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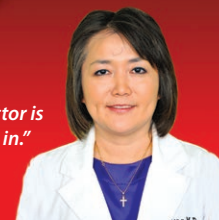
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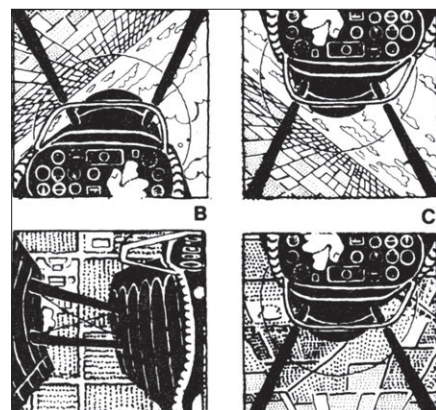
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Hurray for Heft

By Don Bauder

While everyone frets about burgeoning obesity, a local medical equipment maker is getting rich off the fat of the land.

Yes, fat asses are delivering fat assets to ResMed, which makes equipment to relieve sleep-disordered breathing, particularly obstructive sleep apnea, a condition in which the throat collapses and the sleeper gasps for breath.

Obstructive sleep apnea is “predominant among middle-aged men and those who are obese, smoke, consume alcohol in excess or

ways during sleep.

The proliferation of the portly is bulking up ResMed's bottom line. The company's earnings and cash flow have gone up steadily since 2007. Earnings per share rose from 85 cents in 2007 to \$2.45 in 2010 while revenue went from \$716 million to \$1.1 billion and assets from \$1.25 billion to \$1.63 billion. Revenues have risen

Morningstar research firm says sales can go up 15 percent yearly through 2014. Her major beef: excessive executive perks, such as personal use of corporate aircraft and club membership, and high compensation doled out to founder and former chief executive Peter Farrell.

As America has awakened to the dangers of obesity, ResMed has become a Wall Street darling. Its website emphasizes that in 1990, only 10 to 14 percent of the adult population in most states was obese. By 1998, most states had 15 to 19 percent obesity rates, and in 2008, most states were up to 25 to 29 percent, while six states went above 30 percent. Another chart shows how sleep-disordered breathing is a symptom of obesity, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes. “Sleep apnea is highly prevalent in morbidly obese patients,” says ResMed on the website.

The company says 20 percent of the adult population in the United States suffers sleep apnea — 13 percent moderate and 7 percent severe. With 90 million corpulent people in the United States alone, ResMed enjoys a bulging market.

Back in 2008, as obesity awareness was billowing, a columnist for *Fool.com* proclaimed, “Obesity and sleep-disordered breathing are inexorably linked, and with the rise of the obesity epidemic, all manner of sleep disorders are on the rise and are largely untreated.” The answer: buy ResMed, said the columnist. It was a good call.

Biotech companies (including three in San Diego) are striving to come up with obesity treatments. Even if they succeed, there will still be a hefty market for ResMed's equipment. Corpulence is not going away. It's like the preacher who inveighs against adul-



PHOTOGRAPH FROM RESMED.COM

Old-fashioned sleep-lab equipment

use muscle-relaxing or pain-killing drugs,” says ResMed in its latest annual report to the government. In obstructive sleep apnea, excess body fat on the neck and chest squeezes air passages. Abdominal and upper-body fat are dangerous. ResMed's airflow generators, masks, and nasal pillows open up people's respiratory path-

for 61 straight quarters. And the stock has climbed since the bear market bottom of 2008. The company has \$489 million in cash and only \$122 million in total debt. Says Standard & Poor's, “We continue to view the long-term fundamentals of the obstructive sleep apnea market as intact.”

Julie Stralow of the



PHOTOGRAPH FROM RESMED.COM

San Diego company ResMed hauls in fat profits selling machines that combat obesity-related sleep apnea.

tery; he doesn't have to worry that he will be so successful that he will preach himself out of a job.

ResMed does have a problem: heavyweight competition. Standard & Poor's says ResMed is a high-risk stock because of “the highly competitive nature of the respiratory market.” Indeed, the company admits in its annual report to the government, “Some of our competitors have greater financial,

research and development, manufacturing, and marketing resources than we do.”

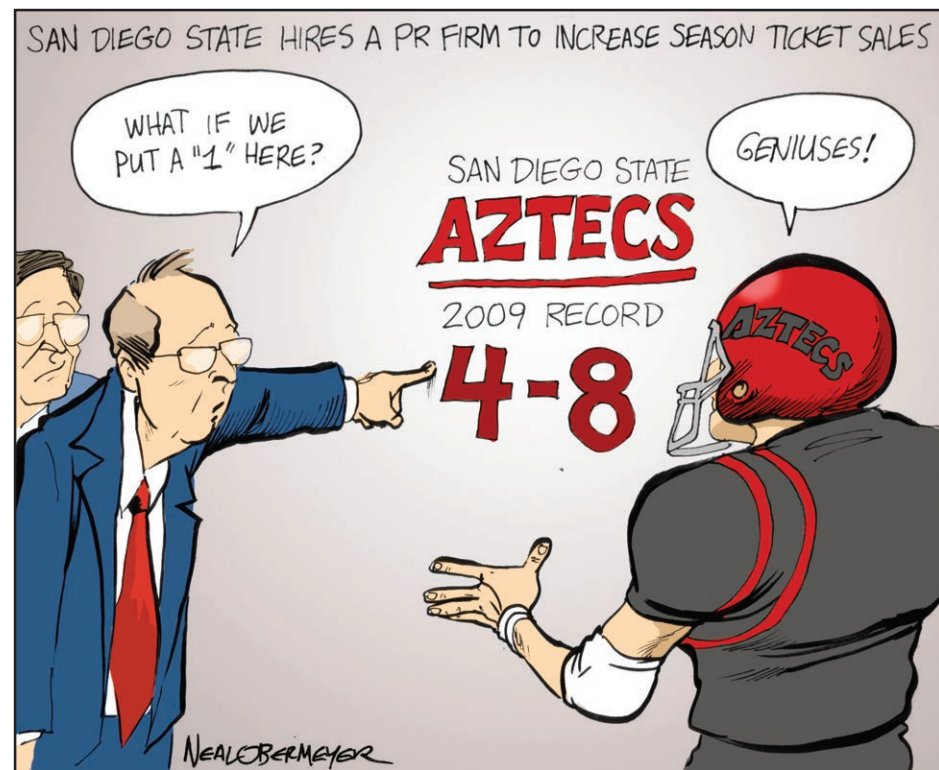
The main competitors are Respironics, which is owned by Philips, the huge Dutch electronics company; Nellcor Puritan Bennett, a unit of Ireland-based Covidien; and DeVilbiss, which recently became an independent company, although it still has ties to its former parent, Sunrise Medical.

And thereby hangs a tale.

Sunrise Medical, which used to be based in Carlsbad, was afflicted with the San Diego disease: phony bookkeeping. In 1999, the Securities and Exchange Commission sued the former chief financial officer of a Sunrise subsidiary (not DeVilbiss). He, with the help of several other officials of the division, fraudulently reduced the division's expenses by recording fictitious assets

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Neal Obermeyer



I'm Competent; No, I'm Not

By Eva Knott

Robert Duane Mason was 60 years old when his body was discovered in his home, a modest house in a quiet Encinitas

neighborhood where he had lived for 20 years. The homes on Pegaso Street were built in the 1970s, but they were well cared for and showed pride of ownership.

It was his neighbor Jerilyn Heiser who found her friend that Sunday morning, October 16, 2005, lying on his back in his televi-

sion room. Investigators learned that Heiser and Mason had an unexpected visitor that day. A young man named Brandon Taylor Lee arrived. Lee spoke insistently to Mason, the distraught woman told deputies, demanding access to Mason's computer.

"She didn't know why,



Robert Mason lived in this Encinitas home for 20 years until he was murdered in it

sion room. His eyeglasses rested on the love seat, in the crease between the cushions. Blood stained one lens, and the earpiece was bent out of shape. Investigators later said they counted 51 knife wounds on the body.

The middle-aged housewife told investigators that she had last spoken with Mason by telephone the night before at 8:30. They had made plans to go shopping the next morning. So when Mason did not answer his door at 10:00 a.m., Heiser let herself in with her own key.

Just a few days before, the previous Tuesday, Mason had been visiting in Heiser's house, a few doors

down the street. Investigators learned that Heiser and Mason had an unexpected visitor that day. A young man named Brandon Taylor Lee arrived. Lee spoke insistently to Mason, the distraught woman told deputies, demanding access to Mason's computer.

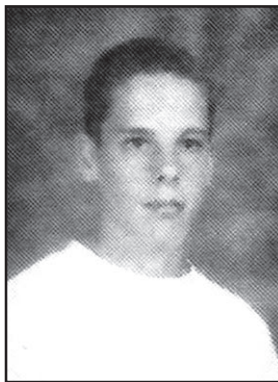
but he was very insistent that he get on the computer, so they left the house at that time. Mr. Lee and Mr. Mason left the house," sheriff's detective Ritchey Hann testified in court almost a year later.

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Brandon Taylor Lee's 1997 yearbook photo

sleeping bag under a piece of construction equipment near the Carlsbad library. The officer approached the man. Brandon Taylor Lee was cooperative, the officer noted. Lee readily provided his name and birth date. The young man wore a light-colored, zippered, hooded sweatshirt and was dirty and unshaven. Kidd concluded that the 23-year-old man was a transient and noted this in his report dated October 13, 2005.

The morning of October 16, officers asked Heiser how it was that she and Mason and Brandon Taylor Lee all came to know each other.

"She stated that Mr. Mason had been an acquaintance of hers for some time and a good friend for a number of years," Detective Hann said, "and that he was introduced to Mr. Lee through her because Brandon Lee knew her son, Justin Heiser, and had actually lived at their home for a while. At some point, Mr. Lee had nowhere to go, so Mr. Mason agreed to allow him to live at his home as a renter."

Heiser told officers that her son and Lee had



Brandon Taylor Lee when arrested in 2005

attended the same high school. When Lee was 17 years old, he was reportedly not getting along with his mother, so Lee moved in with the Heiser family.

In 1997, the marriage of Brandon Taylor Lee's mother and stepfather was dissolved. Brandon would have been 16 years old. In court papers, the stepfather described his former wife: "She rarely spends any time with the children. The boys are in school during the day and I am advised that she is generally out of the home during the evenings and sleeps elsewhere at night, leaving the boys home alone." At that time, Brandon's home was in a fancy area of Encinitas, near an equestrian park, where the houses were larger and newer than the houses on Pegaso Street.

So Brandon Taylor Lee moved into the Heisers' home. This apparently worked well enough for some years, but when Lee was 19 or 20, the Heiser family told him that a niece attending a local college now needed that bedroom. By then, Heiser said, Lee was working and had his own car-detailing business.

So Lee rented a room from Mason.

At some point, Lee moved out of Mason's home. According to neighbors, that happened around February 2005 — eight months before the older man was found dead. Neighbors said that

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Damn the Consequences

Activists Demand Release of Army PFC Bradley Manning Downtown — More than 50 individuals from activist organizations and their supporters gathered at Horton Plaza on September 19 to demand the release of Army PFC Bradley Manning. The Army intelligence analyst was arrested and jailed for allegedly leaking video of U.S. Apache helicopter pilots killing innocent people in Baghdad, including two Reuters news staffers, and seriously wounding two children.

Self-described "labor organizer and queer activist" Michael Anderson read the resolution demanding the release of Manning. He introduced speakers Loraine Reitman of the Bradley Manning Support Network and Chuck Wynet, representing Vietnam Veterans Against the War.

Reitman reported that \$50,000 has been raised for the Manning defense fund. Wynet said, "Brad Manning

Manning is being held in the Marine Corps' brig at Quantico, Virginia. He faces 52 years' imprisonment for leaking a classified U.S. military combat video.

By David Batterson
Monday, Sept. 20

Death by Carbamazepine

Prescription Med May Have Led to Police Shooting Normal Heights — In a September 22 letter addressed to police chief William Lansdowne, district attorney Bonnie Dumanis indicated that the prescription drug Carbamazepine could have been to blame for the violent behavior of 31-year-old Nathan Gable Manning, who died from a single gunshot wound from a San Diego police officer's gun last May in Normal Heights.

In the letter to Lansdowne, the district attorney summarized the events of May 20. The investigation explained that Manning was chasing his roommate down Adams Avenue in a violent rage. The roommate had asked people on the street

to call the police. They did and Detective Jones arrived at the scene a few minutes later. A scuffle ensued. Manning got the detective in a chokehold and reached for the pistol. Jones secured the 9mm pistol and fired a single, fatal shot into Manning's abdomen.

"Fearing he would be choked unconscious and the subject would get his gun and shoot him, Detective Jones drew his pistol and fired once at Mr. Manning," read the investigation from

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Protestors demand the release of a Marine jailed for allegedly leaking classified material

represents the finest of the soldierly virtues. He saw something that was flat-out wrong. He is a soldier who swore to defend the Constitution. He did what he had to, damn the consequences. He's a hero."

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How 'Bout Those Amish?

With regard to the Reader of September 23, in the letters to the editor on page 63, there is a letter from a Name Withheld entitled "Illegal Islam." I would just simply ask the writer of the letter, have they ever heard of the Amish or the Mennonites that have been in this country for hundreds of years and the modes of dress of their men, women, and children?

Ted Rodosovich
University City

Like Surfing With Your Sofa

Your expert is woefully misinformed about the toxicity of surfboards ("Sporting Box," September 23). Yes, they are made with raw materials that by themselves, if handled improperly, are toxic. The molders must know what they are doing when handling the chemicals. The shaper must be mindful of the dust and take proper precautions both with the dust and the glass and resin. However, once the board is poured, shaped, and finished, it becomes chemically inert and no more toxic than your living room furniture.

Disposal is definitely a problem, and they will just sit in a landfill and not decompose. Someone has to develop a product from recycled boards to make that problem go away. Grinding them up and making some type of insulation product perhaps. I have been in the polyurethane industry for 47 years, and to continually

hear people discuss things they really know nothing about and display their ignorance is really quite exhausting.

Mike Koenig
via email

Answer Man

Re "Baffled by Theme" letter (September 23). The answers to 17, 26, and 48 are anagrams for senator, president, and mayor, i.e., their new forms of address after being elected to office.

Harry Engel
via email

Adopt Him

In regard to "Wake Up From the Nightmare" (Cover Story, September 16), I was just wondering if it's too late to adopt David Burleson and his brother. The article was excellent, though sadly compelling. I would love to read more from him in the future.

Peggy Hollis
La Mesa

Good From Bad

The cover story on the September 16 Reader was very

eye-opening and certainly straight to the heart ("Wake Up From the Nightmare"). When I started to read the story, I wasn't quite sure whether it was real or basically if it was taken from someone else's story and written by another person, until I got to the end.

And David, I have to say, my heart is with you, my prayers are with you, and it's such a blessing that out of a bad situation you made good come of it. There are so many times that when parents choose a road of addiction and certainly not the road of recovery it will change the balance in one's life, and unfortunately your baby brother took the other road. I always feel that there's one that's always trying to be with that parent no matter how bad that parent is, that they want to feel that the love would come from doing the same thing that they're doing. So I'm certainly going to be praying for him.

I truly feel that you

are giving back what you received. Thank God for those special people — your teachers, the counselors, the Anytown camp — and certainly your honesty to those people that were able to help you at times. A lot of kids hide that, and that's what kids do, from embarrassment.

Certainly this story was an eye-opener. To any parent who saw that cover and is putting their child in that predicament, please get yourself some help. Help is out there, but you have to be willing.

Thank you, Reader. That's the kind of thing that I really want to know about, so that I can make a difference in someone else's life.

Name Withheld
via voice mail

It's Fiduciary, Dammit

Regarding "Home Is Where the Variance Is" ("City Lights," September 16). Please advise the Bell family

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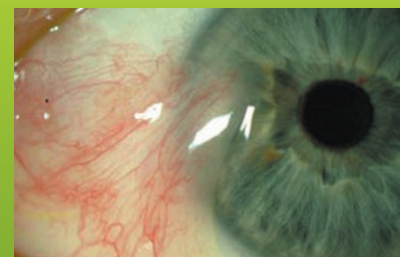
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Culture is roughly anything we do and the monkeys don't.
— Lord Raglan

It was warm and sunny the Friday before Labor Day — a perfect day to go to the zoo, or at least that's how most people saw it. For a card-carrying zoo member whose morning stroll includes a pass through the park, it looked as though my turf had been turned into Ellis Island for summer-vacation procrastinators. The park was congested with bumbling gawkers, a few of whom were with me.

It was Stephanie's last day to play while she was in town, which meant it was the last time I'd see her for a while, maybe even another year. Though I love her to death, seeing Steph wasn't enough to convince me to set aside my aversion to the teeming masses yearning to see pandas — I could have easily met up with the crew for drinks at the Prado after their excursion. What motivated me to get over my issues with the crowd was the idea of Cami negotiating her way through it on an electric scooter.

I met up with everyone at the rental booth. Because he hadn't seen Cami hobble toward him, the guy behind the counter was nonplussed when the slender, young, sun-kissed blonde asked to rent "an old lady electric cart" for herself. Despite her healthy appearance, the tendonitis in Cami's knee had gotten so bad she could hardly stand, much less walk. But she didn't need to convince the man of her injury, she just needed to show him her driver's license and hand over \$35. Cami placed her purse

and sweatshirt in the metal basket affixed to the front of the scooter. We hung by the flamingos near the entrance while she familiarized herself with the controls, first jerking forward and then beeping backward. She gave us a nod and we were off — or, more accurately, Cami was off. She zipped ahead of us at a sprinter's pace; I swiveled my head in search of a speed-limit sign as we chased after her.

Cami on the motorized scooter was a visual oxymoron. As she rolled along the path, heads turned and eyes scanned her in search of a reason for her being in that chair. The stares were shameless, as though Cami were on display along with the orangutans. Some people scowled at her, shaking their heads in disapproval when she zoomed by. They seemed to assume she was on a joyride.

When people didn't step aside for Cami to see animals, I wondered how much of their inconsideration was related to their assumption that there was nothing wrong with her. By the third or fourth exhibit, Cami had grown tired of the unsympathetic multitude.

"Everyone's, like, 'Excuse me, excuse me,' as they push by me," Cami complained. "Next time I'm

gonna be, like, 'No, excuse ME! I'm here to see animals, too.' " In her frustration, Cami hit the brakes too late and crashed into the metal railing by the hippo exhibit with a clang. She looked sheepish for a moment but then shot me a satisfied smile.

It was while we were ogling the hippos that Cami's first potential cohort appeared — a lady in a similar rented electric scooter. The woman was older, maybe in her 60s. Her face and hair were soaked, as though she'd poured a glass of water over her head, and her eyes were crunched closed. The effort it took to hold a battery-powered fan above her head seemed to exhaust her. Her abundant skin had the texture of congealing lava — in fact, she appeared to have melted into her seat like a giant scoop of ice cream. She was the kind of person who didn't elicit double takes for being in a motorized chair.

Cami scooted up to the woman until they were face to face. "You wanna race?" she said. Oblivious she was being spoken to, the woman continued to fan her wet face with her eyes closed. Rejected but not dejected, Cami backed up, the unnecessarily loud built-in beep resounding as she did so, and then she sped ahead of us in the direction of the tigers.

I gained a perspective for the trials of the disabled as I watched Cami clumsily maneuver around people, embankments, and up and down steep hills. For her, this was a temporary inconvenience at worst, a strange new adventure at best.

After an hour, the novelty seemed to wear off and Cami grew more frustrated with the throngs of people who stopped in her path or ignored her pleas to get close enough to peer into an enclosure. At one point, she stopped trying altogether, choosing instead to ride around and play with the Facebook app on her phone.

When she accidentally bumped into a baby-filled stroller, I chastised her for texting while driving. "You're operating a moving vehicle," I lectured. "Same rules apply. Pay attention to the road!"

Nancy and I were in a shady spot observing the comical secretary bird that resides in the Elephant Odyssey habitat when Cami streaked by. "Was that what I think it was?" I asked. Nancy nodded. "Where did she get a beer? First texting and now she's drinking and driving that thing? Aren't there rules against that?"

"Should be," Nancy said, but I could tell she wasn't being serious. "Check it out — she's going to do wheelies around the cougar."

"Are you referring to the giant sculpture or that woman over there?" I quipped. We both watched as Cami chased Stephanie and Jenice around and under a giant elephant statue. "Wouldn't it be cool if we came back here with Carole and we all rented one of those and formed some kind of motor-scooter gang?" I said. "We could take over the zoo. It would be awesome."

"Sounds like fun," Nancy said. This time, I couldn't tell whether or not she was being serious. We found a place to sit in the shade and watched men dressed as tigers bounce around on a trampoline as part of a feline-esque acrobatic performance. When the boys were finished bouncing, Cami rushed to see the giraffes one last time and then raced ahead of us toward the exit.

Among our group, there was a collective sadness when Cami returned the electric scooter. But I imagined every employee, guest, and animal at the zoo breathed a sigh of relief when she handed back the keys. ■

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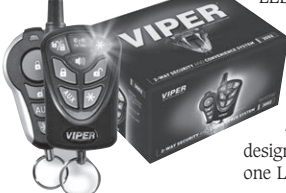
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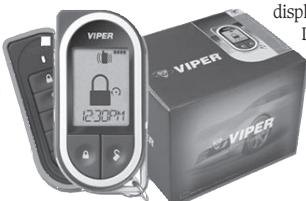
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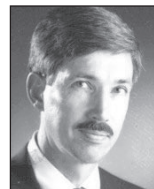
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SD ON THE QT

Almost factual news

Whoop(s)ing Cough!



Those are snakes,
after all.

**Whooping Cough Outbreak Tied to County Health Snafu:
Patients Injected with Live Disease Culture**

"Be careful what you ask for."

INSIDE A GIANT PLASTIC BUBBLE, COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT — There has been considerable debate in recent years over the safety, efficacy, and necessity of vaccination for certain diseases. Actress Jenny McCarthy famously blamed the MMR vaccine for her son's autism. But this year, when California saw the return of pertussis, or whooping cough, it seemed that the vaccine advocates had been right all along. So much needless suffering — all of it preventable through vaccination.

Then, earlier this month, KPBS broke the story that nearly two out of three of those diagnosed with whooping cough in San Diego County this

year were up to date with their immunizations. Following the report, the San Diego County Health Department launched its own internal investigation into the matter.

"SD on the QT" has obtained a copy of the investigation's findings, and according to the report, it's not vaccines you can't trust, it's government employees. In every case of whooping cough in a "fully immunized" patient, it turned out that patient had been injected not with the vaccine, but with *full-strength, active pertussis culture*. Investigations into how such a monstrous mixup could have taken place led to one county employee, who, as of press time, remains unnamed pending an

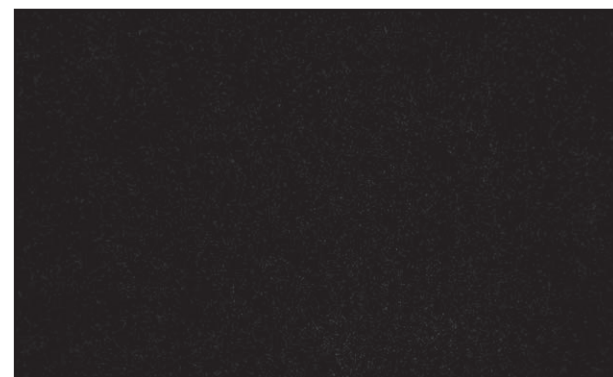
internal hearing. According to the report, the employee responded to patient requests for "the whooping cough shot" rather too literally — *actually going and obtaining whooping-cough cultures and substituting them for the vaccine*.

In an interview, San Diego County deputy public health officer Dean Sidelinger apologized for the department's role in contributing to the worst whooping-cough epidemic California has faced in the past 50 years. But he was quick to note that the unnamed employee had done his best to comply with patient demand. "In each instance, the patient asked for a whooping-cough shot and was given just what he or she asked

for. Though the result was unfortunate, and in some cases, tragic," said Sidelinger, "this is a clear case of government sensitivity to the particular healthcare requests of individual patients. If anything, it should be seen as a sign of good things to come as government works to implement the healthcare reforms that are so desperately needed in our county, our state, and our nation."

Sidelinger then added that he had recently accepted a position as chief medical officer on the Caribbean island of San Juan, effective immediately. Before ending the interview, he reminded "SD on the QT" that the County still had plenty of swine-flu vaccine on hand, "just in case it comes back. Don't wait — vaccinate!"

Victory!



Chargers quarterback Philip Rivers throwing a touchdown pass.
Or a clown riding a tiny bicycle. It's kind of hard to tell.

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Synthetic Genomics' Craig Venter proposes using neglected backyard pools as personal biofuel production facilities. Says home-based "algae micro refineries" will herald the dawn of the biodiesel era, "and besides, you haven't really used the pool since the kids moved out, anyway." Plan is opposed by County Department of Environmental Health director Jack Miller, who warns of massive mosquito breeding in stagnant waters, followed by outbreaks of mosquito-driven diseases such as West Nile virus. "It's not like we have a vaccine for this one," warns Miller.

WHO PLAYS WHO

SAN DIEGO HEALTH & SCIENCE EDITION



On *Roseanne*, **Martin Mull** tried to extract labor from Roseanne Barr.



Genome scientist **Craig Venter** wants to extract gas from pond scum.



Jason Lee will always have trouble explaining his participation in *Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel*.



Deputy public health officer **Dr. Dean Sidelinger** is having trouble explaining why immunized people are still getting whooping cough.



On *The Sopranos*, **Vincent Pastore's** spirit spoke from beyond the grave through a fish.



Health and Human Services Agency director **Nick Macchione** wants to address citizens' spiritual health, and probably thinks they should eat more fish.

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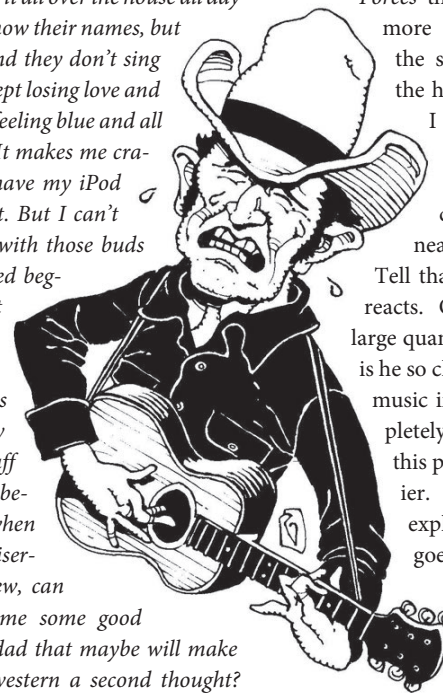
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP BY MATTHEW ALICE

Matthew:

You'd better help me or I'm in bad shape. My dad absolutely loves old-time country-western music, and he blasts it all over the house all day long. I don't even know their names, but they're old guys. And they don't sing about anything except losing love and drinking hard and feeling blue and all that crybaby stuff. It makes me crazy, even though I have my iPod to help blank it out. But I can't spend all my time with those buds in my ears. I've tried begging him to at least find some Dolly Parton or something, but he says that's not country music. But the stuff he listens to, I can't believe he feels good when he listens to that miserable music. Matthew, can you possibly give me some good reason to give my dad that maybe will make him give country-western a second thought? I'm ready to jump off the Coronado bridge!
— On the Edge in El Cajon



If Pops can't be moved by watching you mope around the house, I'm not sure he can be blinded by science. There's plenty of research into the effects of music on emotions, but most of it investigates perky, dance-y stuff or chill-out songs or really, really old-school violin-y stuff (like Mozart), not your moody blues. There's even less info about why Daddy-o loves the radio when it's tuned to gettin'-on-a-train-goin'-to-jail-my-girl-left-me-and-my-dog-died music. But we'll give it a shot.

There's no question that music affects emotion. Tons of research proves it's true. Science guys have done scans of people's brains while they're listening to Bach and Marilyn Manson and the Carpenters and the like, and each kind of music lights up a different part of the brain. It seems that when music goes in your ear hole it uses some of the same neural pathways used by pleasant and unpleasant emotional states. The lab coats are still fist-fighting over exactly why different music lights up different parts of the brain, but they all agree that you can be bummed out by some of it. Dissonance and minor chords work best if you want to tap into your ego side. And in your case, the words would add to the general malaise.

So before we reveal the next bit, Edge, why don't you take a deep breath, let it out slowly, then shake out your arms and legs

and get all relaxed. Get all that Hank Williams out of your system. Okay? Okay. There is a published study in the journal *Social*

Forces that demonstrated that the more country-western music the study subjects listened to, the higher their risk of suicide.

I don't know what kind of dicey subjects they used, but those who got off on cow were eventually driven near the edge. And that's you.

Tell that to Dad and see how he reacts. Of course, he consumes large quantities of the stuff...so, why is he so chipper? If the neurology of music in general is still not completely clear, the explanation for this phenomenon is even murkier. Some science guys tried explaining it by saying music goes in your ear, hijacks neural pathways for a chip-

per mood, then zings off into bluesy territory. But your original good mood dominates and your brain tricks you into thinking you really like cow or Goth or ego.

So that's all we can do to help rid your house of the dreaded country-western. Personally, I think this whole situation is God's way of saying, "You. Edge. Maybe it's time to stop living with your parents and get your own place." Hey, maybe that's what Dad's saying, too.

Mattie:

Why in cartoons do you always see an out-house with a crescent moon cut in the door?
— Gotta Go, San Diego

Well, maybe because there were actual outhouses with crescent moons cut in the door. Not sure I'm all enthusiastic about a guy who's gotten off all his life by studying toilets, but I guess he's our best source. Crapper historians say it all started in the 1600s, when people traveled long distances by carriage and stayed at inns. A private privy could have any hole cut in the door for light and ventilation, but when you had random strangers descending on your outhouses, you needed one for men and one for women. Innkeepers used the universally understood symbols for male and female, the sun and the moon. But since men could find a convenient tree to relieve themselves behind, often there was just a ladies' outhouse. Hence, the crescent moon. Hence, the stereotype.

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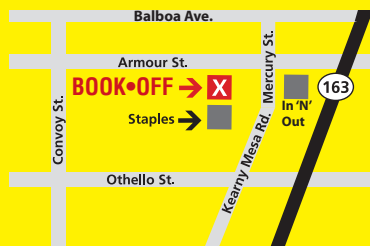
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Thirty Years Ago

Four o'clock on a Sunday afternoon is perhaps not the most convenient time for a concert; the wooden pews in USD's Camino Hall are surely a minatory foretaste of Hell; and during Father Nicolas Reveles's piano recital, the distant barbarisms of rock music kept drifting in like a flock of midges, especially during the most mystically hushed passages. Yet Father Reveles's playing of Schubert and Schumann was so ravishing that one could have endured far greater discomfort for its sake.

— "KEYS TO THE KINGDOM," Jonathan Saville,
October 2, 1980

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Was there a plan to
make San Diego Jack
Murphy Stadium
a rotating field? I
remember that the
stadium was to be
round, and the field
would have spun
at three miles per
hour or something.
Everybody would
have had seats on the
fifty-yard line!

Allan Richards, *Escondido*

I think your imagination has rotated
your brain right off this planet, Al. I've never
heard of such a scheme.

Perhaps you're confusing it with the
plans for a floating stadium, which *were* seri-
ously contemplated. That plan called for two
adjoining fields to be connected by moats in
which seating sections would be floated into
place, depending on the game being played
that day.

— STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP, Matthew Alice,
October 3, 1985

Twenty Years Ago

My parents never encouraged their children
to hop, skip, run, jump, or to be involved
in any form of athleticism. Sitting was the
preferred mode of getting through the day,
with an occasional nod to walking. You
may have seen photos and movies in which
ghetto children are leaping off piers to swim
in filthy city waters or dancing in water
unleashed by fire hydrants. But you can be
sure that not one of these was me...my family
regarded any form of exercise as alien.

— "TO THE BALLET," Eleanor Widmer,
October 4, 1990

Fifteen Years Ago

[Millan] Chessman is nothing if not forth-
right about her beliefs, and she feels the
world would be a better place if more folks
were comfortable discussing issues like per-
sonal salvation and bowel movements.

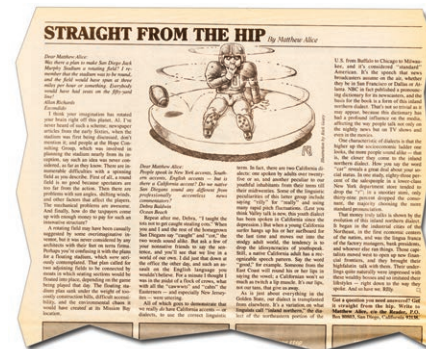
"When was the last time," writes Chess-
man in *Stay Young & Healthy through
Internal Cleansing*, the book she published
this year on colon hydrotherapy, "you said
to a friend or family member, 'Did you have
a good bowel movement today? Do you
think it all came out?' Or, 'You know, my
bowels haven't moved for a few days lately.'
Or, 'Boy, I sure have a lot of gas today, so
look out!'"

— CITY LIGHTS: "JESUS AND THE COLONIC BOOTH,"
Abe Opincar, September 28, 1995

Ten Years Ago

My background is sufficiently troubled

to make me a
sympathetic
listener, I think.
I've struggled
through the usual
skirmishes with
drugs, fate, and my
fellow creatures.
For several years
in my mid-20s,
for example,
around the time
my first marriage
foundered, I was
convinced that if



San Diego Reader, October 3, 1985

I took just the right amount of metham-
phetamine every day, I could inch my way
toward becoming the most alert, svelte,
inwardly smoldering, profound version of
myself possible. The usual wages of this
pursuit in terms of damaged health led me
to scrap that brilliant plan before I wasted
away to an ember.

— ASK AUNT TRUDY, Aunt Trudy,
September 28, 2000

Five Years Ago

"There are sheep and there are shepherds,"
says wine broker Sean Fisher. "And I consid-
er Bill Boyer" — whose wine bar/wine shop/
cigar store the Wine Loft has been open in
the Encinitas Forum Mall since March —
"more of a shepherd."

About those demographics: "Have you
driven around the new areas up here? It's
unbelievable. Thousands and thousands
of new homes, pushing all the way to San
Marcos. It's just an explosion of growth.
And it's families; you would not believe
all the strollers that come through here.
On one of the first days after we opened,
we had two or three strollers lined up
against a wall with infants sleeping in
them. The moms were at the bar, having a
glass of wine.

— CRUSH: "AFFLUENT TRAFFIC," Matthew Lickona,
September 29, 2005

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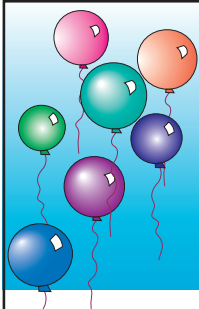
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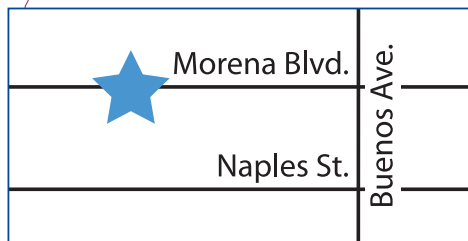
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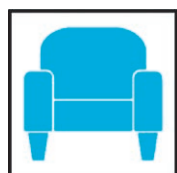
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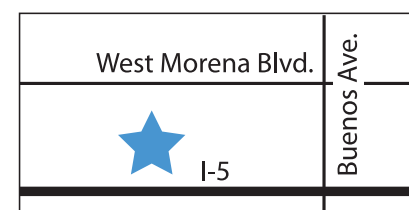
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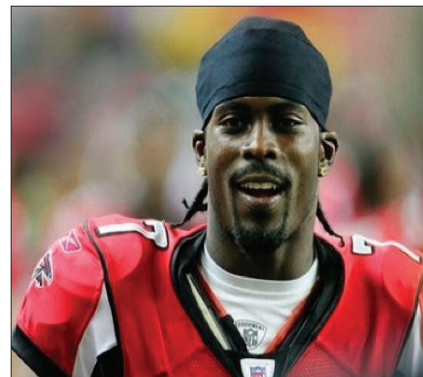
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The NFL in 60 Seconds



Michael Vick no longer the most despised person in sports

AFC West: Kansas City (3-0). Not bad for a team that's only racked ten wins over the past three seasons. Is Kansas City worth a 3-0 record? Chiefs head coach Todd Haley says, "We're still trying to figure out what everybody's top end is." I think that means he doesn't know how good his team is. Oh, happy innocence.

San Diego (1-2). Their season doesn't start until late October. Come back for the Week 7 game against New England.

Denver (1-2). Tim Tebow demoted to Number 3 quarterback. Price of cattle futures crash.

Oakland Raiders (1-2). Follows is a decoded message from Starship *Al Davis*, "I really liken this team a great deal to the team of 1980, in which the great Jim Plunkett pulled us out of the doldrums, took us to the Super Bowl as a wild card, and we had so many great players who eventually made their way into the Hall of Fame."

AFC South: Houston, Tennessee, Indianapolis are (2-1). Houston on the rise, Indy sliding, Tennessee steady as she goes. As for Jacksonville (1-2), how did they get an NFL franchise?

AFC North: Pittsburgh (3-0). The worst-looking undefeated team in the history of the world.

Cincinnati Bengals (2-1). Am I the only one whose eyes roll up every time I hear the word "Cincinnati"?

Baltimore (2-1). They beat the Jets, lost to Cincinnati, and their quarterback is named Flacco.

Cleveland (0-3). Committed team. They're losing every game by 7 points or less.

AFC East: Miami (2-1). The invisible hand of Bill Parcells.

New England (2-1). Beating weak teams at home. Pats played one away game and lost by two touchdowns.

New York Jets (2-1). Coming close to living up to their hype and fun to watch. Coach Rex Ryan doesn't care what you think of him and, incredibly, doesn't care what the NFL thinks of him. Then, there's a redeemed LaDainian Tomlinson. Not to forget the hero of Sunday night's victory, bad boy wide receiver Braylon Edwards, arrested for DUI on Tuesday, served up as media fodder for the rest of the week. Jets management, putting civic duty above self-interest, told Edwards that he would not play the first quarter of Sunday's game. That's 15 minutes, people! Edwards subsequently caught a 67-yard touchdown pass.

Buffalo (0-3). Still dealing with the losing-four-Super-Bowls-in-a-row thing.

NFC West: Seattle (2-1). Pete Carroll, on the run from USC, is doing better than expected. That's enough. For now.

Arizona (2-1). Lost to Atlanta by 31 points. Beat Oakland by 1 point. Who are these people?

St. Louis (1-2). Lost to Oakland.

San Francisco (0-3). They need a new owner, new stadium, new coach, new quarterback, otherwise seem to be doing okay. A lock to be the most overrated team in the NFL.

NFC South: Atlanta (2-1). Falcons could be legitimate. Atlanta beat the Saints in New Orleans. Highlights include a 19-play touchdown drive and making a 46-yard field goal in overtime. Doing what winners do. Tampa Bay is 2-1 for no apparent reason. New Orleans (2-1) wins ugly and loses ugly. Carolina (0-3) has been busy with the kids.

NFC North: Either Chicago or Green Bay will be 3-0 after Monday night's game. The loser will be 2-1. Can we move on now?

Minnesota (1-2). The knives are out. Bret Favre avoided becoming sports gruel thanks to a 24-10 win over Detroit. That bought him another week. The Vikings are 7th in the NFL for rushing yards and 25th in passing yards. Sportswriters are tired of Favre proving them wrong and will slit his throat as soon as it's safe to do so.

Detroit (0-3). This is what happens when your owner is crazy, but not crazy enough as to require court oversight.

NFC East: Philadelphia (2-1). Michael Vick is back. You can see why he was once the highest paid player in the NFL. Up until 18 hours ago Vick was the most despised person in sports, but since owning the starting quarterback position, he's become a heartwarming success story. Saying that, the man does have the stats. Zero interceptions this season. Played in three games, has a passer rating over 100 in each of them. Regard Sunday's contest against Jacksonville. Vick completed 17 of 31 passes for 291 yards and three touchdowns. Ran for another touchdown. He has two remaining obstacles to deal with in order to complete his comeback: Michael Vick and Andy Reid, a head coach who can't stop himself from needlessly screwing with his quarterbacks.

Washington (1-2). Plays their worst games against the league's worst teams.

New York Giants and Dallas are 1-2. How did we get that lucky?

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Steele Canyon running back Jake Wragg looks for a seam against the Eastlake defense

Game of the Week: Steele Canyon at Eastlake Titans steal last-second victory in thriller

Chula Vista — In a game between unbeatens, not much separated No. 4 Eastlake and No. 7 Steele Canyon on Friday night. The Titans escaped with a 20-17 homecoming victory after a Cougars field-goal attempt fell just short as time expired.

"They had us there for a while," Eastlake quarterback/receiver Jordan Hines said, "but we stepped up in the end and made the plays and made the adjustments that we needed to win."

With 15 seconds left, Hines caught a 28-yard fade pass from quarterback Josh Palet for the go-ahead score. Hines started the game at quarterback but moved to receiver — where he played last year — at the beginning of the fourth quarter to try and jump-start the passing game.

Following the Hines touchdown, Steele Canyon (3-1) had the ball at the Eastlake 32-yard line with seven seconds left. After an incomplete pass left one second on the clock, the Cougars sent out their field-goal unit and a 50-yard attempt from Daniel Uribe fell a few feet short.

"That was a heartbreaker," Steele Canyon coach Ron Boehmke said.

Point Loma knocks Scripps Ranch from unbeaten ranks

Point Loma — Point Loma ended visiting Scripps Ranch's unbeaten run on Friday afternoon. The Pointers took an early lead and held on to knock off the Falcons 21-14.

"We just wanted to get them back from last year," said Point Loma defensive lineman Christian Heyward.

Point Loma (3-1) went on a 60-yard drive late in the first quarter for the first score of the game, a 6-yard Javon Griffen rushing touchdown. After an interception gave the Pointers the ball at the Scripps Ranch 26-yard line, Point Loma scored to take a 14-0 lead that would stand until halftime.

After the break, Scripps Ranch running back

Austin Dennis scored on a 44-yard scamper to make it 14-7. The Falcons tied the game late in the third on a Dennis 3-yard run.

After a Thomas Bell interception, Point Loma drove and took back the lead with a Griffen 17-yard scoring run.

Week 5 Top 10

Team (division)(record)(last week's rank)

1. Vista (I) (3-0) (1) — won comfortably against Great Oak
2. Helix (II) (4-0) (2) — Highlanders' 'D' shut out Morse
3. Oceanside (II) (2-1) (3) — week off to prepare for shootout at Vista
4. Eastlake (I) (4-0) (4) — took win from Steele Canyon with 15 seconds left
5. Valley Center (IV) (4-0) (6) — Los Alamitos win strengthens State Bowl case
6. Torrey Pines (I) (3-0) (8) — Will Falcons allow a point this week?
7. La Costa Canyon (II) (2-2) (5) — fell again to Southern Section opponent
8. Steele Canyon (II) (3-1) (7) — lost by inches to Eastlake
9. Ramona (III) (4-0) (9) — nipped Otay Ranch by one
10. Mount Miguel (III) (4-0) — blanked Serra to stay unbeaten



Scripps Ranch running back Austin Dennis stiff-arms Point Loma defensive back Aaron Watkins

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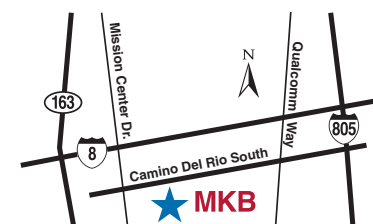
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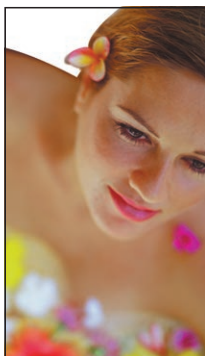
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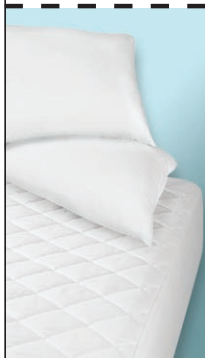


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BY JOHN BRIZZOLARA

"Morrison is returning poetry to its earliest roots — as in Homer or Old English epics like Beowulf."

Coming in to work today, I found on my desk a five-year-old copy of this publication. Pretty much five years ago to the day I had written, "It is not the usual thing for the last day of summer, the first day of autumn to be so obligingly cool, so relatively dry and with just the right play of lemon sunlight shot through the world like a hint of transcendence."

Maybe, in fact, it is the usual thing after all. I noticed that same citrus stain at the edges of things this morning and even a kumquat-tangerine brushstroke in the upper leaves of certain trees as they jostled each other in a fitful fall breath. It is then understandable, I think, that thoughts may turn to events promised in the air and " 'Neath the color of October skies," as Van "the Man" Morrison would have it in his durable hit single "Moondance."

The 65-year-old Irish native and singer extraordinaire will be in town at the Civic Theatre in the middle of October's first week — a Wednesday, the 6th. If any performer might transcend a midweek vibe, it would be the former front man for Them, gospel-scatting you into the spiritual and mystical heart of a Sunday afternoon with an epiphany-eyed vicar visiting for tea spiked with Jameson whiskey and toting a volume of William Blake along with his Bible.

You're the queen of the slipstream
With eyes that shine
You have crossed many waters to be here
You have drank of the fountain of innocence
And experienced the long cold wintry years.

There's a dream where the contents
are visible
Where the poetic champions compose
Will you breathe not a word of this secrecy, and
Will you still be my special rose?

That song, off of the 1987 album *Poetic Champions Compose*, can serve as an effective and affective time machine for me, taking me back to the summer of that year and the Mexican seacoast at K-38.5 where I had silted up, lived and worked among pelicans, seals, dolphins, gulls, and surfers while mooning over an absent and quite mad lover.

George Ivan Morrison as lead singer for Them on "Gloria," "Here Comes the Night," and "Mystic Eyes" and on "Brown-Eyed Girl," has the power to take me back to a suburban garage in 1965, where my high school rock band awkwardly fingered our three-chord, adolescent sexuality and frustration. Morrison has articulated emotional landmarks in my life, most notably a kind of spiritual sunlight reflected on the albums *Astral Weeks* and *Moondance*, as well as the grief of

dying love and the darker regions of the heart that do not lend themselves to language. They can, however, be summoned by Morrison's saxophone on instrumentals like "Spanish Steps" from the *Poetic Champions* record.

The Healing Game (1997) is another soundtrack for me, this time going back to the early days of a redemptive relationship. Greil Marcus praised the album by saying, "It carries the listener into a musical home so perfect and complete he or she might have forgotten that music could call up such a place, and then populate it with people, acts, wishes, fears." Morrison's

body of work so often touches upon the ethereal cum spiritual that he has been linked with Eastern religions, transcendental meditation, even Scientology and L.

Regarding the Northern Irishman's literary tradition, Wikipedia says, "[His] lyrics [have been] based on his belief in the healing power of music combined with a form of mystic Christianity. This theme has become one of the predominant qualities of his work. His lyrics show an influence of the visionary poets William Blake and W.B. Yeats and others such as Samuel Taylor Coleridge and William Wordsworth. Biographer Brian Hinton believes 'like any great poet from Blake to Seamus Heaney he takes words back to their origins in magic.... Indeed, Morrison is returning poetry to its earliest roots — as in Homer or Old English epics like *Beowulf* or the Psalms.'

This may be putting too much spit on excellent pop music lyrics, but I am uninclined to argue if it keeps his music available. And it will be, live, in San Diego, on October 6.

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So popular, in fact, that you’ll need to get on a waiting list before you can attend. “It’s generally a four- to six-week wait. It’s four classes, each three hours long, and it costs \$70. In your first class, the teacher finds out what direction you want to go. You’re given a choice of learning to cut patterns or doing home-décor items like pillows and table runners. The teacher will give you a supply list. Then, when you come back for the next class, you learn how to do things like cut patterns and use rotary cutters. If you don’t have a machine, we’ll set one up for you.”

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Sew Hut offers unlimited free introductory classes to anyone who purchases a new sewing machine from the store. “We carry machines from \$299 to \$12,000. I think most frustration, for a beginner, would come from using an old machine. They’re generally harder to work with, especially when you’re using modern fabrics.”

Roselle Ellison at Home Ec. Studio in South Park (619-279-6379; homeecstudio.com) tells me that they offer classes for children and adults. “We teach kids during the week in our after-school classes. We have the machines here, and we go over the basics — things like the flywheel, the foot pedal, the stitch selector. Then we practice sewing for 30 minutes. After that, we do a project that entails laying out fabric, cutting a pattern, and sewing. A lot of the kids like to make stuffed animals. Machine use and materials are included in the price [\$165 for five two-

*“I start from the beginning:
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your machine.”*

and-a-half-hour classes].”

For adults, “We have Basic Sew on Sundays. It’s a lot like the after-school class, but it’s a single three-hour class for \$45. We change projects pretty often. Recently, we did a skirt project — two layers, linen — and that seemed to be a big hit. We also do private instruction by appointment [\$30 an hour].”

The Grove in South Park (619-284-7684; thegrovesandiego.com) also offers classes. Co-owner Anne tells me, “Judy is the teacher; she offers private lessons for \$20 an hour. Our Facebook page has a schedule for monthly basic-project classes — things like aprons, pot holders, or yoga-mat sacks. The cost runs from \$20 to \$40, not including materials. Judy also does a drop-in class once a month. You can come in with any project and get her expertise. It’s \$10, unless you’re working with Judy’s fabrics — then it’s free. She has a great selection. We do encourage you to bring your own machine, but we can arrange a loaner.”

Monica Gassaway of La Mesa Sew & Vac (619-698-2972; lamesasewandvac.net)

will be offering basic sewing classes starting in November.

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Finally, I spoke with Peggy at Sew Pro’s Sewing & Vacuum in El Cajon (619-442-3100; sew-pros.com). “We have locations in El Cajon, Oceanside, and Clairemont,” she said. “If you buy a machine from us, we provide free classes on how to use it, such as how to use the different sewing feet — walking feet, darning feet, quarter-inch feet. There’s another class on the different needles. Occasionally, we’ll have a specialty class on something such as how to make a rag quilt.” The cost is \$60 for three classes.

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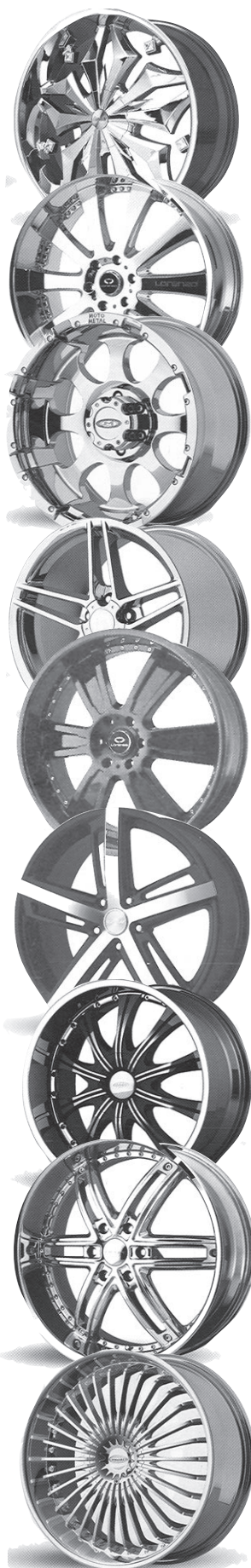
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California Theatre**Verna House****Red Roost****Adobe at Warner's Ranch****Whaley House****Cosmopolitan Hotel**

Who's looking out for these ladies?

The graffiti wraps the California Theatre in a ten-foot-tall necklace of yellow and black and silver, squished-together letters shaped like half-inflated airbags. The odd thing is whoever did it also surrounded it with a new chain-link fence. I suddenly realize: The fence is there not to protect the theater but to protect the graffiti...from...more graffiti.

We're talking, after all, about the venerable California Theatre, grande dame of the 1920s, the "cathedral of the motion picture," whose five-story-high auditorium, the largest in town, looks like a Spanish church inside. Over its 83 years it has hosted everything from silent movies to teen-scream event-openings like the Beatles' *Hard Day's Night* and Elvis's *Fun in Acapulco*.

The second thought is: Where's mighty SOHO when you need it? This is precisely what San Diego's own Save Our Heritage Organisation (that's how they spell it) is for, isn't it? Can anything be more "our heritage" than this? Where's the human chain surrounding the place, shouting, "Hell no! We won't go!"

SOHO stumbled into existence when an artist named Robert Miles Parker

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came across an old house — the 1887 Sherman-Gilbert house — about to be ripped down. On a whim he pasted up a small paper sign that said, “SAVE THIS HOUSE, 239-8324.” It was his phone number. He was inundated with calls. That was 1969. As a result of his and his fellow outraged citizens’ efforts, the house was saved and SOHO was born. Forty-one years on, thanks to SOHO, hundreds of houses have been preserved and dozens of public buildings

saved. Ones you’d recognize, like the Hotel Del Coronado, and ones you mightn’t, like the Verna House, a beautiful little frou-frou French cottage transplanted to Old Town, set up next to the Whaley House to become SOHO’s retail shop.

But, 41 years on, maybe we also need to take a critical look, because it hasn’t all been glorious victories. Look at this theater, for instance. Look at the rubble across Broadway: famous architect Harrison Albright’s Hotel San Diego (he also

designed the U.S. Grant hotel and the Coronado Library). Apart from its place in the architectural and social history of this town, in the years prior to its 2001 closure, it housed 11 percent of downtown’s homeless population. But, in April 2006, it went down in a cloud of dust. The U.S. government wanted the space for a federal courthouse annex (that’s just what’s needed to brighten up Broadway, right?), and neither SOHO nor the city could fight the feds, or so they said. One way or another,

they let it slip away. Or how about that 35-year, still-unresolved drama of the two oldest cottages in

1937 art deco streamline moderne Ford dealership at 1015 Park Boulevard, a building designed by

accuracy — that many say ripped the joyful heart out of the place?

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“Blame the Museum of Contemporary Art! They sponsored that graffiti.”

La Jolla, Red Roost and Red Rest, where lawyers seemed to turn SOHO and other objectors into nominees for the lifetime sucker award. Or the collapsing adobe at Warner’s Ranch. Or the

renowned architect Frank Hope. Or, dare we mention, the still-kind-of-empty-feeling plaza of a once-vibrant Old Town, where SOHO invested its passion for historical accuracy — a more Anglo

to certain go-go developer types and they’ll raise their eyes to heaven and rage on about how SOHO can be painfully anal retentive, Luddite almost, slowing progress just to be a pain in

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SOHO's executive director Bruce Coons and his wife Alana, the organization's events and education director, also

have their critics, who say the couple plays hardball politics with colleagues who disagree with their priorities and can be too ready to cut deals with developers.

So, after 41 years, 10 under the Coonses' tutelage, you have to wonder: Has SOHO gone soft? Does SOHO need saving — from itself?

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It's lunchtime on a sunny, breezy Friday — July 16, 2010 — on the lawn beside the Whaley House. And that means: Happy 241st birthday, Jamestown! (That's us, Saint James — San Diego.) SOHO's been trying to revive a civic celebration of this anniversary. This is its third year, and maybe a hundred folks are in attendance today, most buzzing around the old Cali-

fornia pepper tree on the lawn next to the Whaley House, now SOHO's headquarters, the spot where some say the ghost of Anna Whaley — or is it Violet Whaley, who reputedly shot herself in the privy out back? — hangs around, dancing, perhaps. There's a microphone and speakers and a portable lectern, and the place is alive with crinoline dresses and bowler hats, schoolkids in red T-shirts running around the pepper tree, docents in long wire-hooped gowns, dignitaries getting up to speak about the significance of the day, rows of chairs on the grass, and behind those, outside the New Orleans Creole Café, tables laid out with cake and soda. There's even music, dancing, "and much camaraderie," as the poster advertising

the event confidently predicted.

Actually, it's a double birthday with a nice symmetry about it. Because while the town's turning 241, SOHO is exactly 200 years younger — 41 this year.

I nab Alana. She's an attractive, vital woman who radiates enthusiasm and a sense of humor but also determination. I ask about the graffiti and why the California Theatre looks as if it's on its last legs.

"Blame the Museum of Contemporary Art!" she says. "They sponsored that graffiti. Part of their big exhibition of street art. Public art. On buildings. That's fine, but the first building they did is the California Theatre. They had permission from the owner — the owner, by the way, who wants nothing more than



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to demolish this building. I can hardly believe they did it. It is giant graffiti. Ugly, ugly giant graffiti, as if someone did major tags. I don't care how many times they want to call it cool, contemporary, public art that only sophisticated people could possibly understand, it's bullshit. It's crap. Even if it were good art, to paint it right on the building, over the

windows, over the wood on the building? It's supposed to be temporary, it can be washed off, but everyone says, 'How can it be temporary?' And washed off? Where does that silver paint go? To feed the dolphins? We just hope that when people see the theater, and the disgusting thing they did to it, maybe they'll wake up and realize you really do have to help us

save these things. SOHO can't do it all."

But is SOHO doing anything?

"The California Theatre is on our Most Endangered list. Ownership recently transferred to an out-of-town investment firm after the previous owner, another investment company, went bankrupt. We're trying to find someone to buy the building, to

restore it as a performing-arts center...the Balboa is a big success. You would

country."

We go looking for Bruce among the gath-

where a portion of a door has been scraped to bare wood. Here they've found

"It says something like 'Chinese man does good work.'"

think that once people saw that they'd go, 'Oh. All right.'"

She says the California is San Diego's most ornate Spanish revival treasure. It leaves the beautifully restored Balboa, two blocks down at Fourth and E, in the dust. The California is more ornately decorated, and big (originally, there were 2200 seats). It could be the largest movie space in town, twice as interesting as the Balboa. And that's saying something. For a moment I imagine it revived to its former glory, pilasters and sculptures and clamshell fountain niches....

"Bruce had the best idea," Alana says. "He thinks the city should buy it and turn it into City Hall. It's large enough, it's a showpiece of San Diego culture, and it would send an outstanding preservation message across the

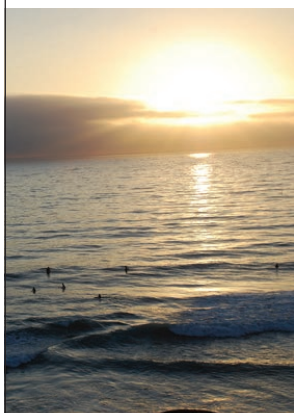
ered families and the flowerbeds of giant hydrangeas, magnificent in shades of pink. He's standing on the porch of a little old house behind the main brick Whaley structure. This one is part timber, part...adobe? "It's a prefab," Bruce says, "built in New England and brought around the Horn in 1850." Stories fall from Bruce's lips at the slightest prompting. "William Heath Davis and his partners, including Juan Bandini, bought a bunch of these to create the first part of New Town [down by the Bay]. Then the New Town venture collapsed in 1852, and it became a ghost town." This house was moved up here to Old Town. "Then Bandini built the adobe section, which was the Chinese cooks' house. Let me show you something."

He hauls me over to

carved Chinese characters. "We just discovered this. It says something like 'Chinese man does good work.' But we're getting an expert to translate."

We sit down in Bruce's office in the adobe part of the old cookhouse, built onto the back of the 160-year-old New England prefab. "It's coolest here in summer," he says. This is the nerve center for a big operation these days. According to the *Reader's* Don Bauder, in a June 2004 piece about the Coonses' leadership, the budget went from \$4000 to \$500,000 in the four years Bruce had been running the show, and membership quadrupled. Today, maybe a half-dozen interns and others are busying themselves at desks and computers. A drawing Robert Miles Parker did of the California Theatre in better times hangs on one

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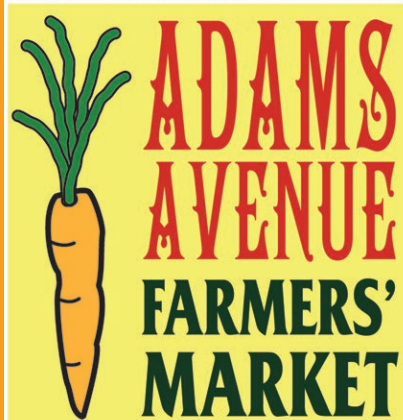
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wall; an old kerosene wall lamp with an electric bulb inside its glass chute dangles dangerously; piles of paperwork and people's bags and sunglasses clutter the desks. A shallow, wide-brimmed straw Chinese peasant's hat keeps dust off a printer.

Coons has blue eyes and a fresh, ruddy complexion that makes him look young. But there's also something of the eagle in his face. You wouldn't want to cross him — he'd slay you with a devastating barrage of facts.

There's no doubt that SOHO has done incredible work since Robert Miles Parker's "Save Me!" sign. We owe for the sur-

vival of icons now taken for granted, like the Santa Fe Depot, the Western Metal Supply building (which gives Petco Park such character), and Heritage Park near Old Town, where old houses have gone not to die but to become a living museum. Parker's Sherman-Gilbert House is one of these. It belonged to John Sherman, cousin of General William Tecumseh Sherman. Arthur Rubinstein and Yehudi Menuhin have given recitals there. And it's clear it has rarely been easy, taking on City Hall, or "big money." Saving the Balboa Theatre took decades (and SOHO was by no means alone in that fight).

Not all fights are won. An attempt to save

the T.M. Cobb building, home of the First and Last Chance Saloon, at the bottom of Fifth — across from the Spaghetti Factory — almost bankrupted SOHO, Coons says. They failed against a team of lawyers for the owners of the Empire State Building, who wanted the land. The Cobb building was demolished right under the arch that reads "Gaslamp Historic District."

Then, in 1997 — and this seems unbelievable — the Hotel Del Coronado was about to disappear behind four-story additions on all sides that would have blocked it from every-

thing, including the sea, and destroyed its 1888 ancillary buildings, including the old steam

ance, was about to do to "their" Del. Coons still considers that victory their greatest ever.

route, rather than direct action? The famed Green Dragon Colony of La Jolla was an important

"I think we've shown with the Whaley House, and the Marston House, that we can handle this sort of thing."

laundry with its iconic chimney stack. Bruce, Alana, and the whole SOHO gang pulled out all the stops, going door to door to warn unbelieving Coronadans, telling them what the new owner, Travelers Insur-

Perhaps more significant was how they managed to bend the Padres' ownership and the city to their will on the warehouse district. Including a Victorian industrial building like Western Metal into the design of a brand-new ballpark, along with saving 11 of 12 historic warehouses in the area slated for demolition, sent shock waves through the planning and architectural and sports worlds. The discovery that incorporating the past enhances big developments provided a watershed moment for designers, especially coming from a "new" city like San Diego. It's the Western Metal building that sets our ballpark apart, even more than the design by its world-famous architect, Antoine Predock.

But what to make of the setbacks? Has SOHO been too genteel in its protests? Too used to persuasion and the legal

early loss. And those two oldest cottages in La Jolla, Red Rest and Red Roost, remain empty, still deteriorating structurally after 35 years of struggle. Lawyers for the owners are now offering them for sale for \$10 million each. At least they're still up. SOHO has managed to get its hands on civic pioneer George Marston's house at the edge of Balboa Park, and that's prospering, but the equally important Villa Montezuma languishes in a dangerous state of decay, just beyond their reach. In its early years, SOHO helped save this brilliantly colorful, weirdly wonderful 1887 Queen Anne mansion, while the City and the San Diego Historical Society juggled its management. (Recently a cash-strapped Historical Society passed it back to the cash-strapped City.) Bruce, who claims SOHO *isn't* cash-strapped, would love to gain control of Villa Montezuma before

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it's beyond saving. "I think we've shown with the Whaley House and the Marston House that we can handle this sort of thing," he says. (In five years SOHO turned the Whaley House into the most successful house museum in the county, with seven thousand visitors during the period. It was granted management control of the Marston House after February 2009, when the Historical Society had to give it up due to financial difficulties. Yet SOHO still can't get its hands on the equally important Villa Montezuma.)

It's not just buildings. Smugglers' Gulch at Border Field has been bulldozed by the Border Patrol. Who cares? Well, it was from exactly there that Gaspar de Portolá, the first governor of California, and Father Junípero Serra first saw San Diego Bay, on June 29, 1769, after scrambling overland up Baja for months.

San Diego used to have big celebrations, culminating in 1969, with its 200th birthday. "They used to have a Native American village" at the presidio, says Coons. "They had Native American dancers, they had cannons, they had mission bells, and a blessing and dancing..."

But since the 1970s, there's been a collective embarrassment at celebrating what amounted to the cultural domination and demolition of the Native Americans of San Diego. "For better or worse," says Coons, "it's an extremely important date, the founding of the modern city. [Before 1769], they didn't call this place San Diego. They didn't call it California. Whatever you think about it, [1769] is

really when we started calling this the town of San Diego."

Coons hopes that "as we get closer to the 250th birthday" in 2019, there'll be more participation by local tribes. Although none showed up today, SOHO supports "the Kumeyaay, and the Luiseño, and the Kupa [Cupeño], the Cahuillas, the San Luis Rey band of Mission Indians. Historic preservation is not just about buildings and objects — trains, boats, and planes — but cultural landscapes. We've been active in a number of fights. One of them was over the 252 freeway, near San Onofre, which was going to impact — ironically — the village where the first two baptisms in California were performed. And we were very active in trying to preserve the [Kumeyaay] burial ground at the [UCSD] chancellor's house in La Jolla. We've been successful so far."

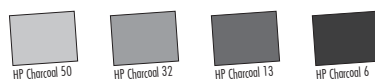
He's also fighting to prevent Rancho Guejito from turning into an extension of Escondido. "Rancho Guejito is probably one of the most important undisturbed cultural landscapes in San Diego County," Coons says. "We're working with [county] supervisor [Bill] Horn, and a coalition of preservation groups, including the Endangered Habitats League, and we're trying to convince the owners to sell it for a new state or national park. It's probably the most important unprotected valley between here and Santa Barbara. It's just spectacular. It has the largest stand of Engelmann oaks in the state, or in the world. They have the ruins of several adobe ranch houses, and there are numerous

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village sites, including an intact adobe ranch house. There's only one new house on the entire property."

Coons says Alta California's Mexican governor gave Rancho Guejito's nearly 13,300 acres to José María Orozco as a land grant in 1845. "Orozco was a lucky man. He was the guy who stood up on Presidio Hill and took a couple of potshots at the Americans raising the Stars and Stripes in the plaza in Old Town in 1846."

Luckily for Albert Smith, the American sailor who shimmied up the pole, Orozco missed. "Of the 800 ranchos

recognized by the U.S. government, only Rancho Guejito's boundaries are intact, with its hills and

Where, in other words, are the legions of outraged citizens lining up behind the SOHO banner, ready

"Anyone who knows anything about Old Town knows that its DNA is Mexican village."

valleys just as they were when Orozco received his grant," Coons says.

Yet with each of these battles, it feels a bit like "Suppose they had a war and nobody came?"

to march on City Hall (a building SOHO is not fighting to preserve) to save these landmarks?

"I don't know," says Coons. "It's funny. Some people think it's because there are so many immigrants here, and they just don't know the history. They come in with this attitude that San Diego doesn't *have* any history. You could say the same thing about L.A., but L.A. hasn't forgotten. Of course, L.A. is younger than we are. We're the oldest European settlement on the West Coast of what is now the United States. We were founded before the American Revolution. People need to know that. We have a

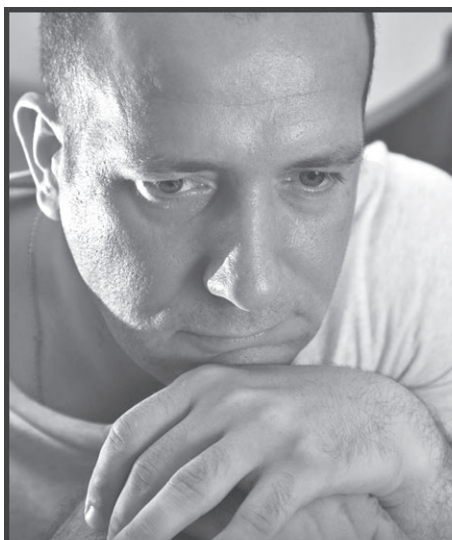
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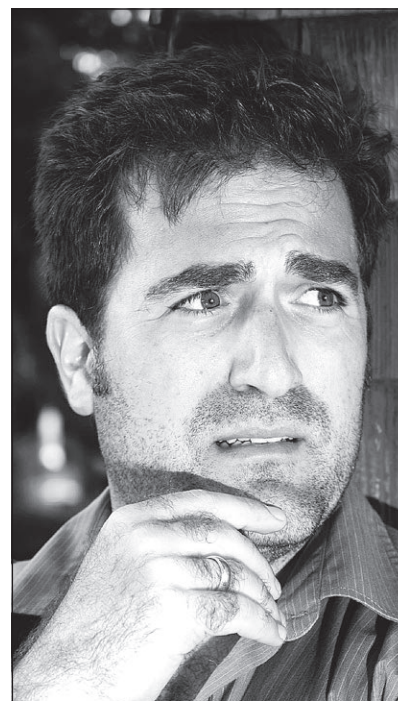
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past worth fighting for.”

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But is SOHO always on the right side? Of all their fights, the one for the soul of Old Town has generated the greatest emotional divide among San Diegans. Some in the preservation game call Bruce an Anglophile who has forgotten our Spanish roots, ruining Old Town with his insistence on orienting Old Town to the “transition period” of the mid-19th Century, when

Anglo-American culture was asserting itself and starting to dominate.

There’s no denying that the character of the plaza in Old Town has changed. Or that there has long been a power struggle between stakeholders favoring the Anglo side of life in the plaza and those favoring the Hispanic. In 2000, the pro-Anglo side won the battle to build a replica of an 1860s house belonging to one Sheriff James McCoy on top of the remains of the adobe

house belonging to the Silvas — this despite pleas from family members, who are descendants of one of Portolá’s Spanish Leatherjackets from the presidio.

When it came to upgrading the historical accuracy of the plaza, Bruce Coons seemed to have come down squarely on the Anglo side, or, as he might put it, historical accuracy as opposed to sentimental fantasy.

For that you can partly thank an alliance

with the New York behemoth Delaware North, the concessionaire that wrested Old Town’s main plaza activities from the popular Diane Powers and her Bazaar del Mundo, an eclectic but only fuzzily accurate depiction of the plaza’s Mexican days. During the past decade, Delaware has de-emphasized the Mexican era and focused on the later “transition” period, when Anglo influence was starting to dominate. So one-time can-

tinias became the Jolly Boy Saloon and, above all, the iconic Casa de Bandini, family seat of Don Juan Bandini’s highly hospitable clan of the early 1800s, has been stripped of its Spanishness and replaced by a restoration of the wood-railed Cosmopolitan Hotel of the plaza’s mid- to late-19th-Century stagecoach days.

Trouble is, now Delaware has gone, and SOHO is left holding the baby they created together.

“I have a problem,”

says Vonn Marie May, who runs a preservation consulting firm, Cultural Resource Planning and Research, “with the interpretive period, because the [authorities] and the Coonses are bent, absolutely bent, on choosing the American period of significance to interpret in Old Town. Whereas anyone who knows anything about Old Town knows that its DNA is Mexican village. They have changed Casa de Bandini into a shoot-’em-up cowboy

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[atmosphere].... I mean, they're turning it into a frontier town, okay?" May was also president of SOHO for two years, until, she says, she started having disagreements of policy and philosophy with the Coonses. "Look, after secularization, in the Spanish/Mexican-American period, all those [Spanish] military guys came down from the fort, the presidio, and they built those houses. Casa de Bandini, Casa de Pico, Casa López, Casa Estudillo, Casa Cota, on and on and on. So that's the DNA of Old Town. And then, of course, there's layering, and that's to be understood. Casa de Ban-

dini was important, not the Cosmopolitan Hotel. Juan Bandini was one of the most striking, significant figures in California

isthmus, stayed at the Casa de Bandini [in 1853]. It's hugely, hugely significant. And now it's [been turned into] the Cosmopolitan

"Please, don't talk to me about the 'history' of the house. I mean, San Diego is so pathetic."

history. Richard Henry Dana stayed at the Casa de Bandini. Bishop [William I.] Kip, the first Episcopal bishop to come around through the [Panamanian]

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It all came to a head when she wrote an op-ed for the news site *voiceof-sandiego.org* in November 2005 titled, "Old Town: Whose History Is It, Anyway?"

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vice.... Great deference is given to the first layer of an area's history — that initial beginning.

"So why, one wonders, do Old Town's new caretakers prefer to reflect the [later] American period? Delaware North's historical consultants claim they are providing accurate history, *but whose history?*...Some

charge there is a strident component of latent racism at work here or merely a naïve approach to a more profitable historical bias.

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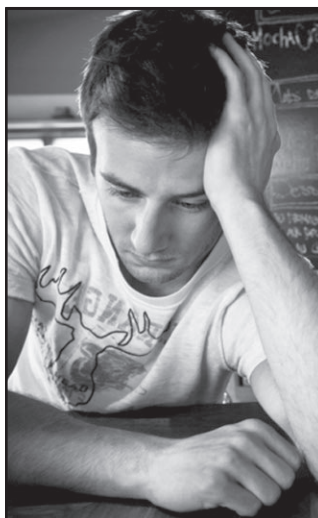
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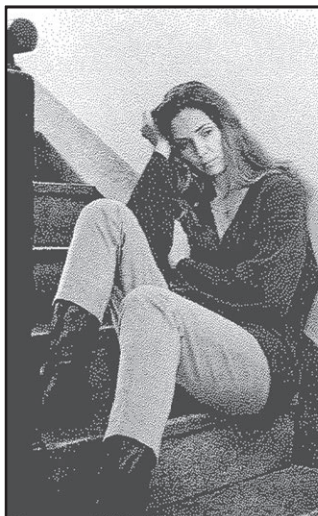
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level historians? Where were the Mexicano history advocates? Where were the noted resident professional historians? Where was our hometown newspaper?"

After the article was published, May was not re-upped to SOHO's board.

She says she and others also felt that Bruce had crossed a line as an independent preservation advocate when he accepted a position with Delaware North as a consultant on their program

of change for Old Town.

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How important is preservation in the scheme of things? Some architects, like South African-born Michael Witkin, think: not very. History here, he says, is overrated, and overregulated.

"I think it's quite overrated. We've lost our perspective on the real issues here, which are, firstly, a roof over one's head. We've become caught up in a sort of race.

Of greed. And money. You have to give SOHO credit. But I do agree that they've lost perspective. The bottom line is a roof over one's head and one's family's heads. Whatever it takes, in the most economical and humane way. And please, don't talk to me about the 'history' of the house. I mean, San Diego is so pathetic. I came from South Africa. [Houses] there go back to the 1600s. I'm doing a remodel [here] right now and it's quite pathetic.

It's a 1960-something [house]! [The paperwork] just came out of the building department, and they told me, 'Oh, my gosh, you've got to resubmit it because it's got to go through the Historical Resources Board. For God's sake — 1960? I wouldn't for one minute turn down the possibility of sheltering six families [because it might jeopardize] some so-called historic resource. I think the shelter of families is much more important.'

Of course, Witkin admits he's a developer as well as an architect, which colors his view of SOHO.

"I think SOHO has far too much power. I think they need to be advisory. I'm a developer, and I like to get things done and move on. We have enough bureaucracy. I know the hell you have to go through sometimes.

You've got to lobotomize yourself and go through the procedures. The dance, the nonsense in the name of history can drive you crazy."

State Senator James Mills begs to differ. Mills gets credit for creating the Old Town State Historic Park, the San Diego Trolley, and the Mills Act, which encourages historic homeowners to keep, and invest in, their houses by giving them tax breaks. "The Mills Act has been very effective in preserving the character of neighborhoods," says the retired senator. "It was the product of discussions among architects who were concerned about the destruction of whole buildings. Too many were being destroyed because of the property tax, which often would rise to a point where the old house or building on the property was not

sufficient, did not produce enough income to pay the property tax. This was before Prop. 13, so it was worse then. But it's still true, and [it still happens] that people can find themselves in a position where they own a 100-year-old bungalow in Coronado, or an old Craftsman house in Mission Hills or South Park, and [they] find that the property taxes can become so high that they [have to] sell the property. That's very true in Coronado. These little houses in Coronado...they're on a piece of property where you can tear the house down and put a Billy Box in place, and people, even if they want to save the old house, [discover that] it just isn't practical. So the bill has worked as it was envisioned, for the most part."

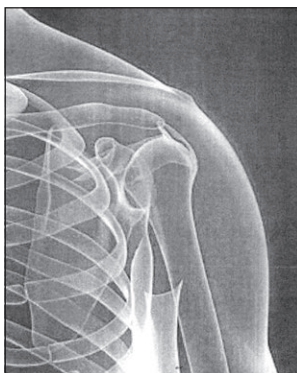
In fact, he says, it has been invoked more widely than he ever expected. "Now I find that houses are being improved for Mills Act coverage, houses that are a good deal younger than I am. I didn't have that in mind."

He says there are three criteria to qualify a house for the Mills Act. "One is if it's a certain age. A second is if someone noteworthy lived in it. A third is if it is noteworthy as a piece of architecture or is the work of a noteworthy architect."

So with his legislation working beyond expectations, does the senator think SOHO is even needed? Or has it become too powerful a tool for ordinary homeowners, who might not be interested in history?

Absolutely not, he says. "I think SOHO has been marvelous, and in terms of power, the power that SOHO has is not as much as I would like it to be. My feeling about San Diego is that local government at all levels is

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dominated by money. It is corrupted by money. I often say that most of the elected officials in San Diego County are either for rent or for sale. And the people who buy them or rent them are people with money, developers, people who want to do projects. And SOHO doesn't have money. They're fighting, but they're definitely still the David [not the Goliath]. You get things like the mayor of San Diego saying a while back that 'Oh, this [Mills Act] costs too much, the city can't afford it, we should cut back on the Mills Act and cut back on future listings of houses under the Mills Act...' You think, *Where is this guy's head?* Because, for the most part, the approval of a Mills Act on a house results in an improvement of

the neighborhood. The money that people save on the taxes on the Mills Act goes into improvements to the house, which improve the neighborhood, and actually improve values throughout the neighborhood.

"When you think about hundreds of millions of dollars for a football stadium that we don't need and that money coming off the property tax, through the tax-increment financing, it seems just a little hypocritical for anybody to protest [the Mills Act], that they need to cut back on the Mills Act and its benefits because of a city's financial problems. It's stupid. Because it doesn't amount to a hill of beans. It's not going to make any difference to the city in the first place. And in the second place,

it does increase property tax values, and the city gets that back when property is turned over. There's a reassessment. The new assessment is on the basis of the sale's value, so it all works out. I think the mayor was just casting about for anything he could think of, where he thought, *Oh, here's some money that we can save where it's not going to bother the developers.*"

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But is preservation just for the rich? If restoring your old house ups the values, that contributes to rising rents and taxes, right? It's the dreaded G-word — gentrification — which may feel good in Kensington for couples hoping to make a profit when they move onwards and upwards, but not in stable,

low-income areas like, say, Barrio Logan.

Wrong, insists Mills.

"The Mills Act is going to drive gentrification? If you're thoroughly and completely paranoid, yeah, that's a possibility. Begin with: it doesn't involve that many houses. How many houses are there in the city of San Diego where the Mills Act applies? It's below 300. Do you think that approval on

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But gentrification and Anglification is just what Rachel Ortiz, the venerable chief of Barrio Station in Barrio Logan, fears. When SOHO came visiting recently, they were told, "Thanks, but no thanks."

"When these houses are declared," says Ortiz, "or designated [as historically significant], our people can't afford it. It poses a threat of gentrification. And so I ask you to see it through our eyes, brown eyes. We're not concerned about...we don't look to that practice. It's a threat to us. We'd like to leave it alone."

SOHO made a presentation at a Barrio Logan community-plan update meeting about a year ago. Ortiz wasn't impressed. "We let them know very clearly that we need to keep our families in our homes, keep the character of the community, and not gentrify it," she says. "They haven't designated [any houses in Barrio Logan]. I think they have in Sherman, and it got pretty gentrified over there. We can't afford [that]. We have fought downtown encroachment, and we have fought waterfront encroachment. We've done a pretty good job. There was one [development] called the Bohemian. They're still having problems. They can't sell them. They can't rent them. So you've got to be

careful if you do that to a community. In our neighborhood, it needs to come from within."

Bruce Coons agrees that initiatives, like creating a historic district, can't be imposed from outside. "A historic district in a place like Barrio Logan, or anywhere, the way San Diego is set up, it needs to be generated by the residents. They need to be in favor of it, and the way that they've put it together governs how the district is going to be. Now, one way to do it is you can limit the size of the additions or the kinds of units that can be built in there, say only low-income, and certain sizes. You limit additions to the buildings, and then that keeps it within the price range. Otherwise, the developers are going to come in, buy up the whole

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Because, in the end, Coons says, preservation isn't about preserving things, houses, churches, trees, bridges, whatever. It's about the culture. "People in communities of whatever income or culture have the ability to work out rules that enhance and preserve that culture within a historic district, which they don't have otherwise. We went to a couple of the meetings [in Barrio Logan], and we answered questions on the Barrio Logan update, and we said, 'We're here if you want our help.' We will of course be going after certain individual buildings that may be of historical importance also."

And Old Town? How are they preserving the culture by changing it from Spanish to Anglo?

"You're talking about Casa de Bandini? That house was a pastiche. It's interesting that underneath about two inches of phony stucco and crud, we discovered the original building. It was all there. Upstairs, all except for two or three boards, one window, and one door, is original. It's all

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there in the plaza."

I leave the Coonses and head back to the birthday party. There are so many kids around the tree I wonder for a moment if the young

Whaley ghost-girl might be among them. I decide to get a piece of that birthday cake. I go looking for the slab of icing with the 241 candles. ■

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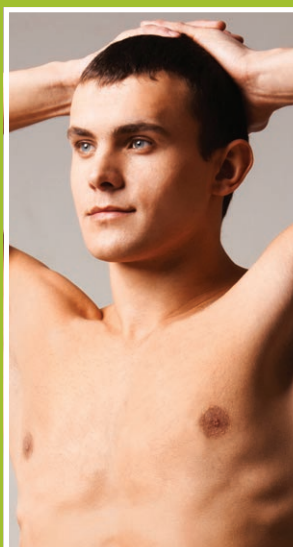
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We had a potluck lunch that Friday: Hawaiian pork, lumpia, *pho*, *gyoza*, fried chicken, potato salad, pasta salad, bean salad, taco salad, and tables of desserts. The chief officer, who addressed us enthusiastically at every potluck, made a farewell speech. He said the 2010 census had benefited from San Diego’s high un-



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employment rate because so many intelligent, likable people had been available. He had enjoyed working with all of us, we were hard workers, and.... His voice wavered, overcome by the portent of this, his final speech. After a pause, he cleared his throat and looked toward the dessert tables. “I’m going to have one last piece of that,” he said, pointing to a frosted cake. The room followed him to the tables, and I had no opportunity to give my farewell speech.

At 5 o’clock, personal possessions were gathered from desks, phone

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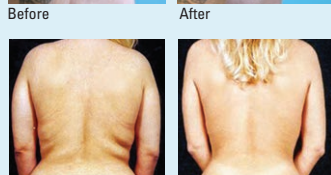
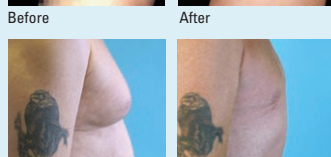
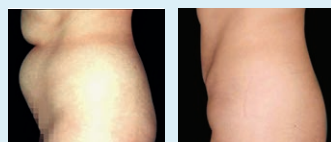
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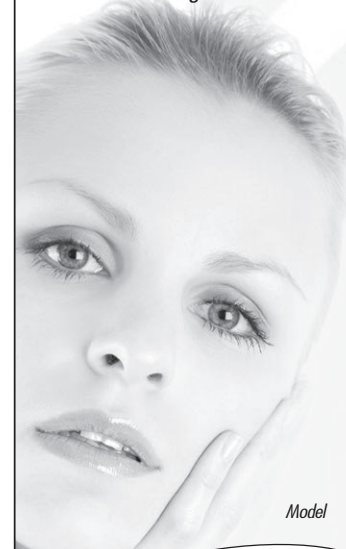
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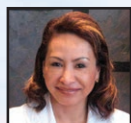
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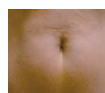
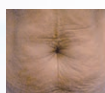
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the radio. That's when I remembered my speech.

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or sandals — and left home full of ambition and anticipation, a man with a purpose. I drove to Little Italy, found a parking spot near the water, and strode past the white, gallant sails of the *Star of India* and over the lawn of the County Administration Building to India Street, past restaurant workers washing sidewalks,

past the lines in front of the Mexican consulate, past the white people on benches drinking coffee. At the corner of Ash and India, I entered a three-story building, took the elevator to the second floor, slipped on my Census-employee badge, and keyed the door code into the expansive, carpeted, low-ceilinged room to begin my day as an administrative clerk. My workmates arrived about the same time. There was usually five minutes of greetings before the banter picked up where it had left off the day before. Like a family, we had our differences and complaints about each other, we had our shared humor and laughter, and we delighted in the camaraderie.

In my farewell speech, I was going to address the whole office and orate eloquently of our shared experience. I had planned to stand in the middle of

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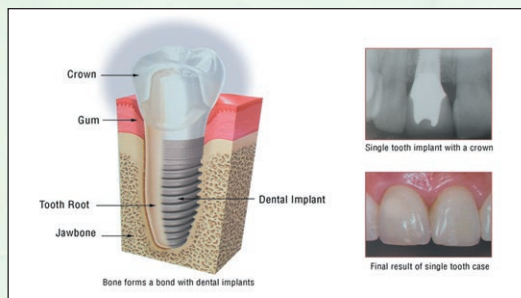
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the room, arms wide, voice resonant, and sum up the important work we had done together. I would mention the ethnic hodgepodge of us all, the amicable mix of slackers and worker bees, the successful partnership of nerds and extroverts, and the invigorating balance of youth and age. I would speak of the mission thrust upon us and how we had come together as an army of citizens to accomplish the task

of counting everyone in San Diego.

Then I would motion to the flotilla of desks where I worked — the “Admin Boat,” we called

special mention.

I would begin with a coworker, who during a hiring frenzy in early April had been assigned a list of candidates to

The louder we groaned about his puns, the more he smiled.

it — and in general thank everyone with whom I had spent the last four months. And I would single out four people for

interview over the phone for clerical jobs. When my phone rang, I'm sure I came across as somewhat arrogant about the lowly \$12.50 an hour and the mundane tasks of a clerk's position. I wanted the job of a field enumerator, I said, earning \$16.50 an hour. I was a college graduate, after all, with managerial skills. I would make a good leader.

My interviewer, and future workmate, answered patiently that although clerks are paid less, their jobs last weeks longer than the field positions. But I remained

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unconvinced and said I'd have to "check my busy schedule." Would she please call back in ten minutes? Fortunately, she did, and by then I had come to my senses. I accepted the position of clerk. When I got off the phone, now an employed man, I was grateful that my arrogance had been out-reasoned by her common sense. In my speech I would thank her for that.

Then I would thank a man 30 years my junior who taught me "the business" during our long night shifts together, so that I soon caught on to the admin clerk's arcane duties: entering new hire data in the computer, merging applicant folders with WPPF folders, QA-ing D-308s, combining E-verifies with I-9s. He also kept me informed of basketball scores (it was Boston vs. L.A. at the time), his rowdy weekends, his "whatever" attitude toward work, and his the-world-is-my-oyster career plans. In my speech I would thank him for letting me see the world, once again, through the eyes of a young person.

Next I would thank someone who had become my mentor. She had been at the Census Bureau weeks before me and knew the ropes. Each morning I went to her first to be briefed, and she always had a project she was willing to share — especially when work was slow — so I kept busy. Months later, after I had trained a new worker and found projects for her when she arrived for work, that new worker came to me and hugged me for making her feel welcomed at the bureau. I had been her mentor, she told me. Now, in my farewell speech, I wanted to publicly thank my mentor.

Lastly, I would point to my immediate supervisor, who had refreshing patience and disarming

levity, as well as a sly wit for words, which he loved to show off. The louder we groaned about his puns, the more he smiled. He knew he was working with intelligent, skilled people, and he

adopted a laissez-faire attitude. We were much more productive when he was in charge. He was never too busy to interrupt his work to help with ours, which usually meant explaining

convoluted forms and confounding procedures. He became the preferred go-to guy for the entire office. In my speech I would thank him on behalf of everyone at the Census Bureau.

At home that evening on that last Friday, I stood in the middle of the quiet solitude of my apartment and orated my speech. My voice wavered at the end, too, when I asked for ap-

plause for all of us who had worked at the Census Bureau. I asked for a round of applause for the job, which gave us a purpose, and for the people, who were the frosting on the cake. ■

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beginning to receive some recognition from other quarters. Most encouraging was that the district of Florence in Italy (the geographical area around the city) had just granted him the title of "cavaliere," which "can be translated as 'Sir' or 'Lord,'" he stated authoritatively.

Out at the living Lord Byron's house on Olive Street, we verified that he does indeed walk with a limp, the mark (he asserts) of the same hereditary disease which crippled the famed author of *Don Juan* and *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*. "It's related to muscular atrophy," Robert explained. "I've had doctors do research on me to find out more about



Portrait of Lord George Gordon Byron, by Thomas Phillips

what Byron had. In those days, people called it a clubfoot, but nowadays he probably would be called bowlegged. We're also exactly the same height, five feet, eight and a half inches." But whereas Robert's ancestor had to fight obesity with periodic regimens of biscuits, soda water, and strong cathartics, "I have a tendency to be underweight," Robert confessed.

He hauled out a picture of George, the sixth Lord Byron, and invited us to compare his visage with that of his great-great-great-great-great-great-grandfather. While we judged the La Mesan to be a pleasant-looking young man, we



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couldn't exactly describe his countenance as a ringer for the stunning Byronic one. "Well, I wear my hair differently," he said with a shrug. He recalled the profound impression made on him when an aunt interested in genealogy first discovered the family link, an impression so strong that it prompted the lad to change his last name from "Dallas" to "Byron." He says research in fact revealed that men in the family have commonly changed their last name to Byron, perhaps to profit from the poet's fantastic reputation as a roué. "He was reputed to have two or three hundred illegitimate children, but it's

hard to tell how accurate that is," says Robert. "In his day, women were popping up all over and getting pregnant and claiming it was Byron's baby, and the mystique was so strong that their husbands didn't even care!" In any case, the poet's only legitimate child was a daughter, Augusta Ada, through whom Robert claims the family genes descended to him.

The La Mesan says when he mentioned that connection about a year and a half ago to an international lawyer friend in New York, she urged him to see if he had any claim to the Byron family estate, which includes Newstead Abbey, Byron's home in

Nottingham in Sherwood Forest in England. Robert says that same attorney is now researching such a claim and that she also netted the Italian title for him when she was visiting Florence and casually mentioned to a group of civic officials that she represented a descendant of Byron the poet. "They're wild about Byron over there," Robert says. He says he only received the papers for the title a few weeks ago, and he also has received another Byronic benefit since then from a chapter of the worldwide Byron League, one of the "hundreds of Byron fan clubs around the world right now. They're usually composed of really intel-

lectual, literary-minded people," he says. He says that particular branch of the League established a small perpetual endowment for him, and he now receives

that if my wildest dreams did come true and I did get it, I probably wouldn't have to pay for the upkeep."

Until then, the newest Lord Byron claims to be

Gemco the other day, and somehow or other all the clerks in the store had found out. They were all calling me Lord Byron. And several people have knocked on

"I'd rather not say how much. It's only a pittance, but it's the thought that counts."


a monthly check through a local branch of Barclay's Bank. "I'd rather not say how much," he demurred. "It's only a pittance, but it's the thought that counts." Would he actually want the family estate in England, given the costs of maintenance these days? Robert had thought of the contingency. "My attorney says

working on a biography of his ancestor and supporting himself with work as a psychic. ("I got a double major in college in accounting and parapsychology. But I put myself through school ghostwriting. I was writing poetry at the age of eight.") And recently he's found himself fending off novel advances. "I walked into the

my door because the word has spread throughout the neighborhood." He says he even had one offer from a Byron fanatic in Del Mar who asked him to impregnate the man's wife. Lord Byron of La Mesa declined. "My life is pretty boring compared to the original Byron's." ■

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and improperly decreasing liabilities. The fraud had inflated parent Sunrise Medical's earnings by 16 percent in 1994 and 40 percent in 1995, when the investigation began.

In 2001, the company went private. It has long since left Carlsbad: it is based in Germany, while its North American operations are run from Longmont, Colorado. The executive who headed the company during the fraud period, while never cited as playing a role, is gone.

The three local biotechs trying to get fat-reduction treatments to market are Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Arena Pharmaceuticals, and Orexigen Therapeutics. Amylin discontinued one early-stage fat-paring drug but is working with a Japanese company to create and commercialize an obesity program that is now in the middle stages of development. The company was founded in 1987 and has lost money steadily; it has a cumulative deficit of \$2 billion, but Standard & Poor's thinks it may lose only 94 cents a share this year, down from \$1.31 last year.

In mid-September, Arena Pharmaceuticals got bad news from a panel of the Food and Drug Administration. The government agency said the biotech's developmental weight-loss drug, lorcaserin, presented too many health risks. Arena's stock got slaughtered, largely because, as analyst Meera Venu of Morningstar says, the company has very little in the pipeline and "may have difficulty meeting its financial obligations." Arena has no drug on the market now, has lost money steadily, and has a cumulative deficit of \$925 million.

Orexigen, which started business only seven years ago, already has a cumulative deficit of almost \$300

million. Its most promising antiobesity product combines one drug used for quitting smoking and battling depression with another for treating alcohol and opioid dependence. The young company gets its first test before the Food and Drug Administration in December. A Japanese pharmaceutical giant will handle marketing in North America. ■

I'm competent

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in the following months they occasionally spotted Lee returning to Mason's home.

Then Mason was found near the bloodstains on the couch and love seat. Investigators quickly decided on a suspect.

Sheriff's detective Conrad Berlinsky was sent to hunt down Lee, after asking neighbors where Lee had been seen lately.

Meanwhile, with a search warrant, officers gathered evidence in Mason's blood-spotted home. In the downstairs bathroom, they photographed an opened box of gauze pads and a gauze-pad wrapper discarded in the trash can.

In the laundry room, a light gray, hooded sweatshirt was found wet in the washing machine.

About four o'clock in the afternoon, Detective Berlinsky spotted his suspect: Brandon Taylor Lee was about a mile from Mason's house, outside a Starbucks on El Camino Real.

When the detective approached, he noted that the youth was wearing a brand-new pair of boots and that Lee was very clean, considering that it had been raining. Detective Berlinsky thought it odd that someone would look so clean. He also noted that Lee was carrying a sleeping bag.

Lee was "extremely cooperative," according to the detective. Lee readily identified himself to the

detective and agreed to go with officers to the sheriff's station to be interviewed. He allowed himself to be searched before getting into the back of the patrol car. He had no weapon and no key, it was noted.

Officers noticed that Lee had a freshly bandaged right hand. It was wrapped with gauze. It turned out that Lee had a fresh cut on his hand.

Lee told investigators that he was 19 years old when he met Mason, who was in his 50s then. Lee confirmed that he moved into Mason's home and paid rent for a room.

Lee told investigators he definitely was not interested in a sexual relationship with Mason, according to papers filed by prosecutors. Mason had reportedly told friends that he believed Lee was denying his sexuality, according to statements filed by attorneys.

Defense attorneys alleged that Mason put a video camera in Lee's rented room and that Mason bragged about his relationships.

Lee admitted that he intentionally killed Mason, according to court papers. "The defendant claims that when he killed the victim he was acting in lawful self defense," one prosecuting attorney stated in papers filed with the court.

But prosecutors say it was murder when Lee stabbed the older man and inflicted those 51 knife wounds.

Dr. Steven Campman, who performed the autopsy, listed the cause of death as multiple sharp-force injuries. The doctor believed the weapon to be a knife about an inch wide, and he said he found defensive wounds on Mason's hands and forearms.

The majority of wounds were on the face, neck, and chest. There were a large number of wounds in the neck area, made front to back and so closely clustered that the doctor decided the victim was probably not moving much during that part of the attack. Dr. Campman estimated that Mason

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was killed the evening before he was found, the night of October 15, 2005.

Defense attorneys have stated in court papers that the older man was a sexual predator who sought out young men such as Lee. They allege that Mason offered Lee drugs in exchange for sex acts. Defense proposed that Lee was acting "either in self defense and/or in an uncontrollable rage, due to unwanted sexual advances of the decedent." These defense positions are found in court papers filed in 2008.

Brandon Taylor Lee is described in sheriff's records as a white man, 5 foot 8 inches and 150 pounds, with brown hair and green eyes. He will turn 29 at the end of October, and he is now held without bail. He has been in custody since the morning the detective found him on

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October 16, 2005.

Lee has met many times with mental health experts and has been found mentally competent, and then not, multiple times. During his not-mentally-competent periods, Lee spends time at Patton State Hospital in San Bernardino County.

In July 2006, Lee was mentally competent; then, in June 2007, he was not. In September 2007, he was mentally competent; then, in May 2008, he was not. In August 2009, Lee became competent again.

In September 2009, an attorney stated that Lee had stopped taking his medications, so a judge ordered "involuntarily [sic] administration of antipsychotic medication."

During one of Lee's competent spells, in September 2006, prosecutors presented evidence at a preliminary hearing.

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The DNA in drops of blood found on the floor in Mason's home matched Lee's DNA. A towel found in the laundry room had several blood stains whose DNA matched either Lee's or Mason's.

At the end of the 2006 hearing, Lee was ordered to face a single count of first-degree murder.

In January of this year, Lee's public defender entered a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity. Defense attorney Sloan Ostbye stated in court papers that the defendant "has been diagnosed paranoid schizophrenic and is suffering from hallucinations."

Next Monday, October 4, at 9:00 a.m., the results of Lee's latest evaluation for mental competency are scheduled to be presented to the court, in Department 53 of San Diego's downtown courthouse. ■

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the DA's office.

"Based on these circumstances, it's apparent that Detective Jones fired at Mr. Manning in self-defense, and he therefore bears no criminal liability for his actions."

Also included in Dumanis's letter were results from the autopsy report, which found that Manning had traces of the prescription drug Carbamazepine in his system.

The prescription med is used to control certain types of seizures and to reduce "abnormal electricity in the brain" in people suffering from bipolar disorder and manic depression, as well as to treat posttraumatic stress disorder.

Dumanis's letter included a list of potential side effects from the drug. "The U.S. National Library of Medicine defines Carbamazepine as an anticonvulsant and mood-stabilizing drug used primarily in the treatment of epilepsy and bipolar disorder. Regarding precautions a patient should take while using Carbamazepine, the literature states, "Your mental health may change in unexpected ways and you may become suicidal while

you are taking Carbamazepine for the treatment of epilepsy, mental illness, or other conditions."

The investigation, however, did not reveal the reasons why Manning had been prescribed Carbamazepine.

A spokesperson for the district attorney's office, Paul Levikow, was unable to respond to questions about Manning's mental health in time for publication.

By Dorian Hargrove
Saturday, Sept. 25

Too Adult

Imperial Beach City
Staffers Look into Adult
Arcade Booths

Imperial Beach — At Wednesday's Imperial Beach City Council meeting, councilmembers will address the city's adult-entertainment establishments by proposing a new ordinance.

City staff first conceived of the new ordinance after the Sheriff's department received a complaint of prostitution and sexual activities in the Romantix Bookstore on Palm Avenue.

An investigation then revealed several business practices that were not covered in the city's municipal code, mainly the operation of the "adult arcade

viewing booths."

According to the staff's report, adult arcade booths are prime spots for prostitution: "There are numerous advertisements on the Internet from people proposing sexual rendezvous at an adult entertainment arcade in the City of Imperial Beach."

Inside the Romantix Bookstore, staff found that the 14 booths had seating for more than one person, the doors could be latched from the inside, the booths did not meet ADA accessibility requirements, and all booths were positioned out of sight from employees.

If adopted, the ordinance will make changes to the layout of the adult arcade, such as raising the floor and walls by 18 inches, to allow for inspection by law enforcement personnel, as well as requiring that adult establishments close their doors between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

By Dorian Hargrove
Monday, Sept. 20

Not the Platform

Where the Surf Meets the
Turf Meets the Train

Del Mar — "We need to get as many people as possible to attend meetings

and write letters. We need to drive the City nuts to get them on our side. Wherever they want to put it is fine, as long as they don't put it here," said a resident of Del Mar's Beach Colony during a neighborhood meeting on Tuesday, September 21.

The 30 Del Mar denizens attended the meeting to discuss North County Transit District's proposal to construct a temporary train stop for the Del Mar Fairgrounds. The "neighborhood stop," as some residents called it, would mark the finish line for horserace fans looking to spend a day at the track.

The platform would be placed on a small stretch of double-tracks just south of the San Dieguito River — 20 feet from the nearest dwelling and more than a half-mile from the entrance of the racetrack. Using the additional set of tracks allows for trains to stop without obstructing the commuter railway, and if constructed, trains would stop at the location seven weeks out of the year with as many as 900 passengers per train.

Right out of the gate, neighbors expressed frustration at the lack of public notification and the added

noise, traffic, and emissions that the train stop would bring to their beachside community.

"I feel slighted and grossly discounted by their actions," wrote one resident in an email following the meeting. "I am a strong supporter of public transit and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. I am also a strong supporter of due process and public input. What happened here? Residents of Del Mar would like to know."

The odds, however, don't look good for the neighbors. City councilmember Carl Hilliard, who sits on the board for North County Transit District, has gone on record touting the benefits of the temporary train stop, including reduced traffic and increased parking at the fairgrounds. Hilliard was unable to attend the neighborhood meeting.

By Dorian Hargrove
Wednesday, Sept. 22

Frustration with Representation

Escondido City Council
Takes Criticism for
Neglecting Improvements
Escondido — Concerned about an increase in business fees and lack of improvements in the down-

town neighborhood surrounding his business, Barry Baker appeared before the Escondido City Council on Wednesday, September 22, to voice his displeasure.

Baker is the owner of J. Ray Baker and Co., a property-management company that has operated in Escondido for 50 years. Upon recently reviewing his business license for renewal, Baker explained that he noticed a Business Improvement District fee increase from \$150 to \$400.

"For my little real estate company, even paying \$150 doesn't make a lot of sense," said Baker. Located on East Grand Avenue — east of Juniper Street — Baker describes his area as unsightly because it has a vacant lot littered with an array of tall and short trees. He calls it the "black sheep" section of downtown; whereas, claims Baker, the area west of Juniper has nice lights, sidewalk improvements, Chinese elm, shade, and ambiance.

"If I'm going to pay a higher fee for the supposed Business Improvement District," said Baker, "I would like to have an improved area, too." He suggested that the council dissolve the

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improvement district and let the chamber of commerce assume the responsibilities of the Downtown Business Association, which is in charge of the BID.

Baker argued that a lack of a centralized group to represent businesses in Escondido is hurting businesses in Escondido. "We're taking small-business dollars away when times are tough."

By Nathaniel Uy
Friday, Sept. 24

Hazard Complaint

Loose Dog in Lakeside Gets Shot by Deputy Lakeside — On September 20 at 7:40 a.m., a Lakeside dog was shot and wounded when he growled and charged at a sheriff's deputy who was responding to a hazard complaint.

According to Sgt. Brent Strahm with the County of San Diego Sheriff's Department, the dog was a Labrador retriever/Rottweiler mix, estimated to weigh about 100 pounds. The officer encountered the dog in a neighbor's driveway. The house was located across the street from Lakeview Elementary School, and class was set to be in session in about an hour.

Earlier that morning, the dog allegedly charged at a 78-year-old woman at a full sprint, and the owner wasn't home at the time. Strahm said that the dog had been reported as being aggressive two times in the past.

In a phone conversation with Dan DeSousa of the Department of Animal Services, animal control officers found the wounded dog in a storm drain. They secured both ends of the culvert, and one officer then crawled in to get him. The dog is currently receiving treatment at a veterinary hospital.

DeSousa said the owners have been in contact with the department and are going to pay all veterinary bills. After treatment, the dog will be returned to them. It is unknown how the dog

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got out, and no charges will be filed.

"Every case is looked at individually, before criminal action is taken," said DeSousa. "There are a lot of different reasons why dogs act aggressively. We [the staff at the department] ask, 'Why did it happen?' and act accordingly."

By Craig Vansant
Wednesday, Sept. 22

Bell Weather

Salaries of San Marcos City Council Members Questioned

San Marcos — "Tonight, I am asking for [city clerk] Susie Vasquez's resignation," said San Marcos business owner Laura Mouradian during the September 14 city council meeting.

According to Mouradian, she was told by a reporter that Vasquez makes \$166,000 a year. "That would be fine if she were qualified — she not only doesn't have a law degree," said Mouradian. "She's an idiot."

During an encounter with the city clerk, Mouradian claims that Vasquez informed her that the ID-scanning machines that she purchased for her business (the Jumping Turtle Bar & Grill) were illegal and needed to be disposed of.

"Well, no they're not illegal," said Mouradian, "and it's disgusting that you don't think everyone should have them."

Mouradian indicated that she has a lot of information on Vasquez that

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could cause her to be fired and said she is prepared to disclose the information publicly at a later date. "If you do not resign, you will be humiliated," she added.

Mouradian then took on the topic of the salary of city manager Paul Malone, which was reported by the *North County Times* to be \$396,085. Mouradian claims that Malone makes more than any city employee in the county.

"Why are you making that much," Mouradian asked, "when we're a town of 84,000 and when there are people with a lot more responsibility than you?"

Neither Malone nor

Vasquez responded to any of Mouradian's comments regarding their salaries.

By Nathaniel Uy
Monday, Sept. 20

Cross-Border Criminal?

Man Rapes Tijuana Teen, Abandons Car

Tijuana — A teenaged Tijuana girl was allegedly raped by a "gringo" in the early-morning hours of September 19, according to an article in the daily *Frontera*.

The 16-year-old girl was found in a state of distress inside a vehicle with California plates: a green 1996 Chevy Blazer, abandoned on Calle de los Llanos in the Colonia Granjas Familiares

section of Tijuana.

The girl informed police that she had just been sexually assaulted by a man who picked her up in the vehicle, unwillingly, as she was walking along a street in another neighborhood.

She said a large fat man with a goatee pulled up alongside her and told her he had a gun and ordered her into the vehicle. She got into the Blazer and was driven by her abductor to the Granjas Familiares neighborhood, where she was then assaulted. Then her abductor left the girl and the car.

The man was wearing a baseball cap that had an "El Ranchero Night Club" logo with a TJ address on

it; the Blazer had a decal on its rear window with the same logo. The victim told police that the man spoke to her only in English and said that he was from Arizona. She said he had Chinese letters tattooed on his left forearm.

Inside the vehicle, the investigating officers found a utility bill and a voter registration card with the same name on them. The vehicle had not been reported stolen.

By T.B. Beaudeau
Tuesday, Sept. 21

Old Fogey Spoken Here

Point Loma High School's Class of '50 Gets Together *Point Loma* — What makes someone in San Diego a local is sometimes debatable, but it's hard to dispute the status of the folks who got together for the 60th reunion of Point Loma High School's class of 1950 on

September 24.

The Hawaiian-themed event was held at the Bay View Restaurant at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot. During lunch, I asked three attendees if they'd answer questions from a class-of-1995 Point Loma grad. Marshall Milton smiled. "I hope you can understand us," he joked, "because we speak Old Fogey."

Milton was sitting with Eric Brelin and William Howard Mayfield. "I still live in the same house I was raised in, on Bermuda," said Mayfield, who played on Point Loma's championship football team in 1949. Mayfield remembered a road game when the Pointer footballers realized their belts weren't packed with the rest of their equipment. "I had to tackle with one hand holding my pants up," he laughed.

Brelin, who grew up in

a house near the corner of Rosecrans and Bessemer streets, said he remembered keeping horses tethered in a vacant lot across the street. "We rode horses all the way up and down the beach," Brelin said. "There had to be flies all over the neighborhood, but nobody said a word."

Milton said that, as a youth, he swam in the salt-water of the Silver Spray Plunge near the foot of Niagara Avenue. Brelin remembered seeing movies at the Strand Theatre for ten cents per ticket.

By Shane Finneran
Saturday, Sept. 25

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to contact a competent real estate attorney. The unpermitted room addition and the setback violation should have both been disclosed to the buyers. The buyers' broker has a fiduciary obligation to the buyer, in this case to inspect the property in order to discover these types of deficiencies. The broker may be liable for damages.

Ian Sagman
via email

That's A Fig Leaf

In the September 23 *Reader*, Jim Crooks (Letters) compares Paul's decisions in Acts 21 to the contemporary observance of Christmas traditions. In Acts 21, Paul, the apostle of Christ, chose to participate in purification rituals involving animal sacrifice commanded by God through Moses in Numbers chapter 6 and administered by the Levitical priests in the temple at Jerusalem. Paul did this at the command of the elders of the Christian church in Jerusalem even though as an apostle he outranked them. Their motive, expressed in Acts 21:24, was to make known to everyone in Jerusalem that Paul conducted his life in strict observance of the law of Moses. This was public relations dishonesty and legalism.

Today, many Christians who already possess irrevocable eternal life practice legalism, not in order to be saved, but in order to stay right with God. This is the perpetuation of the fig leaf syndrome. They believe they can earn points with God through tithing, or fasting, or self-sacrifice, or asceticism, or penance, or observing blue laws, or avoiding the cinema, or shunning popular music, etc., ad infinitum, and looking down their noses at anyone who does differently from them. This is a cart-before-the-horse thing. We can't be in the right with God by doing what we perceive to be good. We can only do what

is intrinsically good in the sight of God by His grace, by the power that He graciously pours into us enabling us to do so.

As for water baptism, Mr. Crooks evidently believes it to be a prerequisite condition for eternal salvation. In the history of the Christian church, there have been and are many who agree with him. It is true that water baptism is commanded in the New Testament. However, to proclaim that the receipt of eternal salvation is contingent upon water baptism is to proclaim a false gospel to the unbeliever. In Acts 16:31, Paul assured the Philippian jailer that he would be saved solely on the condition that he obey the command to believe in the Lord Jesus. In John 6:47 and 48, Jesus says, "Amen, amen, I say to you, the one believing has eternal life. I am the bread of life." John 3:36 plainly avers that the one believing in the Son has eternal life.

Jesus paid the penalty for everyone's sins while He suffered on the cross. Jesus was resurrected from the dead, and He provides eternal life to everyone who believes in Him. Jesus is the eternal Son of God, the only one of His kind. Believe in the Lord Jesus and eternal life is yours.

John Pertle
Santee

Not Blurbalicious

I've got to say, you guys ruined this paper. You know, you've lost touch with the local scene here, totally. Your restaurant reviews are not very up on the latest thing, plus they're very elitist. There's a lot of expensive restaurants in there that a lot of people can't necessarily afford today. You have one little blurb about a national event that's taking place this weekend, which is the historic vintage car races at North Island. That is not just a little blurb like you have in this issue, it's a major thing that is national and gets national recognition in the automotive field. You missed the boat on that. Not only did you miss the boat on

that, but you also missed the boat on the Adams Avenue music festival this weekend. You've got one little blurb in there about it — one little blurb — and that's the biggest free music festival we have in this city. It's a two-day event, it's got six stages, and that's what OB is trying to be at \$30 a pop, and this one's free. So you guys are missing it.

Randy Epstein
via voice mail

We're Just Perfect

It's long overdue that I say thank you to the *Reader* for 30-plus years of provocative dialog. That's how long it's been an essential weekly acquisition in my life. I love, love, love the talent of John Brizzolara, Barbarella, Anne Albright, Abe Opincar, Matthew Alice, the late Eleanor Widmer, as well as the renowned creator of *The Simpsons*, Matt Groening. I still have a file folder of all the *Life in Hells* that I clipped from the *Reader* in the '80s, among other things. (Binky's dream house with moat and helipad — classic!) A wealth of local talent emerges in the "Neighborhood Essays" to surprise.

So again, I give thanks and applause to the *Reader* for enriching my life as a steadfast source of information and entertainment and the watchdog of local government. Don't change a thing.

Ava Bianca
via email

Comments from Reader Website

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

Diary of a Diva Published September 22

With sailing, like most intoxicants, you first get used to it, then drawn by it, then needing it and finally addicted. Be careful, my wife and I start our circumnavigation next year where I'll only be able to pick up your column on line, not the newsprint I previously advocated.

By Kansaskid 2:41 p.m.,
Sept. 22, 2010

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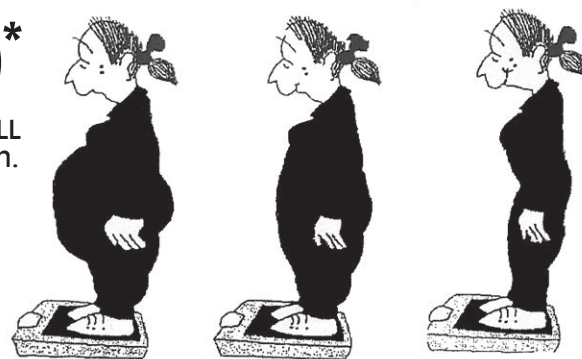
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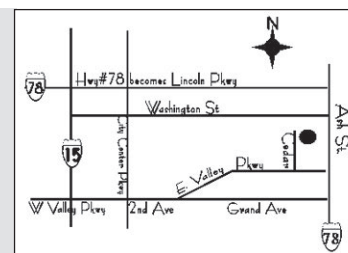
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Blurt

("The Poway Principle")

Published September 22

Boo hoo poor spoiled kid growing up in the suburbs singing about their horrible upbringing. You are a poser. Try to put yourself in a kid's shoes who is growing up dodging gang fire in Watts or Compton or Barrio Logan before boring us with your "woe-is-me Poway is so hill-billy" act. You had opportunities other kids only dream of, so quit your bitching.

By stupidflanders19 3:59 p.m., Sept. 22, 2010

Cover Story

Published September 22

Oh man, I don't even know where to begin picking this apart. Chad, you've missed what I think are about four or five angles on this that would've been much more engaging. For example, you open with some statement about the "Tijuana cartel". There isn't one.

In many examples where one wants to discover the source of something illicit, where the cause is otherwise unknown, they say one must "follow the money". While that might be true even in this case, a better way to find where there is no real control by any one source when it comes to smuggling in Mexico, is to follow the body count. Over twenty billion dollars worth of drugs per year (probably much more, I'm quoting the U.S. source here) cross the border. Where control of that is taken away, a vacuum develops immediately. Where no cartel is present, the vacuum is fought over by smaller factions.

I have no idea if you read Spanish, but I recommend looking into violence in Reynosa, Juarez, and Monterrey. These are locations that have historically been controlled by one cartel - like Tijuana once was - and are now involved in turf wars. The idea that the Sinaloa cartel has a strong hold on anything is ridiculous. If it did, then Los Zetas would

still be working for them. If it did, Mexico would not be seeing these turf battles.

By refriedgringo 4:43 a.m.,

Sept. 23, 2010

These so called experts, could not be more wrong, as in the options to deal with the problem.

First - Astorga, the so called expert, it is not that they are hard to buy them now, the Plata or Plomo (which literally translate is Silver or Led, Plata ought to be interpreted as another way to say "Money", therefore is: Pay up or Led.

That formula is a lot cheaper.

There will never be a solution to the problem, unless you will have a total extermination of everyone involved, at any price, at any cost. It has to be a Dictatorship. A shoot and kill first, and then ask questions if any survivors left alive.

That is how they do it. That is why they are so successful.

Even the closest solution mentioned, which will be a pact, can not be possible. These criminals multiply, the growth is compounded, and they do value a dog, a cat, even roach life, than that of a Human being. So is Mexico makes a pact with them, the ones below will not sit still. They will say that is not my pact!

Mexico is done. The Southwestern states of the U.S. are next, if not dealt with an iron fist.

By DonCarlos 6:42 a.m.,

Sept. 24, 2010

Roam-o-Rama

Published September 22

Shelter Island is super - thanks for getting word out, Jerry!! I got married there during the month of October. It's a great month on the "island".

By MsGrant 2:40 p.m.,

Sept. 24, 2010

it is truly wonderful...super blog Jerry...so many nice places to go there!!!

By nan 3:12 p.m., Sept. 24,

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City Lights, by Moss Gropen

Published September 22

Dr. Kim also needs to realize the BIG OIL and BIG

ELECTRIC do not want any competition and they are very vocal!

This is a classical example of a good idea that might really work well but everyone wants to have the final say before it is even "tested" with a small demonstration Plant which should be encouraged by everyone, just to see if the Tech works...

Wave come ashore 24/7/365 and if Dr. Kim's idea pans out it could be a big win for California and the rest of the World.

Dr. Kim will now probably be forced to take his idea abroad and if it turns out, then the USA will have to pay more for the TECH; which will make the shareholders of our Public Utilities very happy.

Dr. Kim, if you are watching this Blog; please consider filing a NASA brief and maybe the Military will let you install a demo plant off Camp P.

By Founder 6:13 p.m., Sept.

24, 2010

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The technology is already out there and working in several tests phases, going back as early as 2002-2004.

There's also a 40kw test project in Hawaii and I believe a test project off of the Jersey shore as well. It would only seem to make sense to test with smaller projects until it is determined the technology is viable. And from what I've read, it seems that the State of California is more of a deterrent than anything else in this case.

btw, unless I am mistaken, the picture used for this article is the Pelamis WEC(Wave Energy Converter). The prototype was developed about 6 or 7 yrs ago. They currently have a 2.5 mw project in operation off the coast of Portugal and were recently given a letter of intent for an additional 20mw of production.

By crystalcove 11 p.m.,

Sept. 24, 2010

Your Week

AND WELCOME TO IT

Thursday | 30

INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR

San Diego City College's annual book fair includes Professors Justin Akers Chacón, Sharon Allen, and Aníbal Yáñez discussing the impact of borders around the globe. These authors and others collaborated on *Walls, Fences, Borders, and Boundaries: Essays on Social Exclusion, Inclusion, and Integration*. Book signing follows panel discussion. See **IN PERSON**, page 76.

PLUNGE INTO ONLINE VIDEO

Learn about the wide world of online video and explore new online communities of fellow videomaker groups on YouTube, Vimeo, and *blip.tv*. Participants will leave with their own online video channel and tips on how to optimize that channel for maximum views. See **SPECIAL**, page 70.

Friday | 1

WITHIN OUR GATES

Oscar Micheaux's groundbreaking 1920 silent film will be screened with live music in the Seuss Room at the UCSD Arts Library. Recently issued U.S. postal stamps honoring Micheaux will be distributed, and Professor Bennetta Jules-Rosette will speak before the screening. Warning: "Film contains scenes of extreme violence." See **SPECIAL**, page 64.



THROW OUT THE BARRELS

Boo the villain and cheer the hero! The Julian Triangle Club presents an old-fashioned comedy-melodrama loosely based on Julian history. Enjoy an *olio* (variety show) between acts, including junior cancan dancers and the infamous Julian Floozies. See **IN PERSON**, page 74.

Saturday | 2

MARINES: A TRADITION OF UNCOMMON VALOR

The MCAS Miramar Air Show will feature military and civilian jets, propeller planes, old war-birds, a sail plane, a jet-powered truck, and, of course, a flying performance by the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. The Canadian Snowbirds join the Angels for the second year in a row. See **SPECIAL**, page 64.



IT'S OOM-PAH-PAH TIME!

Head to the 28th Carlsbad Rotary Oktoberfest for traditional German food, German music, a grape stomp, dancing, and activities for kids. Music provided by Roger & the Villagers, the Pacific Coast Community Band, and the MiraCosta Windjammer Band. See **SPECIAL**, page 69.

Sunday | 3

BOW WOW BRUNCH

Bring your dog to this fund-raising cruise to benefit the Helen Woodward Animal Center, with human and pet buffets, free-flowing water bowls and champagne, and a "dog relief area" available on the sundeck. See **SPECIAL**, page 68.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1: THROW OUT THE BARRELS

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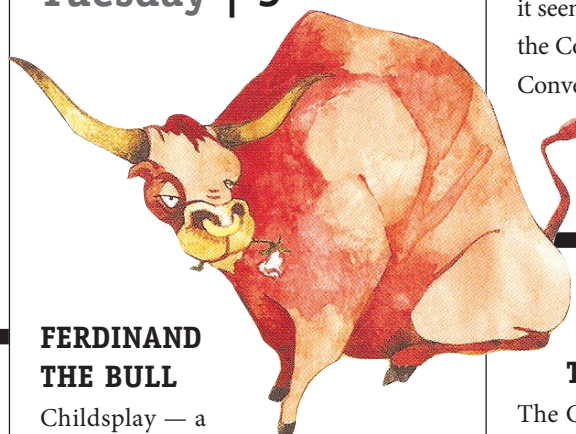
RELIGION IN AMERICA

One nation under God? Is America a Christian nation? View a preview of the PBS series *God in America*, followed by a panel discussion moderated by Kathi Diamant from KPBS. See **SPECIAL**, page 64.

Tuesday | 5

FERDINAND THE BULL

Childsplay — a theater troupe for young audiences — presents a program based on the beloved children's book, integrating Spanish, flamenco dancing, and original music at the California Center for the Arts in Escondido. See **FOR KIDS**, page 72.



COUNTER INTELLIGENCE: MORE SECRETS OF GAMES REVEALED

Wayne Saunders, curator of *Counter Cultures: The Secret Lives of Games* exhibition at the San Diego Museum of Man, examines the "history of games, their place in the study of humankind, and how collecting them can be more than the trivial matter it seems to be" as part of the Coffee, Culture, and Conversation series.

See **LECTURES**, page 76.



Wednesday | 6

THE REAL GIDGET!

The California Surf Festival begins at the Sunshine Brooks Theatre in Oceanside, where Kathy Kohner (aka the "real" Gidget) will be on hand for the screening of the documentary *Accidental Icon: The Real Gidget Story*. Also in attendance will be the film's director, Brian Gillogly. See **IN PERSON**, page 76.

Travel & Getaways



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TRAVEL STORIES AND TIPS FROM OUR READERS



Wild tides and spider-infested motels

Truro, Nova Scotia

By Robert Isenberg

“Truro is a hole,” scoffed Timothy, a student from Halifax. “Don’t go there if you can avoid it.”

But somehow I ended up in Truro — twice. This grim little town was nothing more than a strip of fast-food restaurants and ho-hum motels. The town offered only one high point — Giant Tiger, a quirky little department store that offered camping gear at incredibly low prices.

Most vacationers visit Truro to see the “tidal bore” — the extreme tides of Nova Scotia cause certain rivers to reverse their flow; a peaceful stream is suddenly washed over by a (literal) tidal wave, and the water level rises along the banks.

At least that’s the theory. I woke at 5 a.m. to witness this phenomenon, standing in the buggy cattails of the Salmon River. When the Bay of Fundy finally unleashed its tidal fury, it amounted to mere swirls and gurgling noises, as if the river had caught some hydrologic indigestion. After a night spent in the spider-infested Tidal Bore Inn, the town had failed to impress me on any level. Truro might not be “a hole,” but I was happy to skip a third night.

Birmingham, Alabama

By Dominic DeGrazier

I was in my second-grade history class here in Southern California when I saw the images of men and women being hosed ruthlessly and bitten by police dogs. I also saw nine bold Little Rock students walking into a vicious white crowd. But to me, this part of American history remained just a piece of our past that seemed so far away.

When I was in Birmingham, Alabama, with a few hours to wander around, the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute beckoned.

The institute (open Tuesday–

Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.) looked fairly unassuming in the greeting room. We were a group of about ten people formed solely by our arrival time. Will, an employee, took care in describing the self-guided tour. He would later tell me that he recently moved from Chicago because he felt the need to be part of this institute.

We sat down for a short film portraying the history of this “Magic City” — a nickname given for its booming steel industry in the early 1900s. But this nickname later changed to “Bombingham” in the 1950s and 1960s, due to the city’s racially motivated bombings.

The institute displays photographs and videos pulsating the brutality of the era as well as traveling and permanent exhibitions (such as a statue of Rosa



Mr. Shuttlesworth and the author standing together outside of the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute

Parks sitting in her bus seat) and in-depth information concerning activist leaders.

One of the civil rights leaders showcased is Mr. Fred Shuttlesworth, a Birmingham pastor. This man vowed to “kill segregation or be killed by it.” He spoke bluntly with a confrontational

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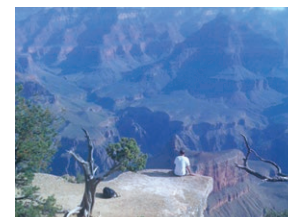
Other Adventures



shootinfool: Atome — an atom replica built for the 1958 World Exposition in Brussels, Belgium



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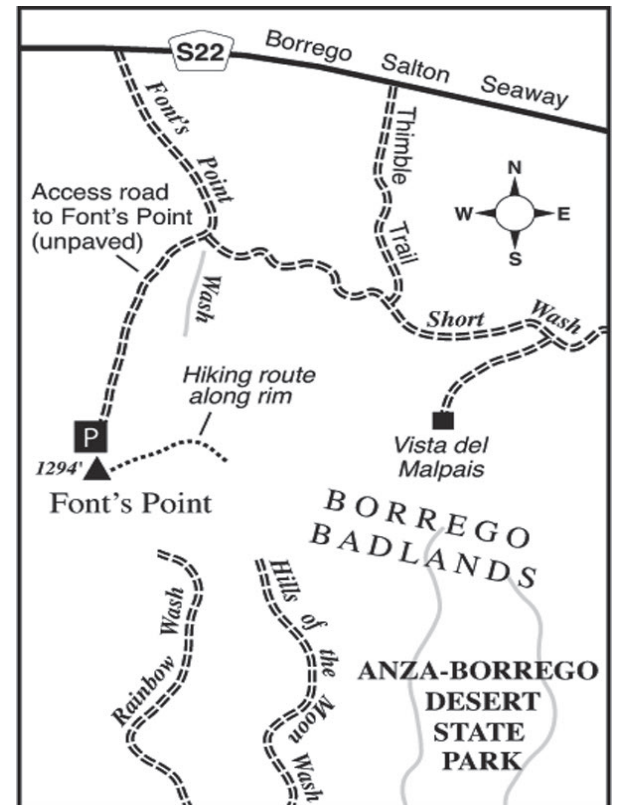
this, the Borrego Badlands in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, consists of soft, waterborne sediments that have been deeply carved by water and wind over many thousands of years.

Because the area's clay soils are weak and plant life is sparse, flash floods and other erosive forces have shaped the landscape into a bewildering maze of sinuous channels, razor-

back ridges, and mud hills. At Font's Point, you can stand on the edge of a receding (well, geologically speaking) cliff, and gaze across square miles' worth of this fascinating landscape. Yes, you can drive to just shy of the point itself, and yes, a little additional travel on foot gives new and different perspectives.

To get to Font's Point from Borrego Springs, follow Highway S-22 (Palm Canyon Drive, Pegleg Road, and Borrego Salton Seaway) generally east for about ten miles to Font's Point Wash, at mile 29.3 according to the roadside mile markers. Turn right, following sandy tire tracks heading south up the wash. (The initial section may be plagued with patches of soft sand, and therefore unsuitable for conventional 2-wheel drive vehicles.) After 4.5 miles, you come to the outbound segment, on the left, of a one-way loop road. Take this left fork, and you'll soon arrive at a parking area just short of the Font's Point dropoff.

The interpretive panels at the point itself illuminate the geologic history of the badlands and identify geographical features near and far. Starting from the parking area, you can walk east alongside (but not on the very brink of) the cliffs for half a mile or more. Here and there along this viewful stretch, on the way over or back, you might walk (cautiously) over toward the cliff edge, where mile upon mile of convoluted landscape unfolds below. Up to about one hour after sunrise and one hour before



sunset, the razorback ridges down below cast bold shadows across the honey-colored hills — perfect lighting for photography-minded visitors. Remember to approach the brink cautiously, especially if you have kids. In a couple of places, large blocks of the cliff face are beginning to cleave.

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OUTDOORS

The Smoggiest Days of the Year are most likely to occur during the next several weeks. Persistent temperature inversions (warmer air overlying cool marine air) are frequent this time of year. These inversions conspire with the mountainous topography of East County to trap locally generated air pollution under a low-lying lid. During the worst episodes, San Diego County's coastal area is the hapless recipient of additional smog sneaking down from the Los Angeles Basin. This often occurs when a Santa Ana wind condition begins to weaken: L.A. smog blown offshore by a Santa Ana may get pushed back our way when the normal sea breeze returns.

Fall Migrant Birds such as wood warblers can be seen at Cabrillo National Monument and its vicinity on Point Loma, Torrey Pines State Reserve, and other parks and open spaces near the San Diego coast. Cooper's or marsh hawks and even peregrine falcons may be seen following or pursuing these smaller birds.

San Diego's Coastal Sage-Scrub Vegetation is now at the very nadir of its growth cycle. Shades of gray and yellow have replaced the bright greens that carpeted many of the still-wild coastal hillsides up until April or May of this year. Sometime within the next several weeks, the first

substantial autumn rain will shatter the usual summer drought, and our "summer-deciduous" vegetation could bounce back in a matter of days.

Jupiter's Galilean Satellites, the four largest and brightest moons circling the planet, can be easily observed this month through the end of the year using equipment as simple as firmly supported, high-power binoculars. First observed by Galileo in 1610, these satellites noticeably change their configuration from night to night as they swing around the planet. First, of course, you must locate the planet itself in the sky. Jupiter is the brightest star-like object in the evening sky, located high above the east horizon on October evenings and shifting toward the southern sky by December.

Be an Outdoor Explorer Trail guide-led walks promise "fun facts and stories" connecting participants to nature. 619-668-3281. Saturday, October 2, 9:30am; Sunday, October 3, 9:30am; Wednesday, October 6, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

California Native Plant Society Walk Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. Sunday, October 3, 9am; free. Tecolote Nature Center, 5180 Tecolote Road. (CLAIREMONT)

Explore Trails of Balboa Park Meet a Balboa Park ranger for

First Wednesday trail walk at leisurely pace. Hikers will work "through the trails each month in a numerical sequence." 619-235-1122. Wednesday, October 6, 10am; free. Balboa Park Trail Gateway, Upas Street and Sixth Avenue. (BALBOA PARK)

Get Dirty... Help remove ocean-bound trash from "one of the most environmentally degraded areas in San Diego County" during Tijuana River Valley cleanup hosted by WILDCOAST. 619-423-8665. Saturday, October 2, 9am; free. Effie May Trail, 2310 Hollister Street. (NESTOR)

Guided Nature Walk Learn about birds and plants of the area during outing beginning at "comfort station" on west side of park (5250 Regents Road). Bring binoculars, drinking water. 858-581-9961. Saturday, October 2, 9:30am; free. Marian Bear Memorial Park, Highway 52 and Genesee Avenue. (CLAIREMONT)

Help for South Bay Wildlife San Diego Audubon Society invites volunteers to restore sensitive coastal habitat in San Diego Bay. Remove invasive plants, debris to prepare for native planting effort in spring. Wear work clothes, boots or sturdy shoes; if you have them, bring work gloves, bucket. Tools, gloves, water, snacks provided. RSVP: 858-273-7800 x101. Saturday, October 2, 9am; free. Emory Cove, Silver Strand Boulevard. (CORONADO)

History Walk Offshoot Tours offers hour-long history walk, blending Balboa Park history with its wealth of architectural and botanical treasures. 619-235-1121. Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Interested in Native Flora? Join Friends of the Point Loma Native Plant Garden, learn about native flora while caring for collection of rare, endangered native plants and trees. Watering, trail maintenance, invasive plant removal, other light gardening activities. Tools provided. Find garden next to GreenCliff Apartments, 4444 Greene St., Ocean Beach. 619-297-7380. Saturday, October 2, 9am; free. Point Loma Native Plant Reserve, Mendocino Boulevard and Greene Street. (POINT LOMA)

Rediscover Old Escondido East Walking tour led by Escondido History Center guide, starting at southeast corner of Grand and Broadway. 760-743-8207. Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. Draper's and Damon's, 101 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

Scat, Tracks, Critter Trails Learn "Wildlife Tracking Tips" when tracking team leads adventure along the trail. 619-668-3281. Saturday, October 2, 8:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Search for Saturn As well as Jupiter, shooting stars, and more during stargazing parties planned (weather permitting) in Miracosta College's baseball field. Call to confirm: 760-757-2121 x6201. Friday, October 1, 8pm; Saturday, October 2, 8pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

Trained Naturalist Wannabe? San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy hosts annual docent training program, continuing for seven consecutive weeks. Classes include weekly in-field outings to different locations within reserve. Registration: 760-436-3944 x701. Tuesday, October 5, 9:15am; \$75-\$110. 18 and up. San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve, 2710 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

Walk Your Canine Buddy Hit the trail for exercise, meet new canine and human companions. Gain tips on canine trail safety, potential dangers from wildlife,

pet disaster planning, more. Dogs must be well-behaved, on leash (six feet long or less). Bring water. 858-668-4781. Sunday, October 3, 8am; free. Blue Sky Ecological Reserve, 16275 Espola Road. (POWAY)

SPECIAL

"Art of Zentangle" Create original art with repetitive patterns in class by Rena. 619-667-5060. Thursday, September 30, 10:30am and 6pm; \$15. 16 and up. Stamp Addict, 7151 El Cajon Boulevard. (COLLEGE AREA)

"Autumn Constellations" Take "digital tour" of night sky during "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show, then view real sky through telescopes after show (weather permitting). 619-238-1233. Wednesday, October 6, 7pm and 8pm; \$9-\$10. Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Celebrate the Senses" Opening for exhibit of works of art by South African watercolorist and calligrapher Grace Phillips, a San Diego resident now living with Alzheimer's disease. Exhibition continues for three months. Self-described "fragrance expert" Sue Phillips, the artist's daughter, leads guests in "formulating and creating their own" perfume. Exhibition: free; fragrance seminar: \$95. 917-449-1134. Tuesday, October 5, 5:30pm. Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla, 9888 Genesee Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

"Marines: A Tradition of Uncommon Valor" MCAS Miramar Air Show promises flying performances by many military and civilian performers (including U.S. Navy Blue Angels and Canadian Snowbirds), static displays, fly-bys, food, more. Twilight show on Saturday includes "explosive" entertainment. General admission is free; preferred and grandstand seats available. 877-772-5425. Friday, October 1, 9am; Saturday, October 2, 9am and 5:30pm; Sunday, October 3, 9am; free. Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Miramar Way/Miramar Road. (MIRAMAR)

"Religion in America" View an excerpt from PBS series *God in America*, followed by panel discussion with three SDSU professors, an Anti-Defamation League spokesperson, moderator Kathi

Diamant. Event offered in 201 Arts and Letters building. 619-594-5338. Monday, October 4, 7pm; free. San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

"The Future of God" Hear and discuss Karen Armstrong's audio lecture. Armstrong, a former nun, "has become perhaps the world's best-known scholar on contemporary religious issues." 619-298-9978 x8014. Sunday, October 3, 1:30pm; free. First Unitarian Universalist Church Chula Vista, 970 Broadway #104. (CHULA VISTA)

"The Peep Show" What happens when 12 artists create paintings using small, yellow marshmallow chickens as subjects? Find out during reception for participating artists. 619-863-4261. Saturday, October 2, 4pm; free. Latte Mi Corazon Café, 129 25th Street. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

Cotton 2001/2010 Juli Carson and Hans Weigand host screening in Visual Arts Facility Performing Space and take part in resulting discussion. Video presented in conjunction with Weigand's "Deep Water Horizon" exhibit. 858-534-0419. Monday, October 4, 6pm. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Prost! The 39th annual Oktoberfest presented by German American Societies at clubhouse and beer garden includes German food, music by Guggenbach-Baum from Baden-Württemberg, Germany, folk dancing, games, contests, vendors, craft booths, kids' zone. 619-442-6637. Friday, October 1, 5pm; Saturday, October 2, noon; Sunday, October 3, noon; free-\$5. German American Societies, 1017 South Mollison Avenue. (EL CAJON)

Within Our Gates Oscar Micheaux's groundbreaking 1920 silent film screens with live music in Seuss Room. Recently issued U.S. postal stamps honoring Micheaux will be distributed. Professor Benetta Jules-Rosette speaks before screening. Warning: "Film contains scenes of extreme violence." 858-822-5758. Friday, October 1, 3pm; free. 15 and up. UCSD Arts Library, Geisel Library, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

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personality, at times antagonizing his own colleagues. Martin Luther King, Jr., described Shuttlesworth as "the most courageous civil rights fighter in the South." Among other extreme situations, Shuttlesworth is known for the time he escaped his burning house, blown up by dynamite. The police officer waiting outside of the flaming house

told Shuttlesworth to leave town. The reply: "I wasn't saved to run."

Even though Shuttlesworth might be somewhat irked with me — as he apparently warned Dr. King against delivering "flowery speeches" and not taking an active enough role in the fight against segregation — the biggest chill came at the end of the tour to the sounds and visions of "I have a dream..."

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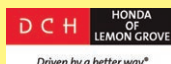
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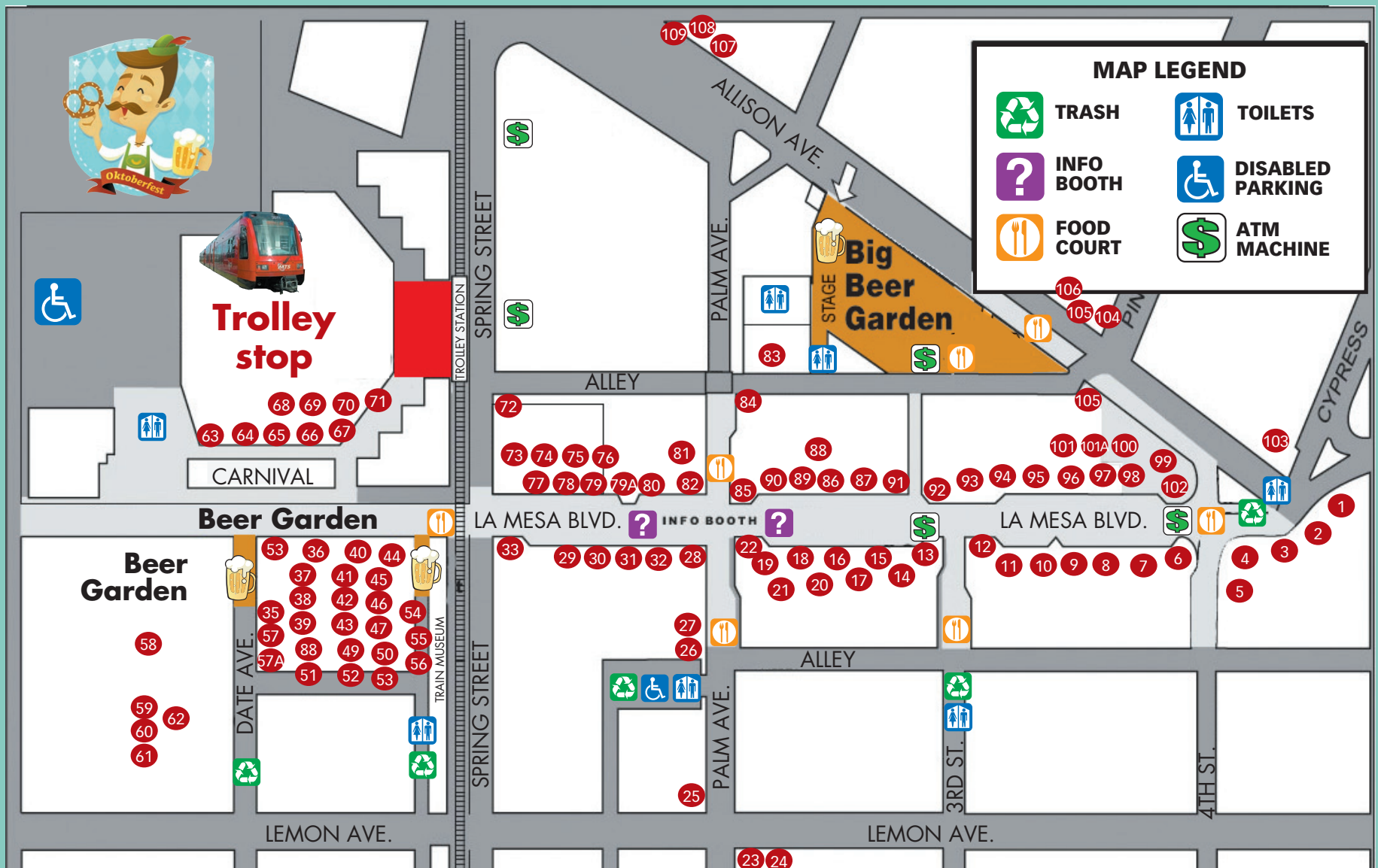


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Autumn Sculpture Show Experience art by local San Diego sculptors, with styles ranging from "Italian Renaissance to modern animal sculpture." Artists: Mark Edward Adams, Tom Flanagan, Kevin Garceau, Maria Gonzalez, Cynthia Stafford. Violinist Amanda Wirtz performs "mixture of classical and original music." 619-234-5757. Saturday, October 2, 6pm; free. 21 and up. Fifty Seven Degrees, 1735 Hancock Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Begonias Beckon See "spectacular foliage and blossoms" during American Begonia Society show and plant sale in room 101. Begonia experts on hand to answer questions. 760-753-3977. Saturday, October 2, 10am; Sunday, October 3, 10am. Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Better Books! "Coffee-table books and other fine volumes" in new or near-new condition offered for sale. 760-602-2020. Saturday, October 2, 9am; Sunday, October 3, 1pm. Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Blood-Curdling Frights! Take the Haunted Trail, an "all-out-

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Bow Wow Brunch Dogs welcome during cruise raising money for Helen Woodward Animal Center with human and pet buffets. Chopper the Biker Dog plans appearance. "Dog relief area" set up on sun deck. 619-725-8853. Sunday, October 3, 11am; \$64. Hornblower Cruises, 1066 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

Celebrate the Moon Festival House of China hosts lawn program commemorating harvest festival with acrobatic lion dances, music, martial arts displays, cultural costumes. Food for sale. 619-234-0739. Sunday, October 3, 2pm; free. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

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Rhyme & Verse

Trying to Raise the Dead

— Dorianne Laux

Look at me. I'm standing on a deck in the middle of Oregon. There are people inside the house. It's not my

house, you don't know them. They're drinking and singing and playing guitars. You love

this song. Remember? "Ophelia." Boards on the windows, mail by the door. I'm whispering

so they won't think I'm crazy. They don't know me that well. Where are you now? I feel stupid.

I'm talking to trees, to leaves swarming on the black air, stars blinking in and out of heart-

shaped shadows, to the moon, half-lit and barren, stuck like an ax between the branches. What are you

now? Air? Mist? Dust? Light? What? Give me something. I have to know where to send my voice.

A direction. An object. My love, it needs a place to rest. Say anything. I'm listening. I'm ready to believe. Even lies, I don't care.

Say, burning bush. Say, stone. They've stopped singing now and I really should go. So tell me, quickly. It's April. I'm

on Spring Street. That's my gray car in the driveway. They're laughing and dancing. Someone's bound

to show up soon. I'm waving. Give me a sign if you can see me. I'm the only one here on my knees.



Dorianne Laux, a greatly admired American poet, is Poet in Residence at North Carolina State University and also teaches for the Pacific University Low Residency MFA Program in Oregon. "Trying to Raise the Dead" is from her collection *Smoke*, published by BOA Editions, Ltd. ©, and is reprinted with permission. The author's photo is by Jeanne C. Finley.

\$25. 10 and up. Haunted Hotel, 424 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Consider the "Glorious Revolutions" And John Locke with Meeting of the Minds discussion group. 619-370-1027. Friday, October 1, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

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0488. Saturday, October 2, 6pm. Ducky Waddle's Emporium, 414 N. Coast Hwy. 101. (LEUCADIA)

Do We Have Free Will? Consider the subject with Civilized Conversation Club. 858-231-6209. Thursday, September 30, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Echoes from the Past Meet some "residents" of Oak Hill Memorial Park during living history event. Arrive anytime between 1 and 3pm to "meet" Clarence Friend, William Baldridge, Anna Von Seggern, others. Tickets include refreshments. 760-743-8207. Sunday, October 3, 1pm; free-\$10. Oak Hill Memorial Park, 2640 Glen Ridge Road. (ESCONDIDO)

Entjuanarte 2010 Celebrate arts and culture during showcase of "some of Mexico's best art, performances, theater, and culture." Artists from various disciplines, hailing from Mexico and Southern California, conduct performances, painting, photography, sculpture, contemporary dance shows, concerts, book presentations, conferences. 760-943-0148. Friday, October 1, 6:30pm; Saturday, October 2; Sunday, October 3; free. Centro Cultural Tijuana, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street. (BAJA)

Free Saturday at Lux Art-loving families invited to open house with studio tours, music, refreshments. Meet current resident artist Timothy Horn. 760-436-6611. Saturday, October 2, 11am; free. Lux Art Institute, 1550 South El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

Friday Night Liberty Evening of art, music, food, drink, exhibits supports local artists and designers. 619-573-9260. Friday, October 1, 5pm; free. NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road. (POINT LOMA)

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Harvest Walkabout Explore neighborhood's art galleries, restaurants, cafés, retail shops, businesses. On tap: live music, entertainment. 619-284-7684. Saturday, October 2, 6pm; free. South Park, 30th Street at Juniper Street. (SOUTH PARK)

Increase Flexibility and Balance Certified hatha yoga instructor Jaruska Solyova leads four-week "Sun and Moon Salutations, Adaptations, and Meditations" course. Each session includes adaptations tailored to individual needs, plus meditations with ancient mantras. Fee: \$40 per class or \$120 for series. 858-456-9964. Tuesday, October 5, 11am. La Jolla Cove Bridge Club, 1160 Coast Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

It's Nail and Sail Time! Oceanside Harbor Days return, with the aforementioned competition, as well as outrigger canoe racing, visit by tall ship *Californian*, all manner of live entertainment, arts and crafts, food, activities, military, police, fire displays. 760-722-1534. Saturday, October 2, 9am; Sunday, October 3, 9am; free. Oceanside Harbor, 1540 Harbor Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

It's Oom-Pah-Pah Time! The 28th Carlsbad Rotary Oktoberfest promises German food, German music, grape stomp, dancing, children's activities. Music by Roger and the Villagers, Pacific Coast Community Band, MiraCosta Windjammer Band. Traditional German meal served until 8pm (\$10). Admission is free. 760-434-6093. Saturday, October 2, noon. Holiday Park, Chestnut Avenue at Pio Pico Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Knit for the Cure Enjoy an afternoon of knitting, friendship, women, survival, generosity, community during "knit-in." Participants invited to knit something to donate to this campaign; hats, scarves "are always a hit." RSVP: 760-744-5648. Sunday, October 3, 11am; free. Yarning for You, 1001 West San Marcos Boulevard, Suite 180. (SAN MARCOS)

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)

La Mesa Oktoberfest Enjoy ten blocks with live music, over 300 craft and commercial booths, food, kids' carnival during 37th annual Oktoberfest. 619-462-3002 or 619-465-7700. Friday, October 1, 11am; Saturday, October 2, 11am; Sunday, October 3, noon; free. La Mesa Village, Spring Street at La Mesa Boulevard. (LA MESA)

Learn Yoga Basics Introductory classes for beginners to Iyengar yoga are offered during "beginner-friendly small classes" planned first week of October. 760-630-0040. Saturday, October 2, 1pm; free. Iyengar Yoga Center of North County, 2210 Encinitas Boulevard, Suite U. (ENCINITAS)

Mabuhay! "FilAmFest 2010," a Filipino American Arts and Culture Festival, seeks to "foster a sense of community and enhance pride in

the Filipino cultural heritage." Experience Filipino culture, food, entertainment, cultural programs, more. Donation. 619-621-8323. Saturday, October 2, 11am. Potomac Park, Paradise Valley Road at Gilmartin Avenue. (PARADISE HILLS)

Make Mine Mooncakes! Celebrate "the brightest full moon of the year," and eat mooncakes during Family Moon Festival. On tap: demonstrations of "how to prepare these traditional treats,

which can include exotic flavors ranging from red bean paste to sweet lotus seed." Listen to Chinese legends of jade rabbit and fairy princess living in the moon; enjoy Chinese arts and crafts, calligraphy demonstration, samples of various types of mooncake. Requested reservations: 619-338-9888. Saturday, October 2, 1pm; free-\$2. Chinese Historical Society and Museum, 404 Third Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

Maps Tell Stories "Changing Boundaries," an exhibit of antique maps of the U.S.-Mexico border, opens with reception featuring talk by curator Simon Burrow. Note "how the U.S.-Mexico border evolved over the last four centuries" through Friday, November 5. 619-957-8922. Friday, October 1, 6pm; free. Corredor Histórico — CAREM, Calle Tlaloc #400, Colonia Cuauhtemoc. (BAJA)

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)

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What are you reading?

"*Black Elk Speaks*, by John Neihardt. I picked it up because I had taken some eco-theology courses at my university a while ago and had read some small excerpts from it in compilations. It's about a holy man from the Oglala Sioux in the Black Hills of South Dakota. I'm only about 30 pages in, but so far, he's telling his story — about his father, about some of the battles when the foreigners first came. The book's author is sort of transcribing it. It's very spiritual. The second chapter was basically him speaking about a vision he had. There's kind of a poetic twist to it; it drew me right in."

Excerpt from Chapter One:

The Offering of the Pipe

"These things I shall remember...and often they may seem to be the very tale itself, as when I was living them in happiness and sorrow. But now that I can see it all as from a lonely hilltop, I know it was the story of a mighty vision given to

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a man too weak to use it; of a holy tree that should have flourished in a people's heart with flowers and singing birds, and now is withered; and of a people's dream that died in bloody snow."

Who is your favorite author?

"I like William S. Burroughs. I think he was in the Beat Generation, him and Allen Ginsberg. He was like an earlier Hunter Thompson, with the drug thing. It's a used word, but he really is kind of unique. His writing is twisted — it makes the harsh reality of things soften. I'm reading through a whole pile of his books. I'm reading one now, *Nova Express*. It's just really far-out and strange; I don't know how to describe it. I don't always make it very far when I start to read it because it doesn't seem to have a real, basic plot to it. I can tell you about another one, though — *The Last Words of Dutch Schultz*. It's written in play format —

it gives the setting of the room so that you have a visual image, and then it gives the names of the characters and what they say. It's about a guy lying on his deathbed, and he's going in and out of different states, fading in and out."

Excerpt:

"Interior. Jail Corridor. Day. Tracking shot. Guards move down corridor with drag queens dressed as famous actresses of the period.... Faces at the cell door, teeth bared. Prisoner: I want Lillian Gish. Prisoner: I want Gertrude Lawrence. Drag queens include Vincent Coll and Albert Stern.... Guards open cell doors to let drag queens in and collect money.... Nobody wants Albert Stern dressed as Sarah Bernhardt. Just before he goes out with the guards he turns and looks at Dutch..."

What book has been most life-changing for you?

"I once read a tai chi book and then started prac-

ticing tai chi. I was drawn in by the philosophy and some of the basic movements and breathing techniques. I had a back injury, so I started to think about tai chi. Chi like energy — it's based on Taoism, which I don't know much about. But it helps me physically. I haven't been very disciplined, but if I'm working and overwhelmed and I start getting stressed out, I do it more often. It helps me relieve stress."

Do you read any magazines or newspapers?

"I read the *Reader*. Usually, the cover story, and then the music ads."

Do you talk to friends about reading?

"I've only been here eight months, but I talk to people at work about books occasionally, if they're interested. You can tell if someone is authentically interested — the tones, the body movements."

For more stories by this author, go to sdrader.com.

an art gallery! Use a pair of clean, white canvas shoes to express yourself with acrylic paint when artist Lauren Becker Downey leads class. Registration: 619-223-0058. Friday, October 1, 1pm; \$48-\$54. 6 and up. Bravo School of Art at NTC Promenade, 2690 Decatur Rd., Studio 206. (POINT LOMA)

Pet Fair Learn to train your pet, do tricks, change behavior when Bark Busters Home Dog Training leads class (10:30am). Find out when to visit the ER. Pets available for adoption. 858-676-1600. Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. PetSurge and ER4Pets, 12335 World Trade Drive, Suite 16. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Plunge into Online Video! Explore "wide world of online video and explore new online communities of fellow video maker groups on YouTube, Vimeo, and blip.tv." Participants leave with "online video channel and an understanding of how to

optimize your channel for maximum views." Registration: 619-230-1938. Thursday, September 30, 6pm; \$15-\$20. Media Arts Center, 2921 El Cajon Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

Reality in PB? Jim, the self-described "PB Millionaire," plans to give away \$20 bills to the first 50 people attending "advance screening of the *PB Reality Show*." Be prepared to fill out a questionnaire evaluating the episode. RSVP: pbreality@gmail.com. 858-750-9805. Thursday, September 30, 7pm; free. 21 and up. Moon-doggies Pacific Beach, 832 Garnet Avenue. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Sheep to Shawl San Diego Creative Weaver's Guild members and Grossmont Adult Education students demonstrate process of turning wool into fabric. Weavers present assortment of techniques creating hand-spun and hand-woven items including clothing, ac-

cessories, textile art. "KidsWeave" space for children to try weaving. 619-267-5141. Friday, October 1, 10am; Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, 4355 Bonita Road. (BONITA)

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." 858-755-1161 x2855. Friday, October 1, 7pm; Saturday, October 2, 7pm; Sunday, October 3, 7pm; \$14-\$25. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Tour de Fat 2010 "All bikes are good bikes, and all those who ride them are good people." New Belgium Brewing Company hits town to spread "the good word

about the positive societal offerings of the bicycle." Day begins with bike parade (registration: 9am, parade: 10am); continues with carnival performances, funeral procession for car belonging to car-for-bike trade volunteer (1:30pm). Donation. 888-NBB-4044. Saturday, October 2, 9am. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

Walk a Mile in Her Shoes Raising awareness of domestic violence, "brave men and women" take one-mile walk in high-heeled shoes (heels optional). Events begin at Fourth Avenue and K Street; reception follows at Hotel Solamar. Proceeds support YWCA's Becky's House Domestic Violence Programs. 619-239-0355 x218. Thursday, September 30, 5pm; \$35. Downtown San Diego, Columbia Street and West B Street. (DOWNTOWN)

CHURCH EVENTS

Masterwork Chorale Two choral concerts of major works per year (December and spring) with our chancel choir, vocal quartet, and members of the San Diego Symphony. Rehearsals began Tuesday, September 14, from 7:30-9:00pm in the Sutherland Family Music Center; \$35 registration fee, plus cost of music scores. Performance on Sunday, December 5, at 7pm featuring Benjamin Britten's "St. Nicolas," Antonio Vivaldi's "Magnificat," and carols arranged by John Rutter. Tuesdays, 7:30pm; through Tuesday, November 30. First United Methodist Church of San Diego, 2111 Camino del Rio South. (MISSION VALLEY)

CLASSICAL MUSIC

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Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

October 6, 7pm; \$15. Conrad Prebys Music Center at UCSD, Russell Lane at Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"Polyphonies and Intersections" Classical guitarist McAlister performs "settings of vocal and instrumental music from the European Renaissance and contemporary Latin American pieces by Leo Brouwer and Miguel Ordóñez" for Concert Hour series. 760-744-1150 x2316. Thursday, September 30, 12:30pm; free. Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10), 1140 West Mission Road. (PALOMAR COLLEGE)

"Stephensong" Evensong! Celebrate 60th birthday of composer-conductor Stephen Sturk during concert boasting Cappella Gloriana chamber choir, organists Martin Green and Gabriel Arregui, San Diego Harmony Ringers handbell choir, cathedral choir. Concert: 6pm; reception, record-release party for *Sacred Anthems of Stephen Sturk: Coast to Coast* CD at 7:30pm. 619-291-3055. Sunday, October 3, 6pm. Saint Paul's Cathedral, 2728 Sixth Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

All the Way from France Harpist Isabelle Perrin in concert hosted by local chapter of American Harp Society. 619-871-9923. Friday, October 1, 8pm; \$20. Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Emerson String Quartet ArtPower! chamber season opens with concert by Eugene Drucker (violin), Philip Setzer (violin), Lawrence Dutton (viola), and David Finckel (cello). Program boasts Mendelssohn's "Andante sostenuto," "Variations for String Quartet in E major," and "Scherzo for String Quartet in A minor"; "String Quartet No. 6 in D major" by Bartók; and Schubert's "String Quartet No. 15 in G major." 858-534-TIXS. Saturday, October 2, 5pm; \$71. Conrad Prebys Music Center at UCSD, Russell Lane at Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Music on the Mesa Woodwind Quintet of the San Diego Symphony performs. 858-573-1396. Sunday, October 3, 2pm; free. Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Branch Library, 9005 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

Organ Concert Civic organist Carol Williams in concert. 619-702-8138. Sunday, October 3, 2pm; free. Spreckels Organ Pa-

vilion, 2211 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

DANCE

"Bombay Bellywood" Bellydance Superstars merge "traditional and tribal belly dance with Indian dance styles." 619-570-1100. Sunday, October 3, 3pm; \$30-\$50. 6 and up. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

"Dancing Outside the Lines" **Preview** San Diego Civic Dance Company and guests perform "favorites from their critically acclaimed 'Collage 2010 'Dance with the Masters,'" previews of "Collage 2011 'Dancing Outside the Lines.'" 619-796-3657. Friday, October 1, 7pm; free. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

"Stick Together" Mojalet Dance Company and Swiss percussion band Rhythm Talk create "thought-provoking work charged with sensuality, athleticism, wit, and whimsy." Tickets for "Free First Wednesdays" series available on first-come, first-served basis, one hour prior to curtain. 800-988-4253. Wednesday, October 6, 4pm and 7pm;

free. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

Ballroom Party Host DJ Dan Gibbons plays "smooth," Latin, nightclub, requests for couples, singles of all ages. Evening promises polka lesson (8pm); open dancing (8:30-10:30pm). 619-275-3533. Saturday, October 2, 8pm; \$4-\$8. Pattie Wells' Dance-time Center, 1255 West Morena Boulevard. (BAY PARK)

Contra Dance with Visitor Guest caller is Kari Usher, joined by Pick of the Lizard for music during contra dance 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 1, 7:30pm; \$10. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

Dance for All San Diego Civic Dance Arts hosts dance fair with classes, performances in styles including tap, musical theater, hip-hop, zumba, Bollywood. 619-796-3657. Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

Jump on Board! "Trolley Dances 2010" presented by Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater and Metropolitan Transit System. Annual site-specific dance tours begin every hour from west plaza of County Administration Building. Guides lead audience members, who get on and off trolley at specific stations to view pieces "set in unexpected locations that respond to the physical environment of the specific site." Reservations: 619-225-1803. Saturday, October 2, 10am; Sunday, October 3, 10am; free-\$30. County Administration Building, 1600 Pacific Highway. (DOWNTOWN)

Milonga Loca de Amor Close your weekend dancing Argentine tangos. 858-565-9575. Sunday, October 3, 8pm; \$10. Dance for 2, 7528 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Second Anniversary Dance Main Event Mixer promises evening of ballroom, Latin, swing music. 858-565-9575. Saturday, October 2, 7:30pm; \$10. Dance for 2, 7528 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Swing Waltz Time Waltz & Such teaches waltz swing. Request dance tunes (including non-waltzes) for practice during open session following class in room 207. Donation: \$1. 619-318-0234. Friday, October 1, 7:15pm. Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

FOOD & DRINK

Blind Wine Tasting Commemorate Blindness Awareness Month with blind wine tasting experience. Portion of proceeds benefit Foundation Fighting Blindness in San Diego. Reservations: 619-230-0382. Wednesday, October 6, 6:30pm; \$20. 21 and up. Acqua Al 2, 322 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

Crêpes — Pas Difficile! Learn to make French crêpes. Light and delicious! Registration: 858-442-5252. Wednesday, October 6, 6:30pm; \$45. Charlie's Classic Cooking, 1291 Simpson Way, Suite H. (ESCONDIDO)

Delight Your Appetite Taste of North Park self-guided walking tour showcases "every flavor imaginable," samplings of locally made microbrews, ales. Visit galleries along the way. Will-call at corner of University Avenue and Ray St., in front of Home Mercantile. 619-233-5008. Saturday, October 2, 11am; \$30-\$35. North Park, University Avenue (between 30th and 32nd Streets). (NORTH PARK)

Seasonal Centric Series Truffles are showcased when chef Cassineri creates special four-to six-course menu focused around this central ingredient. Reservations: 619-239-2423. Monday, October 4, 5pm; \$49. 21 and up. Bice, 425 Island Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Sips for Shelter Partake of wine tasting, blind wine-tasting competition, light appetizers, silent auction during benefit for El Nido transitional housing program. 619-702-5399. Thursday, September 30, 6pm; \$40-\$50. 21 and up. Arterra, 11966 El Camino Real. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Taste of Del Mar 2010 Day's events include ticketed restaurant and wine and beer tasting (1-4pm), art stroll (10am-5pm), pet stroll, live music, kids' art. 858-755-1179. Saturday, October 2, 10am; \$30-\$40. Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino del Mar. (DEL MAR)

Two Workshops in One! Take in "Cheese 101" presentation by Robby of Venissimo Cheese, learn secrets of pairing cheeses with wines from around the world with Karin of Bacchus. Reservations: 619-236-0005. Thursday, September 30, 6pm; \$60. 21 and up. Bacchus Wine Market, 647 G Street. (DOWNTOWN)

World of Chinese Dim Sum Chef Arleen leads "journey of Chinese dim sum." Learn to make dim sum in a multitude of ways. Bring an apron, closed shoes, chef's knife, containers. 760-233-2433. Thursday, September 30, 6pm; \$65. Alchemy of the Hearth, 960 Rancheros Drive, Suite L. (SAN MARCOS)

FOR KIDS

"Mickey & Minnie's Magical Journey" Disney on Ice presents journey "into the magical worlds of Disney's *Little Mermaid*, *The Lion King*, *Peter Pan*, *Lilo and Stitch*." 800-745-3000. Wednesday, October 6, 7:30pm; \$17-\$55. San Diego Sports Arena, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

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Little Shop of Horrors Encore Youth Theatre presents this "quirky pop-rock musical" replete with a carnivorous plant named Audrey II. 760-521-1725. Fridays, 7:30pm; Saturdays, 7:30pm; Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, October 10; \$15. 7 and up. Avo Playhouse, 303 Main Street. (VISTA)

Snow White Enjoy the tale during performance by Gaston's Puppets. 619-544-9203. Thursdays, 10am and 11:30am; Fridays, 10am and 11:30am; Saturdays, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Sundays, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; through Sunday, October 3; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

Witches' Brew Enjoy an "un-scary Halloween story" when Millie Patterson's Weaver's Tales puppets entertain. 619-544-9203. Wednesday, October 6, 10am and 11:30am; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

Geocaching 101 Enjoy a modern-day treasure hunt using global positioning systems and the Internet to find hidden treasures. Boy Scouts will teach basics, then provide chance to find some hidden caches during Saturdays in the Park. 760-743-8207. Saturday, October 2, 2pm; free. Grape Day Park, 321 North Broadway. (ESCONDIDO)

Home Found! Classic Youth Theatre celebrates its new home with grand opening. Actors from *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde* will discuss this upcoming show; artist Loralie McGill offers papier-mâché workshop (11am); artist Cassi Mack leads drawing lesson (noon); observe open rehearsal; Rachel Dovsky sings (3pm), art for sale. 760-632-9447. Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. Classic Youth Theatre, 263 South Highway 101. (SOLANA BEACH)

Tap Into Creativity! Make art during "Free Family Art Day." Children and their parents work closely in the artistic process designing a Native American rattle instrument out of objects such as toilet paper rolls, sticks, paper towel rolls, water bottles, rice, organic materials, seeds. 760-435-3720. Sunday, October 3, 1pm; free. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

GALLERIES

"30th International Exhibition" Reception for artists whose 95 original watercolor paintings were selected from 599 entries by juror Pat Dews. View the winners through October. 619-876-4550. Friday, October 1, 5pm; free. San Diego Watercolor Society at NTC Promenade, 2825 Dewey Road #105. (POINT LOMA)

"Art Faculty Exhibition 2010" Reception for exhibit of art in variety of media created by

Grossmont College art department instructors. Closes Thursday, October 28. 619-644-7299. Tuesday, October 5, 7pm; free. Hyde Art Gallery at Grossmont College, 8800 Grossmont College Drive. (GROSSMONT COLLEGE)

"Chromatic Tales" Exhibition of paintings by Cologne, Germany-based artist Thomas Zitzwitz opens with reception. View new and recent works through Saturday, November 6. 858-459-3917. Friday, October 1, 5pm; free. R.B. Stevenson Gallery, 7661 Girard Ave., Suite 201. (LA JOLLA)

"Deep Water Horizon" Opening reception for exhibit of work by Hans Wiegand. See the "eight large-scale multilayered canvases in an octagonal shape" along with "two supplementary components" through Saturday, November 27. 858-534-0419. Thursday, September 30, 5pm; free. University Art Gallery at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"Exploring Art History through Oil Painting" Opening reception for exhibit of work by Stephany Travers and her students. Closes Monday, November 1. 760-639-6164. Friday, October 1, 6pm; free. Rancho Buena Vista

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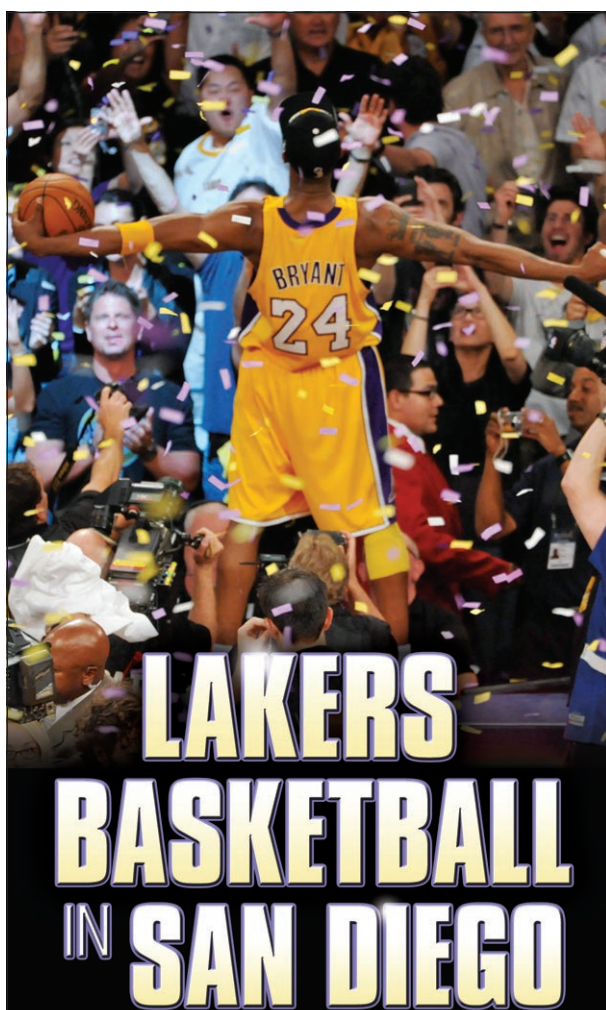
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"Real Life of Mannequins"

Artists' reception for exhibition with work by Janine Free, capturing reflections that look digitally manipulated; and Guy Mayenobe, "creating pictures that look real but are fabricated." Closing reception: October 10. 760-753-8336. Friday, October 1, 6pm; free. Gallery 21 in Spanish Village Art Center, 1770 Village Place. (BALBOA PARK)

"Reconstructions"

Reception for artist Charles Grogg, who "photographs botanicals and other natural imagery isolated from their natural environments.... Each image is divided into nine sections, which are individually exposed and developed, then sewn together with cotton thread to reconstruct the original, complete image." Closes Friday, December 10. 858-456-5620. Friday, October 1, 5pm; free. Joseph Bellows Gallery, 7661 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

"She: In Her Teens and Twenties"

Reception for artists Jen Davis, Laurel Nakadate, Lise Sarfati, Charlie White, whose exhibition "examines the complex physical, psychological and emotional lives of young women in the United States." Closes Sunday, December 4. 619-594-5171. Friday, October 1, 6:30pm; free. University Art Gallery at SDSU, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

IN PERSON

"An Evening with Sutton Foster"

Tony award-winning actress from *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, *The Drowsy Chaperone*, *Little Women*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Shrek the Musical* returns with music director Michael Rafter to perform "Broadway showstoppers as well as selections from her new CD, *Wish*." 619-570-1100. Friday, October 1, 8pm; \$20-\$71. 6 and up. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

"Artists Igniting Social Change"

The 21st annual USD Social Issues Conference continues with "Activism Inside Out: Inner Dialogue in Music, Poetry, and Film" by writer/poet/teacher Vejea Jennings, in Degheri Alumni Center. Required registration: 619-260-4798. Wednesday, October 6, 6pm; free. University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

"Concert for Cancer Patients"

Harpist Linda Hill, guitarists Sonya Kubik and Ray Phoenix, musicians from House of Scotland *ceilidh* band play for concert organized by Agents for Cause. Silent auction follows. Donation. 888-578-0188. Saturday, October 2, 7pm. Saint Dunstan's Episcopal Church, 6556 Park Ridge Boulevard. (SAN CARLOS)

"Hip-Hop Saved My Life"

Piece examining social change

message of hip-hop through spoken word, dance, music, art presented for 21st annual USD Social Issues Conference, themed "Artists Igniting Social Change," in Hahn University Center. Required registration: 619-260-4798. Tuesday, October 5, 7:30pm; free. University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

"Live in Logan"

Dr. Techno's show includes guest "Vulgarian State Circus Clown" Willy Bologna, circus acts, comedy music, sideshow, shadow puppetry, blacklight illusion, more. 619-231-1950. Friday, October 1, 8pm; Saturday, October 2, 8pm; \$8. 3 and up. Center for Amusing Arts, 2438 Commercial Street. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

"Train of Thought"

Gill Sotu hosts "supportive room for poets, writers, musicians," others. Featured performer this week: Meaghan Maples. 619-255-5147. Tuesday, October 5, 8:30pm. Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center, 3925 Ohio Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Weill Awhile"

Classic soprano/cabaret artist Ann Chase plans concert, with piano accompaniment, and "full media display" showing the life and times of Kurt Weill. Tickets distributed at 6pm; concert at 7pm. 760-434-2904. Friday, October 1, 7pm; free. Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

(Special Edition) Poetry Ruckus at the Duck

Novelist/short story writer/poet/artist Tao Lin makes a stop on his national book tour to read from his new novel, *Richard Yates*. Local writers may "read their short fiction or brief passages from longer work" by reservation: ruthlesshippies@gmail.com. Donation. 760-632-0488. Friday, October 1, 7pm. Ducky Waddle's Emporium, 414 N. Coast Hwy. 101. (LEUCADIA)

Betrayed

Author Robert Tanenbaum visits to discuss, sign his new book (purchased from Warwick's). 858-454-0347. Tuesday, October 5, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

How to Escape from a Leper Colony

Fiction writer/poet/essayist Tiphany Yanique reads from, signs her new book, featuring *A Novella and Stories*. 858-456-1800. Saturday, October 2, 7pm; free. D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Inside Out

Speculative fiction young adult author Maria Snyder visits to sign books. 858-268-4747. Saturday, October 2, 2pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

Stumbling Into Infinity

U.S. Art of Living Foundation president Michael Fischman chronicles a "sometimes startling account of (his) spiritual journey and the encounter that changed his life forever" in his new book. Author visits to discuss, sign books (provided they're purchased at Warwick's). 858-454-0347. Wednesday, October 6, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

This Day in San Diego

History Author Linda Pequegnat speaks, signs copies of her book. 619-424-6628. Monday, October 4, 6:30pm; free. Imperial Beach Library, 810 Imperial Beach Blvd. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Throw Out the Barrels

Boo the villain, cheer the hero! Time for Julian Triangle Club's annual old-fashioned comedy-melodrama, very loosely based upon Julian history and alternately entitled *Lips That Touch Wine Shall Never Touch Mine*. Between acts, enjoy an "olio" (variety show) featuring local talent including junior can-can dancers, and (in)famous Julian Floozies. 760-765-3177. Fridays, 7:15pm; Saturdays, 1:15pm and 7:15pm; Sundays, 1:15pm; through Saturday, October 30; \$2-\$10. Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main Street. (JULIAN)

You're Better than Your Job Search

Marc Cenedella and Matthew Rothenberg conduct an interactive job search workshop and discuss and sign their book (if purchased from Warwick's). 858-454-0347. Monday, October 4, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

A Wondrous Concert

Civic organist Carol Williams plays newly restored 1929 Wonder Morton Organ during concert with popular favorites and Broadway show tunes. This organ "is one of five 'wonder' models specially commissioned by the Loewe's Theatre chain in 1929 for the movie palaces they were building in each of New York's five boroughs." 619-570-1100. Saturday, October 2, 1:30pm; \$15-\$20. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

Bookish Delights

Historian Paul Vanderwood tells story of "unscrupulous bordello, casino, racetrack, and cabaret owners in bawdy Mexican border towns" in his latest book, *Satan's Playground: Mobster and Movie Stars at America's Greatest Gaming Resort*. Reading, book signing takes place in D-121 A/B San Diego City College faculty lounge for San Diego City College International Book Fair. 619-388-3596. Thursday, September 30, 11am; free. San Diego City College, 1313 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month

Mariachi Garibaldi of Southwestern College performs. 858-573-1396. Saturday, October 2, 11am; free. Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Branch Library, 9005 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

Fall Concert

Coastal Communities Concert Band in concert with percussionist Paul McDermand as guest soloist with arrangements for steel drums, marimba. Also on the program: a trombone quartet from Navy Band Southwest. 760-436-6137 or 858-793-8258. Sunday, October 3, 2pm; \$12-\$15. Carlsbad Community Church, 3175 Harding Street. (CARLSBAD)

Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series

Mark Doty reads from his work in room LL-108 of Malcolm A. Love Library. The National

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LOCAL EVENTS

Book Award for Poetry winner (2008) is author of eight books of poems. 619-594-6054. Monday, October 4, 7pm; free. Malcolm A. Love Library at SDSU, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

Interested in Iago? San Diego Shakespeare Society hosts opening reading of scenes from second half of Shakespeare's *Othello*. Join in reading or just listen. Parts "assigned before each scene so everyone can have a go." Bring text if possible. 619-232 4855. Tuesday, October 5, 6:45pm; free. 15 and up. Upstart Crow Bookshop and Coffee House, 835 W. Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

International Book Fair Continues San Diego City College's fifth annual book fair continues with Professors Justin Akers-Chacón, Sharon Allen, Aníbal Yáñez discussing impact of borders around globe. These authors and others have collaborated on *Walls, Fences, Borders, and Boundaries: Essays on Social Exclusion, Inclusion, and Integration*. Panel, book signing planned in D-121A/B of San Diego City College faculty lounge. 619-388-3596. Thursday, September 30, 12:45pm; free. San Diego City College, 1313 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Master Class with Konitz The Lee Konitz New Quartet presents

master class open to public in Rhapsody Hall (Music 113). Alto saxophonist/jazz composer Konitz, a National Endowment for the Arts jazz master, joined by quartet members Jeff Denson (bass), Florian Weber (piano), Ziv Ravitz (drums). 619-594-4468. Thursday, September 30, 2pm; free. San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

National Book Award-Winning Poet Mark Doty reads from his work for Cropper Memorial Writer's Series in Manchester Auditorium. Doty, currently teaching at Rutgers University, is author of eight books of poems. 619-260-4783. Friday, October 1, 7pm; free. University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

Open Poetry Reading Hear poetry by featured reader Patricia Wilson, then share a few poems or "short written pieces." 760-480-4101. Sunday, October 3, 1pm; free. Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

Pulitzer Prize-Winning Poet Rae Armantrout headlines fifth annual San Diego City College International Book Fair. Also on the program: Danzy Senna (*Caucasia, Where Did You Sleep Last Night?*), Forrest Hylton (*Vanishing Acts*), Kelly Mayhew and Alys Masek (editors of *Mamas and Papas: A Multi-Genre Anthology on the Sublime and Wrenching Art of Parenting*). Musician Gregory Page accompanies Jim Miller (*Flash*). 619-388-3596. Saturday,

October 2, 1pm; free. Saville Theatre at San Diego City College, 14th and C Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Rodriguez and Batalla! Fifth annual San Diego City College International Book Fair continues. Writer Luis Rodriguez (*My Nature Is Hunger: New and Selected Poems 1989-2004, Always Running: La Vida Loca, Gang Days in L.A., Concrete River*) teams up with singer, composer, Grammy nominee Perla Batalla. 619-388-3596. Friday, October 1, 7pm; free. Saville Theatre at San Diego City College, 14th and C Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

San Diego Novelist Shawn Rohrbach reads from his newest novel, *Cast the First Stone*. 425-444-5988. Saturday, October 2, 6pm; free. Thumbprint Gallery, 2637 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Serial Killer Psychodrama! Author Louie Centanni plans presentation, signing of his novel, *A Couple of Unorthodox Love Affairs*. 619-282-0437. Sunday, October 3, 4pm; free. Lestat's Coffee House, 3343 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Stage Monkeys Take the Stage Audience-inspired theater, in which players create scenes, plays, songs, "anything else." Musical guest is Rob Dee; comedy team Mike and Chris entertain too. 858-598-7620. Friday, October 1, 8pm; \$5. 18 and up. Moxie at Rolando Theatre, 6663 El Cajon Blvd., Suite N. (COLLEGE AREA)

The Real "Gidget"! California Surf Festival begins when Kathy Kohner (aka the "real" Gidget) is on hand for screening of documentary *Accidental Icon: The Real Gidget Story*. Also in attendance: film's director, Brian Gillogly. 760-721-6876. Wednesday, October 6, 6pm; \$8-\$25. Sunshine Brooks Theatre, 217 N. Coast Hwy. (OCEANSIDE)

Urban Fantasy Author Lee Carroll signs "first in an urban fantasy trilogy about a New York City woman who opens a mysterious box and discovers a magical world." 858-268-4747. Sunday, October 3, 2pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

VAMP — The Future VAMP (visual art, music, performance) hosts "evening of stories filled with futuristic happenings, true, fictional, and otherwise involving

jet packs." 619-284-6784. Thursday, September 30, 8:30pm; free. 21 and up. Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street. (SOUTH PARK)

LECTURES

"Accordance of Disciplines" Artist Ruben Ochoa, architect Teddy Cruz, art critic and moderator Robert Pincus gather for discussion focusing on "similarities, differences, and philosophies of the artist and architect" for Bronowski Art and Science Forum. Also planned: performance by guitarist Pablo Gomez Cano. 858-442-3030. Wednesday, October 6, 6:30pm; free. Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"Beautiful Landscape on a Low-Water Budget" Landscape designer Connie Beck presents seven principles of low-water landscaping, plant selection, planting techniques. Reservations: 619-660-0614 x10. Saturday, October 2, 9am; \$25. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

"Connecting San Diego's Kids to Nearby Nature" Panel of local experts focuses on "how we can reconnect our children with the great outdoors" for "Sustainable Planet: Children and Nature" lecture series. 619-232-3821. Tuesday, October 5, 6:30pm; \$5. San Diego Natural History Museum, 1788 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Counter Intelligence: More Secrets of Games Revealed!" Wayne Saunders, curator of "Counter Cultures: The Secret Lives of Games," examines "history of games, their place in the study of humankind, and how collecting them can be more than the trivial matter it seems to be" for Coffee, Culture, and Conversation series. 619-239-2001. Tuesday, October 5, 4pm; free. San Diego Museum of Man, 1350 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Crash Course in Overcoming Excuses" According to Lee Silber, he "never thought he could lose 50 pounds, finish his first novel, or appear in major media, but he did all of these things in the past three

months." Silber leads workshop to help others "overcome their excuses and reach their goals before the end of this year." Fee: \$45 for one, "bring a friend for free." Registration: 858-735-4533. Saturday, October 2, 10am. Saska's & Saska's Sushi, 3768 Mission Boulevard. (MISSION BEACH)

"Early Hominids" UCSD's Salk Center for Academic Research and Training in Anthropogeny hosts experts from around the world explaining the origin of humans. Speakers include Tim White ("African Origins of the Hominid Clade"), Berhane Asfaw ("Crania of the Earliest Hominids"), Michel Brunet ("In Central Africa: On the Track of a New Cradle for Mankind"), Yohannes Haile-selassie ("The Earliest Hominids from Ethiopia"), Sileshi Semaw ("Early Pliocene Hominids from Gona, Ethiopia"), Andrew Hill ("Paleoenvironments and Early Hominids: The View from Kenya"), Owen Lovejoy ("Locomotion and Behavioral Ecology of the Earliest Hominids"), Gen Suwa ("Dentition of the Earliest Hominids"), Ronald Clarke ("The Earliest Hominids from South Africa"). 858-246-0847. Registration required: cartaadmin@ucsd.edu. Friday, October 1, 1pm; free. Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"From Farm Workers to Day Laborers" Mark Day — two-time Emmy award-winning film producer/author/human rights activist — examines "Nonviolent Struggles and Resistance Against Repression" in Clarke Field House/University Student Union, room 113. Day reflects on his experiences as a Catholic friar, spiritual advisor to César Chávez. 760-750-4366. Tuesday, October 5, 7pm; free. CSU San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

"How Government Robs Us Blind and Destroys the Economy" Aaron Brown presents "an introduction to Austrian economic theory." 626-241-7743. Sunday, October 3, 6pm; free. Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont Street. (HILLCREST)

"Report from the Galapagos Islands" Wilfredo Perez of San Diego Secular Humanist Outreach reports on a recent trip

to Galapagos Islands, showing photographs "of landscape, flora, and fauna that played so integral a part in Darwin's conception of the theory of evolution." Program promises "two short videos that concisely explain evolution by natural selection." 619-335-0206. Saturday, October 2, 2pm; free. 12 and up. Rancho San Diego Library, 11555 Via Rancho San Diego. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

"Sea, Sky, and Science" Architectural historian/critic/professor Kurt W. Forster focuses on "The UCSD Campus Between the Real and the Ideal" for "UCSD by Design" lecture series. 858-534-6270. Thursday, September 30, 7pm; free. Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

"Sex Trafficking: The Facts, the Figures, the Victims" "Millions of women and girls throughout the world live in sexual slavery." Consider what can be done when Sam Buchenau and Dawn Marie Lemonds discuss Soroptimist International's "Stop Trafficking" program, related topics for San Diego Partnership Churches. Evening begins with potluck dinner; bring dish to share, plate, utensils. 619-464-1519. Sunday, October 3, 6pm; free. 16 and up. United Church of Christ of La Mesa, 5940 Kelton Avenue. (LA MESA)

"Stirring the Fire" Social documentary photographer Phil Borges explains "why he has come to believe the worldwide empowerment of women and girls is so essential to our prosperity and peace" during 21st annual Social Issues Conference. Required registration: 619-260-4798. Wednesday, October 6, 7pm; free. Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

"The Latest in Human Nutrition" Michael Greger, M.D., shares "practical advice on how best to feed ourselves and our families to prevent, treat, and even reverse chronic disease" during Last Chance for Animals event. Interactive quiz-show presentation (7:30pm). Stone Train plays music. Vegan cookies served (9-10pm). Requested donation: \$7. 619-525-9522. Saturday, October 2, 7:30pm; 10 and up. Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont Street. (HILLCREST)

"UCSD by Design" Series continues with moderated discussion including architectural historian/critic/professor Kurt W. Forster in Student Services Center. 858-534-6270. Friday, October 1, 10am; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

(Help) Heal Thyself Pacific College of Oriental Medicine divulges methods "to access free, authenticated medical information from the National Institutes of Health and the National Library of Medicine's databases." 619-574-6909 x132. Friday, October 1, 9:30am; free. La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

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Anti-Semitism in Christianity Talk by author Gabriel Wilensky, who considers "root causes of anti-Semitism in Christianity and how they prepared the soil for the secular anti-Semitism that culminated in the Holocaust" in his book *Six Million Crucifixions: How Christian Anti-Semitism Paved the Road to the Holocaust*. 858-538-8158. Saturday, October 2, 10am; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Brief History of Arts and Culture... Victoria Hamilton, executive director of City of San Diego's Commission for Arts and Culture, examines the current status of arts and culture, challenges, "the vision for downtown arts and culture" for Downtown Sound Bites series. Bring questions, lunch. Centre City Development Corporation event is in Downtown Information Center, at Horton Plaza above CVS/pharmacy. 619-533-7184. Tuesday, October 5, noon; free. Westfield Horton Plaza, 324 Horton Plaza. (DOWNTOWN)

Get (Medically) Informed Learn "to access free, authenticated medical information from the National Institutes of Health and the National Library of Medicine's databases" during program by Pacific College of Oriental Medicine. 619-574-6909 x132. Thursday, September 30, 2pm; free. El Cajon Library, 201 East Douglas Avenue. (EL CAJON)

Walk and Talk Leah Cluff, curator of "Defying Expectations: Contemporary Native American Art from the San Diego Region," discusses "issues of Native American identity and authenticity," challenges of curating such an exhibition with artists Gerald Clark, Catherine Nelson-Rodriguez, Raymond Lafferty, who have work in the exhibit. Included in regular admission (free-\$8). 760-435-3720. Saturday, October 2, 2pm; Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

What Is Health-Care Reform? Socialized medicine, single payer, health-care pools — what does it all mean? How does the legislation affect us? Donation. Registration: 619-298-9978 x8014. Thursday, September 30, 6:30pm. First Unitarian Universalist

Church of San Diego, 4190 Front Street. (HILLCREST)

World's First Classical Superstar! Explore "troubled and complicated life of Ludwig Van Beethoven," listen to examples of his music when David Lewis speaks for Life at MiraCosta senior learning group in room 1068. 760-721-8124. Friday, October 1, 1pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

SPORTS

Beach to the Orchard Bicycle with the Knickerbikers from Oceanside Harbor to Fallbrook, have lunch (bring money), and then back again. Meet east of railroad track through tunnel. 619-647-3212. Tuesday, October 5, 9:15am. Oceanside Harbor, 1540 Harbor Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

Bikes and Jets! Join Knickerbiker bicyclists for (approximately) 25-mile adventure starting in the restaurant's parking lot. Ride to Mira Mesa for lunch (bring money); from there continue to MCAS Miramar Air Show (free admission). 619-920-3198. Sunday, October 3, 9am. La Jolla Strip Club, 4292 Esplanade Court. (LA JOLLA)

Challenging and Competitive! The 25th anniversary Tour de Poway promises 100-, 62-, and 50-mile bicycling courses begin-

ning with timed climb up Poway grade (6.6% for 3 miles), followed by 7-mile downhill. Century route hits coast before heading back to Poway. The 26- and 18-mile courses provide fun for "the weekend cyclist." 858-679-1027. Sunday, October 3, 7am; \$55-\$65. Old Poway Park, 14134 Midland Road. (POWAY)

Chargers Time San Diego Chargers play football against Arizona Cardinals. Game broadcast on Fox. 800-745-3000. Sunday, October 3, 1:15pm; \$61-\$106. Qualcomm Stadium, 9449 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

Coastwise Mile Enjoy scenic one-mile and 5k courses along La Jolla coast for competitors in divisions including mutt mile, tot trot. 310-821-7898. Saturday, October 2, 7:30am; \$10-\$40. Scripps Park, 1133 Coast Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

Footsteps and Heartstrings Remembrance Walk Walk to raise money for those who cannot afford hospice care hosted by LightBridge Hospice Community Foundation. Prizes awarded for "most spirited" walkers. 858-458-2992. Sunday, October 3, 7am; free-\$25. Crown Point, 3700 Crown Point Drive. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Put 35 Candles on the Cake! Friends of Skateworld host roller disco birthday party celebrating the rink's 35th anniversary. Dress in clothes from the 1970s for cos-

tume contest. Proceeds benefit Save Our Skateworld fund. Admission fee includes skate rental. 858-560-9349. Wednesday, October 6, 6:30pm; \$7. Skateworld, 6907 Linda Vista Road. (LINDA VISTA)

Shamu and You Family Walk Choose a one-mile or four-mile course during Rady Children's benefit. Short stroll starts at South Shores boat ramp, crosses through SeaWorld; longer scenic route continues around Mission Bay. 858-966-5988. Saturday, October 2, 8am; \$20-\$30. South Shores Park, 500 Sea World Drive. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Six-Man BeachFest 2010 Six-on-six volleyball teams duke it out in divisions including men's and women's open, A, masters, plus corporate and college coed at Mariner's Point. Team costumes encouraged. Fee: \$30 per player (six-player minimum). Proceeds benefit San Diego Beach Improvement Group. Saturday, October 2, 8am. Bonita Cove, 1100 West Mission Bay Drive. (MISSION BEACH)

Tai Chi Chuan Try a free class. Mon., Wed., 6pm; Sat. 9:30pm. Qi Gong/Taoist meditation classes ongoing. Saturdays, 9:30pm; Mondays, 6pm; Wednesdays, 6pm. Taoist Sanctuary of San Diego, 4229 Park Boulevard. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

The End Is Near San Diego Padres host Chicago Cubs for final home games of regular season.

Games broadcast on radio station XX Sports Radio (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5555. Thursday, September 30, 1:35pm and 1:35pm; \$10-\$63. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

USPA Spreckels Cup Finals San Diego Polo Club season closes with finals competition. Preliminary matches at 1:30pm, feature match at 3pm. Pack lawn chairs, cooler to view games from east side of field for tailgating (\$25 per car). Parking: \$5. 858-481-9217. Sunday, October 3, 1:30pm; \$10-\$25. San Diego Polo Club, 14555 El Camino Real. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

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Walk Now for Autism Speaks Take part in 5k and family fun walk. Donation. 323-549-0500 x765. Saturday, October 2, 8am; NTC Park at Liberty Station, 2455 Cushing Road. (POINT LOMA)

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Pastor: Gene Beezer

Born: Punxsutawney, PA

Formation: Bachelor's, Houghton College, NY

Ordained: 48 Years

San Diego Reader: *Can you think of a time when you gave a sermon which flopped?*

Pastor Beezer: I can think of a few of them. One of the worst ones happened when I was a young pastor. After I had gone out, it was very silent. Afterwards, one man in the congregation said, "That was the best sermon I ever heard you preach," but I knew it wasn't. **SDR:** *What is the most prevalent sin you observe or hear about from your congregation?*

PB: I can't name one, specifically, but probably thinking ill of others. Our congregation is pretty straight and I can't think of a prevailing sin, but they live a pretty close life.... I stayed longer in ministry than I would have

otherwise because I did have such a positive experience with this group of people. **SDR:** *What is the mission of your church?*

PB: Our mission is to reach people for Christ and grow people in Christ through preaching and pastoral care and involvement of the congregation in the church's ministries. For example, one of those ministries is to Hispanics — we have about 170 Hispanic members of our church and sometimes we have joint services with them, including baptism and communion. They're very much a part of our fellowship. **SDR:** *How do you look at the nature of your vocation?*

PB: My father wanted me to be an attorney and I look back at my work and I've seen young people get off drugs and marriages restored. I taught a class a

year ago for young people about to get married in our church and couples on the verge of divorce. As a result of that class, they're together today and getting along. They said to me that if they had this when they first got married then they probably wouldn't have the problems they had. I definitely feel I was called by God to do this work. I felt it as a young boy and my parents didn't even go to church, but I had a grandmother who influenced me. My father was an alcoholic and our home was turmoil, but my grandmother had a tremendous influence on me — and she lived to be 103 years of age. She lived her Christianity. When I was 12 years old and reading the Bible and I came across the passage in 2 Timothy (4:2), "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke,



Pastor Gene Beezer: "I felt [a call] as a young boy and my parents didn't even go to church."

PB: I believe a believer goes to heaven and a non-believer goes to a place of eternal punishment.

SDR: *What if you're a believer but you haven't been living a good life?*

PB: We may think we are believers. But the Bible says, "Those who know the name of Christ depart from iniquity" (2 Timothy 2:19). I believe that God brings people back to himself who have wandered from him, but I believe that if someone continues on their own path and never turns back, they are a believer nominally but not experientially. Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me" (John 10:27). That doesn't mean a sheep can't wander.

— Joseph O'Brien

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exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." When I read it, I said, "He wrote that

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The Golden Bough
by James George Fraser

The notion of a man-god, or of a human being endowed with divine or supernatural powers, belongs essentially to that earlier period of religious

history in which gods and men were still viewed as beings of much the same order, and before they are divided by the impassable gulf which, to later thought, opens out between them. Strange, therefore, as may seem to

us the idea of a god incarnate in human form, it has nothing very startling for early man, who sees in a man-god or a god-man only a higher degree of the same supernatural powers which he arrogates in perfect good faith to himself.

— Chapter vii: “Incarnate Human Gods”

James George Fraser (1854–1941) was a Scottish anthropologist whose *Golden Bough* (1890) is considered a landmark work of the relatively recent discipline of

comparative religion studies. In it, he developed a theory that mankind’s belief underwent historical changes — from primitive magic to religion to science. The book also relates the birth-death-rebirth pattern present in many if not all major religions.



MUSEUMS & PUBLIC ART

California Center for the Arts, Escondido Museum

“Leveled: An Interactive Experiment in Art” seeks to “expand the boundaries between artist, patron, and curator to create a new, unexpected, and unprecedented museum experience.” Four large-scale, interactive installations were created by artists Doris Bittar, Wes Bruce, Ingram Ober, Marisol Rendon, all based on different connotations of the word “green.” In an unusual twist, museum patrons are invited to touch, alter, add, subtract from installation artworks. The process, entitled “Action/Reaction,” ends November 7, when the artists will return (November 9-14) for “Artist in Residence week,” responding to changes made by museum patrons. View results

through December. 340 North Escondido Blvd., 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

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

Knox House Museum See how Amaziah Knox established a hotel serving drovers, miners, teamsters on their way through the valley. Museum offers display of historical photographs of El Cajon valley, furnishings of the time period (1879-1912) including a pump organ, rollout desk, wood-burning cast-iron stove, furniture brought around tip of South America, a Thomas Edi-

son phonograph, icebox, Hoo-sier cabinet, bed warmer, clothing, children’s toys. Museum is open on first Saturday of month (12:30-3:15pm) and second Saturday of month (11am-1:15pm). 280 North Magnolia Ave., 619-444-3800. (EL CAJON)

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Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown The multifaceted exhibition “Viva la Revolución: A Dialogue with the Urban Landscape” explores “dialogue between artists and the urban landscape.” Show boasts “diverse range of 20 artists from 8 countries...linked together by how their work addresses urban issues.” Exhibition, featuring works both in museum’s galleries as well as at public sites throughout downtown San Diego, is on view through Sunday, January 2, 2011.

“Home Bodies: Selections from the Collection,” continuing through Sunday, February 27, 2011, presents 23 artworks including paintings, sculpture, prints, room-sized installations by artists such as Claes Olden-berg, Joe Goode, Cornelia Parker, Martin Kersels, Jean Lowe, Manny Farber. In “most of the works on view, the ‘body’ is only implied, and the viewer completes the work

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Concurrently, see “The History of Commercial Aviation in America.” A section of exhibit celebrates

40-year history of PSA, with original graphics, a re-creation of the airline’s first ticket booth at Lindbergh Field, uniforms and memorabilia donated by former employees. Ongoing.

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft, including an RQ-1K Predator UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) on indefinite loan from the National Museum of the United States Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, which “saw action over the Balkans in the late 1990s”; a replica of *Spirit of St. Louis*, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, flight deck of the USS *Yorktown*, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane; 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from Mont-golfier hot-air-balloon era to Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame. The 3-D/4-D Zable Theater hosts screenings of *Jetpack Adventure* and *Fly Me to the Moon*. 2001 Pan American Plaza, 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

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Thursday Night Fever

Around the middle of the meal at West Coast Tavern, I realized that I'm really getting into the gastropub craze. They're multiplying in nearly every neighborhood, offering an easy way to eat out with friends (or solo) in a recession. The food is typically inexpensive but often creative and playful. You can wear whatever you like, as long as it's street-legal, and order as little or much as your appetite and budget allow. These eateries let the diner do the driving.

At West Coast, we lucked out and even got to choose our table. The restaurant replaces Hawthorne's at the front of the North Park Theatre but is apparently aimed at a younger, more casual crowd than typical playgoers or light-opera patrons. We'd reserved for a Thursday and been assigned an interior table — but it was next to a group that including a running, yelling, out-of-control wild child. ("Valium now!" I muttered. "Not for me, for him.") And while the interior is dark and handsome in sports-pub fashion, we hated the blasting music, which sounded like...oh, no...disco! (Please don't tell me there's a disco revival! My hair, barely staying alive, won't stand another bout of those tight, swingy Jewish cornrows I used to wear.) And we didn't want to watch TVs tuned to sports, even muted. It took only a word to the server and — presto change-o — we scored a prime patio table with a cozy fire pit in the center, sheltered by an overhanging roof. (Tables without fire pits have heat stanchions.) Later, the DJ must have come on, switching to a more poetic, quietly agonized music genre (is that emo?) — it still played loudly.

Sam, Jerry, and I agreed about which dishes sounded best, and our server was accustomed to group-grazing, no explanations needed. We began with the very generous portion of five-spiced Jidori chicken wings. The Chinese five-spice blend was obscured by a sweet, tangy, sticky glaze, but still, it was a sweet beginning. Also



Rowdy children, TV sports, and loud music notwithstanding, Naomi Wise is "really getting into the gastropub craze."

sweet but more soul-satisfying was a quartet of hot bacon-wrapped dates stuffed with chopped nuts, tasting like spectacular, highly unkosher rugelach, minus the pastry. They came with a charming creamy dipping sauce based on mild goat cheese, with perhaps a squeeze of lemon juice and bits of other tiny, mysterious food entities. I loved every part of this combination.

A crab napoleon offered a trio of crisp wonton skins stacked with chilled Dungeness crab shreds, dressed in a mango vinaigrette, scattered with a few chopped green beans. Although two months too soon for prime Dungeness season, it was cute and fragile and vanished before any of us could pin down where we'd eaten a similar dish (happy hour at Mr. A's, perhaps?). An ultra-

healthy baby-spinach salad with strawberries (loaded with folates and many longer nutritional words) also seemed elusively familiar. Sam nailed it: it's the signature salad of nearby Café 21, a terrific little Azerbaijani restaurant that does a better, more ebullient version. Here, the quartered strawberries, local but past prime season, were sour.

Then the larger dishes started to arrive. A plain mac 'n' cheese is available, but you can also venture on the "chef's daily creation." Again, we were in luck: the du jour was blue-cheese based, with chicken and plenty of frizzled onions. This was not only a sophisticated change from the standard melted yellow and orange cheeses, but lighter, creamier, more interesting, especially with the exuberant textural contrast of

DINING REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

West Coast Tavern ★ ★ ½ (Good to Very Good)

2895 University Avenue (front of North Park Theatre), North Park, 619-295-1688; westcoasttavern.com

HOURS: Monday–Friday 4:00 p.m.–2:00 a.m.; Saturday noon–2:00 a.m.; Sunday brunch 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.; Sunday dinner 4:00 p.m.–2:00 a.m. Takeout until midnight.

PRICES: \$6–\$14 for everything; desserts, \$7. **CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Gastropub grazing, playful and fun. Well-edited affordable international wine list, everything available by the glass, bottles under \$30. Full bar with classic and slightly creative cocktails, many bourbons, craft beers.

PICK HITS: Five-spice chicken wings; bacon-wrapped nut-stuffed dates; chicken 'n' waffle; lamb sliders. Good bets: interesting dessert list.

NEED TO KNOW: Pricey parking garage behind theater, street parking painful but possible (better on weeknights). Interior very noisy (loud music) with live DJs. Sports-bar atmosphere (including TVs), but front patio (about six tables) sheltered, heated, two tables with fire pits. Handicapped cut-out at curb in front. Plenty for lacto-vegetarians, somewhat less for vegans. Happy hour 4:00–7:00 p.m. daily.

Ratings reflect the reviewer's reaction to food, ambience, and service, with price taken into consideration. Menu listings and prices are subject to change.

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the crunchy-crisp onions. It's a new rendition a world apart from your mom's (and Stouffer's) and all the better for that.

Tavern Chicken 'n' Waffle revisits the Southern favorite with partial success. The problem is that, Jidori or no, the chicken is all skinless, boneless breast tenders. (What happens to the good parts, like the thighs?) "This chicken is bland and dry — it has no taste," said Jerry. What buys it off is that the unevenly cooked waffle, which includes bacon, is soaked with

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Za'atar-spiced white shrimp are crusted with sesame, thyme, perhaps sumac, and something spicy. Dryness was the problem again — the shrimp were overcooked. Alongside was a pleasant citrus-touched mound of cold couscous garnished with a horde of cut chives, chopped parsley, minced hot red pepper, and hulled pumpkin seeds, along with a charred lemon. Alas, lemon juice won't restore moisture to overcooked shrimp.

We didn't try any of the four flatbreads but couldn't resist the sliders. These are \$8 for two sliders per order, but \$4 more gets you one extra, and you can mix and match. The lamb slider with feta and caramelized onion jam, with garlic aioli bedecking the brioche bun, was the one that called out to us. Answering the siren song rewarded us with meat patties done to a nice pink inside, juicy but greaseless, with just-right garnishes. (The onion jam rocks.) For our

extra slider, I chose the Niman Ranch pulled pork with "Abe's famous BBQ sauce" and slaw on an aioli-garnished bun. The BBQ sauce pervading the meat was very spicy but lacking the sweet touch of the mid-South. A skimpy portion of slaw is on the *bottom* bun (and what good is that?).

The reasonable prices of the wine list made it easy to order by the glass, so we could each try our own first choice. Globetrotting Sam's about to head off to Argentina, so we both started with the Aguijón de Abeja Torrontés white — big, sunny, a fine match for the food flavors, even the meats. Jerry began with an Argentine Malbec. It's certainly better than Malbecs used to be (when I was there in the Jurassic era, even in Mendoza wine country, Argentines usually drank them with a spritz of seltzer) but still a tad tannic and macho. Sam's second glass, Cab 337, was more mellow. "They've done a good job assembling this wine list," said Sam, a habitué of wine bars, as is Jerry. "These are mainly about \$10 retail, but they're interesting to explore."

The dessert list, which apparently changes often, held several temptations, not least of which was a bittersweet chocolate bread pudding. But we wanted something lighter and chose the bourbon-mascarpone tart on a nut crust. It arrived in a ramekin, its thick texture buoyed by gelatin, with not much bourbon flavor. It looked so much like panna cotta that I realized that panna cotta, though not on the menu, was really what I wanted. This was plenty heavier. The espresso machine was broken, but our good server Paris delivered my Caffè Calabria coffee as requested, right along with dessert.

Our food-only costs were just \$78 for three people overeating (and doggie-bagging several nights' worth of grazes) — can't complain about that. West Coast also offers just about everything "to go" until midnight, ready to take with you when you just want to head home, change from that white polyester suit into flannel PJs, and refuel in comfort after your hot night at the disco. ■



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Carla's working till 8:00 tonight. I have just enough time. So I beetle up Grand till it hits that huge puddle they call the Pacific Ocean. Small problem: clouds have gathered along the horizon. Still, they may break up. I lope south along the boardwalk till I come to the beginning of Thomas Street. There it is. "Armando's The Green Flash," says a green canopy. Armando must be the owner. I see a couple of empty tables on the patio facing the horizon. Great. "When's happy hour?" I ask Magali, the hostess.

"Three till seven," she says.

"Do you have a happy-hour menu?"

"Well, tonight there's just one item.

Chicken tacos, \$2 each. At the bar."

"Can I take them out onto the patio?"

"I'm sorry — happy hour's only at the bar, here at the back." Man. Bar's as far away as you can get from the sunset view.

Long and short of it, I sit at the bar anyway, order a chicken taco and a Coke and get them down pretty quick. Doesn't seem much point without being able to see the green flashes. 'Course the taco's tasty — chicken, cheese, shredded lettuce, and grilled tomatillo sauce. For two bucks, a good deal.

But I leave kinda dissatisfied. Still have half an hour to kill and half a gut to fill. I start walking south. Into an area where the bungalows get smaller and cuter. One of the houses has a deck built out to the street, with tables and flat-top fencing and guys drinking and chowing away.

Building's dark green with a rusty metal sign. "Sneak Joint," it says.

Couple of guys on the deck say the food is super great, so, what da heck: moment later,

I'm inside. The place is crammed, music's jammin'. Crowd seems to be a mixture of students, their alum dads and moms, foreign students, and...women in bikinis? The flat-screens roar

sports, people are yelling at the baseball screen, and I suddenly realize that all the women in bikini tops are staff. I make it to the bar. This gal Jesi, in a light-blue two-piece, asks me what I'd like, and hands me a menu.

Wow. This must be where the rich students live. Appetizers like chicken and beef satay cost \$11.95. A quesadilla is \$7.50, \$8.95 with chicken, \$10.95 with steak. Fish and chips run \$13.95; two fish tacos, \$14.95; and burgers go for between \$11.95 and \$15.95. There's a chicken-breast sandwich for \$8.95 and a Philly cheesesteak for \$10.95. You get the picture.

"You get what you pay for," says Seth, who's cleaning tables. "This is good-quality food here."

He's probably right. But...

"Do you have a happy hour?" I ask.

"We have daily specials," Jesi says. "Today's is all-you-can-eat pasta for \$5."

"Happy hour?"

"No, daily special. Served all night long. Well, till nine, anyway."

Now she's talking my language. Seth tells me about the specials: there's a \$5 Philly steak sandwich on Sundays, along with 25-cent wings. That wing deal continues on Monday. On Tuesday, they have, like, beef, chicken, or fish sliders for \$2.50 each.

"Wednesday's \$5 burgers and fries," says Seth, "as long as you buy a pint of any microbrew beer. There's \$5 pasta on Thursday. Friday we have \$2 chicken tacos. Saturday is steak night — a \$12 filet. Oh, also, Sunday mornings we set the kitchen up out front and have an all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet, drinks — like mimosas and Bloody Marys — included. 'Kegs and Eggs.' It costs \$17.95, from seven to ten, then \$24.95 from ten to two."

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I suddenly realize that all the women in bikini tops are staff.

This is Thursday, so I order the \$5 pasta. Fettuccine with pesto sauce. Then I order a Buckler nonalcoholic beer from Holland. Five bucks.

"The group who started this place comes from Chicago," says Seth.

I notice a couple of glossy magazines on a shelf pushing the legalization of marijuana. Uh, that perchance have anything to do with the name?

But Seth's gone and my pasta has come. It's, well, good. Maybe a bit tough as pasta goes, but full of pesto flavor. No meats, of course. Still, it's filling, green, served on a nice plate. The Buckler's not bad, until I look

around and see guys drinking Arrogant Bastard and other hoppy local brews. Oh, man. No comparison.

Whatever, it's a fun joint. And, they're having their two-year birthday bash this Saturday, October 2, from 6:00 p.m., with a hosted bar from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

In the end, I get a second plateful of pasta from Jesi. Free, but big mistake. I suddenly look at my watch. Carla! She hates lateness. When I call, she says, "Late again! Green flashes? Your whole sorry life's about to flash before your eyes."

"Be nice," I say. "I've found us a party for Saturday night." ■

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RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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Alpine

Ramon's Smokehouse BBQ 1730 Alpine Bl., Alpine, 619-445-1008. The smell of mesquite burning under fresh-cut beef rib is too much to resist — the secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire. Inexpensive.

Baja

From the United States use the prefix 011-52 when calling Mexico.

Café Français La Belle Claude 7th Street #8186-A, Tijuana. A family with their own farm outside town runs this chic Parisian outpost offering farm-made jams and cheeses, *panini*, *ciabattas*, an excellent French-dip sandwich, flaky dessert empanadas, and French pâtisserie to go with the genuine Cuban coffee. Inexpensive.

El Cid Lopez Mateos #993, Ensenada, 646-178-1809. Gourmet Mexican cuisine with unique specialties: Crisp quail with rose petal sauce proves delicious, and seasonal *chiles en nogada* (meat-stuffed poblano chiles with walnut cream and pomegranate) gain

refinement from greaseless ground sirloin. Moderate.

La Diferencia Avenida Sánchez Taboada #10611-A, Tijuana, 664-634-3346. Mexican haute cuisine with inventive combinations. The menu reframes the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Inexpensive.

Fonda Roberto's Avenida Cuauhtémoc #2800 (at Agua Caliente Bl., next to CESUN Universidad), Tijuana, 664-686-4687. Unusual dishes from Chef Roberto's native Puebla include *huazontle*, the Aztecs' "red spinach" in chocolate mole sauce, and *Dedos de Moctezuma* ("Montezuma's fingers" — cactus stuffed with steak). Moderate.

La Leña Boulevard Agua Caliente #11191, Tijuana, 664-686-2920. Open-grill *charro* food with a peaceful view. Old-style BBQ steaks, surf 'n' turf combos, and big slabs of Mexican-cut *filete cabreria*, which are flabby but tender. Most arrive at your table sizzling on black iron hotplates. Moderate.

Lonchería la Poca Lucha Municipal Market, Avenida Niños Héroes #105, Tijuana. Best food stall in the marketplace? Maybe. Ask for *carne de puerco* (pork), *chiles rellenos*, *bistek ranchero*, or *higado al gusto* (liver), all around \$3. Inexpensive.

Super Antojitos Fourth Street #1810 (between Constitución and Niños Héroes), Tijuana, 664-685-5070. The house special, *mole poblano*, has complex, delicious house-made mole sauce with an enchilada, eggs, rice, beans, tortillas. Also delicious: stuffed pastries, pork rind *gorditas*. Inexpensive.

Tortas de la Sexta Calle 6 (Flores Magon), between Revolución and Madero, Tijuana. Small-but-smart two-stool hole-in-the-wall counter on

a street that's full of life, unlike moribund Revolución 50 yards away. Beef, ham, vegetarian, and combo tortas are tender, filling, bigger than burgers, and sell for around \$3.

Banker's Hill

Banker's Hill 2202 Fourth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-231-0222. Chef Carl Schroeder (of Market in Del Mar) ventures into a neighborhood restaurant — still "farm to fork" but simpler, with less-costly ingredients, less originality. The cosmopolitan comfort food meets an uncomfortably trendy ambience — tables crowded cheek-to-jowl, hard chairs, a near din. Moderate.

Extraordinary Desserts 2929 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-294-2132. Also 1430 Union St., Little Italy, 619-294-7001. Chef-owner Karen Krasne incorporates flavors inspired by her travels from Paris to Bali. The white cakes are food for angels. Up-town location desserts only; downtown offers light grazing meals, too. Moderate.

Hane 2760 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-260-1411. This city branch of legendary Sushi Ota is more comfortable, with bilingual chefs at the counter exercising impeccable craftsmanship, emphasizing pristine rolls and sashimi, not party rolls. The *omakase* sashimi platter offers Ota's most popular and showy creations. Moderate-plus.

Taco Rey Taco Shop 1870 Fourth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-234-6617. Everyone from garbage-truck drivers to doctors patronizes this sidewalk-seating, canopy-shaded *taquería*. Their breakfast *huevos Mexicanos* and sunset California burritos are great al fresco. Inexpensive.

Campo

Campo Diner 1367 Dewey Pl., Campo, 619-478-2888. The burgers are made from Black Angus beef, so they cost more. But there are deals, too, like the huge The Works omelet and the robust lunchtime homemade soup of the day. Inexpensive.

Cardiff

Besta-Wan Pizza House 148 Aberdeen Dr., Cardiff, 760-753-6707. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you want to fill up. Inexpensive.

Trattoria Positano 2171 San Elijo Ave., Cardiff, 760-632-0111. Original recipes, wonderful fresh fish, nightly specials, excellent lamb and pastas. Upper-moderate.

Carlsbad

Knockout Pizza 2959 Carlsbad Bl., Carlsbad, 760-434-4468. It's New York pizza here. They make the pies with thin, crisp crusts and toppings like meatball or garlic. Maybe their best is the Bronx Special: pepperoni, sausage, onions, olives, mushrooms, pepper, and garlic. Inexpensive.

O'Sullivan's Irish Pub of Carlsbad 640 Grand Ave., Carlsbad, 760-729-4072. Above-average pub grub, especially the moist corned beef with firm-tender cabbage, salads, and house-baked brown bread. Noisy interior, serene patio out back. Inexpensive.

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town seafood chain. Raw seafood air-shipped from the company's Culiacán processing plant, but nothing sings with fresh-caught flavor upon arrival. Skimp on appetizers — best dishes are rich, elaborate entrées. Moderate to very expensive.



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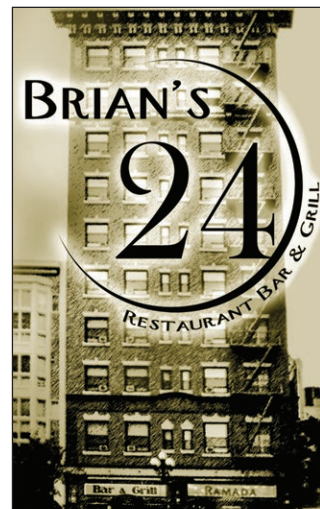
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Yakitori Yakyudori 3739 Sixth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-692-4189. Yakitori are Japan's little skewers of grilled or fried goodies, each marinated and/or garnished to flatter its nature — great for grazing. Chicken-skin salad, fried tofu, skewered pork with *shiso*, chicken heart, and octopus fritters are among the standouts. Inexpensive to moderate.

Kearny Mesa

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Crab Hut 4646 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1678. A local Vietnamese family runs this friendly, bare-bones eatery, specializing in Louisian-oid fried seafood and boiled seasoned shrimp, crabs, and crawfish. Inexpensive to moderate.

Pampas Argentine Grill 8690 Aero Dr., Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. Argentine specialties feature healthy, grass-fed, grilled beef, including an Americanized version (minus organ meats) of the *gauchos'* great *parrillada mixta* (mixed grill). Good beef empanada, potatoes. Moderate.

Sunrise Super Buffet 3860 Convoy St., Kearny Mesa, 858-715-1608. Apart from all the meats, fish, shellfish, lobster (on Sundays), and novelties like stuffed mushrooms, stuffed clams, and dragon rolls, raw oysters in their shells are a big draw. Beverages included in price. Inexpensive.

Kensington-Talmadge

Bleu Bohème 4090 Adams Ave., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-255-4167. Classic French bistro, *très chic* but informal and noisy, emphasizes familiar favorites from the old-fashioned, French-in-America, bourgeois-cuisine restaurant repertoire. High-moderate.

La Jolla

A.R. Valentien 11480 N. Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolla, 858-777-6635. California cuisine emphasizing the natural flavors of in-season produce and top-quality meats and seafood; scenic setting. Very expensive.

The Cookie Lady Café and Bakery 7596 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-456-1640. It's soup-and-sandwich land, and good in both departments. A half-and-half of turkey sandwich (with real house-roasted turkey) and Italian wedding soup will feed you all day for near-nothing. Inexpensive.

George's at the Cove — California Modern 1250 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-4244. The California Modern dining room continues to serve Chef Trey Foshee's ambitious California cuisine based on seasonal ingredients and emphasizing wild seafood, local produce, naturally raised meats and poultry. Very expensive.

Harry's Coffee Shop 7545 Girard Ave., La Jolla, 858-454-7381. Down-home eatery with a pretty patio, where the ham, steak, and eggs is a favorite breakfast, as are Hot Creamy Oatmeal with strawberries, pecan pancakes, and thin, crisp waffles. For lunch, turkey burgers and the British Burger are popular. Inexpensive.

Jai 2910 La Jolla Village Drive/UCSD Campus, La Jolla, 858-638-7778. Chic Wolfgang Puck spinoff serves refined Asian fusion in beautiful woodsy setting, and you don't need tickets to L.J. Playhouse to enjoy it — it's all pure, playful pleasure. Open on performance days only; otherwise, catered special events. Expensive.

Piatti Ristorante 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. Reserve for the garden patio to avoid

indoor din. Exquisite, creative Italian dishes include fine sweetbreads, ravioli *al limone*, prosciutto-grilled romaine, and key lime-raspberry tart. Moderate to expensive.

The Steakhouse at Azul 1250 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The Brigantine chain's upscale branch offers surf 'n' turf with a sea view. Big, tender steaks, reliably well-treated seafood. Very expensive.

Zenbu 7660 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-454-4540. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls. Don't miss the live local *uni* (sea urchin) served on its shell most weekends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood. Upper-moderate to expensive.

La Mesa

Antica Trattoria 5654 Lake Murray Bl., La Mesa, 619-463-9919. Exuberant Italian food in family-friendly atmosphere. NY expats will rejoice at cooking and hospitality to equal Manhattan favorites. Moderate (pastas) to slightly expensive.

Ciao Bella Caffè Bar e Ristorante 5263 Baltimore Dr., La Mesa, 619-337-0238. Not your ordinary neighborhood Italian joint. Exciting dishes include Penne Ciao Bella (salmon, shrimp, and spinach in a light sauce), *cartoccio* (baked spaghetti with seafood) and San Remo pizza (with sunny-side-up eggs). Moderate.

GIO Bistro & Wine Bar 8384 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa, 619-462-9100. The vast garden patio is the main draw, however punishing the wiry patio chairs. The hit-or-miss menu of eclectic Cal-Ital-Asian-fusion offers "something for everyone" — but there's no "there" there. High-moderate.

Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room 7777 University Ave., La Mesa, 619-713-6777. This rambling roadhouse reincarnates the Turf Supper Club's DIY communal grill, adding side dishes and desserts to the marinated raw steaks, portobello, etc. Under 21 from 4 to 7 pm only; no reservations. Open late. Moderate.

Lemon Grove

Barnes Bar-B-Que 7820 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-462-9206. True Tennessee-style barbecue of meats and poultry slow-smoked tender over oak, plus mouthwatering Memphis-style soul food entrées and honest Deep-South sides. Inexpensive.

Taste of Polynesia 6937 Federal Bl., Lemon Grove, 619-466-6199. It's Samoan here, not Hawaiian, so be prepared for new stuff, like *muli pipi* (roasted turkey tail), *oka* (raw cubes of yellowtail with coconut milk), and corned beef with taro. Inexpensive.

Little Italy

Fat City Steakhouse 2137 Pacific Hwy., Little Italy, 619-232-9303. In the Deco pink palace at the edge of downtown, the USDA Choice steaks (and one velvety Prime cut) are cooked over mesquite charcoal, which lends them a deliciously smoky flavor. Inexpensive to moderate.

Indigo Grill 1536 India St., Little Italy, 619-234-6802. Deborah Scott expands her original Native-American motif, with its focus on root vegetables, game, and roasted spices. Inexpensive to moderate, dinner moderate to expensive.

Pete's Quality Meats 1742-1/2 India St., Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Aficionados line up for Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and bread crumbs. Inexpensive.

Puerto la Boca 2060 India St., Little Italy, 619-234-4900. Uncompromised Argentine cooking here, emphasizing healthy grass-fed grilled beef but also lush seafood, pizzas, and lacto-vegetarian pastas. Starters include luscious beef or corn empanadas and the filling *matambre* (rolled beef galantine). Moderate.

Logan Heights

Sister Pee Wee's Soul Food 2971-1/2 Imperial Ave., Logan Heights, 619-236-0470. The menu depends on what Sister Pee Wee feels like cooking. You might find big pork ribs with soulful sides or fried chicken or catfish fillet with trimmings or chitlins (her specialty). Inexpensive.

Midway District

Country Kabob 3145 Rosecrans St., Midway District, 619-226-2524. Also 3375 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-563-6300. The star of this reasonably priced Greek place is owner-chef Karim Latif. He's Afghan and learned Greek cooking in NYC. He always has specials, sometimes even "pay what you can." Reliable choice: Number 36, the kobeda kabob. Charbroiled. Inexpensive.

Fairouz Café and Gallery 3166 Midway Dr., Midway District, 619-225-0308. Seek out this family-owned restaurant for Lebanese and Greek food. The menu offers lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and exotic vegetarian meals, plus daily lunch and dinner buffets. Moderate.

Mira Mesa

Buca di Beppo 10749 Westview Parkway, Mira Mesa, 858-536-2822. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Downtown. Try *penne arrabiata* with its spicy sausage or the chicken parmigiana. Standard stuff in vast family-friendly quantities, but you're having fun. Inexpensive to moderate.

Mission Beach

Red Marlin Hyatt Regency Mission Bay Spa and Marina, 1441 Quivira Rd., Mission Beach, 619-224-1234. Blissful bay view, with hotel food enlivened by Chef de Cuisine Danny Bannister. Want Kurobuta pork medium-rare? He knows the secret. And his blue crab cake is all crab, minimal filler. Expensive.



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Mission Hills

Lucha Libre Gourmet Taco Shop 1810 W. Washington St., Mission Hills, 619-296-8226. Wonderful shrine to Mexican wrestling, plus really excellent tacos. It's a taco joint, but definitely gourmet. Quesotacos are a must. Book 24 hours ahead and you can be seated in the Champions' Booth, treated like *El Rey*.

Sausage King 811 W. Washington St., Mission Hills, 619-297-4301. The German couple who run this place make 34 sausages and luncheon meats, plus 10 smoked meats like turkey, beef, Westphalian ham, Black Forest ham, and even bacon. Inexpensive.

Venissimo Cheese 754 W. Washington St., Mission Hills, 619-491-0708. You can get a baguette-style sandwich stuffed with cow cheese, sheep cheese, goat cheese...fruity, moldy, runny, stinky... Any cheese in the house, same price: around five bucks. Even *Boschetto* cheese, with truffles in it. Inexpensive.

National City

Asian Noodle 1430 E. Plaza Bl., National City, 619-477-5390. The main dish is Filipino-style chicken soup with egg noodles — a little bland, but filling. *Siopao* (stuffed steamed buns) make a good accompaniment — or try “sweet spaghetti.” Inexpensive.

Birrias, Chivos & Cheves 2401 Highland Ave., National City, 619-477-

7660. Goat is what you get here, and it's good. Guadalajara style. The taste is rich but not too gamey. Inexpensive.

Filipino Desserts Plus 2220-Q E. Plaza Bl., National City, 619-479-6748. The pride of the place is the desserts, from the *ube halea* (purple yam custard) and *maja blanca* (coconut-corn combo) to the *sapin sapin* (multicolored layer cake) and fried sweet *saba* banana on a skewer. Inexpensive.

Tita's Kitchenette 2720 E. Plaza Bl., suite E, National City, 619-472-5801. Quail eggs and ground pork. Mmm. Just one of the Filipino specialties steaming every day in Tita's chafing dishes. This authentic “point-point” place delivers an astonishing array, from excellent adobo to *dinuguan*, pig's blood stew. Always crowded. Cash only; very inexpensive.

Normal Heights

Blind Lady Ale House 3416 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-255-2491. The amazing, ever-changing draft ales will bring you here, but the unusual pizzas will help you keep chugging. Original salads, too. Basic draw: the civilized craziness of the place.

Cantina Mayahuel 2934 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-283-6292. Small room, short menu of fine, authentic mainland cooking including specials like complex house-made mole poblano and Oaxacan black mole, Chili Colorado (slow-cooked beef), or Yucatán seafood stew. Inexpensive.

Jayne's Gastropub 4677 30th St., Normal Heights, 619-563-1011. Clamorous interior, but you'll find sophisticated southern-European appetizers like hummus, fried calamari, and Spanish-style shrimp with garlic.

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Alexander's 3391 30th St., North Park, 619-281-2539. A spin-off of Old Venice, serving neighborhood-style Italian with Greek touches, including interesting specials and imaginative thin-crust pizzas. Loud, bright interior; sweet, dim back patio. Moderate (pastas) to expensive.

Craze Burger 4201 30th St., North Park, 619-282-6044. You'll find creative, made-to-order burgers from beef to buffalo, gator, and ostrich (delicious!), and even fish and veggies — each with its own individualized seasonings and sauce, plus salads, German sausages, bargain wines, and serious beers. Inexpensive to low moderate.

Heaven Sent Desserts 3001 University Ave., North Park, 619-793-4758. Cookies, tarts, pies, custards, puddings, and intricate cakes and ice cream fantasias. The style is rich and often fancy with choices ranging from American favorites to ethereal Euro-style elaborations. Inexpensive.

Loving Hut 1905 El Cajon Bl., North Park, 619-683-9490. The “Supreme Master” cult from Vietnam runs this, here and in 18 other countries, and they serve excellent vegan food. Try the Heavenly Salad with soy “chicken” or real-tasting soy-patty burgers. Great prices.

Marie's Café 3016 University Ave., North Park, 619-220-0142. Old-time diner serving generous portions. Try the three-egger breakfast omelet with Italian sausage, avocado, and olives. If Erik's smokin' up some ribs (you'll smell them half a block away), grab them. Inexpensive.

Ocean Beach

Livingston's Chicken and Mexican Grill 5026 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-224-8088. “Broasted” chicken — pressure cooked in oil — is tastier and less greasy than standard fried chicken. Or try garlicky “potato Jo-Jo's,” a California burrito, or pork salsa verde plate. Until midnight weekdays; 2am weekends. Inexpensive.

Ocean Beach People's Organic Foods Co-Op Deli 4765 Voltaire St., Ocean Beach, 619-224-1387. Virtuous, mainly vegan-prepared dishes include garlic eggplant with beet and onions, tempeh loaf, sweet squash and rice, millet spinach bake, veggie shepherd's pie, “mango madness.” Inexpensive.

Oceanside

Ruby's Diner 1 Oceanside Pier, Oceanside, 760-433-7829. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Mission Valley. Ruby's is part of a themed '40s-diner chain. Red-leatherette-and-chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca-Cola signs, and that view to Hawaii. Good-sized servings — try their omelets. Open daily. Inexpensive.

Old Town

Jack and Giulio's Italian Restaurant 2391 San Diego Ave., Old Town, 619-294-2074. The traditional Italian entrées like veal parmigiana and fettuccine Alfredo are there, but go for house specialties like Spaghetti New Orleans with shrimp, crawfish, and crabmeat, or the scampi dishes. Moderate.

Pacific Beach

Bare Back Grill 4640 Mission Bl., Pacific Beach, 858-274-7117. Also 624 E St., Downtown, 619-237-9990. The Kiwi owners guarantee healthy, hormone-free, organic beef and lamb from New Zealand — mainly in burgers, from grass-fed organic beef burgers to lamb burgers with wasabi dip. Inexpensive.

Broken Yolk Café 1851 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-9655. Additional locations in Chula Vista, Carlsbad, Downtown, San Marcos. Breakfasting P.B.ers love this place for the sundeck, the 26 different four-egg omelets (which you can split with your partner, no extra charge), and the challenge of omelet #27. Inexpensive.

Gringo's 4474 Mission Bl., Pacific Beach, 858-490-2877. This noisy, popular indoor-outdoor venue is better than its name implies, with fresh, skillful cooking of slightly dumbed-down, gentled Mexican cuisine such

as you might find in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta. Moderate.

The Hungry Wolf 2211 Pacific Beach Drive (in Campland on the Bay), Pacific Beach, 858-581-4220. People seem to be happier here, at this town's least-recognized vacation getaway. Big terrace, outside BBQ. Actually serves decent Texas ribs, plus fish and chips, salmon burgers, ice cream.

JRDN 723 Felspar St., Pacific Beach, 858-270-5736. Beachfront dining room and patio, with dishes covering the waterfront, ranging from mac 'n' cheese to die for to a sexy, fruited gazpacho to swoon over. Chic, relaxed atmosphere, great grazing, youngish crowd. Entrées expensive.

Joe's Crab Shack 4325 Ocean Bl., Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474. Additional locations in Mission Valley, Oceanside, and Downtown. Buckets of crab or fried or grilled seafood in raucous, kid-friendly atmosphere. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

Sushi Ota 4529 Mission Bay Dr., Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. This renowned sushi bar offers pristine seafood, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. And beauty, of course, like the sashimi of a whole small Spanish mackerel bent into the shape of a swelling sail. Moderate to expensive.

Pine Valley

La Posta 32337 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley, 619-478-5600. Old West atmosphere, vintage American food including hefty anytime breakfasts (bulging omelets, chicken-fried steak with eggs). Their burgers are big, their chili is legendary, and the dinner rib-eye steak can make city folks swoon. Inexpensive.

Point Loma

Umi Sushi 2806 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-226-1135. Japanese and Korean entrées such as *teppanyaki* (cooked in the kitchen) chicken/seafood/beef, Korean ribs, and excellent beef teriyaki. Sushi highlights include lemony *ama ebi*, rich garlic tuna, and spicy Crazy Boy “krab” roll. Inexpensive to moderate.

Rancho Bernardo

El Bizcocho 17550 Bernardo Oaks Dr., Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8550. This deluxe resort restaurant features cutting-edge French and Asian (but not exactly fusion) dishes made with fresh, superb local ingredients and modern “molecular” techniques, producing flavor explosions to thrill culinary adventurers. Very expensive.

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Hunan 16719 Bernardo Center Dr., Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-8131. This family restaurant serves the cuisines of two spicy Chinese provinces, Szechuan and Hunan, de-spiced for SoCal suburbanites. Tea-smoked duck, eggplant Hunan-style, and shredded potatoes with pickled vegetables are tasty. Inexpensive.

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Rancho Valencia 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-759-6216. Every bite from appetizer to dessert is prepared and presented to delight Californians, the French...actually, anyone with taste buds. Enjoy an entrée of Prime mesquite-grilled steak, fresh fish, veal, or chicken. Very expensive.

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Solana Beach

Beach Grass Café 159 S. Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-509-0632. Also 1476 Encinitas Bl., Encinitas, 760-942-2741. Imaginative breakfasts are the specialty (reservations vital on weekends). Lunches and dinners feature uneven multiethnic “coastal cuisine” with good veggies. Moderate to slightly expensive.

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Buy the Ticket, Take the Ride. Late August, over 50,000 participants from around the world spent a week in the Black Rock Desert of northwest Nevada for the 24th annual Burning Man. A handful of San Diego performers braved the

Universal Vibe. "It's a lot of work getting all the equipment out there through the dirt." On previous occasions, the group built their stage and performed regularly. This year, a stripped-down version of the band (a laptop, Douglas, and a few dancers, includ-

tiago Orozco of Latin reggae-fusion band Todo Mundo brought out microphones, a guitar, and a PA system powered on a car battery, which lasted about six hours.

"My guitar looked like a trooper," the Colombian-born songwriter reports. "There was all this dust.... It was hard to catch attention with a guitar. There were so many things going on. The least crazy part is a guy with a guitar."

Orozco intends to build a Todo Mundo camp next year and "invite everyone out to play world music."

Five-year Burning Man vet DJ Brian "Bassmechanic" Porterfield brought a larger system — 15,000 watts through 12 cabinets to power the Hunter S. Thompson-themed Bat Country camp.

"It was too windy to take my speakers down," he says of his last day in the desert, "so they sat out for ten hours in 60-mile-per-hour dust."

Despite the hard work, considerable costs, and potentially disastrous bouts of rain and wind, Porterfield will return.

"For me it's like a pilgrimage," he says. "I was burnt and jaded after DJing for ten years. I went to Burning Man thinking I was a pretty creative person, and I was knocked to my knees and humbled.... Now I can't imagine myself not doing it."

Porterfield plans to build a mutant vehicle with the San Diego burner community for

next year's excursion. The car will carry Porterfield's sound system and look "somewhere between a spaceship and a tank — on the *Mad Max* tip — with fire."

Also representing San Diego were DJs Puppy Kicker, Reactivity, Holden, and Jonny Quest.

When asked what makes the whole thing worth the trouble, Porterfield recalls a quote from the good doctor of Gonzo Journalism: "Buy the ticket. Take the ride."

— Chad Deal

Mission Valley — Not Hip. Compared to her cramped apartment in L.A.'s trendy Silver Lake neighborhood, the Mission Valley condo that Lorelei Plotczyk (bassist-vocalist for indie band Film School) moved into is a welcome change.

"It's in Mission Valley — not hip. I can't tell you how refreshing that is. There is so much space and fresh air compared to what I'm used to," writes Plotczyk in a September 17 email. "Our backyard is like a nature preserve." Plotczyk shares the condo with her new husband, San Diego writer-musician James Meetze, and his 11-year-old son.

Plotczyk relocated just a week before she got married to Meetze, singer-guitarist for pop band Dreamtiger, on August 14.

"Initially we thought that [James and his son] would

move to L.A. because, well, it's L.A., and we are musicians. I work in television and James is a writer. But the more we thought about it, the more it made sense for us to be here."

Transitioning to her new digs in San Diego won't be easy, especially when it comes to her role in Film School.

"It's a pain in the ass. I won't lie. I'm a frequent trav-

Plotczyk, borrows inspiration from the Beach Boys and shoegaze indie rockers School of Seven Bells. "The vibe is retro harmonies but with modern beats and catchy guitar and vocal hooks...and lots of fun to play."

Plotczyk and Meetze are also planning on recruiting a drummer for the project. The couple already have a



FILM SCHOOL'S PLOTCHYK FINDS MISSION VALLEY HOMEY

eler on the Pacific Surfliner train," adds Plotczyk.

One bonus of living in San Diego is she won't have to travel far to meet at the band's new label, Hi-Speed Soul. The record label is located in San Diego and run by Eric Howarth, owner of M-Theory Music. On August 31, Hi-Speed Soul released Film School's debut full-length *Fission*.

Film School kicked off a monthlong tour at the Casbah on September 19. Upon her return, Plotczyk looks forward to domestic life and writing songs with Meetze. The couple plan on recording soon under the moniker Weekend Wives. The side project, says

keyboardist in mind. "If we can get James's son to be our keyboard player, we could be the newest family-band sensation — stay tuned!"

— Dorian Hargrove

Marta B Good. What do the Silent Comedy, Transfer, Republic of Letters, and David Maldonado have in common, besides being nominated for San Diego Music Awards? They have all played or recorded with classically trained multi-instrumentalist Marta Zaludova of Mission Hills. In fact, since she moved to San Diego three years ago, Marta B, as she is known on the stage,

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the inside track blur

Martian dust storms and fire-breathing art cars in order to share their music with the postapocalyptic partygoers.

"This was the first time we got to absorb a lot of it and

ing wife Zulema) played a short set at Center Camp and a dinner for Burning Man founder Larry Harvey.

"It's amazing," Douglas says of the gathering. "It doesn't re-



DJ BASSMECHANIC HUMBLLED BY BURNING MAN

take it in without doing too many performances and burning ourselves out," says sitarist Rama Douglas of electronic world group Universal Beats

ally make sense, but it happens every year. It's totally mind-blowing to see how much work everybody puts into it."

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has played and/or recorded, by her count, with at least 18 San Diego bands that are still performing. “I play for Transfer, David Maldonado, Astra Kelly... And I’ve recorded with a lot of different people, too — Gail Skidmore, Mia Valentine, Carlos Paez... And I teach violin, viola, and piano at my studio and at a music school called Villa Musica in Sorrento Valley. It’s a balancing act, definitely.”

Marta B. Zaludova came to the United States from the Czech Republic 15 years ago to learn English. Planning to stay for one year, she began music studies at the University of Georgia and stayed with it until she received her doctorate in music arts. “Back in Europe, it’s really cutthroat... it’s hard to make a living as a freelance musician or as a teacher, and here the opportunities are kind of endless.... I can do a lot more here than I can [in Europe].”

Before moving to San Diego, Zaludova’s musical abilities had already caught the ears of San Diego artists. “In the last two years is when I really started to play with bands. The first band I started playing with was David Maldonado. He found me on MySpace before I moved

here. He wanted a violist, and he wanted someone who was classically trained. He asked me if I would play, and I was, like, ‘No, I can’t do it. I’ve never improvised before. I’ve never done anything like that. I don’t know the style of playing,’ and he was just persistent. Our first rehearsal was a gig — ha ha ha! They just kinda threw me into it. We played at the La Costa Resort. I showed up and, *Oh, this is not really a rehearsal — we’re playing for the public.* It was the best way



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MARTA B. ZALUDOVA

for me to learn, actually, just push me in and swim....

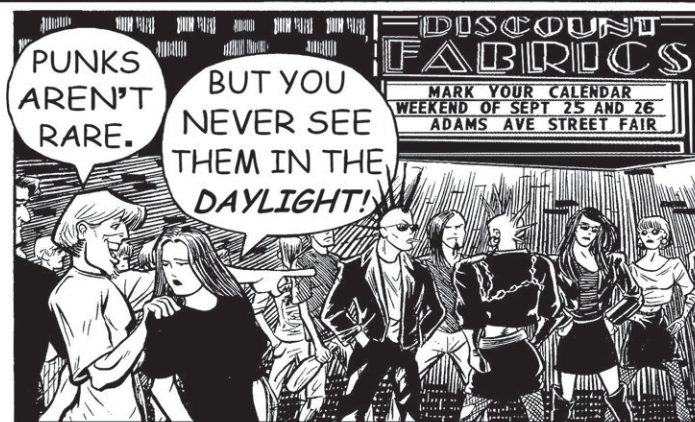
“Now, that style of playing — improvising — is my favorite.”

Since her live “rehearsal” with Maldonado, word of her presence on the S.D. scene has spread. “[When] I started playing with Trent Hancock, he had a band called Ghost

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Bird, and I started playing with Trent at the Waterfront, and it just kind of snowballed from there. I would be seen by other musicians or talked about and be asked [to play] that way. I don’t promote myself, it’s just all word-of-mouth.”

Of the bands Zaludova’s collaborated with, Transfer won Best Rock Album with *Future Selves* at the 20th annual San Diego Music Awards, and the Silent Comedy took home Best Pop Album with *Common Faults*.

To see Marta B in action, check out Transfer Thursday night at Fluxx on Fourth Avenue downtown.

— Adam Crawley

Life Is a Wave. Ryan Hiller moved from New Orleans to San Diego in 2006. He had played Winstons during a 2003 national tour. “After Katrina, I knew I needed a change,” he says, “and the

beautiful women and beaches of sunny California were the perfect lure.”

He describes his music as “a blend of soul, funk, groove, acoustic, jazz, and rock. Most of my gigs around town are solo performances, and they sound a bit different from a whole band. I use a series of pedals including a loop station



IS NAWLINS TRANSPLANT RYAN HILLER ON HIS WAVE?

during my solo gigs, and this allows me to create a much bigger sound than a guitar and microphone alone.”

While still a teenager living in Utah (“but I’m not Mormon”), his band Real Eyes won opening slots for the Black Eyed Peas and John Scofield. He relocated to Louisiana to pursue a degree in jazz performance from the University of New Orleans, where he got to sample the rock-and-roll life as well.

friend and I were having a beer by their tent, and Slash came out and took a piss right next to us. It was very awkward at the time, but I guess when you’ve got to go, you’ve got to go.”

Hiller was drawing inspiration from one popular San Diego pastime long before he moved here. “My dad once told me that life is like a wave, and you spend most of it waiting. Sometimes you crash, and sometimes you catch the wave of your life. And when you catch the wave of your life, you have to ride it till the end. Something like that, anyway. The way he said it was more profound.”

Ryan Hiller appears Thursday night at the Hotel Indigo on Ninth Avenue downtown.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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My Life in Blues

"I had my own [cotton] sack at eight or nine years old. I could carry up to 70, 80 pounds."

It was more years ago than he can remember when Tom Courtney, a blues singer from Texas, became known as Tomcat. "It was some woman in New Mexico that gave me that name," he says. "And people been callin' me that ever since."

We meet up in the rec room at the senior-living complex in Spring Valley where he maintains an apartment. The sun is bright but not unpleasant. Courtney is wearing a blue Rock and Roll Marathon T-shirt, white chinos, and a faded red straw hat. A thick Southern drawl softens his words. He talks about how at the age of 16 he was hired on as a tap dancer and a singer in the Ringling Brothers Circus minstrel show. He'd taught himself to tap dance after seeing Mr. Bojangles (Bill Robinson) perform on the farm where he and his family picked cotton. The circus, he says, paid much better. "I got a dollar and a half a day." His laugh comes out like a cough.

After Ringling Brothers, Tomcat continued to perform in variety shows. Later, he became an itinerant blues singer. In 2007, at the age of 78, he received critical acclaim with the release of *Downsville Blues* on Blue Witch Records. This year, Tomcat Courtney was awarded Best Blues at the San Diego Music Awards. Now 81, he appears regularly at Chateau Orleans and the Turquoise Lounge, both in Pacific Beach.

WHAT KIND OF BLUES DO YOU PLAY?

"The kind of blues I'm playin' now — they call it Texas style. But we called it the country blues, you know."

COUNTRY BLUES, BECAUSE OF THE GUITAR STYLING?

"Yeah. It's the style of picking, with your fingers and all that. It wasn't any bottle-necking, like Mississippi blues."

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WHAT'S THE STORY BEHIND YOUR FIRST GUITAR?

"Man said, 'Will you come on over and help me pull weeds in my garden? I'm gonna give you this guitar.' We pulled weeds all day. He tried to show me how to play country-western, but I just hated what he was doin'."

PICKING COTTON WAS THE FAMILY BUSINESS. WHAT AGE DID YOU START?

"Well, I had my own sack at the age of eight or nine years old. I could carry up to 70, 80 pounds."

WHAT PART OF TEXAS ARE YOU FROM?

"I'm from Waco. I was born in Marlon, Texas, and we moved to Downsville. Wasn't nothin' there but a store and a cotton gin, was what it was. There were railroad tracks through there, and right down from the tracks was a trestle. Right across the creek. Well, I used to go down there on that trestle and mark the train with my feet."

"MARK THE TRAIN"?

"Yeah. Mark the train, you know. Like, imitate the train. I did that since I was 6, 7 years old until I was 12, 13."

DID ANY BIG-NAME BLUESMEN PASS THROUGH DOWNSVILLE WHEN YOU WERE A KID?

"Sonny Boy Williamson, Lightnin' Hopkins, Tampa Red would come out to the farm and perform. Saturday. Sometimes on a Friday night. The people made their own whiskey and stuff out there. They made wine and whiskey [during Prohibition]. But I tell you something: As long as it stayed on that farm, the law didn't come out there. I didn't think about it till years later, all that shit people were makin'."

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING A BLUESMAN TODAY AND IN THE 1940S AND '50S WHEN YOU WERE STARTING TO PLAY CLUB DATES?

"More places had music in them than they do now. Chicago? Door to door to door had music in it. Los Angeles? Door to door to door had music in it."

WHAT CHANGED ALL THAT?

"TV. It knocked it down."

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN SAN DIEGO?

"I came here in '71 or '72, and I started playing at the beach in the Texas Teahouse on Voltaire. I played there until about '93."

BY NOW, HOW MANY SONGS DO YOU KNOW?

"Oh man, how many have I forgotten?"



Tomcat Courtney: "They call it Texas style. But we called it the country blues."

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YOU'VE RECORDED AT LEAST 40 OF YOUR OWN SONGS. WHAT DO YOU WRITE ABOUT?

"Mostly about 'round-the-neighborhood things. Most bluesmen write songs about people and about the way people live."

YOUR FAVORITE BLUES?

"The song that I heard that really moved me the most — I guess I was very young, and he was really old then — Charley Lewis. He would sing a song, 'Oh Lordy Lord,' and I never did forget the way he sang." (Tomcat sings.) "Oh Lordy Lord, oh Lordy Lord, it hurts me so bad for us to part/ But someday, darlin', you ain't gonna worry my life no more/ This is my story. All I have to say is goodbye, baby/ I'm gonna let you on your way." ■

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4th&B: 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343.
Sunday — Australian Pink Floyd Show. Pink Floyd cover band accompanied by lasers and animation.

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300.
Thursday, Friday, Saturday — The Jazz Crusaders. Joe Sample, Wilton Felder, and Wayne Henderson. Funk/jazz fusion. \$37-\$42.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Johannes Linstead. Latin jazz guitar. \$21.
Tuesday, 7:30pm — Peter Wolf. Rock/R&B/blues. \$27.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — The Anthology House Band. Jazz. \$5.

Bar Pink: 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.
Thursday, 10pm — AIDS Wolf.

Experimental/noise/rock.
Saturday, 10pm — The Hounds Below. With DJ Angie. Big beat.
Mondays, 10pm — The Styletones. Funk/soul. Free.
Wednesday, 10pm — Primitive Noyes. With Centerlight Pop. Experimental/progressive/indie.

Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.
Thursday — Pete Yorn. Alternative/indie/rock.
Friday — The Beautiful Girls. Alternative/pop/funk.
Saturday, 9pm — Stripes and Lines. With Italian Japanese and the Spells. Alternative/pop/rock. \$11-\$13.

Sunday, 9pm — The Jon Spencer Blues Explosion. With Heavy Young Heathens and the Dabbers. Alt/garage/indie rock.
Tuesday, 8pm — Liz Phair. With Guy Sebastian. Indie rock/lo-fi/pop rock.

The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355.
Thursday, 8:30pm — Fountains of Wayne. With Jill Sobule Power pop/alternative rock. \$18-\$20.
Friday, 8:30pm — Sarah Harmer. With Bahamas. Folk/pop rock. \$15.

Tuesday, 8:30pm — Hotel St. George. Rock.

Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre: 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600.
Saturday — Rascal Flatts. Country.

Culy Warehouse: 338 Seventh Ave., Downtown.
Friday, 8pm — Cadillac Wreckers and the Red Lotus Revue. Jazz/blues/swing. \$15.



Fountains of Wayne, Thursday, September 30, The Casbah

Dizzy's: Second Avenue & J St., Downtown, 858-270-7467.
Thursday, 8pm — Monette Marino Keita's 9-Piece Band. African/Latin/jazz.
Sunday, 7pm — Five San Diego Jazz-Vocal Divas. Featuring Cynthia Hammond, Janice Edwards, Rachel Drexler, Rebecca Jade, and Sacha Boutros. \$15.

Donovan's Circle of 5ths: 333 5th Ave., Downtown, 619-906-4850.
Thursday, 5pm — The Blue Moonies. Rock/funk/reggae. Free.

El Cajon Library: 201 East Douglas Ave., El Cajon, 619-588-3718.
Saturday, 4pm — Oculus Sinister. Rock. Free.

Encinitas Library: 540 Cornish Dr., Encinitas, 760-753-7376.
Sunday, 11am — Adrienne Nims & Spirit Wind. Contemporary jazz/global.

Fannie's Nightclub: 9143 Campo Rd., Spring Valley, 619-698-2204.

Friday, 9pm — Steelin' Tin. With Jake's Mountain. Country/Irish/classic rock.
Saturday, 9pm — Mitre De and No Big Deal. Rock. Free.

Galley at the Marina: 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714.
Saturday, 6pm — Joey & the Sting Rays. Blues/country/rock.

Harrah's Rincón: 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100.
Friday — Rob Zombie and Alice Cooper. Rock/groove metal/industrial.
Friday, 8pm — Aunt Kizzy's Boyz. Blues/rock/soul in the Oasis Lounge.
Saturday, 8pm — Arctic Heat. Covers/pop in the Oasis Lounge.
Sunday, 10am — Willovealot. Blues/soul in the Oasis Lounge.

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Humphrey's Backstage Music Club: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.
Thursday — Private Domain. Rock/alternative/reggae.
Friday, 7pm and 9:30pm — Federal Funk. Soul/funk/jazz. \$12.
Saturday, 7 pm and 9:30pm — Crossfire. Stevie Ray Vaughan tribute. \$15.
Sunday, 8pm — Drew Davidsen. Smooth-jazz guitar. \$12.
Monday, 7pm — Thomas Yearsley Fundraiser. With Chet Canon & the Committee, JinxKing, Sue Palmer, Billy Watson, and Slim Crowbar & the IOU's. \$12.
Tuesday, 7pm — Songwriters' Showcase Competition. Acoustic. \$5.
Wednesday, 8pm — Metro. '80s dance/disco. \$5.

Humphrey's by the Bay: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.
Thursday, 7:30pm — Jackson Browne. Rock/folk.
Friday, 7:30pm — Keali'i Reichel. Hawaiian/world. \$50.
Sunday, 7:30pm — America. Folk/rock. \$48.

Ideal Hotel: 540 Third Ave., Downtown.
Saturday, 8pm — Subliminal Tripp and Stone Senses. Proceeds benefit the Red Lotus Society. Reggae/ska/rock. \$10.

Lestat's Coffee House: 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437.
Thursday — Kelsea Rae Little. Acoustic/alternative. With OK at

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Friday — Alyssa Jacey. With Amy Clark and Shannon Curtis. Acoustic/soul/folk rock.
Saturday — Loomis & Lust. Pop.

The Loft: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-8497.
Sunday, 8pm — School of Seven Bells. Dream-pop/Afrobeat/IDM. \$12-\$14.
Monday, 8:30pm — Basia Bulat. Folk/pop.

Moonlight Amphitheatre in Bringle Terrace Park: 1200 Vale Terrace, Vista, 760-724-2110.
Saturday, 7pm — Diamond Is Forever! A tribute to Neil Diamond. Rock. \$15-\$30.

Open Air Theatre: 5500 Campanile Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.
Friday, 7:30pm — O.A.R. With the Expendables. Alternative rock/soul. \$47.

Patrick's II: 428 F St., Downtown, 619-233-3077.
Thursday — Johnny Vernazza. Blues/jazz.
Friday, Saturday — Papa's Garage. Blues.
Sunday — Stoney B. Blues Band.
Monday — Althea & Co. With Danny Di Carlo. Blues.
Tuesday — The Bayou Brothers. Zydeco/blues/R&B.
Wednesday — 145th Street Deluxe Blues Band. Blues.

Pounders: 125 West Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-739-1288.
Friday and Saturday, 9pm — West of 5. Covers/classic rock/rock.

Poway Center for the Performing Arts: 15498 Espola Rd., Poway, 858-748-0505.
Saturday, 8pm — Chris Hillman

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Since their debut release two years ago, School of Seven Bells has racked up a lot of comparisons to My Bloody Valentine and the Cocteau Twins, but there's nothing special about that: Pretty much anyone who has ever combined echoing guitar with dreamy female vocals has those shadows hanging over their head. What's unusual is that School of Seven Bells also gets — and really deserves — comparison to lesser-known U.K. acts of the late '80s and early '90s such as Ride, Lush, the Pale Saints, Kitchens of Distinction, and Seefeel.

But don't let those old band names scare you off. Even if you're not a shoegazer from way back, you'll find plenty to like about School of Seven Bells' new album, *Disconnect from Desire*. The trio — twin sisters Claudia and Alejandra Deheza (formerly of On!Air/Library!) and Benjamin Curtis (formerly of Secret Machines) — employ swirling guitars and swooning vocals, but they use them in the service of concise songwriting and a relatively up-front production style. Seldom has dream pop sounded quite so pop. One reason for this may be that School of Seven Bells claims to center their songwriting on their lyrics. Even the best shoegaze bands of the past tended to treat lyrics as an afterthought. Still, School of Seven Bells' lyrics are within a tradition that values the vague and the surrealistic. In "I L U," the Deheza twins

SCHOOL OF SEVEN BELLS

coo, "There are so many things/ I wish I knew how to say/ In a way that you'd understand/ But I can't." The Cocteau Twins couldn't have said it better.

SCHOOL OF SEVEN BELLS, The Loft, UCSD, October 3, 8 p.m. 858-534-8497. \$12; \$14 door.

and Herb Pedersen. With Eve Selis. Country rock.

Poway Library: 13137 Poway Rd., Poway, 858-513-2900.
Saturday, 6pm — Adrienne Nims & Spirit Wind. Jazz/world. Free.

Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center: 3925 Ohio St., North Park, 619-255-5147.
Sunday, 2pm — School of Rock. The students perform metal songs. \$10.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub: 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008.

Friday — Nevermore. Progressive metal.
Saturday, 7pm — Great White. Hard rock/metal.
Sunday — The Gregg Rolie Band. Rock.

San Diego Civic Theatre: 1100 Third Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100.
Wednesday — Van Morrison. Rhythm & blues/rock/folk.

San Diego Sports Arena: 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171.
Friday, 7:30pm — Carrie Underwood. Country/pop.

Soda Bar: 3615 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-255-7224.
Saturday, 9pm — So Cow. Pop.

Soma: 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.
Friday, 7pm — Spoon. Indie rock. \$28.
Saturday, 6:30pm — Heart of the Hero. With He Is the Painter, Ships & Sailing, Arimathea, and the Foundation of Slow Motion Airplanes. \$8.

Sound Wave: 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-320-2100.

Friday — Tea Leaf Green. Rock/jam.

South Park Abbey: 1946 Fern St., South Park, 619-696-0096.
Thursday, 8pm — Stoney B. Blues Band.

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Friday — Roots Covenant. Reggae.
Saturday — Banyan. Featuring Steven Perkins of Jane's Addiction, Rob Wasserman, and Willy Waldman. Rock/jazz/experimental.
Tuesday, 9pm — The MarchForth Marching Band. With Vokab Company.

Zel's Del Mar: 1247 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-0076.
Saturday, 8pm — Robin Henkel. Blues.

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4th&B: 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343.
October 15 — Jónsi.
October 16 — Devin the Dude.
October 22 — Barrington Levy.
October 23 — Johnny Vato's Dead Man's Party.
October 24 — Judy Collins.
October 30 — Underworld.
November 4 — The Smithereens.
November 5 — Ghostland Observatory.
November 6 — Dokken.
November 13 — The Hold Steady.
November 17 — 2nd Annual INSPIRE Benefit Concert.

AMSDconcerts: 4650 Mansfield St., Normal Heights, 619-303-8176.
October 9 — Darol Anger's Republic of Strings.
October 16 — Eric Andersen.
October 23, October 24 — John Sebastian.
October 28 — The Trash Can Sinatras.
November 4 — Janis Ian.
November 5 — Tom Russell.
November 6 — Cheryl Wheeler.
November 12 — Chad & Jeremy.
November 19 — Willy Porter.
December 1 — Irish Christmas in America.

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300.
October 7 — Warren Hill.
October 8 — The John Abercrombie Quartet.
October 10 — Matt Hires.
October 12 — Nikki Yanofsky.
October 13 — Terri Clark.
October 14, October 15 — Shawn Colvin.
October 16 — Irma Thomas.
October 17 — Jimmy Webb.
October 21 — Stanley Clarke and Hiromi.
October 22 — Griffin House.
October 23 — Recoil.
October 27 — Jason Marsalis.
October 30 — Hiroshima.
November 3, November 4, November 5 — David Sanborn.
November 10 — Dean & Britta.
November 12 — Basia.
November 13 — Floyd FX.
November 14 — Tyrone Wells.
November 16 — John Mayall.
November 20 — Tift Merritt.
November 21 — Sacha Boutros.
November 24 — Ottmar Liebert.

Balboa Theatre: 868 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100.
October 7 — 4TROOPS.
October 9 — Steve Martin & the Steep Canyon Rangers.
October 13 — Drumline Live.
October 17 — Jake Shimabukuro.

December 10 — Dave Koz & Friends Smooth-Jazz Christmas.
February 6 — David Garrett.
February 11 — Kodo Drummers of Japan.
February 15 — Tommy Emmanuel.
February 18 — Joe Bonamassa.
February 19 — "In the Mood."

Bar Pink: 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.
October 7 — GhettoBlaster.
October 8 — Pocket.
October 11 — The Styletones.

October 13 — The Blackout Party.
October 14 — Nicole Atkins & the Black Sea.
October 23 — El Ten Eleven.
Beach House: 2530 S. Coast Highway 101, Cardiff, 760-753-1321.
October 12 — Cowboy Jack.

Belly Up Tavern: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.
October 7 — Colin Hay.
October 8 — Dave Alvin.
October 11 — Gogol Bordello.

October 12 — The Hoodoo Girls.
October 16 — The Aggrolites.
October 18 — Kenny Wayne Shepherd.
October 22 — Super Diamond.
October 23 — Steve Poltz.
October 24 — K'naan.
October 26 — Lotus.
October 27 — Built to Spill.
October 29 — Stepping Feet.
November 1 — Donavon Frankenreiter.
November 4 — Mavis Staples and Charlie Musselwhite.
November 5 — Common Sense.

November 12, November 13 — English Beat.
November 16 — Marc Cohn.
November 17 — Pepper.
November 20 — Tainted Love.
November 21 — The Farmers.
November 26 — Karl Denson's Tiny Universe.
December 5, December 6 — Dark Star Orchestra.
December 7 — The Dandy Warhols.
December 15 — Dan Hicks and His Hot Licks.
December 16 — Los Lobos.

December 28 — Cracker and Camper Van Beethoven.
January 8 — Atomic Punks.
February 1 — Jonny Lang.
February 18 — The Tommy Castro Band.

Brick by Brick: 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.
October 8 — Banker's Hill.
October 10 — Acoustic Alliance.
October 26 — Batusis Sylvain & Cheetah.
November 3 — Nitzer Ebb.
November 13 — Ghostface Killah.



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October 23 — A Tribute to Simon and Garfunkel.
October 28 — Navy Band Southwest.
November 3 — The Hats.
November 17 — “Taikoproject.”
November 20 — The Robert Holts Orchestra.
December 1 — Christopher Dean.
December 5 — 16th Annual Holiday Concert.
January 5 — Joey Molina’s Broadway Review.
February 2 — Billy Lee & the Swamp Critters.
February 19 — All-New Best of Doo-Wop.
March 2 — Highland Way.
March 13 — Tribute to the Glenn Miller Alumni and Friends.
April 6 — The Perfect Gentlemen.

Carlsbad Village Theatre: 2822 State St., Carlsbad, 760-720-2460.
October 17 — Peter Popping and Fred Benedetti.

The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355.
October 7 — Matt Costa.
October 8 — Langhorne Slim.
October 11 — The Melvins.
October 12 — The Tom Tom Club.
October 13 — Blind Pilot.
October 16 — David Bazan.
October 17 — Valient Thorr.
October 20 — Electric Six.
October 21 — Russian Circles.
October 23 — Wallpaper.
October 24 — Octopus Project.
October 31 — Monotonix.

November 2 — Apples in Stereo.
November 6 — Buck-O-Nine.
November 12 — Margot & the Nuclear So and So’s.
November 13 — The Soft Pack.
November 18 — Get Back Loretta.
November 19 — The Thermals.
November 23 — The Queers.
November 26 — Lucero.

Congregation Beth El: 8660 Gilman Dr., La Jolla.
October 30 — Galet Dardashti.

Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre: 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600.
October 9 — Jack Johnson.

Dizzy’s: Second Avenue & J St., Downtown, 858-270-7467.
October 10 — Mark Dresser.
October 15 — Stephanie Trick and Sue Palmer.
October 22 — Gilbert Castellanos & His Quartet.
November 7 — Joe Rathburn, Cahill & Delene, and John Foltz.

Eleven: 3519 El Cajon Bl., Normal Heights, 619-284-3323.
November 18 — Echo Revolution.

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November 5 — A Scribe Amidst the Lions and Irradio.

Fannie’s Nightclub: 9143 Campo Rd., Spring Valley, 619-698-2204.
October 10 — Wicked Garden.

Fluxx: 500 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-232-8100.
October 31 — 2 Live Crew.

Grace Theater: 102 North Freeman St., Oceanside.

NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Jon Spencer named his band the Blues Explosion, but it was never about the blues.

With Judah Bauer and Russell Simins, Spencer tapped into the vein of the truest American roots music — plantation, country, rockabilly, and 1950s rock. It wasn’t hard to miss the imprint of devilish beings such as Son House or Jerry Lee Lewis or even Little Richard on Spencer, even as the Blues Explosion’s guitars howled through ragged amplifiers turned up to full power and Spencer sang like a haunted man.

“What set us apart from all the other punk rock or indie bands,” Spencer says by phone from

his home in New York, “is that we were getting up onstage and working hard and putting on a show.” He laughs. “It’s not like we could just phone it in.” Spencer started the Blues Explosion in the early 1990s. By the end of 2005, the band had run out of gas. This year, the trio has reunited to tour behind *Dirty Shirt Rock N’ Roll: The First Ten Years*, a 22-track retrospective. “I’m really struck with how busy we were,” says Spencer.

Through all those years of manic energy, is there a common thread? Spencer responds, “Freedom. There was kind of a light element to it, you know, and some of the stuff had a sense of humor. It was alive. I think that proved to be confusing to some critics.” It was. And what a lot of the music press often missed through the years is that the Jon Spencer Blues Explosion is a tight and structured band. “If you can’t dance to it, it’s an interesting



JON SPENCER BLUES EXPLOSION

exercise, but it’s not really worth that much, at least for me. I’m a fan of rock and roll.”

The Dabbers and Heavy Young Heathens also perform.

JON SPENCER BLUES EXPLOSION: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, October 3, 8 p.m. 858-481-8140. \$16; \$18 day of show.

October 7 — Donavon Frankenreiter.

Harrah’s Rincón: 777 Harrah’s Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100.

October 8 — Rising Star.
October 9 — Detroit Underground.
October 16 — Diva Soul.
October 22 — J.D. Hall.
October 23 — Kool Breeze.
October 24 — Widespread Panic.
October 30 — Radio Riot.
October 31 — Sharon Cuneta.

Hennessey’s Tavern: 2777 Roosevelt St., Carlsbad, 760-729-

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October 24 — Cowboy Jack and the North County Cowboys.

Hensley’s Flying Elephant Pub and Grill: 850 Tamarack Ave., Carlsbad, 760-434-2660.
October 15 — Batusis Sylvain & Cheetah.

House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.
October 8 — Bassnectar.
October 9 — Tech N9ne.
October 10 — Street Dogs.
October 11 — The Script.
October 13 — Hot Chip.
October 14 — Frightened Rabbit.

October 19 — Paul Oakenfold.
October 20 — Broken Social Scene.

October 22 — Flyleaf.
October 24 — The Maine.
October 27 — Kate Nash.
October 28 — Steel Panther.
October 29 — Portugal. The Man.
November 4 — Ingrid Michaelson.
November 5 — Circa Survive.
November 6 — Great Big Sea.
November 7 — Senses Fail.
November 11 — Lila Downs.
November 12 — K.T. Tunstall.
November 13 — Stars.
November 14 — Blonde Redhead.

November 15 — GWAR.
November 16 — Mayday Parade.
November 17 — Joshua Radin.
November 18, November 19 — Pepper.
November 20 — Unwritten Law.
November 24 — Rolling the Stones.
November 27 — Soulfly.
November 28 — Pretty Lights.
December 1 — Grinderman.
December 2 — The Dead Kennedys.
December 5 — Zappa Plays Zappa.
December 9 — The Gracious Few.
December 18 — Gary Hoey.

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October 27 — Stelita's Groove.
October 28 — Len Rainey & the Midnight Players.
October 29 — Detroit Underground.
October 30 — Rockola Halloween Party.
October 31 — Reggie Smith Halloween Party.

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RickoLus: Youngster

CD Review
by Mary Leary

Besides 'tweens, who's going to heart the precious, *Petit Prince*-like line drawings speckling the cover and insert? At first, an audio scrapbook to one's youth...from a late-20-something...seems an odd, perchance navel-obsessed construct. And at the very first, it seems Richard Colado's been separated at birth from the gaggle of cracked, boyish voices

bobbing around a sea of acoustic/electric "indie pop." The lush refrain lapping around "No Future" creates a quick convert. I'm also lobbied by structural ingenuity and subtle theatricality somewhat reminiscent of early Bowie. Since Colado's apparently making deals with angels rather than devils, not everything radiates like the opener. But his merging of naïveté with sophisticated turns invites consistent engagement (simple acoustic guitar here; a toy xylophone propelling an old sea shanty there; hand-claps bouncing into piano-synth and jaunty vocals on "Kid"). Staying aboard the toy train is recommended: along with the bittersweet "My Old Face," it would be a shame to miss the charming accordion/piano-trot of "Moving On." "Sometimes life can be so beautiful/All you have to do is let it," exults Colado. Thanks for the reminder.



Reminiscent of early Bowie

Music Reviews from Our Readers

Paul Motian Trio: Lost in a Dream

CD Review
by Andrew Hamlin

Drummer Paul Motian makes his intentions known 15 seconds into the opener, "Mode IV," one brush slap on one drum head repeated, re-repeated, then the whole pseudo-echo empties out into a bubbling cymbal brook. The concept of "backing" his bandmates — Jason Moran on piano, Chris Potter on tenor sax — doesn't apply, because Motian gave up backing other musicians

before Moran and Potter were born. While never stuck with the free-jazz freak-flag, his de facto emancipation from keeping the beat on any given piece proved both influential and singularly rich.

Murray et al. pushed their way into the foreground more forcefully, and that's not wrong. But the Armenian-American Philadelphia native traces a parallel path with restraint, plenty of space, and endless sounds drawn from cymbals. In his work with the classic Bill Evans Trio, the drummer found a way to melt into one with two others. If he can't do that here, he indelibly manifests a commentary, circling the two melodic instruments like an arch, rogue dancer supplementing a pas de deux.

I hope people don't find the whole thing too slow or too pretty. And you'll have to count out the time yourself. It sits ready for you when you are ready to come to it.



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Saturday, October 23
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EVERYONE'S A CRITIC

Music Reviews from Our Readers

Heat of the Moment

Concert Review
by John Hancock

Asia, the '80s super-group made up of former Yes, ELP, and King Crimson members, came to the Viejas Dreamcatcher Lounge to promote their new album *Omega*. The band, with all four original members, played to a small but appreciative crowd for two hours. They didn't just stick to hits such as "Sole Survivor" and "The Heat Goes On," they played several songs from *Omega*, including "Holy War" and "End of the World."

Steve Howe performed a show-stopping acoustic-guitar solo that brought the crowd to its feet, followed by an impressive drum solo by Carl Palmer of ELP fame. John Wetton's vocals still sound strong and he seemed to be enjoying himself up there, joking at one point that he may need some help remembering the chorus to "Here Comes the Feeling." The audience gladly helped him out.

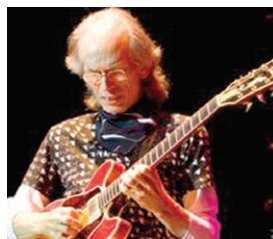
Geoff Downes, however, was having more fun than anyone, smiling and playing to the crowd as he deftly moved from one keyboard to another throughout the show. The concert ended with the crowd joining in on classic-rock-radio staple "Heat of the Moment," which is still stuck in my head!

Concert: Asia

Date: August 26

Venue: Viejas Dreamcatcher Lounge

Seats: Row 1



Show-stopper Steve Howe

Paradise by Digital Light

Concert Review
by Chuck Hansen

For 27 years I've wanted to see Meat Loaf in concert. On August 18, I was able to scratch it off my bucket list.

Meat Loaf took the stage at Humphrey's at 8:30 p.m., and several attendees deserted their pricey seats to sit atop the benches along the seawall for a roomier view. Three songs into his set, Meat launched into the energetic "Bat Out of Hell," joking afterward that it aged him 15 years to do so. At 62, Meat is slimmer than ever, but still maintains his high

energy, strong voice, and charisma.

For the next two hours, fans relived over 30 years of the best of Meat Loaf. He ventured into material from his latest album, *Hang Cool Teddy Bear*.

The audience wanted to sing along and got their best chance on "You Took the Words Right Out of My Mouth." For me, the highlight of the evening was Meat's rendition of the poignant "Two Out of Three Ain't Bad."

When Patti Russo and Meat sang "Paradise by the Dashboard Light" (accompanied by the comical vignette they perform), Security gave up trying to enforce the "no cameras" rule. Meat's fans raised their cell phones into the air in unison, memorializing the night by digital light.

Concert: Meat Loaf

Date: August 18

Venue: Humphrey's by the Bay

Seats: Section C2, Row 13, seat 31



The audience took the words right out of his mouth.

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October 18 — Shelle Blue.

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October 20 — The Adrianna Marie Trio.
October 21 — The Buick Wilson Band.

October 22 — The Barry Rillera Band.
October 23 — The Bayou Brothers.
October 23 — Soul Diego.
October 24 — The Rhythm Jacks.
October 25, October 26 — Grady

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October 27 — Missy Andersen.
October 28 — 145th Street Deluxe Blues Band.
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October 30 — Family Style.

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Renovations include an island between the bar and booths, a pool table, a new sound system, an acrylic show-poster bar top, records on the walls, and red velvet drapes in the music room, lending a sultry vibe to the once dungeonly show space. The jukebox offers '60s rock-and-roll rarity collections and compilations of Blair's and general manager Louis Mello's local favorites, including the Dragons.

"It's more of a neighborhood rock-and-roll joint," says Mello (of Liar's Club notoriety), comparing Eleven to its sister bars. "I don't want to

use the word 'dive,' but more casual. More value-oriented."

The budget drinker is sure to be pleased by the Confiscated Goods Special, while supplies last. One can taste the poetic justice of a shot of Rebel Yell and a can of Coors (\$5.25), which Mello appropriated from under-aged would-be revelers at Awesome Fest.

The timeless PBR tallboy holds up the bottom end along with possibly the best beer deal in the cosmos, a 25-ounce mug of Eleven Lager (brewed locally by Gordon Biersch) for \$3.50 during happy hour. The custom tap tower, fashioned from a keg, holds sixteen taps of quality beers, about half of which are California micros, while the cocktail menu touts names like Beaver Shot, Donkey Punch, and Tea Bag. Want to turn it



Eleven refaces Radio Room and adds an island.

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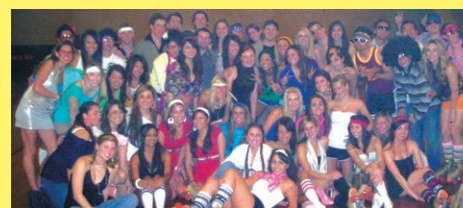
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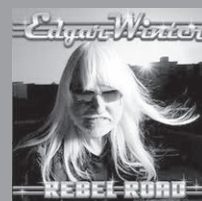
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JUST ADDED: 11/11 Jimmie Vaughan and Tilt & Whirl - on sale Friday at noon!
12/24 Mar Dels Christmas Show
12/31 Candy Kane New Year's Eve Happy Hour!
1/1 Pato Banton

HAPPY HOURS! 5:30 PM
10/1 Atomic Groove
10/8 The Heroes **\$5**

Upcoming shows:

10/15 K-OS
10/16 The Aggrolites
10/17 Gaelic Storm with Sara Watkins
10/18 Kenny Wayne Shepherd
10/20 Lyrics Born featuring Chali 2na (Jurassic 5)
10/21 Ra Ra Riot
10/22 Super Diamond
10/23 Steve Poltz w/Bushwalla
10/24 K'Naan
10/25 Mishka w/White Buffalo
10/26 Lotus
10/27 Built to Spill
10/28 JP, Chrissie and the Fairground Boys
10/29 Stepping Feet (Dave Matthews Band Experience)

10/30 & 10/31 Halloween Heat
11/1 Donovan Frankenreiter
11/3 Two Door Cinema Club
11/4 Mavis Staples and Charlie Musselwhite
11/5 Common Sense
11/6 Dr. Dog
11/7 Salsa Sunday
11/12 & 11/13 English Beat
11/16 Marc Cohn
11/17 Pepper w/Fishbone & Pour Habit
11/20 Tainted Love
11/21 Country Dick Celebration w/The Farmers
11/23 Black Mountain and The Black Angels
11/24 Mad House w/DJ Gabe Vega, Hyena & DJ ManCat
11/26 Karl Denson's Tiny Universe

11/27 Sing the Booze Tour w/Zane Lamprey
12/5 & 12/6 Dark Star Orchestra
12/7 The Dandy Warhols
12/8 Bedouin Soundclash
12/15 Dan Hicks and the Hot Licks
"Crazy for Christmas CD Release Tour"
12/16 Los Lobos
12/19 X-Mas with X
12/23 Cash'd Out Xmas
12/24 The Mar Dels Christmas Show
12/28 Cracker and Camper Van Beethoven
1/8 Atomic Punks
1/12 Mark Hummel's Blues Blowout
2/1 Jonny Lang
2/18 The Tommy Castro Band

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HAPPY HOUR

More information about these establishments can be found online at SDReader.com/drinks, including driving directions, coupons, food specials, and more.

HOW TO SUBMIT A DRINK SPECIAL: Call 619-235-3000 x700, night or day by 5pm Friday, the week prior to publication. You may also fax to 619-231-0489, mail to Reader Happy Hour, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186, or submit information online at SDReader.com/drinks.

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\$2 Domestic Drafts

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ALPINE

Alpine Inn: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$3.75 wells, house wine, \$4.75 calls.

BALBOA PARK

The Prado: Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm, 8-10pm: \$3.50 wells, pints, house wine, house margaritas. Lounge only.

BANKER'S HILL

Pizzicato: Every day, 3-7pm: \$3 pints, house wine; \$6 pizza slice + pint or wine.

Wet Stone Wine Bar and Café: Every day, 5-7pm: \$5 big glass of select wine. \$2 small bites.

BAY PARK

Offshore: Tuesday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2 domestics, \$3 sangria, well and micro imports, \$5 Tommy Bahama mojitos.

BONITA

Sapphire 18+ Lounge & Hookah: Tuesday-Saturday, all night: Cheap drinks. Cheap eats. 1/2-off hookahs Tuesday-Thursday 7-10pm.

CARLSBAD

The Alley: Every day, 11am-7pm: \$2.75 wells, domestics.

Boar Cross'n: Every day, 7am-8pm: \$2.50 domestic bottles, \$3.50 premium bottles, \$2.75 wells.

Board & Brew: Every day, 4pm-close: Two-for-one all beers. \$1 tacos.

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

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Conway's Irish Pub: Monday-Saturday, 10am-8pm: \$2.50 domestic bottles. \$2.75 wells (short). \$3.25 wells (tall).

CARMEL VALLEY

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

CHULA VISTA

Dimond Jim's: Monday, Wednesday, all night: \$3 Jäger shots, \$4 Jäger blasters, \$5 margaritas, \$9 Firehouse pitchers. Tuesday, all night: \$2 Cuervo shots, \$3 Cazadores shots, \$5 margaritas, \$9 Firehouse pitchers. Thursday-Saturday, all night: \$5 margaritas, \$9 Firehouse pitchers. Sunday, all night: \$2 Cuervo shots, \$3 Hornitos shots, \$5 margaritas, \$9 Firehouse pitchers.

CLAIREMONT

Fat Tony's Pizza: Tuesday, 5pm-close: \$2 off all pitchers; 1/2-off wings. Thursday, 5pm-close: \$2 pints.

Joe's Pizza: Thursday, 6-9pm: \$2 any tap or bottled beer, glass of wine.

COLLEGE AREA

Casa Machado: Monday-Friday, 3-6 pm, \$2.50 margaritas, \$2.50 domestic drafts, \$3.50 imports.

Cucina Fresca and Sons: Every day, 3-5pm: \$1.75 domestic beer.

Satin Lounge: Thursday, 9pm-close: \$1 Bud drafts.

CORONADO

Beach n' Diner: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3 beer, wine. \$2 off shakes, floats, malts, appetizers. All day: \$3 beer of the month.

Costa Azul: Monday-Friday, 3-6:30pm: \$3 Bud Light pints, domestic bottles. \$3.50 imported bottles, wells, house wine, sangria. \$3.75 drafts. \$6 margaritas, mojitos. \$2.95 tacos, \$3.50 shrimp, \$5.95 nachos.

Danny's Palm Bar: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3 domestic drafts, \$4 wells.

Lil' Piggy's Bar-B-Q: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3 beer, wine. \$1 off appetizers, \$1.50 sliders. All day: \$3 beer of the month.

DEL MAR

Bully's Del Mar: Monday-Friday, Sunday, 3-7pm, 10pm-close: \$3 bottle beer, \$3 domestic pints, \$4 microbrew pints, \$4.50 wells, \$3 house wine by the glass, \$6 wine by glass. 1/2-off appetizers.

Clubhouse Grill: Every day, 4-7pm: 1/2-off draft beer, wine by the glass.

DOWNTOWN

Bare Back Grill: Monday, all night: 1/2-price pitchers. Slider specials. Tuesday, all day: free burger with purchase of pitcher of beer or bottle of wine. Wednesday, all day: \$5 select pitchers & burgers. Thursday, all night: \$10 bucket of Red Stripes/fish-and-chips dinner. Friday, all day: \$4 select drafts & wells. Saturday-Sunday, all day: \$3 Bloody Marys & mimosas. \$10 burger, fries, beer.

Downtown Johnny Brown's: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3 domestic bottled beer, \$3.50 pints of the day. 40% off appetizers.

The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestics, \$4 imports. Saturday-Sunday, open-5pm: \$3 domestics, \$4 imports.

Gaslamp Tavern: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 drafts, house wine, wells. Appetizer specials.

House of Blues: Every day, 2-7pm: \$2 drafts, \$3 wells & wines, \$4 martinis, 1/2-off select appetizers.

Rockin' Baja Lobster: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3.50 margaritas. \$4 Long Islands. \$3-\$5 drafts.

Stage Saloon: Every day, 5-8pm: 1/2-off all wells, beer, wine.

Taste & Thirst on Fourth: Monday-Saturday, 3-8pm: All drinks two-for-one.

Tivoli Bar: Every day, 4-7pm: \$1 off pitchers, \$.50 off liquor.

Wolffy's Place: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: Two-for-one all beers, \$4 wells & house wine. 1/2-off all appetizers.

Yard House: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3.50 domestic pints, \$4 craft/import pints, \$4.50 goblets, \$4.25 wells, \$5.75 house martinis, \$2 off wine by the glass. \$6.50 sliders, 1/2-off select appetizers & pizzas.

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EASTLAKE

The Brew House at Eastlake: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm, 9-11pm: \$3 Bud Light pints, house wine; \$3.50 well drinks, house pint; \$4 well margaritas; \$5 well martinis; \$12 Bud Light pitcher, \$14 house pitcher.

Smokin' Sam's BBQ: Monday-Friday, 3-5pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, wine; \$3 sangria. Daily lunch specials. Doggy happy hour: \$2 beef & rib bones.

EL CAJON

Flinn Springs Inn: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$2.25 domestic bottles, \$3 wells.

Main Tap Tavern: Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$1 off 16-oz. drafts, \$2 off pitchers, \$3 calls. \$5 nachos.

ENCINITAS

Boston Gourmet Pizza: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm, 10pm-close: \$1 off pint, \$2 off schooner. Saturday-Sunday, all day: \$1 off pint, \$2 off schooner; \$5 Bloody Mary, screwdriver.

El Callejon Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$2 domestic, \$2.75 imported, \$3 house margarita. \$2-\$7 appetizers: pork tacos, fried calamari, grilled shrimp skewer.

ESCONDIDO

El Galeon Mexican Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: Two-for-one draft beer, margaritas.

GOLDEN HILL

Turf Supper Club: Friday-Sunday, noon-4pm: \$1 off all beer/wine/spirits. \$5 lunch: 1/2-lb. burger, chicken sandwich, or two Louisiana hot links + chips.

GRANTVILLE

JT's Clubhouse Pub & Grill: Monday, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 11am-4pm: 25¢ wings. Tuesday, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 11am-4pm: \$1 tacos. Wednesday, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 11am-close: \$1 sliders. Thursday-Sunday, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints.

HILLCREST

The Alibi: Every day, all day: \$3 dipper, wells.

Baja Betty's: Monday-Friday, 2-6pm: \$3 bottled beer, salsa margarita, wells, house wine, sangria, quesadillas.

CJ's Club: Every day, 5-7pm, 9pm-midnight: All wells \$2.75.

Lotus Thai: Every day, 5-7pm: \$3 all drafts; \$5 select wines, large Singha beer, all Han Soju cocktails. \$5 traditional Thai appetizers.

IMPERIAL BEACH

Club Bananas: Every day, open-10pm: \$3 wells & domestics.

Woodies Waterfront Patio Bar: Monday, 3-5:30pm: \$1 off beer & wine. \$1 off nachos & hot dogs. Tuesday, 3-5:30pm: \$1 off beer & wine. \$2 Greek pizza. Wednesday-Thursday, 3-5:30pm: \$1 off cocktails. Hawaiian luau finger foods.

KEARNY MESA

Rayo Grill: Every day, 4:30-7pm: \$4 drafts, wines; \$3 domestic bottles.

Shogun Kobe Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm (sushi bar only): 30% off sushi and rolls (excludes sea urchin, giant clam, toro & cocktails). 30% off sake and beer.

KENSINGTON-TALMADGE

The Kensington Club: Every day, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 wells, drafts, domestic bottles.

LA JOLLA

Beaumont's: Every day, 4-6pm: \$3 draft, well; \$5 Cabernet, Chardonnay. Special prices on margarita, sangria, wine cooler.

Jose's La Jolla: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$4 margaritas. \$2 off appetizers.

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

La Jolla Brew House: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 wells, house drafts. \$4 house wine. \$5 premiums.

Lupi Italian Restaurant: Tuesday-Sunday, 5-7pm: \$3-\$5 martinis, beer, wine. Free doggie treats.

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Hoffer's Cigar Bar: Monday-Saturday, 11am-7pm: \$2 off all beer, \$1 off wine. Sunday, 1-7pm: \$2 off all beer, \$1 off wine.

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LITTLE ITALY

Fat City Steakhouse: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm:* \$2 drafts, \$3 wells, \$4 wine. 1/2-off appetizers.

MIDWAY DISTRICT

Shakedown Bar SD: *Monday-Friday, 2-8pm:* \$2.50 domestic drafts, \$3 tall boys, wells, \$3.50 Jack & Cokes. 5-7pm: \$1.50 tacos, \$2 burgers. *Sunday, 5-7pm:* \$1.50 tacos, \$2 burgers.

MIRA MESA

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.

MIRAMAR

The Filling Station: *Monday, 7pm-close:* \$4 margaritas. *Tuesday, 7pm-close:* \$2 kamikazes. *Wednesday, 7pm-close:* \$3.50 premium drafts. *Thursday, 7pm-close:* \$2 wells, domestic beers, \$6 domestic pitchers. *Saturday, noon-7pm:* \$3 mimosas. *Sunday, noon-7pm:* \$3 Bloody Marys.

MISSION BEACH

Guava Beach Bar & Grill: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm:* Two-for-one cocktails, beer, shots.

MISSION HILLS

Bar Dynamite: *Monday-Saturday, 5-9pm:* \$2 domestics bottles and drafts, \$3 wells. Free food from Lucha Libre Taco Shop.

MISSION VALLEY

Adam's Steak & Eggs: *Monday-Friday, 3:30-7pm:* Double well drinks, complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

Ruby's Diner: *Monday-Friday, 3-5pm:* \$2.99 shakes/malts.

NATIONAL CITY

Miyako Japanese Restaurant: *Monday-Saturday, 5-7pm:* Sapporo pints \$1.99, large bottles \$2.99, pitchers \$6.99. Hot sake \$1.75. California roll \$2.50, spicy tuna/Philly roll \$3.50, Japanese-style chicken bites \$3.

NORMAL HEIGHTS

Triple Crown Pub: *Monday-Friday, 3-7pm:* \$1 off all pints, \$2 off pitchers. *Saturday, noon-7pm:* \$1 off all pints, \$2 off pitchers.

NORTH PARK

Lips Restaurant: *Sunday, all night:* Industry Night, \$3.50 wells, \$5.50 calls, 25% off entrées & appetizers. Must show employee ID or pay stub.

The Office: *Every day, 5-8pm:* Two-for-one price on all drinks.

Splash: *Tuesday, all day:* 1/2-price wine. *Wednesday, Sunday, all day:* \$3 select wine and beer. *Thursday-Saturday, 4-6pm:* \$3 select wine and beer.

Toronado: *Every day, 11:30am-5pm:* \$1 off drafts.

OCEAN BEACH

Dream Street Live: *Tuesday-Saturday, 4-6pm:* \$2 wells, domestic pints. \$4 Guinness pints.

Winstons: *Monday-Saturday, 1-8pm:* \$3.50 wells. \$1 off all beer/wine.

OCEANSIDE

Firewater Saloon: *Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm; 10pm-midnight:* \$5 Jäger bombs, Long Islands, Jameson. \$2 off all pitchers, \$1 off drafts & wells.

P's & Q's Sports Pub & Grill: *Monday-Friday, 3-6pm:* \$2 domestic pints, \$3 premium pints. \$3 chicken wings.

Pier View Pub: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm:* \$1 off drafts, \$2 off pitchers.

OLD TOWN

Harney Sushi: *Wednesday, \$5* specialty cocktails.

Old Town Mexican Café: *Monday-Friday, 3-7pm, 11pm-close:* Drink & beer specials. \$2 Taco Tuesday (chicken, beef, fish, carnitas); \$2.50 margaritas, Tecate, tequila.

PACIFIC BEACH

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

Bare Back Grill: *Monday-Friday, 3-6pm:* \$3 Miller Lite, amber ale, well drinks.

The Dog: *Monday-Thursday, Sunday, \$6* pitchers.

Moray's Lounge: *Every day, 4-7pm:* \$2.50 drafts, \$3.50 wells, \$4.50 house wine. 4-6pm: \$4 appetizers: spicy chicken wings, fried calamari, potato skins.

Pacific Beach Ale House: *Monday-Friday, 3-6pm:* \$3 drafts, wells, house wines. 1/2-price appetizers.

Sinbad Café: *Every day, 4-8pm:* \$1.50 drafts, \$2 wells, shots, \$2.50 imports. 11am-8pm: \$12-\$15 hookahs.

Tiki House: *Monday, all day:* \$1 off microbrews. *Tuesday, all day:* \$3 all pints. *Wednesday, all day:* \$3.75 Tiki (22 oz.) Coors. *Thursday, all day:* \$3/\$10 Wine of the Month. *Friday-Saturday, all day:* \$3 Miller High Life bottles. *Sunday, all day:* \$3 Coors pints.

POINT LOMA

Daddy-O's: *Every day, 4-7pm:* \$5 domestic, \$7 premium 32 oz. drafts; \$10 domestic, \$12 premium pitchers.

Humphrey's Backstage Music Club: *Every day, 5-7pm:* 1/2-off all drinks & menu items (excludes holiday/concert nights).

POWAY

Phileas Fogg's Bar & Restaurant: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm:* \$2.50 domestic pints/\$7.95 pitcher, \$3.50 import pints/\$11.95 pitcher. \$2.95 cheese quesadilla, \$3.95 chicken wings.

RAMONA

Boll Weevil Restaurant: *Monday-Friday, 3-5pm:* \$2 off all pitchers.

RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS

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Chaplin said he wasn't a clown, he was a "mimetic satirist."

An alert to my colleagues in the San Diego Theatre Critics Circle: I hereby nominate Rob McClure for a Craig Noel Award, Lead Performance in a Musical, Male. His Charlie Chaplin in *Limelight*, at the La Jolla Playhouse, is outstanding.

McClure has the stiff-backed waddle, the wide, sad eyes, the gift for spontaneous pratfalls down pat. And when designer Linda Cho decks him in the Tramp's signature outfit — "toothbrush" mustache, outsized black pants and tight coat, black derby, large shoes, and flexible bamboo cane — and designer Paul Gallo top-lights him with a yellow cone, the portrait's complete: a pauper and a prince in one double-coded image.

McClure even goes his character one better; he has a voice Chaplin may have killed for. The combination of vulnerability and a house-sized, operatic delivery makes McClure ever unexpected, ever watchable. Now if the musical only had a book worthy of his — and Chaplin's — talents.

Limelight suffers from the *Sammy* syndrome. As in the Old Globe's recent musical tribute to Sammy Davis Jr., the book speed-reads an icon of the arts. It skims the highlights and wraps them in a facile win-love, lose-love,

win-love-again formula. But it develops nothing. There isn't time, since the chronological approach permits no side-trips. The book has a near-morbid fear of complexity.

Limelight moves with the flicker-speed of a silent movie. Few scenes offer revelations. In one of the most memorable, Chaplin's on the set for the first

time with Mack Sennett (even though Chaplin's first director at Keystone was probably Henry Lehrman). There's no rehearsal: just a woman, a bench, and a tree. McClure turns all three into antagonists: flailing, tripping — and often just floating down — animating the inanimate. McClure performs each bit with Chaplinesque fluidity (Chaplin said he wasn't a clown, he was a "mimetic satirist"). The script crowns the scene with an irony: Sennett couldn't see the humor.

Two myths have grown around Chaplin: of the Tramp, and of the man, who hobnobbed with Gandhi and Einstein and whose sexual exploits would dominate today's headlines. Although his most recent biographer, Simon Louvish, says Chaplin tried to reject the Tramp his entire career, the mythical version keeps him intact. And the human Chaplin's more unsightly wrinkles get ironed. (Louis Berg wrote that he "seemed in every way the complete opposite

THEATER REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Though Rob McClure's portrayal of Charlie Chaplin should win awards, *Limelight* "whitewashes the artist/man who contained multitudes."

Limelight: The Story of Charlie Chaplin, music and lyrics by Christopher Curtis, book by Curtis and Thomas Meehan

La Jolla Playhouse, UCSD, 2910 La Jolla Village Drive

Directed by Warren Carlyle and Michael Unger; cast: Rob McClure, Ashley Brown, Jenn Colella, Ron Orbach, Jake Evan Schwencke, Matthew Scott, Brooke Sunny Moriber, Courtney Corey, Kirsten Scott, Roland Rusinek; scenic design, Alexander Dodge; costumes, Linda Cho; lighting, Paul Gallo; sound, Jon Weston; musical director, Bryan Perri; choreographer, Warren Carlyle

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of his screen impersonation.") But why was he attracted to teenage girls almost exclusively? (Oona O'Neill was 17 when he met her.) And was he a Communist? No, the musical says abruptly, he was a "humanist." (But he called the Russians his "comrades" and was, at the very least, a "fellow traveler.") Chaplin was Whitmanesque. But, as if afraid we won't like him if we knew the whole story, the musical whitewashes the artist/man who contained multitudes.

Limelight depoliticizes Chaplin. He has had no real say in his life, just moves blindly forward. But he always had a say, and when he finally spoke out, un-Tramp-like, against the system, exploitation, and injustice, the more the media and the government hounded him, eventually causing his exile.

Although the production's quite polished — designer Alexander Dodge's scenes reconfigure in seconds — other per-

formers also suffer from the abridgement. Ashley Brown, as Chaplin's mother Hannah, sings one of Christopher Curtis's best songs, "Look at All the People" (showing how Chaplin honed his Dickensian eye for details), then disappears. She returns, in the end, as Oona O'Neill, wife #4 and daughter of Eugene, singing "What Only Love Can See" beautifully (but was Oona, as the double-casting implies, just a mother figure?).

J. Edgar Hoover should have been, if not a character, at least an Alfred Hitchcock-type cameo, since he kept files on Chaplin (and the Marx Brothers) from the 1930s on. Instead, gossip columnist Hedda Hopper is the red-scared antagonist. Jenn Colella ladles Hopper's three songs with vitriol — in particular, the vengeful "When It All Falls Down." But in many ways, Hopper's a safe villain. Careful not to offend, the musical gives her too much weight in Chaplin's harassment.

Matthew Scott plays Chaplin's brother Sydney. Scott's rapport with McClure reveals

more about the comedian than anything in the script, which, after all the brisk pacing and production numbers, prompts one to ask, "Okay, sure, but who was he?"

FIELD NOTES

Partial Attempts to Define Chaplin's Genius:

Mack Sennett: "There are many comedians who work mechanically, with too apparent force, assuming the attitude: 'Now I'm going to make them laugh!' But Chaplin was wholly unconscious of his audience, just as relaxed in front of twenty-five hundred people as if he'd been sitting at ease in his own bedroom."

Fernando Vela: "Chaplin is a tramp who has lost his way in the world. He lived in a different world, but one day, without realizing it, he half-opened a door and fell, making a famous clown's entrance, into a world with fewer dimensions, where the mirrors cannot be stepped through, where every step is a stumble."

Charles Chaplin: "Ideas come from an intense desire for them. [My method is] sheer perseverance to the point of madness." ■



Broadway Bound: A portrait of Neil Simon as a young writer

THEATER LISTINGS

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As You Like It

New Village Arts' "Shakespeare in the Park" presents the Bard's comedic romp through the Forest of Arden. Director Liz Shipman reset the play in New Orleans, 1969. MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE IN BREngle TERRACE PARK, 1200 VALE TERRACE, VISTA. 760-724-2110. 7:30PM WEDNESDAY.

Brighton Beach Memoirs

Portrait of the One-Liner Artist as a Young Man. Eugene Morris Jerome (i.e., 15-year-old Neil Simon) recounts the week in 1937 when his childhood ended. On this large, autobiographical canvas, each member of his extended family has a crisis. As in Chekhov, all are stuck, desperate, as one says, for "a way out." Unlike Chekhov, however, the final hour piles one facile resolution onto another — a forgiveness binge — and they return to a newly revived status quo. What the play and Old Globe production do well: Simon articulates the perplexities of puberty and how they color Eugene's world. Except for speedy, sense-swallowing deliveries, and music that drifts in and out (and often intrudes), the production serves the play quite well. Director Scott Schwartz runs his well-chosen cast up and down the aisles. Austyn Myers makes Eugene an engaging narrator. Ralph Funicello's two-story set (beach-weathered façade and interior) gives the Jerome household an appropriately claustrophobic feel. And Alejo Vietto's costumes pinpoint the period and the family's modest means. Note: *Brighton Beach* runs in repertory with Simon's *Broadway Bound*. **Worth a try.** OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 7.

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The Old Globe Theatre stages

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Gigi

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The Glass Menagerie

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Into the Woods

New Village Arts could have picked an easier musical for its first ever. Stephen Sondheim’s anti-fable weaves a passel of fairy tales through complex scenes and equally complex score. In the second act, which revisions still haven’t fixed completely, *Into the Woods* shows what happens after “happily ever after” (does the end, as one says, justify the beans?). Though in the capable hands of director James Vasquez (whose work on *Diversions*’s [title of show] ranks among 2010’s best), the production is uneven. Most of all, it needs to adapt vocally to the intimate space, since several performers play big enough for the Starlight Bowl (much close-range screaming were the opening-night audience down). Also, several singers were uncomfortable with

Sondheim’s intricate musicality. These troubles are fixable, once the cast settles in. And there are pluses: Steve Gunderson and Melissa Fernandes, as the Baker and his wife, do top-quality work (especially his singing of “No More” and hers of “Moments in the Woods”); Randall Dodge (a hoot as a horny Wolf and as Prince Charming); Devlin as the resurrected Witch; and Manny Fernandes gives the Narrator a Sesame Street smile. Tim Wallace’s set, cartoony woods with trees that roll off and on, proves useful, as does Charlie Reuter’s musical direction.

Worth a try.

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Limelight: The Story of Charlie Chaplin

La Jolla Playhouse stages the world premiere of Christopher Curtis and Thomas Meehan’s musical about the consummate artist with the black bowler hat and cane. Michael Unger 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 17.

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bat an eyelash his way, potential lovers must verge on implosion. The plays cross-stitch the events of a weekend. They function like a musical “round,” stating then restating the theme. As with Chekhov’s Prozorov sisters, three women are so stuck that even sleazy, infantile Norman offers a soupçon of hope. Cygnet Theatre emphasizes the comic elements: a farce performed in a three-ring circus, but let the inherent bleakness fall where it may (even though Ayckbourn called the plays “black farce” and put genuine misery behind the masks). What the productions do, they do quite well and are always funny and well-acted and -designed. No great epiphany waits at the end; the payoffs are more lateral. Seeing all three plays gives

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Worth a try. CYGNET THEATRE — OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 7.

Notes from Underground La Jolla Playhouse presents the Yale Repertory Theatre production of a new adaptation (by Robert Woodruff and Bill Camp) of Dostoevsky's haunted 1864 novella. Woodruff 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 17.

The Road to Mecca The San Diego Repertory Theatre presents Athol Fugard's drama about Helen Martins, sculptor, who "created her own personal Mecca" in her home. Todd Sallowey directed. SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN. 619-544-1000. 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS,

7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 17.

Romeo and Juliet Intrepid Shakespeare Company opens its second season with the Bard's tragedy of star-crossed lovers. Christy Yael and Sean Cox directed. 760-652-5011. SAN DIEGUITO ACADEMY ROUNABOUT THEATER, 800 SANTA FE DR., ENCINITAS. 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 17.

Sextet For four performances only Diversionary Theatre presents Nicholas Reveles's new "intimate chamber opera" about "various aspects of gay desire." Cynthia Stokes directed. DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BLVD., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-220-0097. 7:30PM THURSDAY, 7:30PM FRIDAY, 2PM SUNDAY, 7:30PM MONDAY.

Shotgun Wedding Anniversary Mystery Cafe's latest interactive mystery dinner theater show asks: "What happens after 25 years of marriage in a less-than-blissful union? For Basil and Petals, it can be MURDER." IMPERIAL HOUSE, 505 KALMIA ST., BANKER'S HILL. 619-234-3525. 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, THROUGH JANUARY 1.

Smokey Joe's Cafe By the end of this revue, you begin to wonder how many early rock 'n' roll songs Jerry Lieber and Mike Stoller didn't write. Smokey Joe's offers 38, and they composed others besides. I will cavil all day about some of the souped-up arrangements: especially "I Keep Forgettin'" as a



The Norman Conquests: A sexy romp through the garden and the living room and the dining room

staccato speedball and the Drifters' immortal "There Goes My Baby" sung, as the backup group goofs off, by a whiner (that song is a DIRGE!!!). But it's hard to fault the nine performers. Otha White and Lawrence Cummings head the cast. She belts "Hound Dog" à la Big Mama Thornton and does a special rendition of "Fools Fall in Love." He excels all evening long, then stops the show with "I Who Have Nothing." Although the performers (and the lighting plot) seemed unfamiliar with the space on opening night, director-choreographer Ron Kellum provides a crisp pace and sharp moves (of

the Coasters' songs in particular: "Young Blood," "Little Egypt," and "Searchin'"). Don LeMasters' solid band never flags.

Worth a try. LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN. 619-544-1000. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 10.

Social Security Scripps Ranch Theatre opens its 32nd season with Andrew Bergman's "adult comedy about the shattering of yuppie bliss and the timelessness of romance." Charlie Riendau directed. SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 10455 POMERADO RD., SCRIPPS RANCH.

858-578-7728. 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 9.

Welcome to Arroyo's The Old Globe Theatre presents Kristoffer Diaz's Pulitzer Prize finalist (for 2010) about a brother and sister who "search for their respective places in the world after the death of their mother." Jaime Castaneda directed. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 31.

Why Torture Is Wrong and the People Who Love Them The Mesa College Theatre Company stages Christopher Durang's "politically charged farce," in which Felicity attempts to "remain the voice of reason" in an "unapologetic world." Annie Hinton directed. MESA COLLEGE THEATRE COMPANY, 7250 MESA COLLEGE DR., MESA COLLEGE. 858-627-2621. 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 10.






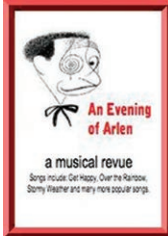


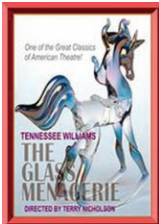

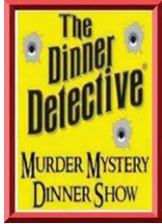



Write Out Loud: Ripples from Walden Pond: An Evening with Henry David Thoreau

The idea began at a bridal shower: short stories are mini-dramas, made so by language alone. Why not assemble a troupe and read them in public? Write Out Loud grew from that idea and has become a popular event. These aren't staged readings, with little advance preparation. Local actors rehearse a story as they would a script. They emphasize style and meaning. At the same time, however, all is subordinate to the word. As in the old days of radio, regular attendees often close their eyes and listen. Each reading clusters around a theme. Ripples from Walden Pond is a world-premiere staged reading of Richard Platt's new play about Henry David Thoreau. 619-297-8953. Worth a try. OLD TOWN THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 7PM MONDAY.

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October Kickoff

The immutable pattern overrides the arbitrary details.

Everything you never wanted to know about the advent of Facebook, where “friends” gather on the Internet, will be revealed in *The Social Network*. That’s not to say you will understand it. Structured as an amorphous series

of flashbacks from the depositions of two separate lawsuits, it takes you through the steps by which a socially inept (how ironic!) Harvard computer nerd stumbled upon “a once-in-a-generation holy-shit idea” and transformed himself into the world’s youngest billionaire, making more enemies than friends (how more ironic!) along the way. Of necessity, it is filled with references, jargon, proper names, which will be familiar to some and unfamiliar to others. The former will be in a better position not just to understand but to identify and to envy — and possibly, paradoxically, to feel superior. The others are apt to be left out in the cold or simply left cold.

Regardless, the film engineers a remarkably smooth experience, even when pressing the accelerator to the floor. The compulsive rapid patter (Aaron Sorkin, logorrheic screenwriter) is well handled by all, but especially in the lead

role by Jesse Eisenberg, the pretentious high-schooler of *The Squid and the Whale* grown now into a pretentious collegian, adding the essential ingredients of detachment, abstraction, and arrogance to complete the character’s charmlessness. The busy churning industrious background music sweeps you into the excitement whether or not you can see it or comprehend it. And director David Fincher bathes the eye with the muted dark harmonious color schemes of Whistler’s Nocturnes. Despite the pieciness of the narrative, the film gives a good impression of being all of a piece, all of a tone. Altogether, it glides, it slides, and it never really grips. Resistance to the

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You Will Meet a Tall Dark Stranger

subject matter, however stout, must be weakened if not quite broken.

You Will Meet a Tall Dark Stranger takes Woody Allen back to England, where he plugs away in the manner of his endless autumn: unpretentious, unpressured, unpolished, just a kernel of an idea, thin on jokes and one-liners, fortunate still to find funding, free to do and to be. With

little deliberation, he choreographs a dance of discontent and delusion for seven (or eight, nine, ten) featured dancers, the new divorcée who after a forty-year marriage falls under the spell of a fake fortune-teller, the liberated lonely old ex-husband who tumbles for a paid escort, the blocked novelist who gazes longingly past his wife at the Boccherini-playing guitar-

ist in the window across the way, the wife who in her new job at a posh art gallery gazes longingly at her unhappily married boss. (Pithy visual: the restive novelist, moving in with his new flame, now sees his wife from the opposite tantalizing viewpoint, the woman in the window.) The immutable pattern of the dance overrides its arbitrary details, although

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IN SELECT THEATRES OCTOBER 8

Calendar MOVIES

Lucy Punch, the gaudiest detail, with a racehorse's flaring nostrils, steals the show in the same way that Mira Sorvino in a similar role stole *Mighty Aphrodite*. Gemma Jones, Anthony Hopkins, Josh Brolin, Naomi Watts, Freida Pinto, Antonio Banderas, and Pauline Collins, all playing perfectly straight, give more than they're asked.

Were it not for the old-timey, good-timey jazz accompaniment and the labor-saving waggish narrator ("Okay now, let's go back and take another look..."), a comic tone, a comic intent, would have been harder to detect. The occultism, taken with utmost unseriousness, adds perhaps a new dimension of discontent and delusion, or a new angle on them, but it could have added, with a little extra effort, a lot more. Vilmos Zsigmond's buttered and honeyed cinematography creates its own kind of monotony. And yet the familiarity of the entire enterprise, beginning and ending with the changeless typeface of the opening and closing credits, brings a level of comfort that can only come with time, a level of expectation easily met and not likely exceeded. Somewhere the grass is sure to be greener, and Allen, as his film makes perfectly plain, is serene-

ly resigned to it. Wander if you will.

Let Me In, for those allergic to subtitles, provides an American re-vamping and retitling of the over-praised Swedish horror show, *Let the Right One In*, a tender, tentative, prepubescent love story between a bullied schoolboy and the next-door vampire ("twelve, more or less"), snail-paced, whisper-soft, like the original. Matt Reeves, dropping the pardonably sloppy digital camcorder of *Cloverfield*, directing this one "straight," does a lot of fooling around with the focus in order to feel creative, and he contributes an amusing sequence of a blood-hunt gone bad, the hunter hidden behind the front seat of a car when the targeted driver stops to pick up an unanticipated passenger, that I don't recall from the earlier version. But he mostly follows the inherited blueprint all the way into boredom. Chloë Grace Moretz, the delightful *Kick-Ass* girl, is thoroughly grounded, for all her flying ability, in a characterization bent on converting her into a junior Kristen Stewart. No added luster accrues from the aegis of Hammer studios. All connection to the Brit specialty house responsible for the Christopher Lee series of Dracula portraits — not to mention the jewel in the crown, *Five Million Years to Earth* a/k/a *Quatermass and the Pit* a/k/a (to my wife alone) *Grasshoppers in the Subway* — has



Let Me In — He follows the inherited blueprint all the way into boredom.

been irreparably severed.

Zen, one of the exclusives at the Reading Gaslamp, is a slow, solemn, reverent biopic, or perhaps hagiopic, on the 13th-century Japanese monk, Dogen Zenji, who imported from China the "authentic" Buddhism founded on the central tenet of a sitting meditation, Zazen. The ingenuousness of director Banmei Takahashi, not to be mistaken for ingenuity, comes through steadily in his balanced and uncluttered images, and most disarmingly in bits of fantasy and lyricism fit for New Age-y greeting cards. The teachings of the master, passed along through the poker-faced actor, Kantaro Nakamura, will naturally be less familiar to Western viewers than the standard repertoire of Bible stories, though no less challenging. (The lesson imparted to a Mary Magdalene figure, a prostitute with a dying baby, packs a wallop.) Enlightenment, even for those able to stay awake throughout, lies beyond the film's reach, but it makes a start.

All of the above open on Friday the First. ■

MOVIE LISTINGS

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The American — George Clooney, sole American in the cast, has been enrolled

to glamorize further the most glamorous profession, to go by Hollywood, in the world today: the high-end assassin. (Vampire is not a profession.) Director Anton Corbijn, a former music-video guy, places him in existential exile amid the Medieval townscapes and mountain landscapes of Abruzzo, fashion-magazine lighting and composition, and a minimalist, inchworm plotline. Clooney, for his part, rumpled brow, weary eye, flatline delivery, and all, serves up a creditable rendition of Melancholy Bogie. With Violante Placido, Paolo Bonacelli, Thekla Reuten, and Johan Leysen. 2010.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; OTAY RANCH 12)

The Birds — Hitchcock's shocker about an avian air attack on the citizenry of Bodega Bay is constructed along the lines of a sci-fi invasion film. Divested of all logic, this assault on middle-class complacency exposes Hitchcock's sadistic tendencies as nakedly as they have ever been. There is a lightening of load thanks to the absence of human villainy and all the creaky contrivance normally found in Hitchcock's depiction of it. At the same time, the director's stylistic devices — the intricate scene construction, the brilliant Pop Art color, the throwaway drolleries, the mugger's or molester's skill at leading easy victims into entrapment — have never been seen in better working condition. With Tippi Hedren, Rod Taylor, Jessica Tandy. 1963.

★★★★★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 9/30 THROUGH 10/2, 8 P.M.)

Bran Nue Dae — Pop musical from the Australian stage: Aborigines, hippies, vagabonds, a German-accented racist priest, out on the open road, circa 1969. It does not, let's just say, travel well. Broad as the Pacific; grotesquely, gruesomely overplayed. With Rocky McKenzie, Jessica Mauboy, Ernie Dingo, Missy Higgins, Tom Budge, and Geoffrey Rush; directed by Rachel Perkins. 2010.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 9/30)

Buried — Ryan Reynolds trapped in a coffin underground in Iraq, directed by Rodrigo Cortés. (MISSION VALLEY 20, FROM 10/1)

Cairo Time — First time in the Middle East for a contented American working wife, now facing Empty Nest Syndrome with two children flown, planning to meet up with her husband in Cairo to see the pyramids together. The husband, a United Nations emissary overseeing a refugee camp in Gaza, is detained incommunicado in circumstances of uncertain danger, and in his stead he has dispatched a former employee of his, a native Egyptian who in retirement has inherited his father's coffee shop (best coffee in the world if he says so himself), to look after the woman in the meantime, show her around, keep her company. As the days stretch out indefinitely, with attendant loss of bearings, a bond forms between them and ever so imperceptibly tightens. You can see how it would happen. You can believe it implicitly. In time, a slight infidelity will be committed (those pyramids won't wait forever), but how great a one is open for discussion, although apparently not open for it between reunited spouses. In synopsis it sounds like nothing. In actual experience it feels like one of the foremost things the cinema was made for, taking us away, setting us down, putting us deeply into a scene — an exotic scene for extra measure — with a knowledgeable, alert, sensitive, and subtle eye to guide us. Written and directed with consummate skill and invisible effort by the Arab-Canadian Ruba Nadda, it combines, and completely merges, the quite separate attractions of the travelogue and the tear-jerker. With Patricia Clarkson, Alexander Siddig, Tom McCamus, Amina Annabi, Elena Anaya. 2010.

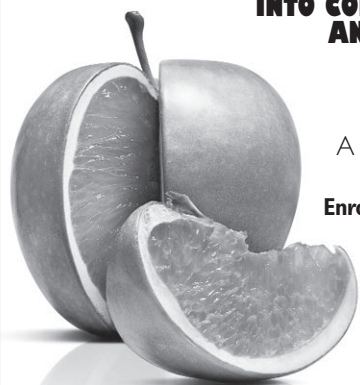
★★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 9/30)

Case 39 — Thriller with Renée Zellweger, Jodelle Ferland, Ian McShane, and Bradley Cooper, directed by Christian Alvart. (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 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 9/30)

Catfish — An is-it-or-isn't-it documentary on the perils and pitfalls of Facebook friendships, or anyhow one particular one

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between a New York photographer (Nev Schulman) and a supposed eight-year-old Michigan girl who makes paintings of his photographs. That doesn't sound like much of a subject for a documentary, and you're asked to believe that the filmmakers (Henry Joost, Ariel Schulman) just got lucky with a stickier subject along the way. But then, if you have to wonder about a documentary's credentials, its value as a documentary has already been fatally compromised. And the cruddy digital image is not worth looking at for fact or fiction. 2010.

● (MISSION VALLEY 20)

Devil — Mechanical and efficient spook story in a stalled elevator occupied by, among four others, a disguised Satan. Builds atmosphere, maintains pressure, keeps it brief, tests belief. Story by M. Night Shyamalan. With Chris Messina, Logan Marshall-Green, Bojana Novakovic, Bo-keem Woodbine, Jenny O'Hara, Geoffrey Arend, Jacob Vargas, and Matt Craven; directed by John Erick Dowdle. 2010.

★ ★ (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Dial M for Murder — Frederick Knott's theatrical thriller, forever a staple of provincial playhouses, comes to the screen under the aegis of Alfred Hitchcock. Its cinematization, however, depends not so much on any overt attacks on its staginess and talkiness as on the simple imposition of 3-D; and not so much on any visible ministrations by its director as on his mere reputation. With Grace Kelly, Ray Milland, and Robert Cummings. 1954.

★ (GASLAMP 15, 10/5, 7:30P.M.)

Easy A — Surprisingly bright teen comedy, littered with tidbits of literary and cinematic erudition, about a viral high-school rumor that transmutes a studious virgin into a "dirty skank," a lesson in "the accelerated velocity of terminological inexactitude." The path the story takes is not always judicious (the girl plays up her new reputation, wearing a scarlet "A" in tribute to Hester Prynne), and the husky-voiced heroine, Emma Stone, seems preternaturally poised at all stages of it, and the satire of the Jesus freaks is complacent and obvious, and yet the writing, while overly showy, remains throughout fast-paced and punchy, whether in the framing webcast that furnishes a loquacious first-person narration ("If there's one thing worse than chlamydia, it's Florida") or in the snappy dialogue ("I got that V," she laments to a gay male friend, "where you'd rather see a P") that liberally spreads around the good lines, especially to the hip, cool parents (Stanley Tucci, Patricia Clarkson) and the hip, cool English teacher (Thomas Haden Church). The unhip and uncool are clearly differentiated. Both the opening credits, planted around the terrain like hidden Easter eggs, and the closing credits, over a leisurely travelling shot on the road to nowhere, are a significant part of the fun. With Lisa Kudrow, Penn Badgley, Amanda Bynes, and Malcolm McDowell; written by Bert Royal; directed by Will Gluck. 2010.

★ ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Eat Pray Love — Self-affirming, boastful, best-selling piece of nonfiction Chick Lit transformed into a two-and-a-quarter-hour blandishment for a major star. While there is a lot of sightseeing on the

heroine's Search for Self ("I want to go someplace where I can just marvel"), Italy for food, India for meditation, Indonesia for romance — the three I's on the road to the central, the egotistical I — it is all of the whirlwind variety, flitting, dizzying, bustled along with dictatorial pop songs, opera aria, indigenous instrumentals, and shot, what's more, in mushy focus and muddy color. (Ryan Murphy of *Running with Scissors*, director and whip-cracking tour guide.) We're probably lucky to be allowed to see anything at all around the screen-eclipsing face of the leading lady, a gaunt Julia Roberts laughably cast as a lusty eater, heedless of packing in the pasta and packing on the pounds. Billy Crudup, James Franco, Luca Argentero, old bald Richard Jenkins (romanticizingly said to look just like James Taylor), and Javier Bardem, in various states of emasculation, are her men-in-waiting, the last-named the anointed Prince Charming at the end of the trail of arbitrary rejects. Insights acquired along the way, often talked out in first-person narration, boil down to glib one-liners, bromides, bumper stickers. 2010.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12)

The Expendables — Adolescent action fantasy from senior citizen Sylvester Stallone: an elite team of mercenaries descend upon the stock bad guys on the mythical

island of Vilena for a chopped-up orgy of carnage. The star, director, and co-writer surrounds himself with younger-generation men of action, Jason Statham, Jet Li, Steve Austin, Randy Couture, Terry Crews (along with old crony Dolph Lundgren, his antagonist in *Rocky IV*, and cutesy cameos for Bruce Willis and Arnold Schwarzenegger), in an apparent attempt to make himself look relevant again. He can't have meant to make himself look, as he does, desperate. Mickey Rourke, Eric Roberts, Giselle Itié. 2010.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14; PALM PROMENADE 24)

A Film Unfinished — An act of scholarship: re-examining a can of unedited Nazi-propaganda footage, some of it patently staged, of the Warsaw Ghetto in 1942, an hour's worth of ghostly images of people long gone, seemingly emphasizing the contrasts of poverty and luxury, but overall of mysterious purpose. (It is, more than anything else, a self-indictment of the Nazis for living conditions they themselves created.) Filmmaker Yael Hersonski extracts passages from the diaries of the Jewish liaison to the Nazis, solicits commentary from present-day survivors ("Where did we ever see a flower? We would have eaten the flower"), and stages re-enactments of sworn testimony from one of the original cameramen (impersonated by the well-known Rudiger Vogler). It

is all very interesting and valuable, but like other Holocaust films, requires a certain boundlessness of appetite and a certain strength of stomach. 2010.

★ ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/1; KEN, THROUGH 9/30)

Flipped — "You never," reads the advertising tagline, "forget your first love." But you can soon forget a namby-pamby Rob Reiner film about somebody else's first love, two preadolescents circa 1960. (*Stand by Me* territory, with commensurate goldie-oldies.) The alternating his-and-hers perspectives would add more interest if there were any interest to start with. Madeline Carroll, Callan McAuliffe, John Mahoney, Anthony Edwards, Rebecca De Mornay, Aidan Quinn, Penelope Ann Miller. 2010.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14)

Freakonomics — Six documentary filmmakers illustrate the nonfiction best-seller by Steven Levitt and Stephen Dubner. (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; FROM 10/1)

Get Low — The feature debut of director Aaron Schneider starts like a house afire, meaning it starts literally with a house on fire, and proceeds from there to shave off a thin slice of folksy baloney purportedly based on fact, something to do with a misanthropic old Tennessee hermit who throws himself a "funeral party" before his demise. Robert Duvall runs through his familiar repertoire at an uncommonly slow speed en route to an embarrassing Capra-esque climax of public confession. Bill Murray as the needy, greedy funeral director is still Bill Murray. And Sissy Spacek as a former flame of the protagonist brings to her every scene her special gift of being completely (as the Buddhists have it) present in the moment. One of America's shamefully neglected natural resources. With Lucas Black, Bill Cobbs, Gerald McRaney. 2010.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

The Girl Who Played with Fire — The second in Stieg Larsson's "Millennium" trilogy finds our pierced, tattooed, Goth-

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haired “girl” framed for the murders of two reporters at work on an exposé of sex trafficking. It’s a solider case than the first one, *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*, but still lurid, seamy, sleazy; and the sex-trade angle gets completely pushed aside in favor of the heroine’s quest for vengeance. Along the way, there are some tense sequences involving a blond giant impervious to pain, and after two-plus hours an unsatisfactory up-in-the-air ending that requires you to grit your teeth and gird for another sequel. With Noomi Rapace, Michael Nyqvist, Mikael Spreitz, Yasmine Garbi, Paolo Roberto, and Per Oscarsson; directed by Daniel Alfredson. 2009.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA PALOMA, FROM 10/1)

Going the Distance — Moderately filthy romantic comedy, moderately amusing in compensation, about a young man with commitment issues until he meets a loosey-goosey gal who holds the high score on the Centipede machine at the neighborhood watering hole and whose favorite movie is, hold your breath, *The Shawshank Redemption*. (Takes all kinds.) Only problem, she’s but a summer intern at the *New York Sentinel* and returns to grad

school at Stanford in a matter of weeks. Half an hour into it, the movie arrives at its launching pad: how to maintain a relationship from opposite coasts. The cast of characters is filled out from stock: a couple of slacker male friends and a reptilian boss for the hero, a controlling older sister, a henpecked brother-in-law, and a curmudgeonly editor for the heroine. Pretty well all of them speak as if they were reared on nothing but television sitcoms (cable ones included, for freedom of expression), and their dialogue in consequence sounds not so much like conversation as like recruitment of eavesdroppers, a concerted effort to be overheard, admired, envied. Millions — well, hundreds for sure — will doubtless want to identify, in particular with the well-chilled Drew Barrymore and Justin Long, whose passion for one another, undetectable at close range, can scarcely be diminished at long. With Charlie Day, Jason Sudeikis, Christina Applegate; directed by Nanette Burstein. 2010.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15)

Heartbreaker — Commercial French comedy ideal for a Hollywood remake. A professional breaker-upper, with strict principles, takes only cases of unknowingly unhappy women and never stoops to sexual relations to liberate them. The focal case is atypical: the woman by all measures seems happily engaged, and her rich handsome devoted fiancé is completely unobjectionable. All the same, the gears grind, grease is

applied, pop songs play along, predictabilities come true. Attractively shot in Morocco and Monaco. With Romain Duris, Vanessa Paradis, Julie Ferrier, and François Damiens; directed by Pascal Chaumeil. 2010.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Inception — A major snow job from fair-haired filmmaker Christopher Nolan, nominally a science-fiction thriller focussed on some sort of psychic superspy (Leonardo DiCaprio, fully earning the furrow between his brows), an expert in the gentle art of “extraction,” the stealing of conscious ideas from people when their guard is down in dreamland, now assigned the more difficult task of “inception,” the planting of an idea in that same vulnerable state. Even for science fiction, the mumbo-jumbo to explain how all this works is exceptionally skimpy and unscientific; and the headlong propulsion of the plot, a vessel of commotion rather than of cogitation, allows no time for the mumbo-jumbo to sink in. The axiom that would seem to apply, the axiom that would seem to have been mislaid, is that if an artist is going to do something so “original” — as opposed to something as well-worn and easily understood as a time machine or a teleportation device — he must take care to instruct, to lay out the rules and regulations, to show the viewer the ropes. Else it’s wildest whimsy, freest fancy. It might just be possible that if the viewer were to sit through this a second or

third time, he might better come to know what’s what. But a bloated running time of two and a half hours rather discourages that. On a first go-round, he’s apt to find that the dream state decreases any caper-film tension and reduces the goings-on to mere spectacle. You just sit and watch. You don’t worry. You don’t care. And under the influence of the key piece of strategy from Nolan’s *The Dark Knight*, namely Hans Zimmer’s unrelenting grinding throbbing pounding music, you might crave either an aspirin or an antidepressant. Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Ellen Page, Marion Cotillard. 2010.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12)

Jack Goes Boating — Comedy of awkwardness among emotional, possibly mental, cripples. (“I’m not ready yet for penis penetration.”) Undeniably painful, but not generally in a good way. Philip Seymour Hoffman preserves his stage role for eternity (his nervous throat-clearing, his woolen knit cap, his scraggly blond dreadlocks), important enough to him that he directed it himself. Adapted to the screen by Bob Glaudini from his own play. With Amy Ryan, John Ortiz, and Daphne Rubin-Vega. 2010.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 10/1; HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Kids Are All Right — Carefully drawn family portrait in a rough, grainy,

indifferent image, a “nontraditional” family let’s swiftly say: two lesbian “Moms” or “Mommes” with a biological son and daughter old enough to be curious as to the identity of their sperm-donor dad, who turns out to be a health-food restaurateur and organic gardener stuck in a sort of Sixties time warp: “Right on, right on. Cool. I love lesbians.” There is perhaps a whiff of self-consciousness in the initial laying-out of the family dynamic, but that’s not as egregious as the audience-consciousness of the plotty pot-stirring, the salacious lip-smacking, whereby the same-sex parents worry about the company their son keeps and wonder whether he’s gay, and whereby, much worse, one of them succumbs to heterosexual temptation with, of all people, the laid-back sperm donor. All of the characters are nevertheless human and likable, even the one, believe it or not, played by Mark Ruffalo, even the teenagers, Mia Wasikowska and Josh Hutcherson. Director and co-writer Lisa Cholodenko shows a keen ear for modern talk and vogue vocabulary (“eco-friendly,” “micromanaging,” “counterintuitive,” “composting,” “heirloom tomatoes,” “acai,” etc.), and, assuming she knows what she’s talking about, it’s educational to learn why a lesbian couple would keep handy a DVD of gay male porn. Then too, whatever the contrivances, we get to watch two supremely skilled actresses at work, Annette Bening and Julianne Moore. 2010.

★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

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San Diego Central Library
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Bomber 2009. An old man goes back to Germany to apologise to a village he accidentally dropped his bombs on during the War. **Monday, October 4, 6:30 p.m.**

Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole — Computer-animated antifascist children's story of, and for, the birds. A puffed-up heroic epic punctured by self-conscious self-mockery and incomprehensible combat. With the voices of Jim Sturgess, Hugo Weaving, Helen Mirren, Abbie Cornish, and Geoffrey Rush; directed by Zack Snyder. 2010.

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Let Me In — Reviewed this issue. With Kodi Smit-McPhee, Chloë Grace Moretz, Richard Jenkins, and Elias Koteas; written and directed by Matt Reeves.

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Machete — Co-writer and co-director Robert Rodriguez (writing with Álvaro Rodriguez, directing with Ethan Maniquis) makes a feature-length reality of the hypothetical little teaser trailer tucked into the overstuffed package of *Grindhouse*, a bad dream come true. If nothing else, it gives a nice big fat leading role to Danny Trejo, a clock-stopping face condemned to the humble caste of perennial henchman, as a vengeful former Federale, allowed to canoodle with Jessica Alba and Michelle Rodriguez into the bargain. In spite of the deep-seated piety on immigration issues, its highest aspiration is simply to be a hoot. Its highest actual achievement is perhaps a cheep. (If only for the Dracula hairdo on Steven Seagal as a Mexican drug lord.) Formulated on the so-bad-it's-good theorem, from which follows the corollary of the worse the better, it tends to wear out its welcome in a hurry. A lot like *Grindhouse*. Test case to help you decide whether this is the movie for you: the hero, having just heard that the human intestine stretches sixty feet, effectuates his escape from a hospital by slicing open the torso of a bad guy, diving out a window clutching the intestine like Tarzan a jungle vine, and swinging down to the window of the floor below. Yuk-yuk or just yuck? Robert De Niro, Don Johnson, Jeff Fahey, Lindsay Lohan, Cheech Marin. 2010.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Mao's Last Dancer — The monotonous triumphs of a peasant lad plucked from his family in a Chinese village, sent to study ballet at the Beijing Arts Academy, sent again to America to guest with the Houston Ballet, where he experiences first love with an auburn-haired virgin and decides to defect (mild tension there), eventually to be reunited with his family despite his temporary banishment from his homeland. Deft job by Bruce Greenwood, inside the surrounding cloddishness, as the unmistakably but undeclaredly gay ballet director. Chi Cao as Li Cunxin, with Joan Chen, Amanda Schull, Kyle MacLachlan; directed by Bruce Beresford. 2010.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

North by Northwest — The topper of all of Hitchcock's cross-country cat-and-mouse thrillers. The species that was spawned in the Thirties with *Young and Innocent* and *The 39 Steps* has undergone some body-building after all these years of exercise, and emerges here in a form higher (the United Nations building), wider (the Midwest corn fields), and grander (the

face of Mt. Rushmore) than ever before. There are ample tipsy giggles and hokey excitements, thanks largely to Cary Grant's broadly played and easily ruffled dignity, and thanks very slightly to James Mason's prissy villainy. Eva Marie Saint, done over as if for *Harper's Bazaar*, steps surprisingly to the fore of Hitchcock's line of icy blondes. 1959.

★★★★ (TOWN SQUARE 14, 10/7, 7:30P.M.)

The Other Guys — Cop-partner comedy from Adam McKay, not to say cop-buddy, with Will Ferrell wobbly in tone as a contented desk jockey and Mark Wahlberg a steady straight man as a pent-up eager beaver. It evinces a deathly pale image, a fair amount of industry, and a few amusing ideas (a fight breaks out in whispers at a police funeral and carries on at a respectful volume), at least a skit's worth. Michael Keaton, Eva Mendes, Steve Coogan, Dwayne Johnson, Samuel L. Jackson. 2010.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Resident Evil: Afterlife — Milla Jovovich back on the warpath, post-apocalypse, anti-undead, armed with 3-D in addition to her usual arsenal: "I don't know if I can do this much longer." The action frequently slows down so that the good guys can look hot, and sometimes it relents altogether, although the pounding rock score bashes on just the same. The ending brings no end and a heavy sigh. With Ali Larter, Kim Coates, Boris Kodjoe, Shawn Roberts, and

Wentworth Miller; written and directed by Paul W.S. Anderson. 2010.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Scott Pilgrim vs. the World — More accurately Scott Pilgrim vs. Seven Evil Exes, six guys and one girl whom he must in some sense "defeat" in order to win the hand of the pink-haired, then blue-haired, then green-haired girl of his dreams. (Literally she first appeared to him, on skates, in a dream.) The serial conflicts, supernatural martial-arts contests punctuated with spelled-out sound effects in the style of the old *Batman* television show ("WHUMP!"), are so deep into fantasy that even a shoulderless wimp such as Michael Cera can compete, untrained, on equal footing. So deep indeed that we lose touch with the metaphor. In what sense, and why, must he best these out-of-the-picture rivals? The ironic facial expression of Mary Elizabeth Winstead, her raised-eyebrow skepticism, is very fetching even if not very revealing. Still, the singular triumph of this hard-trying movie is that Cera manages to hang onto his humanity, his Canadian modesty, his individualistic deft touch, his sidelong delivery of lines, amid all the brassy pop-culture self-consciousness, the comic-bookishness and video-gamesmanship, the distancing devices (superimposed title on a new setting: "Fun fact: This place is a toilet"), and the sophomoric cleverness of British director Edgar Wright (*Shaun of the Dead*, *Hot Fuzz*). Wright's best gambits, which have

the practical purpose of speeding the action along in addition to the purely ornamental purpose of showing off, are the dreamlike scene changes in mid-dialogue. With Ellen Wong, Kieran Culkin, Chris Evans. 2010.

★★ (GASLAMP 15)

The Social Network — Reviewed this issue. With Jesse Eisenberg, Andrew Garfield, Justin Timberlake, and Rashida Jones; directed by David Fincher.

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Soul Kitchen — Would-be rollicking comedy concerning the funky characters in and around a Hamburg greasy spoon made over into a hip and happening nightspot. Fatih Akin, saturnine director of *Head-On* and *The Edge of Heaven*, lightens up and loosens up (quite literally in the wanton wide angles), but the comedy, if often bustling and boisterous, fails to rollick. Adam Bousdoukos, Moritz Bleibtreu, Birol Unel, Anna Bederke, Pheline Roggan, Wotan Wilke Mohring, Udo Kier. 2009.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Switch — Thin-ice romantic comedy tolerable only insofar as you can tolerate the greased wheels of contrivance as a source of entertainment in itself: the male BFF, strictly platonic but wanting more, of a would-be single mother swaps his sperm for that of her chosen donor, a blond Adonis who teaches Feminist Literature at Columbia University. You have to admire it on some level and to some degree. Not least for sustaining a fluffiness that won't over-stress the thin ice. Jennifer Aniston, looking a bit facelifty, a bit packed and pursed, inhabits her customary realm well above comic competence, a shade below bona fide charm. But she, for all that, resignedly plays second fiddle to a blossoming Jason Bateman, dry in addition to light as the neurotic, pessimistic, hypochondriacal Gloomy Gus, a romantic antihero, who passes along his entire mental complex, undiluted, to a sullen little son. With Patrick Wilson, Juliette Lewis, Jeff Goldblum, and Thomas Robinson; directed by Josh Gordon and Will Speck. 2010.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

Takers — Elementary heist thriller rendered unwatchable by director John Luessenhop's hopped-up visuals, the cameraman so excited (often over nothing) that he can't hold his instrument steady, pressing in so close as to lose sight of what

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we're supposed to be looking at, always a step behind the action, a telephoto lens turning the backgrounds into mush and the surface into sandpaper, magnifying the tiniest tremor, the faces arbitrarily spotlight in meaningless blue or gold. The sizable cast — Paul Walker, Idris Elba, Matt Dillon, Jay Hernandez, Hayden Christensen, Michael Ealy, Chris Brown, Zoe Saldana, Marianne Jean-Baptiste — promises more than it's permitted to deliver. At most it's permitted to pose and preen. 2010.

● (GASLAMP 15)

The Tillman Story — Rehash of the shameful facts of how Pat Tillman, Jr., the Arizona Cardinal who set aside a professional football career to enlist in the Army post-9/11, had his head shot off by friendly fire in Afghanistan, how the circumstances of his death were initially covered up behind a whole-cloth scenario of heroism under enemy attack, how this version of events was played up in the news media exactly as it was handed to them, how Tillman's death altogether got co-opted by special interests (his Cardinal jersey number 40 marketed with the name "TILL-

MAN" supplanted by "HERO"), not the least of which interests were to turn him into a propaganda tool for the military, and how bit by bit, under the unrelenting, the authentically heroic, efforts of his mother and father, the truth came out. These facts were of course already well known as far as we will ever know and understand them (how did the Army or the higher-ups ever think they could get away with the initial fabrication?), but the account of filmmaker Amir Bar-Lev is exceptionally well organized and detailed, even down to some official investigative footage of the actual scene of the crime, or, strictly speaking, the accident; and the talking-heads testimony, no matter how otherwise uncinematic, puts human faces on Tillman's family and his comrades-in-arms. The formulaic documentary technique, workmanlike at best, doesn't prevent the infuriating story from coming through, taking shape in the end as an impassioned argument for complexity and ambiguity, against simplification and, if you will, patness. 2010.

★★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 10/1; HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 9/30)

The Town — Ben Affleck's second directed film, after *Gone Baby Gone*, is a moderately diverting, mildly despicable game of cops-and-robbers that counts, in its play for the spectator's sympathies, on the moral depravity of the public at large, a cynical safe bet. The central character (Affleck himself), a sensitive stickup man who afterwards woos the hostage taken at his latest caper, is hoped, or more truthfully presumed, to be protected from viewer disapproval by his personal avoidance of killing any innocent parties in the application of his trade, leaving that to the violent loose cannon in his gang of four (Jeremy Renner from *The Hurt Locker*, and still the cowboy), never mind his legal status as an accessory in such killings or his earnest attempts, when the bullets start flying fast and thick, to add to them firsthand. Even viewers who remain morally alive and kicking can be grateful for a crime thriller grounded in gritty reality; grateful at the abstinence from music-video visuals, explosions, martial arts, superheroes and archvillains; grateful enough to put up stoically with such standard usages as the raw rough grainy image (for grittier reality), the chopping off of the tops of heads at the tops of frames (for closer



The Social Network — It glides, it slides, and it never really grips.

closeups), and the jittery jumpy jostled camera (for peak action); grateful enough not to squirm overmuch at the protracted car chase or the climactic full-scale warfare at the Boston "cathedral," Fenway Park. They can follow along through all of that in a half-hooked, half-wriggling kind of way, until, at last, they fully realize where the filmmaker's sympathies lie, and more than just sympathies, his sentimentalities, his laxities, his, well, insensitivities. Rebecca Hall, Jon Hamm, Blake Lively, Chris Cooper, Pete Postlethwaite. 2010.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Toy Story 3 — The second sequel adds little but minutes to the previous one, and for a computer-animated children's film it adds quite a lot of those, somewhere in the neighborhood of a hundred and five. In specific, the new 3-D adds little (but four dollars of admission) to the prevailing depth of field and openness of space. And

the plot premise of the toys' boy going off to college, under orders from Mom to consign his childish things to either the attic or the trash, adds little to the torturous themes of change, aging, loss, death, that accrued from the prior premise of his going off to summer camp. Oh, the introduction of a Ken doll, a head of hair like a cowpat, at a hellish day-care center ("No one appreciates clothes here, Barbie"), adds some homo jokes suitable for the whole family, and the reprogramming of Buzz Lightyear to Spanish-language mode adds a benign Latin stereotype, but the *de rigueur* exhausting and exasperating finale (into the jaws of the landfill!) puts the capper on the general feeling of prolongation. With the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, Joan Cusack, Michael Keaton; directed by Lee Unkrich. 2010.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps — Twenty-three years after he first visited the scene, Stone weighs in (thud!) on recent developments in the stock market, another chapter in his career of heavy breathing over epochal events. Gordon Gekko, his most memorable fictional creation (not to compete with Nixon, W.,

or Alexander the Great), out of prison after serving eight years for securities fraud, takes a backseat to his prospective son-in-law (Indiana Jones's son, Shia LaBeouf), but the banal personal drama in turn takes a backseat to the abstruse financial shenanigans. A couple of charmingly literal-minded symbols (wind-borne soap bubbles, falling dominoes) offer simplification if not clarification. The sleek swank production certainly appears to have some familiarity with money. Michael Douglas, Carey Mulligan, Josh Brolin, Frank Langella, Eli Wallach, Susan Sarandon. 2010.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

White Wedding — South African road comedy with Kenneth Nkosi, Rapulana Seipemo, and Jodie Whittaker, directed by Jann Turner.

(KEN, 10/1 THROUGH 7)

You Again — Old scores, old high-school scores, resurface before a big wedding, leading to old, old gags: the plumbing mishap, the nature disaster, spilled food, purposely dumped food. A plucky cast — Kristen Bell, Jamie Lee Curtis, Sigourney Weaver, Odette Yustman, Betty White — goes down fighting, but goes down hard. Directed by Andy Fickman. 2010.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

You Will Meet a Tall Dark Stranger — Reviewed this issue. With Anthony Hopkins, Gemma Jones, Naomi Watts, Josh Brolin, and Lucy Punch; written and directed by Woody Allen.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; FROM 10/1)

Zen — Reviewed this issue. With Kantaro Nakamura, Yuki Uchida, Ryushin Tei, Takashi Sasano, and Tatsuya Fujiwara; directed by Banmei Takahashi.

★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 10/1)

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Carmel Mountain 14

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Alpha and Omega (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:50, 1:05, 3:15) 5:30, 7:35, 9:50 Sun. (10:50, 1:05, 3:15) 5:30, 7:35; **Case 39** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:50, 2:20) 5:00, 7:40, 10:10 Sun. (11:50, 2:20) 5:00, 7:40; **Devil** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 7:30, 9:35; **Easy A** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:10, 1:25, 3:35) 5:40, 7:50, 9:55 Sun. (11:10, 1:25, 3:35) 5:40, 7:50; **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:45, 1:35) 4:25, 7:20, 10:15 Sun. (10:45, 1:35) 4:25, 7:20; **Flipped** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:40, 2:00) 4:10 Sun. (11:40a.m.); **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:45, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00 Sun. (10:45, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45; **Let Me In** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 2:05) 4:40, 7:25, 10:00 Sun. (11:30, 2:05) 4:40, 7:25; **The Social Network** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:45 Sun. (11:00, 1:40) 4:20, 7:00; **Thomas & Friends: The Lion of Sodor** (G) Sat. (10:30a.m.); **The Town** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:05, 1:45) 4:30, 7:15, 9:55 Sun. (11:05, 1:45) 4:30, 7:15; **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:45, 1:35, 1:30, 2:30) 4:15, 5:15, 7:05, 8:00, 10:05 Sun. (10:45, 1:35, 1:30, 2:30) 4:15, 5:15, 7:05, 8:00; **You Again** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:55, 2:15) 4:35, 7:10, 9:40 Sun. (11:55, 2:15) 4:35, 7:10

CLAIREMONT

Town Square 14

4665 Clairemont Drive (800-326-3264 #2722)
Alpha and Omega (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 1:20, 3:30) 5:40; **Case 39** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:50) 4:50, 7:35, 10:05; **Devil** (PG-13)

Fri.-Sun. (11:30) 6:30, 8:30; **Easy A** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 10:25; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:05) 4:35, 6:55, 9:20; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:00, 3:15) 5:35, 7:55, 10:10; **Let Me In** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; **North by Northwest** (NR) Fri.-Sun.; **The Other Guys** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:25, 3:55); **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) Fri.-Sun. 8:05, 10:15; **The Social Network** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 12:00, 1:35, 2:35) 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:45 Sun. (11:00, 12:00, 1:35, 2:35) 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 7:50, 9:45, 10:20; **Special Event** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun.; **Thomas & Friends: The Lion of Sodor** (G) Fri. Sat. (10:30a.m.) Sun.; **The Town** (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:50, 11:50, 1:30, 2:30) 4:15, 5:15, 7:05, 8:05, 9:50, 10:50 Sun. (10:50, 11:50, 1:15, 2:30) 4:15, 5:15, 7:05, 7:55, 9:50, 10:30; **The Virginity Hit** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30p.m. Sun. 10:25p.m.; **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:40, 11:35, 1:40, 2:25) 4:25, 5:20, 7:15, 8:15, 10:20, 11:00 Sun. (10:40, 11:35, 1:40, 2:25) 4:25, 5:20, 7:15, 8:15, 10:10; **You Again** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:45) 4:30, 7:30, 10:00

DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (800-326-3264 #2709)
Case 39 (R); **Devil** (PG-13); **Dial M for Murder** (PG); **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13); **Get Low** (PG-13); **Going the Distance** (R); **Let Me In** (R); **Scott Pilgrim vs. the World** (PG-13); **The Social Network** (PG-13); **The Switch** (PG-13); **Takers** (PG-13); **The Town** (R); **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps** (PG-13); **Zen** (Not Rated)

Horton Plaza 14

Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)

Alpha and Omega 3D (PG) Fri. (1:25, 3:30, 5:40) 7:50, 9:55 Sat. (3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 9:55 Sun. (1:25, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 9:55; **The American** (R) Fri. (1:45, 4:25) 7:15, 9:40 Sat.-Sun. (1:45) 4:25, 7:15, 9:40; **Beauty and the Beast Sing-A-Long** (G) Sat. 12:00p.m.; **Easy A** (PG-13) Fri. (1:50, 4:30) 7:25, 9:50 Sat.-Sun. (1:50) 4:30, 7:25, 9:50; **The Expendables** (R) Fri. (2:10, 4:45) 7:20, 10:00 Sat.-Sun. (2:10) 4:45, 7:20, 10:00; **Inception** (PG-13) Fri. (1:25, 4:35) 7:45 Sat.-Sun. (1:25) 4:35, 7:45; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole** (PG) Fri. (2:05, 4:35) 7:35, 9:50 Sat. (2:05) 4:35, 10:05 Sun. (2:05) 4:35, 7:35, 9:50; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D** (PG) Fri. (1:35, 4:05) 7:05, 9:20 Sat.-Sun. (1:35) 4:05, 7:05, 9:20; **Life As We Know It** (PG-13) Sat. 7:30p.m.; **Like Dandelion Dust** (PG-13) Fri. (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30 Sat.-Sun. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:30; **Machete** (R) Fri. (1:35, 4:05) 7:05, 9:25 Sat.-Sun. (1:35) 4:05, 7:05, 9:25; **The Other Guys** (PG-13) Fri. (1:55, 4:40) 7:30, 9:55 Sat.-Sun. (1:55) 4:40, 7:30, 9:55; **Resident Evil: Afterlife 3D** (R) Fri. (1:40, 4:10) 7:10, 9:25 Sat.-Sun. (1:40) 4:10, 7:10, 9:25; **Toy Story 3** (G) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:15, 9:45 Sat.-Sun. (1:40) 4:20, 7:15, 9:45; **The Virginity Hit** (R) Fri. (2:00, 4:15) 7:00, 9:15 Sat.-Sun. (2:00) 4:15, 7:00, 9:15; **You Again** (PG) Fri. (1:20, 4:10) 7:10, 9:35 Sat.-Sun. (1:20) 4:10, 7:10, 9:35

KENSINGTON

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White Wedding (NR) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (5:05), 7:25, 9:45 Sat. & Sun. (2:45), 5:05, 7:25, 9:45

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (888-262-4386)

Case 39; **Easy A**; **Eat Pray Love**; **Inception**; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole**; **Let Me In**; **The Social Network**; **The Town**; **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps**; **You Again**

La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)

You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R.) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:00), (4:40), 7:20, 9:55 Sat. & Sun. (11:20), 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; **Freakonomics** (PG) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:10), (4:50), 7:30, 10:05 Sat. & Sun. (11:30), 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:05; **Heartbreaker** (NR) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (1:50), (4:30), 7:10, 9:45 Sat. & Sun. (11:10), 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; **Mao's Last Dancer** (PG) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (1:40), (4:20), 7:00, 9:35 Sat. & Sun. (11:00), 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35 No 7:00 PM Show Thursday, 10/07/10

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Mission Valley 7

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The Social Network (PG-13) Fri. & Sat. (10:30 AM), (1:15), (4:00), 7:00, 10:15 Sun.-Wed. (10:30 AM), (1:15), (4:00), 7:00 Thu. (10:00 AM), (1:15), (4:00), 7:00; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D** (PG) Fri. & Sat. (11:15 AM), (1:45), 4:15, 7:15, 9:45 Sun.-Thu. (11:15 AM), (1:45), 4:15, 7:15; **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps** (PG-13) Fri. & Sat. (10:15 AM), (1:00), 4:15, 7:15, 10:15 Sun.-Thu. (10:15 AM), (1:00), 4:15, 7:15; **You Again** (PG) Fri. & Sat. (10:00 AM), (12:45), (4:00), 7:00, 9:45 Sun.-Thu. (10:00 AM), (12:45), (4:00), 7:00; **Easy A** (PG-13) Fri. (11:30 AM), (2:15), 5:00, 7:30, 10:00 Sat. (2:15), 5:00, 7:30, 10:00 Sun. (2:15), 5:00, 7:30 Mon. (11:30 AM), (2:15) Tue.-Thu. (11:30 AM), (2:15), 5:00, 7:30; **The Town** (R) Fri. & Sat. (10:45 AM), (1:30), 4:30, 7:30, 10:30 Sun.-Thu. (10:45 AM), (1:30), 4:30, 7:30; **Thomas & Friends: The Lion of Sodor** (NR) Sat & Sun. (10:30 AM)

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (888-262-4386)

Alpha and Omega; **Buried**; **Case 39**; **Catfish**; **Devil**; **Easy A**; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole**; **Let Me In**; **Resident Evil: Afterlife**; **The Social Network**; **The Town**; **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps**; **You Again**



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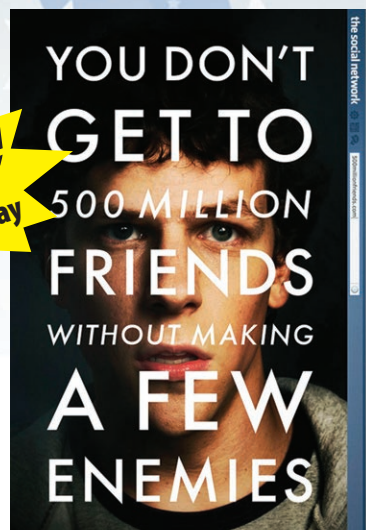
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NORTH COASTAL

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Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:35, 12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 Sun. (10:35, 12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30; **The Social Network** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:35 Sun. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:00; **The Town** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 2:15, 5:00) 7:40, 10:15 Sun. (11:30, 2:15, 5:00) 7:40

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

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Life As We Know It (PG-13) Sat. 7:15 PM; **Secretariat** (PG) Sat. 8:00 PM; Case 39 (R) Fri. & Sat. 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30 Sun.-Thu. 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Let Me In** (R) Fri. & Sat. 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sun.-Thu. 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Social Network** (PG-13) Fri. & Sat. 10:00 AM, 12:45, 3:30, 7:00, 10:00 Sun.-Thu. 10:00 AM, 12:45,

3:30, 7:00; **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D** (PG) Fri. 10:30 AM, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 Sat. 10:30 AM, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 9:45 Sun.-Thu. 10:30 AM, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; **Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps** (PG-13) Fri. & Sat. 10:00 AM, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00 Sun.-Thu. 10:00 AM, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; **You Again** (PG) Fri. 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sat. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 10:45 Sun. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15 Mon.-Thu. 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Easy A** (PG-13) Fri. & Sat. 10:45 AM, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00 Sun.-Thu. 10:45 AM, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **The Town** (R) Fri. & Sat. 11:45 AM, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45 Sun.-Thu. 11:45 AM, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00

Flower Hill 4

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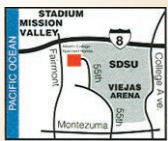

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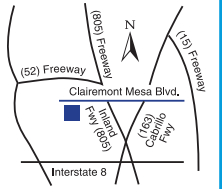


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Across

1. Can't take
6. "If ____ before ..."
10. Oodles
14. Shame
15. This and that: Abbr.
16. Canal depicted on New York's state quarter
17. "Marx brother ... let me introduce you to a TV host"
19. "How foolish ____!"

20. When Hamilton and Burr dueled
21. Concept in Confucianism
22. "Avoid the ____" ('80s slogan)
23. Reserve
25. President mentioned repeatedly in the 2009 bestseller "The Secret Life of Marilyn Monroe"
27. Staggering
29. Simon and Garfunkel, e.g.
30. Prefix with friendly
33. Place
35. Eye drops?
39. Beach blanket?
41. "Three apples high" cartoon character
43. He has his pride
44. Evidence
46. "I call 'em as I ____"
48. Biden's state: Abbr.
49. British rule in India
51. Gun in a dugout
53. Fictional airline in "Lost"
57. Unelected ruler
61. "Wedding Crashers" actress Fisher
62. Ill in modern Rome
64. Swiss cough drop
65. Polygraph flunker
66. "Olympic gymnast ... let me introduce you to a costar of 'Legends of the Fall'"
68. Opposite of exo-
69. The FDA recalled over half a billion of them in 2010
70. Inner circle
71. Gone platinum?
72. Belgian river
73. ____ a fox

Down

1. Laugh track sounds
2. Take ____ (lose big)
3. Late

4. Neighbor of Francia
5. They're hit after games
6. Brat
7. Gossip
8. "Wicked Game" crooner Chris
9. Made a comeback?
10. "Famous Bolshevik ... let me introduce you to the playwright of 'Blithe Spirit'"
11. "Friend ____?"
12. Lacking backbone
13. Poorly kept
18. Geneses
24. Looks to be
26. Kook
28. Matt of "Today"
30. Psychic's asset
31. Lincoln or Ford
32. Vocalist Yoko
34. It's unreal
36. Word with first or financial
37. Sushi bar topping
38. TV prog. Betty White won an Emmy for guest hosting in 2010
40. "Nickelodeon character ... let me introduce you to a future Baseball Hall of Fame inductee"
42. Indiana Jones trademark
45. Devotee
47. Wild ones
50. Small bus
52. Part of CORE
53. Quieted, in a way
54. Gary Sinise TV series
55. Really delight
56. Cliff sights
58. Actor McDowall
59. Barton or Bow
60. "Be Wedgie-Free!" brand
63. Advantage
67. Where sheqalim are spent: Abbr.

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Mary Arana, Encinitas, 12. Hi you- Barns basal temperature test.
Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 12. If life was easy everyone would have one.
Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 12. Celebrated equinox with tea at house of old friend Louise.
William Cushing, Rancho Bernardo, 12. It's 78, not 18, every-one catch that?
Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 12. Like what we have when we don't have what we...
Dale Duffala, Bird Rock, 12. Number 18 is argon! I'll miss a few but be...
Richard Hutchings, Santee, 12. 28 down and 38 across were tough!
Sue Janisch, Escondido, 12. Star Island!

Wayne Mathieu, Clairemont, 12. Found my first typo in clue 40 across.
Michael Panther, Point Loma, 12. Thomas's German muffins!
Ted Scafidi, Hillcrest, 12. Rest in peace, Maestro.
Martha Awdziejewicz, Clairemont, 11. Hope you saw the full moon and Jupiter this week.
Leslie Chase, Campo, 11. Elementry dear bill, elementary.
George Elam, Vista, 11. Let the summer begin. Go Chargers!
Cindy Fisher, San Clemente, 11. Chemistry rules!
Jacque Glick, El Cajon, 11. I got... last...
Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 11. Element number 55 Chronicles of Namia author.

George Jackson, Oceanside, 11. You cant fix stupid; but you can vote it out.
Elaine Marume, Oceanside, 11. Hey kids!
Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 11. Shoulda manned up, coulda been charming...
Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 11. No wimps.
Burr Passenheim, Linda Vista, 11. 40 across elemet number 78, not number 18.
Claire Phillips, Clairemont, 11. Bill Pischke, Ramona, 11. There is something wonderfully elemental about orange.
Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 11. Reader web team email said correct answer was... why?
Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 11. Let's put the Giants to bed Padres!
Tom Somich, Clairemont, 11. Element number 18?

Lisa Torrescano, Spring Valley, 11. Shots, shots, shots, shots, shots! Errbody!
Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 10. I believe that element number 18 is Argon.
Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 10. Padres still in it for NL West!
Evelyn Bowser, Hillcrest, 10. Tahoe is sold!
Charlotte Brown, Clairemont, 10. What happened to summer?
Marvin A. Brown, Clairemont, 10. Hang on Padres!
Glen and Tesi Chavira-Cournoyer, Chula Vista, 10. I love Teresa Ann Chavira!
Craig Curtis, Escondido, 10. Rosie- five years and we are only getting better! Love!
John L. Drehner, North Park, 10. Frog: waiter there's not a fly in my soup.

Rich Dudka, Escondido, 10. Thanks for the hat!
Harry Engel, La Jolla, 10. What happened to Padres?
Irvin C. Gavidor, Golden Hill, 10. Vampires like cards too, not just blood! India Ink Papers!
Ken Hanson, Clairemont, 10. Go Padres!
Ron Hootman, Santee, 10. Hoot101... I don't know which is worse...
Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 10. Kiera! Bodo! Hi ho!
Ron Meyer, Santee, 10. Tom I think I scared Pam away!
Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 10. Got my first political call today, a month of screening!
Jim Odell, Vista, 10. Where's the US recovering?
Kaye Benton, San Diego, 9. Happy fall!

Jon Christianson, El Cajon, 9. To the wire- last 3 in San Fran.
Pam Mecklenborg, Pacific Beach, 9. Parot head was fun! Hold em' Wen? Love you Larry!
Jane M. Reilly, University City, 9. Yes on prop D.
David Tomasin, San Diego, 9. With sausage and mushroom and onions.
Jennifer Vuksinich, El Cajon, 9. Anything wrong?
Norman Williams, San Diego, 9. What da fuss?
Bruce Campbell, Portland OR, 8. Our nation is all people, not just the fortunate.
Maria Coda, Oceanside, 8. Thanks, All!
Jon Connor, Oceanside, 8. Love is patient and kind!
Julie Dalforno, Serra Mesa, 8. No deal for VJ!

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Allan Dorfman, Del Mar, 8. *This puzzle is elementary.*
Mary E. Harris, La Mesa, 8. *H, my thoughts are with you this week.*
Mark E. Jones, Claremont, 8. *Go Padres! Go Chargers!*
Willie McGee, San Diego, 8. *Preparation is everything.*
Linda Morris, Encanto, 8. *This puzzle makes my week complete! Luv ya Bob!*
Don Romero, La Mesa, 8. *You make me feel wonderful sweet Mei Ling!*
Robin Serfass, Leucadia, 8. *Is anybody alive out there?*
Elenore Stephens, Potrero, 8. *You goofed on 40 across.*

Rick Chambless, San Diego, 7. *Can you believe those bolts??*
Marilyn Contreras, El Cajon, 7. *Vipee!*
Sharise Cruz, El Cajon, 7. *No more walls.*
D Faulkner, University Heights, 7. *Are you riding your bike Wiggy?*
Billy Horton, Santee, 7. *Get ready for post season!*
Elizabeth Jackson, Alpine, 7. *Boo-yah!*
Al Maun, Ocean Beach, 7. *Comn, Padres!*
Stephen McLaughlin, Carlsbad, 7. *This brain power is for here...*
John Mobley, Lemon Grove, 7. *Love baseball, football has to wait.*
P. Drew Papas, La Jolla, 7. *Nice hat!*

Tim Parrott, Carlsbad, 7. *Mr Mahler’s mahgnant malar mole male made malicious mayhem.*
Jack Roberts, Rancho Bernardo, 7. *This has to be number 7*
Dave Small, San Carlos, 7. *Vote no on prop D. No sales tax increase.*
Carly Stone, San Diego, 7. *Live simply, so others may simply live!*
Ellen Bourne, San Carlos, 6. *Is Oct. here already? Boo!*
Ryan Bresnahan, San Diego, 6. *Go Ravens!*
David Wray, El Cajon, 6. *Hey Jerry, the potato goes in the front.*
Jason Kron, Lakeside, 5. *Famous, maybe, but will this get me a job? Maybe.*
Marc Richard, Banker’s Hill, 5. *For want of a nail the loss of a shoe...*
Randy Santos, University City, 5. *Happy anniversary.*

Zona Wahrenbrock, San Diego, 5. *Ah, politics!*
A. T. Certik, Bonita, 4. *Cele s’ecrit (hou, la-la).*
Calvin Gipson, South Park, 4. *Remember to vote in November.*
Sean Holt, Ocean Beach, 4. *Cheryl, have a blast in Italy! Don’t you mean 78?*
Dorothy Kruse, Carlsbad, 4. *Missed three weeks- away!*
Julie Ustin, Solana Beach, 4. *Hi Jamie and Megan- Welcome to California!*
Rita Weiss, Escondido, 4. *Noth-ing to say.*
Andre Desilets, Downtown, 3. *Go Chargers!*
Jack Hawkins, Encinitas, 3. *Time the tough the hand clings...*
Larry Johnsgard, Escondido, 3. *What’s the deal- Chargers!*

Butch Rosser, Chula Vista, 3. *If you don’t laugh at life, life will laugh at you.*
Lillian Santander, San Diego, 3. *Spain here we come!*
Lauren Smith, San Diego, 3. *I’m cold please send a t-shirt.*
Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 3. *How many found the typo in A-40?*
Scott Eide, El Cajon, 2. *Hooper drives the boat, chief!*
Rhona Fulling, San Diego, 2. *Cheer up- get well Len!*
Earl Gresh, Cardiff, 2. *Finkel is einhorn.*
Hans Karel, Ocean Beach, 2. *Love and respect all living things.*
Jeanmarie Barns, Allied Gardens, 1. *And Jayne*
Johanna Barry, Pine Valley, 1. *Welcome fall!*

Dick Bogert, Santee, 1. *Helps to have a periodic table!*
Amduro Castelo, San Diego, 1. *Dave Weim rocks!*
Marsi Engel, Spring Valley, 1. *Wow, that was kinda messy!*
Jeana Flowers, Ocean Beach, 1. *One year and going strong. I love you Marky Mark.*
Rick Harris, Miramar, 1...
Judy Ike, Vista, 1. *That was fun. Go Padres!*
Marcus Rounds, North Park, 1. *I’ve found the most beautiful flower.*
Sherrie Stockdale, Vista, 1. *Have a great trip, Jim. Bag a big one!!*
Ann Winder, Hillcrest, 1. *Give it a rest M Rewa- your answer was wrong.*



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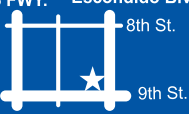
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HARD:

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EVIL:

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THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

EASY:

- Pauline O'Malley, Point Loma, 12.** Yea, sure is a real mess. Give back my Ford.
- Terry Thomas, Chula Vista, 12.** Oct 10-11 celebrate Harbor Days in Chula Vista.
- Ken Hanson, Clairemont, 11.** Go Twins!
- John Pertle, Santee, 11.** Believe in the lord Jesus and you will be saved.
- Ann Grudzinski, San Diego, 8.** Hello world!
- Viet Nguyen, Mira Mesa, 8.** Liberty Station is the best place to be.
- Erin Nogle, Ocean Beach, 8.** Padres and Chargers better get it together.
- M. Elliott, Ranch Bernardo, 6.** We found a lost dog!
- Saad Ghulah, Escondido, 6.** Summer, I hope had a nice trip.
- Jeff Loeb, San Diego, 6.** Easy does it.
- Remy C. Nicholas, San Diego, 5.** Meditation is medication for soul and body...
- Edmund Rull, San Diego, 4.** Come 2 St. Patrick's school fall festival on October 16...

- Melquiades B. Rivera, Spring Valley, 3.** Thank you for the cap. Appreciate it.
- Robert Bourne, San Carlos, 2.** You popped my cad.
- Alice Bryant, Mission Hills, 2.** Hello sweet honey.
- Elizabeth Miller, San Diego, 2.** Square pegs can not fit into round holes!
- Shannon Barry, Pine Valley, 1.** Hat for dad please.
- Remedios Coronel, Oceanside, 1.** More power to your Magazine. Thanks and god bless!
- Alan Gretz, Nestor, 1.** Got 3 outa 4... lost the Medium one!
- Stephen McLaughlin, Carlsbad, 1.** Same chance for a shirt as evil.
- Bridget Merza, San Marcos, 1.** There are shortcuts to happiness, dancing is one of them.
- Matt Miller, Vista, 1.** Suck it Riv...
- Mike Sheridan, Pacific Beach, 1.** You know what I mean.
- Hyesu Shin, San Diego, 1.** I'm from Korea!
- MEDIUM:**
- Paul Boland, Bay Park, 12.** The puzzle is harder this week.
- Harry Chiou, Mira Mesa, 12.** September is over.

- Josie Ranches, San Diego, 12.** I'd rather be swimming!
- Linda Bible, El Cajon, 11.** Did I goof last week or miss deadline?
- Dave Small, San Carlos, 11.** Vote no on prop D. No sales tax increase.
- Elliott Estrine, Poway, 9.** Summer finally, or is it autumn?
- Roy Bartolome, San Diego, 8.** A big fat squash just squashed my hat real flat.
- David Mills, San Diego, 7.** The half way point for me is the hardest.
- David Tomasin, San Diego, 5.** No ham or pineapple.
- Ellen Bourne, San Diego, 4.** New TV season, not so good.
- Cheryl Uppling, Carlsbad, 4.** Happy sunshine Bodo, birdies, everyone!
- Robert Crumrine, Downtown, 3.** Christmas shopping is very close, start shopping!
- Ben Lupdag, Chula Vista, 3.** For my granddaughter Eleyah!
- Kelly Phu, San Diego, 3.** Finally I'd made it.
- Rebekah Mathieu, San Diego, 2.** God (the one and only) is better than 'a god'.
- Bess Santos, Imperial Beach, 2.** New England here I come!
- Oldman-Grandpa Steve, Temecula, 2.** Thanks for the night of safety! Love you two!

- Sarah Walton, Poway, 2.** New Harry Potter trailer today... so excited!
- Zach Crocetti, Santee, 1.** Inky, Missy, Blackie and Blue are the best cats!
- Mary-Ann Gomez, Linda Vista, 1.** Dicki, thank you my brother.
- Karen Haggard, San Juan Capistrano, 1.** Thanks San Diego
- Juli Richardson, Chula Vista, 1.** I believe!

HARD:

- Martha Awdziejewicz, Clairemont, 12.** Go Padres!
- Amada Garcia, Chula Vista, 12.** Happy xu b-day Amadita. Mi quincianera.
- Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 11.** But no, my lack of regard was rather alarming!
- Ed Rull, San Diego, 11.** This is a real hard one!
- Skully, San Diego, 11.** I love my kitten! Come let me pet you!
- Esther Hays, La Mesa, 10.** Last zoo volunteer event 4 us- shame on Adam.
- Mary E. Harris, La Mesa, 9.** Happy birthday Hank!
- Steve Schorr, Encinitas, 8.** She's a karate champ!
- Abdalwahid Bahho, El Cajon, 7.** I wish the peace for everybody.

- John Gaughen, North Park, 5.** Enjoy free night out at the theatre in October.
- Marc Richard, Bankers Hill, 5.** Even the drawing had I before E. Sheesh!
- M. Shoaee, Rancho Bernardo, 5.** Go Chargers!
- Kevin DeBruin, South Park, 3.** We had a great time in Yellow Stone.
- J. Dimartino, San Marcos, 2.** Great job Craig you super crossworder
- Jeffry Ross, Chula Vista, 2.** Finally finished the hard one. Ha! That's what she said!
- Omar Johnson, El Cajon, 1.** Go Omar!!
- Bruce C. Phimmasone, San Diego, 1.** Thank you very much! I'm back!

EVIL:

- Joe Arbusto, Rancho Penasquitos, 12.** Baby formula/ beetle larvae equals Made in USA sick babies!
- Bliss Beedle, Encinitas, 12.** Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- Loren Boyer, El Cajon, 12.** Stock up on brylcreame, Hawaii 5-O is back!
- Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 12.** Unemployable? -I just know thousands of jobs I don't want.

- Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 12.** Death cab for cutie. I will possess your heart.
- Richard Hutchings, Santee, 12.** Will this be the padres season yet?
- Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 12.** An apple a day keeps the doctor away
- Gary Lorenc, Encinitas, 12.** I hate wining, but what happened to summer this year?
- David Najman, Chicago, 12.** Summer is back in Chicago!
- Michael Panther, Point Loma, 12.** Clean up in aisle six!
- Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 12.** Reader web team...
- Charles Rion, Allied Gardens, 12.** Need to get back on the bike!
- Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 12.** October is the cure for all that ails us!
- Susan Williams, North Park, 12.** Lets have a cool autumn too!
- Mark Xitco, San Diego, 12.** How nice, thanks?
- Carl Baltrunas, Milpitas, 11.** Thank you Jeff Loeb- number 12!
- Greg Chauncey, La Jolla, 11.** Free HIV medical cone Manchester Hyatt 9 Oct.
- Larry Clark, Clairemont, 11.** Watermelons. With or with out seeds, their still pink inside.
- Rich Dudka, Escondido, 11.** Dakota is a fine dog.

THIS WEEK’S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

Roy E. Leeper, Chula Vista, 11.
Welcome to San Diego Barry and Kathryn.
Stuart Lester, Santee, 11. *Happy birthday Mike! Dad loves you!*
Hiroshi Miyazaki, San Diego, 11. *This is my 11th continous entry.*
Bruce Ness, Mira Mesa, 11. *Does Mary Bently still play dominoes???*
Please call!!!!
Tom Norris, Santee, 11. *Let's put an end to which binds us together...*
L.J. Tamura, Del Mar, 11. *Wish I had some pie and a sundae driver!*
Jim Upshaw, Clairemont, 11.
Next Maui, wow we.
Alford Claiborne, Encanto, 10.
Happy days again.

Cindy Fisher, San Clemente, 10.
I'm overrun by lagomorphs!
Jane Flammang, Encinitas, 10.
Happy birthday nice.
Haley Hodnett, San Diego, 10.
Censored
Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 10.
Staring at him and thinking... he looks like a donkey!
David Schwartz, Clairemont, 10. *Little giant nearly gave me a heart attack too...*
Jean Bradley, Spring Valley, 9.
Bob and the girls can hardly wait til dirt season
Michelle Dutra, Serra Mesa, 9. *Pl JV Ckeer Rocks!*
Jim Hurley, San Diego, 9. *I see UT newspaper you remain a clown.*

Saad Kassab, Mission Hills, 9. *I hope your not blaming Obama!*
Le Phan, La Jolla, 9. *Beautiful harvest moon!*
Art Spencer, Oceanside, 9.
Missed last week. Not so famous anymore.
Joe Steinbach, Clairemont, 9.
Take a hike- see calande/ local events/ outdoors
Bill Black, La Jolla, 8. *Went brain dead for 2 weeks.*
Butch Hays, La Mesa, 8. *Fun critter celeb except for insulting Adam Ticket Tactics.*
Kitten, Coronado, 8. *I love my Monkeyboy! Why you gotta leave me again??*
Michelle Ammann-Sherry, San Clemente, 7. *Cake!*

Elizabeth Baddour, Carmel Valley, 7. *If it doesn't kill you it may make you stronger.*
Paula Henderson, La Jolla, 7.
Reader puzzle! Highlight od my week!
David Holbo, San Carlos, 7. *Lazy hazy crazy day of summer.*
Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 7.
Fall is here! Kiera! Bodo!
Al Maun, San Diego, 7. *Tis autumn.*
Debbie Schultz, El Cajon, 7.
I'm back!
Larry Terbell, Golden Hill, 7. *Vote out career politicians in November!*
Tom Thetford, Lemon Grove, 7. *Why were my brainstorm answers incorrect?*
Peter Bartkiewicz, Chula Vista, 6. *Thanks for dinner Kate and Kevin and the cut.*

Susan Irwin, Ocean Beach, 6.
Sunny fall. Warm rainy winter. Nice.
Karen Maegley, Sorrento Mesa, 5. *12 to go!*
Patrick Driscoll, Santee, 4. *Teddybears don't drive cars.*
D. Faulkner, University Heights, 4. *Ride your bike. You'll be well spoken!*
Samuel San-Wong, Santee, 4.
Happy birthday J-man! Love mom and dad!
Denis Levy, San Diego, 3. *Baby dino! Let's go, Ilana!*
Bing, Little Italy, 2. *143 to every-one. Happy 16th birthday Steven.*
Mary Faucher, Escondido, 2. *Go Padres and Chargers!*
Jonathon McMurtry, Vista, 2.
Oh brave new world that hath such people in it.

John Baddour, San Marcos, 1.
The truth will prevail!
Jeff Curtis, North Park, 1. *Miri-ams handyman can...*
Darci Garcia, Fairmont, 1. *For luckiest husband in the world to have found me!*
Carolyn Ingram, La Mesa, 1. *16 days post brain surgery. Thanks Dr Barba, UCSD Thornton.*
Suhail Mattia, Spring Valley, 1.
John 3:16
Armani Nicholas, San Diego, 1.
My first time to try evil sudoku puzzle.
Martha B. Pomroy, Lemon Grove, 1. *Tom- you are the love of my life.*
Kelly Sakoi, Rancho Penasquitos, 1. *Let's win Padres!*
Roy Weinstein, San Diego, 1.
Right on!

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EL CAJON, \$725.
1BD+1BA apartment. Beautiful landscape with gated entry. No pets. 1018 E. Lexington Avenue. TPPM, 619-838-8088. www.eastwindsapts.com.
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1BD+1BA apartment. Attractive, well-maintained property with beautiful courtyard. Gated access and quiet location. 340 Orlando Street. TPPM, 619-818-9939. www.northwindsapts.com.



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2BD+1BA, apartment. \$100 off first month's rent! \$900 deposit. On-site laundry. Small, quiet complex. Patio, barbecues. No pets. Oakdale Avenue. 619-993-1386. 619-440-5700.
LA MESA, \$1150.
2BD+2BA apartment. 1 free month with one- year lease! Only \$500 deposit. Storage. No pets. \$25 credit. 5435 Morengo Avenue. Call 619-698-7926. www.villaknollsapts.com.
LA MESA, \$1500.
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LA MESA, \$750.
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LA MESA, \$795.
Studio+1BA. Parking, on-site laundry, cat OK. 5027 Guava. www.kandrproperties.com. Call Tami, 619-244-3115.
LA MESA, \$825.
1BD+1BA large apartments. 1/2 off 1st! All appliances, built in bookshelves, A/C, on-site laundry, barbecue. Cat and Section 8 OK! 7334 La Mesita. 619-466-6450.
LA MESA, \$850-1025.
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Brainstorms

by Don Rubin

What’s up?

This week’s puzzle has an attitude problem.
We’d like you to match the views from outside the plane with the corresponding views from inside the cockpit.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____
7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

11. _____

12. _____

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- 11 soda

9 lotion

3 mouthwash

13 pump toothpaste

8 champagne

15 hairspray

19 spray wax

18 beer

6 shampoo

2 wine

16 whipped topping

5 nasal decongestant

10 dishwashing liquid

14 styling mousse

17 all-purpose cleaner

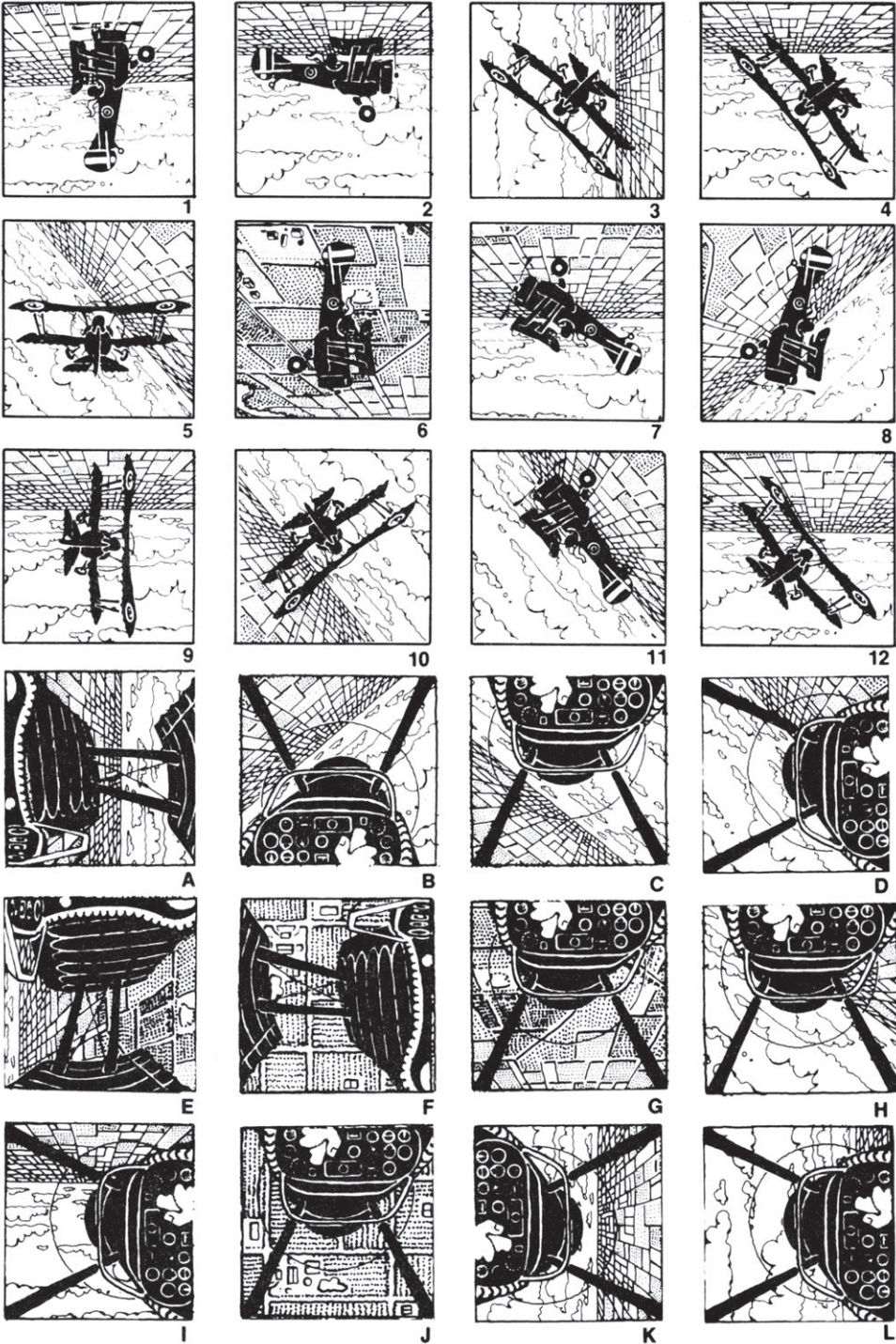
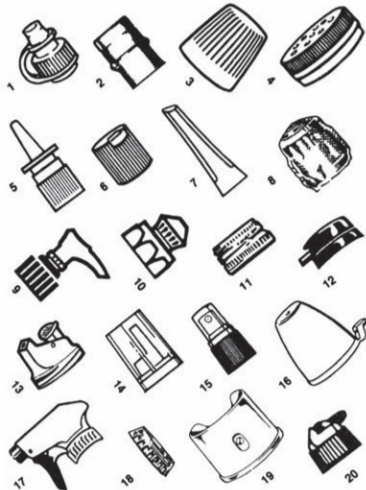
1 contact-lens solution

12 shaving cream

20 lighter fluid

4 baby powder

7 nail polish



BRAINSTORM PUZZLES:

RULES OF THE GAME

- 1) Submit one completed puzzle to the Reader each week for entry into another contest! We keep track of each puzzle you successfully complete and the results are posted online at sandiegoreader.com. But your submission will only be counted when you successfully complete a puzzle AND get it to us by 7:00 a.m. Monday.

2) Be one of the first 125 people who submit the correct answers to one of the puzzles and we will print your name in the paper along with your brief message

- (10 words or less, no URLs or phone numbers). Entries must include a message. This is a great way to express yourself. You may submit a new message weekly. We reserve the right to edit or reject inappropriate text.

3) The puzzle-contest ranking, shown online and in the paper, will begin anew every three months. Complete the journey four times a year!

4) Entries must be faxed to **619-233-7907** or mailed to Reader Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803 or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India Street in Little Italy or scanned and e-mailed to: Puzzles@sreader.com. Submissions by e-mail must be attached in JPG format, 800 by 800 pixels,

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5) 5 Reader baseball caps are awarded weekly to contenders chosen randomly!

6) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.

7) Late entries will not be considered.

8) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.

9) Employees of the Reader and their immediate families are not eligible.

THIS WEEK’S CONTENTERS:

Conway Redding, La Mesa, 11. Two gimmees in a row! You're slipping!
Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 10. Stupidity- not letting the facts sway your prejudices.

Ed Barno, San Diego, 9. I need to keep a lid on it.
Cindy Fisher, San Clemente, 8. Drat! I thought the nose was significant.

Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 8. Is complaining bad when you're right?
Tom Somich, Clairemont, 8. Good one- a real thinker.
John Fitzpatrick, San Diego, 7. O give thanks unto the lord; for he is good.
Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 7. Co-ed, doh!

Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 7. Ain't no woman like the one I got!
Jason Parson, San Diego, 7. I vote for no more Charger game blackouts!
John Strauch, San Diego, 7. Point Loma 14 mile hike- coast and bay.
Carl Baltrunas, Milpitas, 6. Thank you Jeff Loeb!!! ...

Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 6. Caps off! Hi Kiera! Hi Bodo! Alas not deco.
Ted Scafidi, San Diego, 6. Put a lid on it.
Elaine Marume, Oceanside, 5. Whopee!
Tim Parrott, Carlsbad, 5. Please randomize this phrase to hilarious nonsense.

Harry Chiou, Mira Mesa, 4. September is over.
Tiffinnie Hibbard, San Diego, 4. Hi Eden!
Janie Redmond, Cardiff, 4. You're the best.
Debbie Schultz, El Cajon, 4. Russ had to help me!
Dave Small, San Carlos, 4. Vote no on prop D. No sales tax increase.

THIS WEEK’S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

Ann Winder, Hillcrest, 4. *Oh well, should have entered last week.*
Robert McQuay, San Diego, 3. *Trickle-up Poverty is sucking!*
Gwendolyn Pogrowski, Clairemont, 3. *Cute one!*
Mike Barry, Pine Valley, 2. *Oh that was a hyphen?*
John Cid, El Cajon, 2. *I totally got the last one in on time. Your clock is wrong.*
Ann Nagy, Carlsbad, 2. *Game on dad!*
Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 2. *Top of the morning*

Frances Alvarado, Hillcrest, 1. *We are both winner's in love, Big Al Marla.*
Angela Bruser, Chula Vista, 1. *Finally- I didn't miss, I'm sure of this. Finally finally!*
Tanya Callihan, Lemon Grove, 1. *Spay or neuter plz.*
Beverly Carter, Lemon Grove, 1. *Great articles, coupons, and event's coverage. Good reviews and social...*
April Chambers, El Cajon, 1. *Woodside deli is the best! Love James!*
Dan Colvin, El Cajon, 1. *This was fun!*

David Corn, Poway, 1. *The Chargers "special" team is not very special!*
Lynne Darius, San Diego, 1. *Roll tide- go bama!*
Mike Deliman, Santee, 1. *A tip of the cap to capitalism!*
Tiffany Donchess, Santee, 1. *Is true love out there?*
Steve Dowell, Lakeside, 1. *Pedro for President!*
Sean Dyer, San Diego, 1. *Fall is in the air— Enjoy!*
Maris Engle, Spring Valley, 1. *Shelby and Gary, who's the master?*
Toni Finch, La Mesa, 1. *Go Chargers!*
Karen Gamez, San Diego, 1. *Bello I love you, happy 31 months!*

Allan Ingram, La Mesa, 1. *Let the cake sit for a week. Oops!*
Jason Kron, Lakeside, 1. *Resume addition: I'm now a published writer (Paid in t-shirt).*
Kim Kugler, Pacific Beach, 1. *Does your cat make too much noise? Tey Kitten Mittiens!*
Ilana Levy, San Diego, 1. *Hey I'm in the newspaper. You should be proud. Love you Levy family.*
Ronald E. Long, San Diego, 1. *Go Penn State and SDSU.*
Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside, 1. *Life is a garden... dig it?*
Dennis Miller, Vista, 1. *Thank you!*

Sheila Newbery, Chula Vista, 1. *Brains need exercise too. Reader's Brainstorm puzzles help strengththen them.*
Ashley Payne, Carlsbad, 1. *Hey Cory!~Tingaling!*
Carmen Pelletier, San Diego, 1. *Clean and serene.*
Ginger Phillips-Hipp, Bay Park, 1. *Carpe manana*
Don Romero, La Mesa, 1. *My first try Sweet Mei Ling. Wish me luck!*
Russ Schwab, San Diego, 1. *The Schwab's number 1!*
Jennifer Slaughter, San Diego, 1. *Keep on keepin' on!*
Lisa Spagnolo, College Area, 1. *In it to win it!*

Rick Stone, Chula Vista, 1. *Mail a letter!*
Lisa Torrescano, San Diego, 1. *Oh no, not another one!*
William Wheeler, Valley Center, 1. *Go Padres, all the way in 2010!*
Herb White, South Park, 1. *Find all caps for ballcaps!*
Mark Wreschinsky, Poway, 1. *Cancer sucks!*

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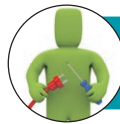
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Issue of September 23, 2010

Events listings

p.78 Phillip *should be* Philip

p.110 '90s *should be* '90s (x2)

p.110 '80s *should be* '80s (x2)

Brian Albers (San Carlos) \$50

T.G.I.F

p.18 "I'd *should be* "I'd

City Lights

p.52 business *should be* businesses

Gian Ghio (Chula Vista) \$20

Club Crawler

p.96 of *should be* off

Sara Beck-Pancer (City Heights) \$10

Crossword puzzle

p.140 #18 *should be* #78

Clinton Smith (La Mesa) \$10

Events listings

p.85 5:35 *should be* 1:10

Thanks, Nathaniel. You've reached the \$300

limit in earnings for 2010.

Nathaniel Uy (Riverside) \$10

Club Crawler

p.96 This is ain't *should be* This ain't

Derek Harrington (Bonita) \$10

Literary and spiritual excerpts

p.85 is *should be* was

Darren A. Rose (La Mesa) \$10

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L. Barling (El Cajon) \$10

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I don't want Brown or Whitman, but I'll have to go for her because Brown scares me. He's just too old; he's done it too long.



Brian Johnson
Sales Rep
Pacific Beach

Meg Whitman, absolutely. I like that she started from a small corporate company and built it into a huge company. I'd think she'd know how to manage people and budgets and things like that. The Browns and the other people that have been in politics...it's just kind of the same-old same-old. She's definitely getting my vote. She's a super-wealthy woman, so that's even more attractive [laughs]. I'm a Democrat, but I don't vote for party lines; I just vote for the person I think represents what I believe in.



Jason Froehlich
Business Owner
Sacramento, CA

I'm voting for Meg Whitman, and the reason why is because she's taken a very small business and grown it into a Fortune 500 company — and during a dot-com era, too. Everybody's worried about her cutting jobs, but not necessarily is she going to cut important jobs. The ones that need to be cut need to be cut anyway. Our state needs help. It's not that I don't like Jerry; it's that Jerry's a career politician. Meg Whitman has performed. I don't think Jerry Brown's going to be able to lead this state out of the crisis that we're in. I think he's going to pull it down further, and it [would] be an economic disaster for California, for the nation, and then for the world.



Johnny Barner
Unemployed
North Park

I actually would like another candidate. I think they both suck pretty bad. His history's not good overall, and I think she's buying the campaign. Of either option, I would take him over her, but I wish there was a viable third option. I'm Democratic through my voting history, but I'm actually more independent. I always vote for whoever I think is the most qualified.



Daniel Garcia
Valet
College Area

I know a little bit about Meg Whitman...she's a Republican...eBay. But I don't know...I'm probably not going to vote for her even though she's going to win. I feel like she's going to win because she's got the biggest pull. I'm most likely going to vote for Jerry Brown.



Ella Wins
Sales Assistant
Little Italy

California has been so screwed up, there's no way it can go any way but up. So, I'm fine with whoever's chosen. I am going to vote, but I haven't decided who to vote for yet. I get the voter book and vote at home, so I don't have the pressure of people looking at me. They're going to judge you no matter what. I'm a mailer-voter person. I always do it on the very last day. I'm going to be reading and circling. It's kind of like cheating on a test. I don't care about the odds. I don't care that that chick came from Google or wherever she came from.

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1BD+1BA duplex. Deposit \$500. Good condition. Appliances. Fresh paint. Patio. Gated. Centrally located. 4339 49th Street. No pets. Call Mary, 619-584-5900.

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2BD+1BA centrally located, secure, upper, rear 2-bedroom apartment, \$785. Nonsmoking/ no pets. Laundry. Also available: 1-bedroom duplex, front. Both hardwood floors, small front yard, convenient. 4053 and 4059 42nd Street. \$775 rent. \$500 deposit. Available immediately. 619-521-2050.

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CITY HEIGHTS, \$775.
1BD+1BA, apartment. Gated complex with parking, laundry. Upstairs. Available 10/1. 4344 Van Dyke Avenue #3. 858-514-8201.

CITY HEIGHTS, \$795.
1BD+1BA gated apartment. Laundry, parking. Available now. 4380 Van Dyke Avenue. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

CITY HEIGHTS, \$799.
2BD+1BA, 850 sqft. \$799 deposit. 1-year lease. Secure, gated access. Storage available. Bright, airy unit; new carpet, paint. Close to schools, shopping and parks. Laundry on site. Available now. Amanda, 858-245-9909. innoreventerprises.com. 3555 42nd Street #10.

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1BD+1BA apartment. Move-in special: 1/2 off first month's rent! Newly remodeled. Ceiling fan, reserved parking, tile, gated, laundry. No pets. 619-279-0031. akarnazes@yahoo.com.

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HILLCREST, \$1000.
1BD+1BA detached cottage situated in nice courtyard setting with lush landscaping, hardwood floors. Gated, laundry on site. Available now. Garage available, \$150/ month. 3718 Park Boulevard #3722. 619-295-1100. www.cethron.com.

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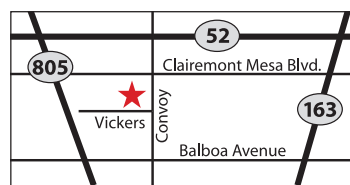
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— A recent surge of neo-Nazism in several countries — including Israel and Mongolia (where some dark-skinned natives are rabidly anti-Chinese) — has generally been denounced, but Corinna Burt credited it with rescuing her from a life of acting in pornographic videos. According to a hate-group watchdog, the Portland, Ore., woman is “the most prominent National Socialist Movement organizer in the Pacific Northwest.” In an August interview with *Gawker.com*, the white-supremacist Burt (a mother of two and a professional embalmer who is also into bodybuilding) said she terminated her porn career (as “Cori Lou,” doing mostly bondage and “torture” films) because, “If we [Caucasians] consider ourselves a master race, then we have to act like a master race, not degenerates.”

Government in Action

— Though volunteers got the project started in May, Ventnor City, N.J., continued through the summer to seek financial donations to finish the new restrooms that provide relief for those visiting the town’s Atlantic shore. Said commissioner Stephen Weintrob, “How would someone like to have a toilet named after themselves, or a urinal or sink?”

— California requires that if a sex offender’s GPS tagging device signals that he’s in a prohibited area, parole agents must immediately respond, but that law was easier to pass than to implement. As of June, according to a *San Diego Union-Tribune* investigation, the State had fallen behind by about 31,000.

— It is common knowledge that American corporations avoid taxes by running U.S. profits through offshore “tax havens” such as the Cayman Islands and Bermuda, but a *May Bloomberg Businessweek* investigation traced the specific steps that the pharmaceutical company Forest Labs takes to short the U.S. Treasury. Although Forest’s antidepressant Lexapro is sold only in the U.S., the company’s patent is held by an Irish subsidiary (and since 2005, shared with a Bermuda subsidiary in a tax-code hocus-pocus that insiders call the “Double Irish”), which allows the vast majority of the \$2 billion Forest earns a year on Lexapro to be taxed at Ireland’s low rate (and at Bermuda’s rate of zero). Bloomberg estimates that the U.S. Treasury loses at least \$60 billion annually by corporations’ “transfer pricing” — enough to pay for the entire Department of Homeland Security for a year.

Great Art!

— *Time* magazine reported in August that among the entrants in this year’s “Detroit Hair Wars” (showcasing 34 stylists working with 300 models) were the Hummer (stylist: “Little Willie”), in which a mass of extensions is shaped to resemble the vehicle, including four large tires — with “metal” wheels and front grille added — sitting upon the styled hair of model Sharv Bailey; and Beautiful Butterfly (stylist: Niecy Hayes), featuring extensions thinned, teased, and stretched into four artistic “wings” arising from the styled hair of model Taja Hiu. Both stylings appear to be at least two feet long, dwarfing the models’ heads, and take at least ten hours to prepare.

Least Competent Police

— In March, four NYPD officers, acting on department intelligence, went to the home of Walter and Rose Martin in Brooklyn, N.Y., looking for a suspect. Police broke a window as they worked their way inside. The Martins, retired and in their 80s, were clean, and a police spokesman later admitted that officers had wrongly visited or raided the Martins’ home more than 50 times since 2002 because of a stubborn computer glitch. When the software was originally installed, an operator tested it by

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— After surveying 374 waitresses, professor Michael Lynn, who teaches marketing and tourism at Cornell University, concluded that customers left larger tips to those with certain physical characteristics such as being slender, being blonde, or having big breasts. Lynn told the Cornell *Daily Sun* in May that his study was important in helping potential waitresses gauge their “prospects in the industry.”

— Perhaps more usefully, University of Central Lancashire (England) researchers writing in a recent *Archives of Sexual Behavior* reported that women achieve orgasm more often during foreplay than intercourse but that they more frequently emit orgasm-signaling “vocalizations” just before, or simultaneously with, male ejaculation.

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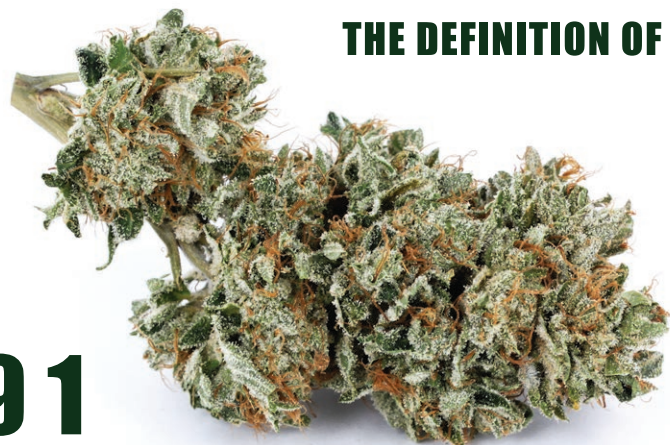
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