floodwaters. Illegal immigrants caught up in the deluge had to

Mayor Jerry Sanders

Hueso were able to cut through red tape to get emergency permits from the Army Corps of Engineers to get the work expedited.

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storms, the work is scheduled to be completed in the next 70 days under an emergency declaration issued by the city council last month. However, all work has to stop by February, when endangered bird species such as the light-footed clapper rail begin their nesting and hatching season. By F.T. Yoshida 10:46 p.m., Oct 11

The Last Trick

Tijuana — Authorities have arrested teenagers for allegedly killing a man

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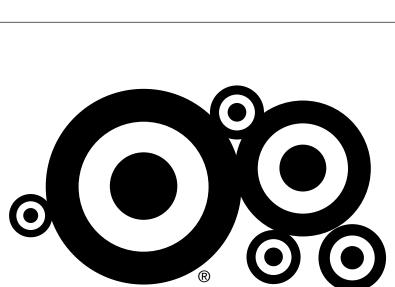
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continued from page 126 19, and a friend, Sarahí Vanessa Zamora Loera. also 18, are being held at the state prison in Tijuana. Each teen faces up to 50 years behind bars if convicted in the September 24 killing of Rafael Domínguez Flores, 55.

According to the attorney general's statement, Domínguez met Estefanla Ibarra in late May at a downtown Tijuana restaurant and offered the young woman 800 pesos (about \$60) to go to a hotel on

Boulevard Insurgentes for sex. Afterward, the two went to an automatic teller machine, where Domínguez said he would withdraw the money but in the meantime asked the young woman to go to a nearby store to buy some sodas.

While Ibarra was inside the store, Domínguez took off. Two days later, the young woman was able to track down her customer where he was working at a construction site. When she asked for her money, Domínguez

told her he would pay her the next time he saw her.

On September 24, Domínguez was allegedly lured to an apartment where the two accused women lived — and where Sulivan Ibarra was lying in wait, according to the attorney general's statement. As soon as he entered the apartment, Domínguez was attacked from behind and strangled to death with an electric cable. His body was dumped on the side of a dirt road in a remote

area of the city.

The attorney general said Estefanía Ibarra took all the money Domínguez had in his possession at the time of his death. Her brother allegedly sold the victim's Ford F-150 pickup and used the money to pay medical expenses for his wife's childbirth. By Bob McPhail, 10/7

Comments

1. Okay, there are a number of things wrong with this story. And Bob, before you get your panties in a

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of where this happened (allegedly).

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Secondly, no Tijuana hooker does ANYTHING without having that money in her pocket first. Not one of them. They all know better than that.

Here's the kicker: Who paid for the hotel room? If dead homeboy couldn't pay for the continued on page 128

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continued from page 127 hooker (and NO WAY did SHE pay for the room), then how did they wind up at an ATM machine AFTERWARD? By refriedgringo, Oct 8

2. Refried — Nope, didn't refry a Frontera story. The information in the story came from a press release issued by the Baja California **Attorney General's** office, and that attribution appears repeatedly in the story so the reader knows who is alleging the information. I agree with you,

though, that there must be something more to the story. My big question was why the fellow who allegedly failed to pay the alleged prostitute would, months later after she allegedly tried to collect on the debt, voluntarily go to her apart-

ment. Does not make sense to me and suggests there was a more complicated relationship among those involved.

I am reminded of a famous quote from Ben Bradlee, onetime editor at the Washington Post in an interview on 60 Minutes that went something like this: "Newspapers print what people tell them. People lie. So,

yes, newspapers print lies." By BigBob

10:20 a.m., Oct 8

Bye-Bye, Luck

Valley Center — In the Vista court on Friday, October 2, a Los Angeles man pled not guilty to multiple counts of identity theft and grand theft stemming from his arrest at the Valley View Casino. On September 29,

Valley View Casino secu-

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rity guards detained two men on suspicion after one of them withdrew a large sum of cash using an altered credit card. Casino personnel immediately contacted the sheriff's department after it was determined that the account number on the credit card did not belong to him (although the suspect's name was embossed on the card). Deputies called to the

scene arrested the two

men after finding a dozen altered credit cards and thousands of dollars' worth of withdrawal slips from the Valley View Casino, other local North County casinos, and from an Escondido drugstore.

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By F.T. Yoshida, 10/7

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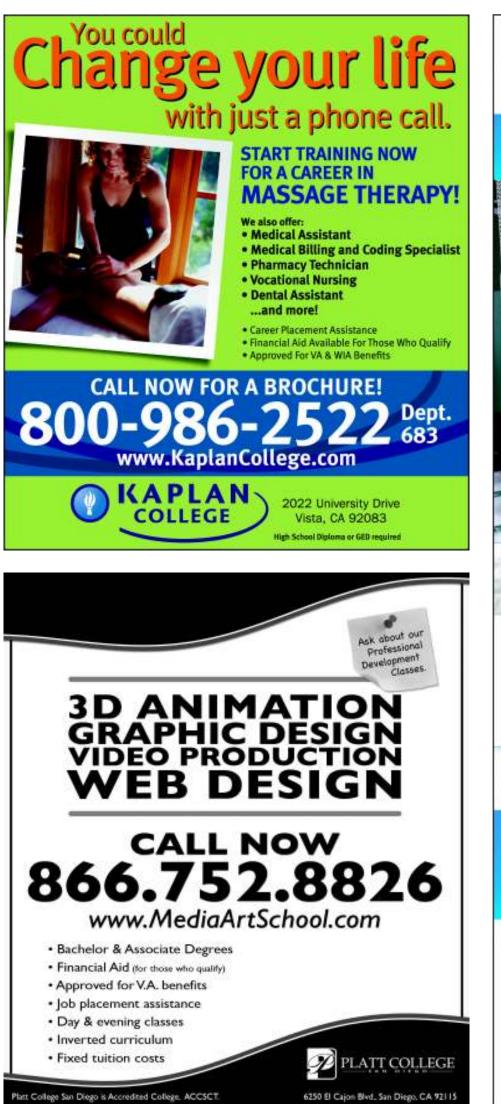
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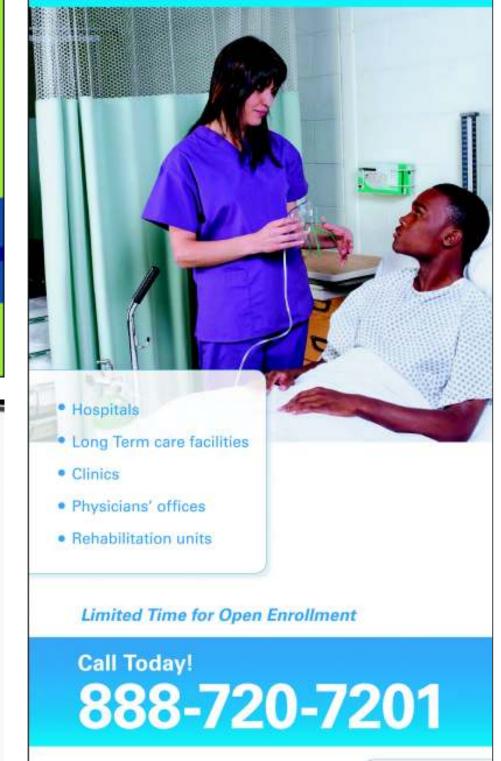
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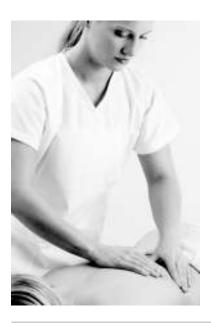
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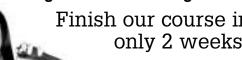


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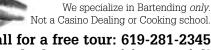
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t was something I started called Tru Doodles. I ran that for five years. It started in Santa Cruz, and it got art programs started in Chicano schools. It also helped the local stroke center with art, using touch therapy and drawing and painting. We also received some funding which wasn't much. I spent lots of my own money on this because it was important to me. So, I had to keep my day job as a physical therapist.



Alan C Retired

University Heights y HIV activism. I've been Minvolved in numerous things with that, working on programs to educate and promote health care for people with HIV. I've been doing it for two years. Lots of people are bat-tling AIDS without the internal resources to deal with the healthcare system. Oh...I'm also writing a book. It's a gay love story that takes place in India. Maybe that's a better



Meaghan Hundley Consultant Hillcrest

Starting my own business. I did bhat on my own, paying for all the marketing and everything. It's my first business, and I was able to stop working for the Man. It's in sustainability, so it's my passion. I don't feel like I'm working because I love what I'm doing.



Jorge Michios Interior Designer Hillcrest

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Amir Akbari Accountant Downtown

t's hard to come up with one that's more significant than others. If I have to choose, I'll go with gradu-ating college. As a child, coming to this country, it seems like you'll never be able to master the language. You feel like you'll never fit in. My senior year of college, though. everything just came together. I felt like I'd be able to succeed in this country. And I no longer felt like an outsider.



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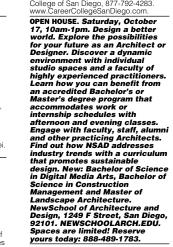
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- 7. Takes off 14. Suffix with Ecuador
- 15. "Blood hath been shed _ now": Macbeth
- 16. How some stunts are done

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23. Shirts and hats that say

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"Fo' shizzle my nizzle"?

- 44. Gilbert of "Roseanne"
- 45. Junior in the NFL
- 46. 1959 Kingston Trio hit
- 48. "Give that ____ cigar!"
- 50. Events that get competitive in "The Joy Luck Club"?
- 56. Aishwarya of Bollywood 58. Alphabet trio
- 59 Farlier
- 60. Mistaken
- 62. Revealing garment that reveals itself in 17-, 23-,
- 40- and 50-Across 64. Conjunctivitis, familiarly
- 65. "Wow!" 66. "Sprechen
- Deutsch?"
- 67. Places in groups
- 68. BlackBerry, e.g., in brief 69. Prefix with centennial
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- THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

indicates T-shirt winner

Ken A., Ocean Beach, 2. Too many pseudo- Affleck damons in

О.*В*. Sheila Agahan-Price, Oceanside, 2. Managed to complete this despite having the flu Gabby Albasia, San Diego, 2. Deuce Lucy Alderson, Chula Vista, 2. Be glad that the world now sees hope in America Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 2. I love starting over in the first column again Mary Arana, Encinitas, 2. Giant sale Fri/Sat

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Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 2. /s bipartisanship dead?

Dennis Beabout, Temecula, 2. Cardinals out! Angels in! Go Angels! Evelyn Bowser, Hillcrest, 2. Love to Eric and Charity Glory Cadenhead, Clairemont, 2. Cha Ching Leslie Chase, Campo, 2. Two for two! Go Orange. Glen and Tesi Chavira Cournoyer, Chula Vista, 2. She loves me, she loves me not Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 2. / hate dentists. They hurt my fillings Jon Connor, Oceanside, 2. "The 12-gauge auto-loader Craig Curtis, Escondido, 2. Murmur is a strange word. Hi Rosie. ILYWPTS

Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 2. Happy loves Carlos!

Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 2. Many husbands prefer their wive's mother-in-law to their own! Gary Dismukes, Scripps Ranch, 2. OK, once more. This was a Quickie. Happy b-day Sue! Kurt Dornbusch, Mission Valley, 2. If beggars had money, they wouldn't be losers Dale Duffala, La Jolla, 2. The Magic Week is over, Cuz! Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 2. Go Chargers! Destroy the Donkeys! D. Faulkner, University Heights, 2. Ride your bike and you'll be a big wheel Ellie Hoey, Spring Valley, 2. / love New York Jenny Hughes, Escondido, 2. OK then

Happy 86th, Delores! Happy 85th, lake! Ron Hootman, Santee, 2, Hoot 101 "Did I miss something? Elf? (That's Canadian speak) Richard Hutchings, Santee, 2. Who gets credit for creating the puzzle?

Sean Holt, Ocean Beach, 2.

Personal Message:

Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 2. Greetings from Montana! Hi Kiera! Hi Bodo! Samantha Loveira and Matt

Palmer, College Area, 2. Mama used to feed the hobos Now I'm a hobo! Emily Marie, North Park, 2. Thanks for helping Art! Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 2. Term Limits for U.S. Congress! Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside,

2. No free weed for me please

Ron Meyer, Santee, 2. To Matt and Megan Congratulations on your marriage! Love Dad

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Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 2. I'm writing a song, but th first line's

wrona Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 2. Not now- I'm dreaming of Josh-

Gorden-Joel and Jimmie John! Joe Musser, Encinitas, 2. Keo Hoʻolanakila!

Marge Nelson, El Cajon, 2. Heartland lions "we serve

Elizabeth Noll, Alpine, 2. May the force be with you

Jim Odell, Vista, 2. Atlas Shrugs Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 2. Two and O

Henry Romero, San Diego, 2. D.C. here I come!

Ted Scafidi, Hillcrest, 2. Yipes! Stripes! Debbie's Got 'Em

Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 2. Looking for a t-shirt in all the wrong places!

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Michael Panther, Point Loma, 2. Q: What's Noru Turner's son's name? A: Tina

Bill Pischke, Ramona, 2. Orange never fades to black John Pertle, Santee, 2. John

3:16; I Corinthians 15:3-4; Acts 16:31; Acts 4:12 Jerry Riccio, Rancho

Bernardo, 2. Shannon, how about a massage?

Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 2. Happy birthday Devora!

Michael Sheridan, San Diego, 2. Pizza prize winne

Donna Swing, La Mesa, 2. RIP TR. You are missed

Ric Witt, Clairemont, 2. Tell the pilot to drive careful

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Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 2. Nuke the baby gray whales with handauns for Jesus!

Ed Summers, Santee, 2. / fee/ like I'm dingonally parked in a par-

allel universe! Thelma Strickland-Hicks, Del Mar, 2. Happy birthday Encinitas café girls- Sandy, Debbie, Sue, and Bubbles!

Duane Tremaine, East Village, 2. ...But that's not important right now!

Glenn A. Walker, Pacific Beach, 2. Gratitude is the parent of all virtues-Cicero

M. Zimmermann, Vista, 2. Religion is just mind control. -Georae Carlin D. Asencio Jr., Ramona, 1. Happy birthday to me! Manny Battaglia, Kearney Mesa, 1. Pooh you are my everything! Love you! David Brodeur, Oceanside, 1. / like the Padres, but go Red Sox! Jeff Claril, La Mesa, 1. Thanks Sarah and Gabby Jose Cruz, San Diego, 1. Welcom back Josh! Welcome back! Julie Dalforno, San Diego, 1. Love these puzzles

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John A. DeVries, Escondido, 1. In Pen! GL Del Campo, Escondido, 1. Next year is the Padres year! Matthew Denis, Golden Hill, 1. This is better than working Joy E Fernandez, Chula Vista, 1. ...and sometimes "chy' Carmen George, Clairemont, 1. I herd you like Mudkiptz! Lance Grucela, Pacific Beach, 1. Wink. Click!

Iqqie Guerrero, Bay Ho, 1. "Brenda" looking good

Jack Hawkins, Encinitas, 1. Life is a circus and only the clowns will survive

Sarah Hyduke, Ocean Beach, 1. Go team reg!

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Hey Sonia! We love you things will be OK TRUST ... G.R. Morse, San Diego, 1. Bonza! F.A. Nalu, El Cajon, 1. Does "peace" now mean "Popular"?

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John C Pipes, Lemon Grove, 1. Stop taking my freedom away Mira Santos, San Diego, 1. Sara savs hi!

Debbie Schultz, El Cajon, 1. Puzzles ROCK!

Raymond Schwartz, Clairmont, 1. Go Dodgers! Tim Serpa, San Diego, 1. Happy birthday to me!!!

Les Sherman, Pacific Beach, 1. Thanks so much for the cool t-shirt!! Clancy Sloan, Clairemont, 1.

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Susie Stogsdill, Spring Valley,

Carly Stone, San Diego, 1. Rick,

Big Lex Torres, San Marcos, 1.

Lisa Torrescano, Spring Valley,

Bob Volimar, La Jolla, 1. Thanks

for the fingers and the asterisks

Christina Whisler, Santee, 1.

Scott Wright, El Caion, 1. Of all

the things I've lost, I miss my mind...

Felicitas Yakut, San Diego, 1.

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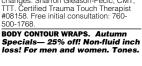






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indicates T-shirt winner.

EASY:

🖝 Aaron Abramson. Williamstown, 2. Thanks for faxing me the puzzle. John you are the.

Cherie Calvo, San Diego, 2. Tshirt Please

John Pertle, Santee, 2. God is love, God loves vou, Believe in Jesus Christ

Glenn Walker, Pacific Beach, 2. Love ballroom dancing? Free newsletter..

Rossinna Ipplito, University Heights, 1. Indexers do it with locators!

Jaclyn Yee, Rancho Penasquitos, 1. Time to start the game! Hi Hunnybabe!

MEDIUM:

Skully , San Diego, 2. Oldman Steve is alive; and I am doing alright guys

Betty Archer, La Jolla, 2. What happened to my last week's puzzle?

Roy Bartolome, San Diego, 2. Oh where is my hairbrush? Henry Chung, San Diego, 2. Chargers, use this Bye Week wisely Alyssa Ketcham, East Village, 2. Aha! I see now! Only those with.. **Kodukso, Poway, 2.** Halloween should be a national Holiday Bernie Malihan, Mira Mesa, 2. Long Beach half marathon finisher ouching. Great job Bhurd! Tony Marsh , San Carlos, 2. /t's beginning to look a lot like x-mas 🖝 Sharon Dang, La Mesa, 1. "Hard" next week Robb Dusa, Rancho Penasquitos, 1. ... you can not drive while holding that phone. Frank Kuzinar, Carlsbad, 1. Missed last week- Darn. Jeoffry Ross, Chula Vista, 1. My love for you is true and forever Clancy Sloan, Clairemont, 1. Go Celtics Kathy Terrell, San Diego, 1. Thank you Dr. Tortoise

HARD:

Amada Garcia, Chula Vista, 2. Go Castle Park High. Melissa Lark Herrick, Alpine, 2, Thank goodness it's a bye week Rav Hunt, Rancho Peñasquitos, 2. Hey Misty Mae Maranda. Any good volleyball spikes lately Stephen Loughrane, Bankers Hill, 2. ilyvm, Rabbits Bruce C. Mengler, Solana Beach, 2. #2 for a tshirt Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 2. The Gauntlet falls and I'm picking up speed Marty Sinigayan, Point Loma, 2. My b-day's on halloween. Whacha quy's gonna get me? Mandy Smith, Boulevard, 2. If you want a tshirt, give blood!!

John Strauch, Point Loma, 2. Hike the county and beyond with the Monday Maniacs! Glenn R. Walker, La Jolla, 2.

Hey... (L.J), the bet's on. Save your monev Jennifer Perez, La Jolla, 1.

I love you Dan and Go Chargers! SB rules!

Greg Boss, San Diego, 1. Obama vour momma Michelle Dutra, Serra Mesa, 1, Coastal Cheer rocks!

Sylvia June, El Cajon, 1. Moving

Kelly Sakoi, San Diego, 1. Life is

Peñasquitos, 2. 2 Big 2 Fail is 2

Delfin Bernardo, National

Olga Betteridge, Ocean

City, 2. Masarap magmahal ang

Beach, 2. ... use x sparingly, and I'll

Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 2.

Once again I'm all wet. Just to get

Jean Bradley, Spring Valley, 2.

Robert Bradley, Spring Valley,

2. I've got a new job. Start Mon-

Greg Chauncey, La Jolla, 2.

Washington Post has pent-able on

Happy birthday, Bob. Let's do

something fun. Love you!

to a new apt soon!

Joe Arbusto, Rancho

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Happy Birthday

Sunday- That is evil

The pride of dying rich raises hell's loudest lauah Thomas Daley, San Diego, 2.

Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 2.

Enjoy simple pleasures Roger Doughman, San Diego,

2. Come, let us worship and bow down PS 95:6 George Elam, Vista, 2. Thanks

to my buddies Jack, Jim and Jose Cuervo

D. Faulkner, University Heights, 2. Life is short but, it can be wide

Jane Flammang, Encinitas, 2. A new beginning

Rick Gildersleeve, La Mesa, 2. When does basket ball season start? Lily Gonzalez, Logan Heights, 2. Did I not make it last week? Oh no! Linda J. Hall, La Mesa, 2. On

some beach somewhere Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 2. / did evil last week Dan Holslin, San Diego, 2. No doubt, skepticism leads to wisdom

Zdenek Hostomsky, La Jolla, 2. After 18 solutions t-shirt finally on

its way. Thank you. Eden Isordia, La Mesa, 2. Another one bites the dust

🖝 Jacqueline Jordan, San

Diego, 2. I successfully complete evil and aet credit for hard- whats Steve Koenig, Bay Park, 2. Thanks Dot for everything Lynnette Lampton, La Mesa, 2. Life is anod Raymond Land , Escondido, 2. Thou shalt not kill- Abolish death penalties Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 2. In it for

the fun, not the shirt Karen Maegley, Sorrento Mesa, 2. I have nothing to say today

Julio Magno, San Diego, 2. US Postal sudoku expert. Hi Lisa, Jane, Ruth, Juoh Mike Maniss, Lakeside, 2.

Happy 18th on the 19th Anthony Marca, Encinitas, 2. / am getting pretty good at this

sudoku thing. Dean McCoy, Vista, 2. Time for a glass of wine!

Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 2. Term limits for US Congress P.J. Mole, Point Loma, 2. 24

and countina

Martin Mucciarone, Carlsbad, 2. The digits scurry, searching for virtual cheese, in a mental maze

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THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

Bruce Ness, Mira Mesa, 2. Does Mary Bentley still play domi-

noes? Please call Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 2. There is no such thing as

a free t-shirt Bill Petty, Bay Ho, 2. Oh those

West Virainia Hills how maiestic and how grand! Roy Respress, Carlsbad, 2. No

less evil is done once again, ommm

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Ted Tarris, Serra Mesa, 2. / want the Small Bar with the loud guitar!

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puzzle imported from Japan-Ed Vicino, El Cajon, 2. Sudoku the eraser game Harry Walker , La Jolla, 2. Glenn (LJ) the same bet as before!

Susan Williams, North Park, 2. Stay away from high frutose corn syrup! Roger Wilson, La Jolla, 2. No

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Ray Meanor, Alpine, 1. Good to be back Farhad Noroozi, Scripps

Ranch, 1. I love solving puzzles!! Good evil one!!! Helen Person, Santee, 1. Hi

Don Rockwell, Mission

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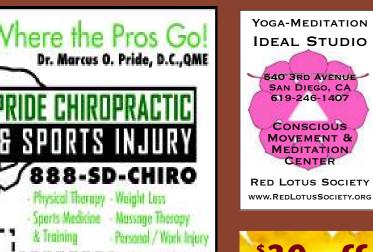


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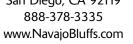
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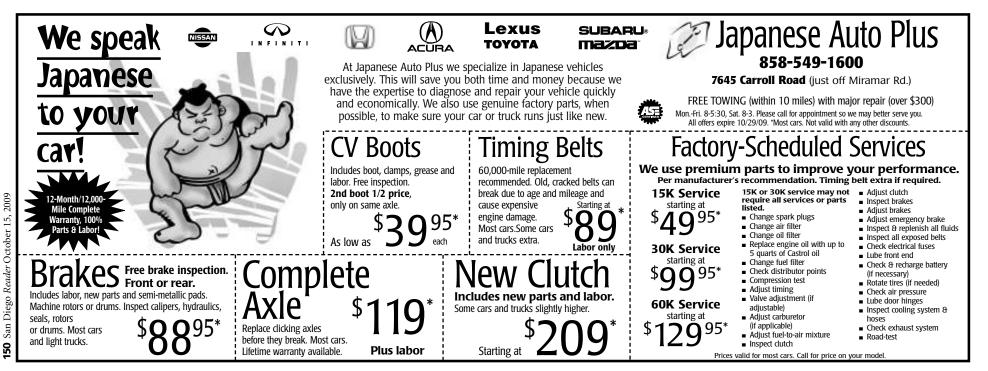
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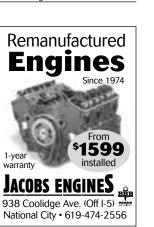
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LEAD STORY

A woman offering child-care services in Melbourne, Fla., was dismayed to learn in August that a scam pulled on her by a diaper-wearing man in his 40s was not illegal. A man called her on behalf of his disabled adult "brother," who has a mental age of five and poor bladder control, and she began assisting him in her home during the day for \$600 a week. She was later outraged to learn that the "brother" was really the caller and was actually normal (except for his perversion). However, as Brevard County Sheriff's officials told Florida Today, since the woman consented to changing diapers and was fully paid for her services, they were unable to charge the man with a crime.

Can't Possibly Be True

 At press time, Rhode Island legislators were scrambling to fix an oversight in state law that came to light only earlier this year. While the state treats 16 as the age of sexual consent and the age at which most child labor laws no longer apply, the under-18 sex-worker law bans only "prostitution" and "lewd" activities, leaving girls age 16 and 17 free to work as strippers. (Nudity, by

itself, is not "lewd" under constitutional law.) Other Rhode Island laws bar under-18s from, for example, serving drinks, working with power tools, or buying pornography. (The city of Providence is also now trying to fix its own ordinance in which prostitution appears to be illegal only for streetwalkers, thus legalizing the trade for those working indoors.) Uganda's independent national newspaper, The Daily Monitor, reported in May the arrest of hunter Nathan Awoloi, who was accused of forcing his wife to breastfeed his five puppies after their mothers, who were essential to his occupation, were killed. When Awoloi was released on bond, Caroline Odoi, Ugandan coordinator for the ActionAid International anti-poverty agency, led protests demanding his rearrest because of evidence that one of Mrs. Awoloi's own babies, who was nursing at the same time as the puppies, died of symptoms that resembled rabies. Police said the investigation was continuing.

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- Admitted gang member Alex Fowler, 26, of Jasper, Texas, was arrested in July and charged with an attempted home-invasion robberv that

went bad. Fowler, who has the words "Crip for Life" tattooed on his neck, was chased from the house by the 87-year-old female "victim," who pointed a can of Raid insect repellant at him and threatened to spray.

- Hong Kong's largest political party, the Democratic Alliance for Betterment and Progress, said it was only trying to alert vulnerable women in August when it publicized a list of shoppingmall locations in which females ascending stairs or escalators are particularly susceptible to having "upskirt" photographs taken surreptitiously by cell-phone cameras. A spokesman said that perverts probably already knew about the locations.

People Different From Us

 Theresa Winters, 36, who lives in Luton, England, with her unemployed boyfriend, Toney Housden, is pregnant (and chain-smoking) with her 14th child (his 12th) and remains totally dependent on public assistance, which officials estimate has totaled "millions" of pounds. Social workers recently removed the kids still living with her (five were born with disabilities), and Winters defiantly told The Sun in July that, if by Chuck Shepherd

they also take away her 14th in November, she and Housden will just keep making more until she gets one to keep. Housden said he would "love" to go to work, but only for "the right reasons" (specifically, not, he said, to earn money for family counseling because that is the government's responsibility).

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· Jarell Arnold, 34, in line at the Alaska USA Federal Credit Union in Anchorage in August, showed his ID in order to check his balance, took the account slip from the teller, wrote his holdup note on it, gave it back and escaped with \$600 (but only briefly). ... A longtime customer of Penny Lane Records in Sydenham, New Zealand, picked out a CD in August, asked the clerk to reserve it, and even wrote his name and address on it to make sure they held it. Moments later, he saw an opportunity, grabbed cash from the cash drawer, and fled (but only briefly).

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Jean-Pierre Gorin first came to San Diego, and specifically to UCSD, in 1973, as a whistle stop on a college lecture tour in the company of Jean-Luc Godard, with whom he collaborated for five years under the banner of the Dziga Vertov film group. It was this collaboration, the fruits of which include See You at Mao, Pravda, Tout Va Bien, and Letter to Jane, that signaled Godard's permanent departure from traditional narrative moviemaking. Gorin returned to UCSD, solo, in 1975, to teach film in the Visual Arts department, where he has been ever since, except when he was summoned by Francis Ford Coppola to the Philippines to lend his expertise in French cooking to Apocalypse Now.... I ought to admit, up front, that Gorin and I are not strangers, that we watch boxing matches together, that he introduced me recently to a spectacular French pastry which he called a "Paris-Brest," that he put me onto Carroll

Ballard's The Black Stallion, that I put him onto Jeff Lieberman's Blue Sunshine, etc., etc.

"GORIN BY HIMSELF,

Duncan Shepherd, October 18, 1979

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Bobby's was a dowdy bar. It fitted next to La Paloma Theatre, and they wrapped around the corner of D and First Streets in Encinitas. Across the street was the 7-Eleven where the punkers hung out with their chains, leather, and close-cropped, rainbowcolored hair.

As he hit the door the bouncer asked for two bucks. He lied, "Let me check for some friends I'm supposed to meet here." In about 30 seconds he had scanned the room: two sets of two only fair; group of four pigfaces; three nice ones hanging on to their dates. Funny thing about Bobby's, if there are any good-looking women, it's almost always their first time.

— "CHOP ONE UP," J.F. Murdock, October 18, 1984

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Twenty Years Ago

I am developing a sick relationship with these eggs. It began back in 1973 in New York, when I declined an opportunity to write about them. The lady wanted a "serious" art critic to write about her eggs-hibition. Had I accepted, I would have been better prepared for my first assignment as art critic for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in 1983, which was, you guessed it, an exhibition of the Forbes Fabergé eggs at the Kimbell Museum.

"GOVERNMENT WORK." Dave Hickey, October 19, 1989

Fifteen Years Ago

I saw nothing unusual about a Chinaman kid dabbling in flamenco guitar. I liked it. Then Jackson Burgess, a writer from the South, sat down next to me as I practiced one afternoon. He said the reason I played flamenco guitar was that I was a Chinese-American who couldn't accept either my Chinese or my American identity and was

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Ten Years Ago

Barbara Payton died in San Diego, on the bathroom floor of her parents' Mission Hills home at 1901 Titus Street, on May 8, 1967.

Perhaps Payton's most celebrated film was Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye (1950), also starring James Cagney.

But Payton is mainly recalled today for the tabloid scandals that exploded her Hollywood career the notorious brawl involving actors Tom Neal and Franchot Tone; her tumultuous drinking; the arrest for prostitution...

- "SHE SPOKE AS IF SHE LIVED IN A

MOVIE," Robert Polito, October 14, 1999

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On October 31, 1869, the First Baptist Church of San Diego dedicated its church bell, a prize awarded by city father Alonzo Horton for being the first Protestant Church to complete an edifice in the "new" San Diego. The clapboard church, situated on Seventh near the corner of F Street, would not have looked out of place in New England. By 1888, First Baptist had moved to swankier, more palatial stucco quarters at the corner of Tenth and E. By its 100th anniversary in 1969, the church was set

about it. No direction; it's just up in a jet-age auditorium full of curving balconies; and between you and God." since 2000, the congregation

has worshipped in a quarter-

circle sanctuary decked out in

wood panels, rough stone,

and earth-toned upholstery.

But the bell remains, tucked

into the triangular promon-

tory that juts out above the

mellow and loose and so did

the rock trio (piano and two

guitars) that led the opening

worship — so much so that

when leader J.R. Nall shook a

raised fist to the muted cry of

"How strong the power of

Jesus' name/ It is stronger than

any other name!" it played as

sincere enthusiasm instead of

pump-you-up showboating.

went hard to the grace: "We

continue singing about Your

grace," "It's about grace," etc.

Everything led to his gentle

altar call: "It needs to be more

than a story; it needs to be an

experience you have with

God.... If that's not you, if you

have not accepted or under-

stood that, spend this time

with God and talk to Him

The interstitial prayers

The church interior felt

entrance.

The church is planning a mission trip to El Salvador. but one young congregant has just returned from his own tour of the mission fields. "I was in the Maldives for three months," he reported, "and it was exhausting. I was helping out the missionaries that were already there. They have a surfing company, and I would take guests out surfing so the missionaries could concentrate on being missionaries. The entire nation is Islamic, so every day, five times a day, I'd hear the prayer bell. The women wore the burka. You couldn't be as open about your religion. We didn't say that we were Christians; we said we were following Jesus. Because there are a whole bunch of things associated with Christianity that we didn't want to have attached to us. But if someone asked, we were honest about what we believed."

Pastor Furrow used the Christian/Jesus-follower distinction to lead into his discussion of the Beatitudes, the "Blessed are" statements given

by Jesus during the Sermon on the Mount. "Sometimes, Christianity becomes religion, and there are certain religious practices that people attach to it that aren't necessarily what Jesus taught or commanded. Religion, for most people, is figuring out what good thing I can do so I can deserve God's blessing. Christianity says we are saved by grace through faith. Missionaries say'Christfollower' because they want to put the emphasis on the things Jesus taught; they want to make sure we remember it's about grace."

The Beatitudes, he continued, helped make his point. Up first: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.""Why do people follow people like Jesus? Because they want to be happy. Jesus says, 'Here's what happiness is.' But the term 'blessed' is very difficult; it's not really enough to say 'happy.' This happiness has been bestowed on you by God; it's something that's a gift. It's basically a divine 'I am with you. My grace has been given to you, and therefore you are perma-



First Baptist Church of San Diego **University City**

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Sermon	
content	**
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nently happy." He warned against turning the Beatitudes into commands, things to do instead of gifts from God. "The blessing isn't earned; it's given."

From there, Furrow moved on to the notion of being "poor in spirit.""It conveys the idea of living by

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to give you the best possible

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don't believe in God, people

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