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UCSD's privacy gap

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has determined that a research project conducted by UCSD’s Antiviral Research Center violated the privacy and confidentiality rights of an unspecified number of human research subjects taking part in an HIV infection study. According to a February 4, 2011, letter from Health and Human Services official Lisa Buchanan to Gary S. Firestein, M.D., the university’s vice chancellor of translational medicine, the investigation was triggered by a research subject who alleged that researchers had “sent out all my laboratory specimens [sic] to provide laboratory with my first name, last name, DOB and SSN.”

The project leader was Dr. Susan Little, an associate professor of medicine in the Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, at the university. According to her biography on UCSD’s website, “Little has developed one of the leading and most productive National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases-sponsored programs in the United States for the identification, enrollment, and treatment of individuals with acute and recent HIV-1 infection.”

In November 2007, a news release promoted what UCSD said was “free and confidential HIV testing to people who may have a very recent infection with HIV.” It quoted Little as saying, “An individual can get the Early Test, which also detects hepatitis C infections, as early as one week after a potential HIV exposure. This is especially important because newly infected individuals have a very high viral load.”

The government’s investigation of the research subjects’ privacy claim revealed that the use of names and birthdates on lab specimens, common during the study, had violated federal laws. The practice also circumvented a confidentiality rule mandated by the university’s own institutional review board, which is supposed to monitor research projects involving human subjects.

“The given information we reviewed, at least one subject may have suffered harm that might have been avoided if the research referenced above had been carried out as approved by the [university’s review board],” said Buchanan. The review board acknowledged that it “…was not aware that [Little] was including names to identify samples sent to outside laboratories…[and it]…approved [her] research…with the understanding that [she] was coding all samples as described in her research plan.”

In a May 4 follow-up letter to UCSD’s Fierstein, Buchanan outlined the actions that the university had agreed to take in the wake of the findings, including an audit of Little’s work to “assess compliance with [institutional review board] approved research procedures for protecting patient confidentiality.”

The audit “found 100% noncompliance” with review board “procedures for coding data to protect subject confidentiality.” As a result, UCSD has agreed to “conduct random audits of all active research protocols on which Dr. Little serves as [principal investigator] for compliance with [review board] approved procedures and all aspects of managing patient confidentiality for the next 2 years.”

Queried about the case in a telephone interview last week, Little said that all of the privacy issues called out by regulators had been resolved. “Was it a mistake? Yes, it was. Should we have done better? Absolutely.” However, Little added, federal HIV reporting guidelines are “in constant evolution” and the privacy lapses that occurred during the course of the study were not “cavilier, reckless, or negligent.”

Little and the Antiviral Research Center are currently promoting Lead the Way, an effort to test all residents in the city’s 92103 and 92104 zip codes for HIV, backed by the endorsement of local celebrities, including Father Joe Carroll. “HIV testing is easy, confidential and is the simplest way to help our local community fight the spread of HIV/AIDS,” Little says on the project’s website.

Wine and tequila royalty

Termed-out GOP state senator Mark Wyland has set up a campaign committee to run for the state Senate 21st district seat before the commission had dropped the ball in pursuing R. Allen Stanford, a Houston financier charged with running a $7 billion Ponzi scheme. And then a watchdog group published a scathing study of the incestuous relationship between the commission and Wall Street.

The Senate committee heard how a female employee of the agency’s Fort Worth office had repeatedly tried to get her boss to look into the preposterous returns Stanford was promising investors. She got a letter of reprimand and was transferred to another position. The securities agency lawyer who kept the revolving door open for Stanford quit the government and went to work for — you guessed it — Stanford.

It was a classic example of the revolving door by which Wall Street investment and law firms control the regulatory agency. An agency lawyer who dangles a juicy job in front of an agency lawyer who is merely thinking of investigating the firm’s client. The law firm may have its ex-government attorneys try to sway former colleagues in an investigation.

In one section of its report, the Project on Government Oversight asks, “Does the Revolving Door Undermine [Securities and Exchange Commission] Enforcement and Regulatory Actions?” Then the watchdog answers its own query by citing several cases — one of which, involving San Diego attorney Gary Aguirre, has gone to the private sector must file a statement if he or she intends to represent a client before the commission within two years of departing. Under the Freedom of Information Act, researchers at the Project learned that between 2006 and 2010, a full 219 former securities commission employees had filed such statements.

The revolving door has often been a factor in thwarting securities-fraud investigations and can work in subtle ways, concluded Project researchers. A law firm may
**CITY LIGHTS**

**It Was Scary Up There**

By Joe Deegan

**W**hat would you do at witnessing someone about to jump from the Coronado Bay Bridge? Consider the tale of real estate appraiser Bryan Knowlton, a 42-year-old resident of Kearny Mesa. On Thursday, May 12, Knowlton left his office near home and headed for Coronado, where he had an 11:00 a.m. appraisal appointment. “It was about 10:30 as I was driving over the bridge,” he tells me. “I like to arrive a little early to take pictures of surrounding properties.”

“Traffic was backed up, and everybody was trying to get out of the right lane to go around a parked car. Driving by, I saw a lady looking over the wall, and there was a big bottle of wine on her hood and a smaller bottle of beer.”

In an instant, Knowlton decided to get out and talk to the woman. He pulled up a few feet beyond her car and went back. “I walked up and looked over the side,” he says, “and I said to her, ‘Man, this is scary up here.’ I started asking how she was doing and so on. She told me her car was broken down, though it was still running, and then she walked around to take the keys out of the ignition. And I asked if I could just hang out with her a while. I was trying to stay close the whole time so I could grab her if I needed to. I asked her if she had any kids cause I have a couple of my own. And did she have any other family? So I was talking to her and talking to her, but she wasn’t having any of it. She only kept mentioning that her car broke down. She said, ‘I’m waiting for a tow truck, and they’re on their way, and I’d like to just wait here by myself.’ ‘You know. I told her, ‘I just don’t feel comfortable with that. Can I hang out with you? I’ll have some drinks with you and chill out!’”

At that point, she seemed to be getting bored with me and said, ‘All I want you to do is leave.’

By then, the woman had started “pounding the wine, taking big gulps, and I thought she was trying to get drunk,” says Knowlton.

**STRINGERS**

**Black Water**

Does Sweetwater’s Hiring of Greg Vega Constitute Conflict?

**Chula Vista — Last week, the Sweetwater Union High School board voted to have an independent audit of Scott Aley, a public relations professional. The board’s choice of an auditor has raised this question: can an attorney who has already represented the Sweetwater board in a grand jury investigation be considered independent?**

A Union-Tribune article this week revealed that Aley was billing the district $250 an hour for meetings. According to some people interviewed by the newspaper, either the meetings didn’t take place or the substance of some of the meetings varied from the invoices submitted by Aley.

In response to these revelations, the board voted to hire former U.S. attorney Greg Vega to perform the audit. Board member Bertha Lopez was the only dissenting vote. One reason Lopez objected, she said in an interview on Wednesday, May 25, was that Vega’s name was suggested by the district’s legal counsel, Bonifacio Garcia, who had hired Aley. Lopez also said that prior to the vote, board members were not informed of Vega’s previous work relationship with the district.

“I went home and Googled Vega’s name,” said Lopez, “and found that he had represented the district in a grand jury investigation on Proposition BB (a school bond passed in 2000).”

**Sharp Justice**

Twin Oaks High School Student Charged with Knife Possession

**San Marcos — At the Vista courthouse on May 22, Twin Oaks High School assistant principal Todd Marquet testified that 18-year-old Ernesto Gomez had been in attendance for two years before trouble arose.**

When Gomez got into an argument with a new student on February 7 of this year, he was sent to Marquet’s office.

“We got Ernesto’s backpack,” said Marquet at the preliminary hearing. “We found a large kitchen knife.” Sheriff’s deputy John Delocht was called that day. He estimated the knife’s blade was longer than seven inches.

He was charged with a misdemeanor. Gomez (18) brought a knife to school.

The deputy said the teen told him he had the knife for “protection” because he had been harassed at a bus stop near his home. “There is a gang element in that,” Delocht said.

When Gomez was asked “What are you going to do if you go to prison?”

“Nothing. I don’t feel comfortable with this,” he replied.

Ernesto Gomez and public defender Alejandro Morales requested a reduction of concealed weapon felony charge to a misdemeanor. Gomez was found guilty and served two years in prison.

**As of May 1, 2008, there had been 233 suicides from the Coronado Bay Bridge.**

**Neal Obermeyer**

**This report is based on flawed assumptions and is very misleading!**

**I will cost way too much to repair City Hall.**

**So we should just build a New One!**

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**We could change this here... adjust that there...**

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By Susan Luzzaro

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Cover Bee
Everyone involved with Queen Bee would like to send out a huge thank you to the Reader for putting the Queen Bee on the front cover (May 26). We actually built her for the Tryland Parade last year, and she has gotten pretty popular.

Alma Rodriguez
via email

Foot Traffic
I’m calling in reference to the “Sharrowed Roads” in the “Stringers” column (May 26). For the past three weeks, bike logos have been painted on certain streets in Kensington. We understand this. This is to get bicyclists made aware of by cars. Now, what do we do about getting bicyclists to be aware of pedestrians? They all — near 100 percent — refuse to stop at stop signs. As a pedestrian, I regret this. I’ve been run over several times. What markings can we paint into the street to protect the pedestrians who would very much enjoy something being done about that?

Name Withheld
via voice mail

Religion 101
Concerning “Rhyme & Verse” (Poetry, May 26), “Rosh HaShanah.”

No matter how lovely or striking the poem which you quote, your uninformed and amateurish statement that Rosh Hashanah is the “Jewish festival of lights” shows your shallow understanding of the topic and sophomoric level of research. Rosh Hashanah, the “Day of Remembrance” or “Day of Judgment,” is the Jewish New Year, in early autumn. Hanukkah is the “Feast of Lights,” usually around Christmas, celebrating the Hasmonian guerrilla war victory in 164 BC. You must have a Jewish person on your staff who could have proofed your copy. Or anybody who passed Introduction to Religion 101 would have known this. Or Wikipedia?

Your ignorance reminds me of what American grocery chain stores do on Jewish holidays. The conventional wisdom in the grocery business is that Jewish people buy matzoh on Passover, which usually occurs around Easter. The Old Testament commands Jews to shun leavened bread and eat only unleavened bread — matzoh, similar to communion bread. So, since shallow understanding runs many businesses, every Jewish holiday “brings out the matzoh.” Rosh Hashanah, Hanukkah, and even the most recent historical holiday, Yom Ha’atzmaut (Israel Independence Day), all bring out boxes of matzoh at the stores, which, of course, sit there and get stale until the next Jewish holiday.

The great majority of customers, Jewish and non-Jewish, don’t buy matzoh anyway, anytime of the year. And those who do want to buy matzoh for religious reasons are often turned off by the obvious ignorance of the store management concerning Jewish holidays.

Shabtai’s collection of poems, J’Accuse, is a fine, subtle work, clarifying the complexity of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. And the title J’Accuse is deliciously ironic in its citation of Zóbi 19th-century work decrying French and European anti-Semitism. It’s a shame that your careless comment about the “feast of lights” rendered whatever you said about Shabtai superficial and trifling.

Richard Siegel
via email

Steve Kowit responds: Richard Siegel is correct. My apologies for that error. I’m glad he admires him so much.

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A Night Together

When my friend Kerry finally decided to move down to San Diego from Santa Barbara, I thought we’d have nothing but time together. She and Mia were among the lucky few to keep up a long-distance relationship for over seven years; over that time, the four of us friends (Kerry, Mia, David, and me) had struggled to find time to get together, be it wine tasting in Santa Barbara, retreats in Los Angeles, or date nights in San Diego. They found a place in La Jolla with a gorgeous view of the coastline.

What I didn’t realize until they were settled and unpacked is that geography was not our only obstacle. Kerry, a screenwriter, can never predict her schedule. And by Barbarella

"With all the work we’re doing, horrible as it sounds, I can’t imagine leaving. Plus, we don’t even know when we have to move!”

I didn’t mind the long line to the checkout counter at Fry’s Electronics — not this time. Because, this time, there was a puppy in the shopping cart in front of me. “Do you mind?” I said, but I didn’t wait for the woman to answer before I put my hands all over that soft little ball of fur. More than one person in line made a joke about not knowing the electronics store sold puppies. David was one of them.

“So many, beh-beh,” I said, as I stroked the whimpering pup’s back and scratched its ears. “Some day we’ll have one of these for ourselves.” I sighed wistfully. We’d considered moving from our condo into a house, a place with a yard, a yard that was conducive to energetic doggies. But it’s looking like we’ll move into another not-as-dog-friendly, cement-surrounded cityscape. That and the traveling keeps us from tethering ourselves to the responsibility of keeping a pet. For now, I get my doses where I can.

This morning, I interviewed one of our city’s firefighters. I have a lot of respect for firefighters — a number of my high school friends joined the local ranks, and three of my cousins in New York were firefighters before I ever graduated high school. One of them, Jeffrey, is no longer with us. Jeffrey was one of the fallen on 9/11, among the first engines to arrive on the scene, and he never left it. Every time the event is referred to, I can remember all of the terror and fear of that morning.
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HIDING IN A LIFEBOAT, WAITING FOR NIGHT TO FALL — Famed labor leader César Chávez served in the U.S. Navy from 1946 to 1948, a period he described as “the worst two years of my life.” To honor those awful years and to pay tribute to the many Latino shipbuilders who helped to build the last in its Lewis and Clark line of cargo ships, the U.S. Navy decided to name that ship after Chávez.

But the move drew criticism from congressman Duncan Hunter, who thought the honor should have gone to “someone who wasn’t famous for whining.” Conservative commentator Glenn Beck jumped onboard, comparing the decision to naming a ship “the USS Bombing at Pearl Harbor.”

Hunter was quick to distance himself from Beck, calling the television personality’s comments “unhelpful.” But he did write a letter to Navy secretary Ray Mabus, stating that Mabus’s “Americanism as a true American” had been “called into serious question” by the decision to honor “a man who, despite his dark skin, was pinko through and through.” Mabus, perhaps still smarting after the outcry that followed his assurance to the public, “primarily for use in removing deported illegals from United States territories.”

In announcing the uncontroversial operation, Mabus noted that if the Navy ever named another ship after a Latino, it would be somebody “safe, like [former United States attorney general Alberto] ‘Torture This’ Gonzales.”

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Councilman DeMaio: “Are you suggesting that no measure is too extreme in the struggle to keep the Spreckels organ pumping?”

Councilwoman Zapf: “I’m saying that those Sunday afternoon performances are absolutely thrilling, and $29,000 a year is a bargain to keep folks coming.”

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Councilwoman Lightner: “But perhaps we could seek cooperation from corporate America.”

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Hey, Matt:

When we watch scary movies, my mom screams a lot but my dad doesn’t. When we go out to a movie, ladies scream but the men don’t. I think scary movies are pretty scary for me. I put my hand over my mouth so I don’t make so much noise. Sometimes my father laughs when we scream. I wonder why this happens. Do guys not get scared at vampire movies and stuff like that?

— Chelsea, San Diego

Matt:

Why do people close their eyes when they hear loud noises? It’s like a reflex. There’s some sort of boom and you just have to blink. Why?

— The Eye, Boomtown

It’s “like a reflex” because that’s what it is. Startle reflex. Acoustic startle reflex, to be specific. Especially likely if you’re the wounded up sort, much less likely if you’ve had a drink or three. And that’s according to the science guys; I didn’t just make that up. But of course the science guys had to make up some sort of explanation for the blink results they get, so here’s what they’ve come up with: loud noises often accompany danger, and when we sense danger we instinctively react to protect ourselves. What needs protecting a lot? Well, you might not agree, but the science guys say we react to the danger signal by protecting our eyes. The best we can do on such short notice is to close our eyelids.

And if it seems strange that the science guys have wasted their time studying blinks, well, it’s critical to national security that movie guys study our movie-going brains. So, everybody knows that girls are going to scream away during the scary parts. Females are more expressive (in general) than males, especially in the realm of emotions, so if it’s no big deal. Guys, on the other hand, aren’t encouraged to wave their feelings around and call attention to themselves. So far, no big secrets. But what the movie guys found out when they finally tested the girls and the guys during scary movies is that men do get scared and do have the same emotional reactions as women, they’re just not allowed to express them. No screaming allowed.

Matthew:

Is the United States the only country that has big tornadoes? You never hear about a tornado hitting Germany or Australia, but they hear about them in Germany and Australia. Tornadoes happen all around the globe, it just happens that the U.S. has several special things going for it. First of all, we’re big. Anything that happens between the Atlantic, the Pacific, Mexico, and Canada “happens in the U.S.” Superimpose us on Europe and we’d cover lots of countries. That’s pretty obvious, but it does address part of your question.

The other thing we have going for us is the fact that our southern parts are warm and tropical and our northern parts are frigid. And we don’t have any east-west mountain ranges that interfere with weather patterns. The majority of our tornadoes happen in the flat corridor between the Rockies and the Appalachians, though all 50 states have recorded tornadoes.

Yes, the U.S. has more tornadoes than any other country, and, yes, ours are more severe than most others. We’ve averaged about 1200 a year for the past few decades. The weather wizards understand some of the basics about tornado generation, but like other meteorological events, they’re complex and haven’t been studied in detail for long. Even historical records are suspect, since we haven’t had consistent definitions for tornado-related events, so we can’t always tell exactly what happened. One thing our recent tornado swarms have shown us is how little we really know about the things.

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Thirty-Five Years Ago

(J)he walnuts in the walnut chicken were burned and hence inedible, the Peking duck consisted of squares of apparently canned, fat-riddled duck, and each and every dish, regardless of how it had been described in the menu, came in an identical sauce. Overdone celery and canned bamboo shoots floated on a gray ubiquitous sauce whose monotonous was occasionally punctuated by a leathery snow pea. By definition a snow pea cannot be leathery, but the masters at the Hong Kong achieved this by first overheating the canned mushrooms. In desperation, we chewed on Chinese dried noodles and avoided each other’s eyes.

— "NEVER TRUST A STRANGER," Elinor Widner, June 3, 1976

Thirty Years Ago

The city’s Miramar site is about one year away from reaching its capacity. The South Chollas landfill, currently servicing only small amounts of municipal waste, will reach its limit sometime this summer. The new location at North Chollas — object of vehement citizen protest and allegedly the cause of 16 cancerous deaths due to ash deposits uncovered in its excavation — would have a life span of five years and three months. Its present status, according to Mary Slupe, who works on the city’s engineering staff, is "up in the air."

— "JUST FILLING IN," Jeff Smith, June 4, 1981

Ten Years Ago

In America, once Julia Child taught home cooks of the ’70s to duplicate the Gallic classics, traditional French restaurants gradually faded away, replaced by those cooking the lighter, faster, less-reproducible "nouvelle" style. With the departure of René Herbeek from Twins and the retirement of Don Coulon and closing of his Belgian Lion, suddenly this mode of cooking is starting to seem as endangered here as the future of Alaskan caribou. But if you love this cuisine, traditional French restaurants gradually faded away, replaced by those cooking the lighter, faster, less-reproducible "nouvelle" style...

— "NEVER TRUST A STRANGER," Jamie Reno, June 6, 1986

Five Years Ago

Michael D. and Berhand M., both cab drivers, argued over a stolen fare. During the argument, M. removed a golf club from his trunk and swung it at D. seven or eight times.


Fifteen Years Ago

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Keeping Up

Cory Monteith, everybody’s boyfriend on Glee, tweets his own divel puddles.

In our busy-busy world, one must multitask. You can be homeless or you can work two jobs and live in debt for the rest of your life. That’s about the size of it. So, one pours a cup of morning coffee and drinks it in the shower. One spoons dry cereal into mouth cavity while dressing. One tramples out the front door for an early a.m. meet with In-N-Out Burger patrons. More often than not, the only way I can keep up with sports-world’s unrelenting action is by checking tweets for up-to-the-second sports news.

It’s been an entire sleep cycle since I checked my twitter. I log in on my smartphone while at a stoplight and type, “san diego sports” in the search bar.

Tools of the trade, people. This how big-time sports columnists get their story ideas. For instance, here is a tweet: “Increase Your Athletic Performance http://bit.ly/i9l8AG”Wellness.” That tweet is from a Carmel Mountain chiropractor whose motto is “Integrated Wellness for Better Living.” That’s grade A, center-cut column fodder, people.

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The Balboa Park Golf Course (619-239-1660) offers buckets of 35 balls for $5 or 75 balls for $7. “There is a large putting green,” said the rep, “and there are two chopping areas. We have about 15 spaces for driving, but it is not lit. The driving range hours are 8 a.m. until a half hour before sunset, so it changes daily based on the sunset time. You hit off mats, and the range is 275 yards.”

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“A tomato!” my roommate Leif exclaims. “And celery! Oh, wow, lots of celery!” I’ve dug too deep. A freshly discarded box of produce sits directly on top of the dumpster. There’s too much to sort through here, so, with some effort, we carry the heavy box home and rummage through it. Within 30 minutes, we’ve cleaned and separated a mountain of celery, endless parsley bundles, and more lettuce than our four-person household could eat in a week. A few nights later, we go back to the uptown grocery store dumpster and make off with several pounds of pristine bell peppers, limes, oranges, a few stray strawberries, and zucchini.

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They describe their progression through midtown, uptown, and onward. It’s obvious they have a mental map of most if not all of the accessible dumpsters in town. They don’t look homeless, or even especially broke. In fact, they’re the reason I started hitting dumpsters in the first place: to experience firsthand a practice not uncommon among some local cooperative-living houses.

According to a November 2009 article by researchers from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases in Bethesda, Maryland, nearly 40 percent of food produced in the United States ends up in the garbage. Some cooperative houses forge a common bond in political and environmental activism. They dumpster-dive in addition to growing their own food, sharing bulk food, and drawing up comprehensive chore charts, all intended to create a communal, cooperative living space, much like the one my dumpster acquaintances are associated with (though, ultimately, they declined to have their household participate in this story).

Cooperative-living arrangements are found in most college towns, a product of ideological, financial, and practical motivations. In addition to communal food and chore routines, staple features of co-ops can include political activism, cultivation of arts and music, bicycle culture, regular house meetings, a strong do-it-yourself/anticomsumerism ethic, and hints of anarchy. University towns such as Berkeley, Portland, Eugene, Seattle, and Arcata are well known for their co-ops, which may be either university sponsored or independently run. Lesser known, however, is San Diego’s independent co-op community.

According to 2005-2009 projections by the American Community Survey, 27.3 percent of United States households are occupied by one person, nearly half by married couples with or without other roommates, 17 percent by two or more residents related by blood but not marriage, and only 6 percent by two or more people not related by blood or marriage. What separates a co-op from your average house of roommates? To find out, I visited five co-ops around San Diego.

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The Roost is well known in the co-op community and reflects more closely the image I had of a cooperative house, based on experiences in cities up the West Coast. In addition to living together in their North Park house, the four housemates share bulk-food costs, cleaning and garden responsibilities, and complementary ideologies. Owing its name to the chickens which once inhabited the back yard (they’ve since been
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moved to another location, due to neighbor complaints), the Roost had been established for about two years when Kaya and Dillon moved in. I visit on a lazy Sunday evening to hear the Roosters’ stories, which they share while lounging on blue-and-white striped couches in their second-floor living room.

“It’s kind of a scary moment,” says Kaya, a cognitive-science graduate student at the University of California, San Diego, who specializes in mother-infant interactions. “Just being like…okay, I don’t know who I’m going to live with. I don’t know how I’m going to pay for a house that costs $2000 dollars a month, or whatever. We just have to go out on a limb and hope it works. Just rent a place. So that’s what we did, and it was since I was a little kid,” says Dillon, a UCSD alumnus with a degree in urban studies and planning and a minor in biology. He joined Kaya at the house after finding a listing on campus and will be leaving in June for Malawi to teach biology, English, and AIDS prevention to 9th-through 12th-graders with the Peace Corps. “It just makes sense that my food should come from closer to me than the other side of the world.” Frankie, a student in UCSD’s master’s writing program, says, “I’ve never lived alone, not since moving away from my family when I was 16. Some of that was circumstance, like living in the dorms, but I want to share living space. I lived in an intentional community in Missouri in 2000, and that was a big part of me understanding why I want to share responsibilities and space. When I lived in Portland, we didn’t call them co-ops because everyone knew I lived in shared housing. But in San Diego we need that name, that identity. We need to be visible and find each other.” “At school and in my professional life, I’m one of those people who says, ‘We can do better than this. We can use consensus. We can change,’” says Rachel, who is working on her master’s in social work and will be taking the bar exam in July. “It’s important for me to practice that at home. If we’re trying to say that the world’s going to be better if we learn how to share, nations and states learn how to share.”

“Rich people and poor people,” Kaya adds. “All kinds of people. Whether it’s class, ethnicity…we’ve got to be able to do it with our friends first. That’s what this is about to me.” Her ebullient manner turns somber. “It’s just not as fun to come home and have no one around. It leads to people feeling lonely and depressed and isolated, putting all their needs on their partner, which makes relationships bad and can lead to abuse. Learning how to live with each other can solve a lot of those problems.”

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“Right,” says Rachel. “But this is a culture lab for mixing everything and being critical about that.”

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“Flattening those hierarchies,” Kaya adds. “We’re a pretty gender-neutral house,” says Dillon. He’s a canvasser for a solar-power company. “We’re totally supportive and conscious of how we frame our identities, and others’ identities, and what that means in terms of traditional male/female roles or, ideally, the lack thereof. That’s a big discussion a lot of the time. We’re very supportive of just allowing a person to be a person.”

So how does the Roost handle decisions about how the house should be run? “It’s all consensus,” Dillon says. “We have systems in place for managing the house, like chore charts and lists and whatnot. We have biweekly house meetings. It’s not so difficult.

The chore chart in the kitchen, an esoteric system of grids and movable task tokens, has been praised as a “power chart” by friends of the house.

“We’ll make an agenda about what to talk about and just sit here and talk about it until we all feel good about some decision,” Kaya says.

“I think it helps that we’re similarly minded on a lot of issues,” Dillon says. “We also have good relations outside of house business,” says Rachel. “If we didn’t have that connection, it would be a lot harder for us to invest in the discussion.”

“There’s no way to
People’s Market in Ocean Beach) beans, rice, and lentils, which are kept in large boxes behind the couch. Produce is supplemented by fresh food from the 900-square-foot garden in the back yard, where a painting on the exterior wall reads: “Radical simply means grasping things at the root,” — Angela Davis.” A metallic-blue mannequin guards rows of fava beans, artichokes, cauliflower, lettuce, broccoli, sweet peas, kale, cilantro, parsley, dill, strawberries, collard greens, brussels sprouts, beets, garlic, and potatoes. The residents brew their own beer, ferment a variety of vegetables, and press their own milk from soy, brown rice, and almonds. And then there are the eggs.

“When chickens eat more, they produce less,” Rachel says. “We treat them real well, so we only get six or ten eggs a week [from two chickens].” Aside from eggs, the housemates prepare almost exclusively vegan meals on a rotational basis. “We eat a lot of beans,” Kaya says. “Many people don’t realize that eating meat uses so many more resources. Cooking from scratch takes almost all of us two or three hours a week, but we can all eat from that for the rest of the week.”

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However, a friend of Frankie’s takes the dumpstered cake. “I found whiskey, weed, a cell phone, and a record player,” she laughs, “all in the Brown University dumpsters in Providence, Rhode Island.”

When they first established the house, the Roosters held weekly potlucks for 50 weeks straight, to share food and ideas with anybody who was interested. In February, they held a dance-party fundraiser at U-31 for Food Not Bombs, a group which prepares reclamed food and distributes it for free twice a week.

“So sometimes we do skill-shares, too,” Rachel says. “Like, I did Kaya’s hair, and she helps me with data analysis. Really, I’m getting the sweet end of the deal because that kind of knowledge is lucrative on the market.”

“Our interaction with the community has been more social,” Kaya says. “Just having potlucks and getting people out here, saying, ‘Come to our house and see that it’s possible to live this way.’”

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Like the Roost, the members of City Heights Free Skool are held together by ideological bonds. In fact, Kaya and Rachel first met at Free Skool years before living together at the Roost. I arrive at the house around 5:00 p.m. A girl in a tattered Sublime T-shirt, jeans, with her blond dreadlocks tied back by a scarf, is doubled over, working the soil in the garden while chatting with a neighbor. She introduces herself as Kinsey. As we shake hands, I notice the beads in her hair and the seashells dangling from her ears. She shows me to the back yard, where I lock my bike to a compost mixer.

In the kitchen, Cathy, a bespectacled UCSD social-work student cooks vegan macaroni and cheese for a potluck. Cathy is a vegetarian, but others in the house eat meat. Kinsey eats a vegan diet, which means no meat and no dairy, but she does eat honey.

“Some would say I’m not actually vegan on, so we coexist with those movements. With Kinsey, it’s food justice. Abel teaches Chicano Studies and goes to a lot of protests. Rachel, who just passed the bar exam, and Ben volunteer full time as advocates for medical marijuana. Frankie does textile design. Not everybody’s vegan. Not everybody has the same issue at the forefront. But we’re all pushing for social change.”

“We don’t have typical jobs. We have jobs with meaning, jobs we’re proud of. I work at a domestic-violence shelter. For me, it’s not just a paycheck. I see that in my housemates as well. “We don’t necessarily have dinner together every night, or every week, because our schedules are so hectic, but we do have meetings to make this a peaceful environment, and we all work together.”

So what distinguishes a cooperative house from the typical house with roommates?

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“I’d say having interest in being a part of each others’ lives,” Cathy says. “If there are just roommates, there’s not always that connection or effort. Wanting to learn from each other is what sets us apart.”

“We’ve all put our energy into a specific movement,” says Kinsey, an international-security and conflict-resolution major at San Diego State University. “It’s impossible to do everything. So being able to collaborate and use synergy in order to forward all of our movements is what I think is really cool about this house.”

Kinsey recently pulled out all the grass in their yard, tilled the soil, and planted vegetables. That’s one aspect of her passion for the food-justice movement. She places a tray of vegan banana bread in the oven: “I want to make sure that people all over the world have access to sustainable, organic, low-cost, culturally appropriate, and delicious food. That’s a right everyone should have. I spent the past six months farming and learning about development in Africa and the Middle East, so I’m taking what I’ve learned and starting a garden in the front yard. You have to start grassroots and local. Community members come up to me all the time. I made three new friends just today. Our lives revolve around food, and corporations are taking away our right to healthy food, and the future of our children. That’s something we need to fight together to prevent.”

One way in which Free Skool furthers their causes is free classes at the Activist San Diego center at the back of the house. The small garage has hosted everything from bike workshops to circuit-bending classes and offers computers and film-editing equipment gratis for any

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social-justice cause. The space has been utilized by Food Not Bombs, Border Angels, and the San Diego Military Counseling Project, among others, and was once the home of the Bike Kitchen, a free bicycle-repair shop. Now, a similar group, Bikes del Pueblo, meets regularly at a nearby co-op and the City Heights farmer’s market. Free Skool, Cathy says, is currently seeking English as a Second Language teachers and job-development mentors who would like to volunteer.

Back in the house, Manu Chao is playing in the living room. Giant origami cranes dangle from the ceiling and posters on the wall cry “Risiste!” “Zapata Vive!” and “Schools for Chiapas.” A tie-dye tapestry covers the front window. A surfboard occupies a corner by the couches. I sit by a coffee table covered in activist magazines and grab a business card detailing Miranda rights, which is meant to be presented to authorities. Another guest, José, tells me about political rallies in San Diego, past and future. Wearing a Dr. Seuss T-shirt beneath a Hawaiian shirt adorned with political pins, José seems to be involved with just about every social-justice cause in town.

A girl from Burlington, Vermont, who is about to take off on a bicycle trip to Vancouver, Canada, tells us about dumpstering huge bags of chocolate and 50-pound sacks of cheese back home. Having networked with houses up the coast, she plans to stay at co-ops and dumpster-dive the whole way to Canada. More guests show up with dishes, and in no time the house is full of people ranging from children to grandmothers, all talking passionately about the American Civil Liberties Union, Cannabis for a Cause, same-sex rights, and urban farming until late into the night.

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I catch Casa Jackdaw a few days later at a similarly festive moment, arriving at the Mission Hills house around 8:30 p.m. Housemates Marisa, Chuk, and Steph are decorating for the evening’s pin-the-tail party, and the living-room table is covered in paper tails.

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of every sort — devils, lizards, shooting stars, pigs, cats, rats — all meant to be pinned to various paper bodies (robot, butt, bird, caveman...) fastened to walls around the house. Two calico cats chase each other as Marisa — she established Casa Jackdaw with fellow University of California, San Diego, communications graduate student Chuk in 2006 — explains how she came to live in a cooperative house.

“When I was a small child, I was reading Aldous Huxley novels, and there seemed to be a lot of stories about people living in big mansions and having intellectual conversations all the time. I thought, that’s what I want to do with my life! I want to join a commune.”

When she moved from upstate New York to Berkeley for college, she became intrigued by East Bay’s co-op culture. Though not the cerebral manor she’d pictured while reading Huxley, Marisa went on to spend three years in a 63-person cooperative complex, an experience which she summarizes by saying, “You really see the best and the worst in people.”

She shows me two handprint tattoos on her back, which signify the Berkeley co-op. Now, she and Chuk have matching Jackdaw bird tattoos to commemorate this household. As with the Roost, Casa Jackdaw interprets cooperative living primarily via communal food and shared cooking duties.

“This was something we figured out when I was living with five people in a house in Seattle,” Marisa says. “Every month we put rent and about $170 extra into our shared account, and with that we pay bills, for internet [service], and all of our food. We each have a debit card, so every time we go to the store, we use it, and then everyone takes what they want from the kitchen. I’ve had roommates in the past where you open the refriger-
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buy. For example, I think I buy all the cleaning supplies from the shared account. It would be stupid to buy it myself, and then ask everybody for two bucks or whatever.”

“We have a box,” Marisa grabs a container with a sea monster pasted on top, “and the box holds ‘The List.’ I don’t think there’s anything in there now. Wait, what’s this? ‘Books on Owls?’ Hmm…okay. And we have a Costco list. So everyone knows if they go to the grocery store to grab what’s on the list.”

In lieu of a chore list, the housemates follow a more organic approach to cleanliness. “I’m tidying up all the time,” Marisa says. “Steph and Chuk are more of project cleaners. Sometimes, we’ll set aside a day for a cleaning party.”

As for dumpster-diving, Steph, a UCSD sociology graduate student, defiantly says, “Are you kidding? I wouldn’t put myself in a dumpster!”

“Steph and Chuk don’t,” Marisa says, adding, “I’m the most…hippie of all of us.” She says “hippie” as if she might be admitting to have contracted a communicable disease.

The house fills with mostly graduate and exchange students. We drink wine, talk, and, until early morning, attempt while blindfolded to pin tails on things.

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The Grow Strong house in Oak Park exhibits many common co-op features: chore lists, bulk food, regular house meetings, and a flourishing garden. However, unlike the aforementioned, primarily student co-ops, this four-bedroom house is unique in that there are children. When I arrive on a blistering spring afternoon, Malaki Obado answers the door with an infant in his arms and a wide-eyed toddler by his side. He sits in an armchair in a living room strewn with children’s toys. Obado speaks softly, but with an undertone of humor. Blue sunlit curtains waft in the breeze.

“First of all, we cooperate in making sure the rent is paid at the end of the month.” He taps the infant gently on the back with the side of his hand. “We share the utilities mostly graduate and exchange students. We drink wine, talk, and, until early morning, attempt while blindfolded to pin tails on things.”
per head. The kids take one head. We have collective bulk purchasing for the kitchen — a big bag of rice or beans, sugar — and everyone has a cooking night for the whole group. We roast green coffee beans. We collectively clean up. Yard work, garden work, chicken duty. We share the cost of feeding the chickens, and we share the eggs. We also cooperatively raise a goat at a nearby location with several others and share milk.”

The Grow Strong house is also unique in that the cooperative living is less a social statement than a continuation of the lifestyle into which Kenyan-born Obado was born.

Obado, who runs Asali, a bee-removal and honey-production company says, “Cooperative living makes sense. I come from Africa, where the extended family has not been broken up too much. There’s still a lot of cooperative living [there] that is unintended. It’s not like we decide to now do it — it’s what you’re born in. There are shared resources, like water and fields to graze livestock. And everyone has skills. If I’m a vet, I take care of the animals. If he is a builder, then he helps people build. If he’s a musician, he plays music. Not everyone can do everything. We need each other. So coming to live in another setting — we are human. We still need that community. We need that social life. No one stands alone. You have everything you want in your house, but you won’t enjoy your dwelling if you don’t have someone to share your success with.”

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are many good people out there,” Obado says, “but we don’t have enough space.” All the adults in the house volunteer for the Grow Strong nonprofit, which supports farming education and development in the impoverished Bondo District in Kenya. Locally, the house remains active by hosting potlucks (more often last year than this) and documentary-viewing nights in conjunction with Food Not Lawns, a grassroots project which began in Eugene, Oregon, to help people turn their yards into gardens, and the One in Ten Coalition for urban-farming policy reform.

Clearly a master of the home garden, Obado shows me the back yard. The space overflows with herbs, fruits, and vegetables. There is the sweet aroma of jasmine and fresh-cut grass. Six chickens peck around the roost located next to an open-air kitchen and a meditation shed. Quietly, Obado considers the typical American lifestyle.

“At some point, independence came to mean success, but I think the best model is interdependence. A car needs four wheels to run. No wheel is more important than the other. This is how we live.”

The fifth house I visit is the most removed from my initial Roostly concept of a co-op. I had very few expecta-

“We actually have a set of instructions, commandments, from the son of God, Yahshua.”
became disenchanted with hippie culture. Founded in 1972 by Gene “Yoneq” Spriggs (of the Light Brigade ministry for teens), Twelve Tribes has an estimated 2500–3000 members worldwide. They’ve been known by several names, including The Vine Christian Community Church, Northeast Kingdom Community Church, The Messianic Communities, and abroad as the Community Apostolic Order. They are also called The Yellow Deli People, after the name of the restaurant which the group operates in three U.S. cities. Internally, they are often known simply as the Community.

According to their website, the group makes every effort to re-create the communal “First Church” of Messianic Jews spoken about in the Bible. Newcomers to Twelve Tribes, regardless of the extent of their wealth, give up everything for the collective benefit of the community. Children raised in the community are home-schooled. The groups’ stated leader is Yahshua, the Hebrew name for Jesus. The website says: “We are the Commonwealth of Israel; We have a wonderful story to tell; No longer separated, no longer alienated; We are the Commonwealth of Israel!”

When my roommate Leif and I arrive at the large, upscale household on the outskirts of Vista at around 8:00 in the evening, we are immediately greeted by Elijah. “You’re just in time for dinner,” he says, without questioning who we are or why we have come. He wears a yellow plaid shirt and khakis. His warm eyes smile out from a full, modestly bearded face. His almost-shoulder-length hair is tied back, held in place with a braided-cloth headband. “I was just on my way to grab some fresh challah bread, but let me show you inside,” Elijah says, radiating joy and tranquility. Inside, about 40 people sit around tables in an open dining area. The hardwood floors meet a vast brick fireplace, which rises to a high, angled ceiling. Someone plays a piano softly in the background. Most of the men are dressed similarly to Elijah, in collared shirts, slacks, maintained facial hair, and headbands. The household, ranging from infants to men and women in their 50s or 60s, find their places around the dinner tables and loudly converse.

I ask Elijah what brought everyone to the Twelve Tribes house,
and he beams. “We realized our lives were empty, so we chose to come together and be happy.”

Wade, the apparent head of the house, introduces a man in round glasses with a longer brownish-red beard as HaQuinai. HaQuinai shows us to a table. “We celebrate the Sabbath every Friday with a meal and celebration. Leif and I sit with HaQuinai, Elijah, and a few others. Women wearing head coverings and modest, ankle-length dresses bring plates of fish, zucchini, couscous, and salad.

“Mackerel,” Elijah says. “The oils clear your arteries.” After a few minutes of small talk, HaQuinai says, “You’re not bad with those,” referring to the metal chop sticks we have been provided. HaQuinai enigmatically replies, “We have many friends from Asia.” I later assume that this is a joke, as their website lists no community houses in Asia, but 24 in the United States, five in Europe, four in Canada, four in South America (primarily Brazil), and three in Australia. The Vista house is made up of three buildings and provides some of its own food from a garden and a few goats. Its sister location, Morning Star Ranch in Valley Center, cultivates 700 grape vines and several thousand trees, including 3000 avocados and 700 persimmon. It hosts international guests via the World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms program.

The group has lived in the Vista house for almost nine years, HaQuinai says. The rotating cast of residents (many of the Twelve Tribes community choose to travel between houses internationally) all work within the house, at the community’s two artisan woodshops (Commonwealth Mill Works), selling Yerba Mate tea at the farmers’ market, at their print shop in downtown Vista, or at the two-story Yellow Deli, which the Community constructed between 2008 and 2010. The deli seats 150 people and is open 24 hours a day, excluding Friday.
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Jehu, a white-haired Community member from Germany, passes a loaf of orange challah bread which Elijah had baked hours earlier. The German Community, Jehu tells me, installs solar panels to support their household. “What we’ve come to see and understand is that all societies, all cultures have had a foundation of living tribally somewhere along the way,” HaQuinai says, exploring a similar vein to Rooster Rachel’s thought on collectivist versus individualist culture. “Within those tribes, there were clans made up of households or small groups of people who worked together. There was interdependence. But today’s societies and cultures are based on the foundation of independence. Individualism. Everyone is doing their own thing. I think that has done a lot of damage to the soul of man. We are reaping what we have sewn in the past several decades, especially in modern Western societies. So our joy of living together is in the reality that, wow, this is what we were created to do. We were created to love one another. To care for one another. And where there’s an environment where you can do that with all of your being — 100 percent of your heart, 100 percent of your strength, and 100 percent of your soul — you actually get to experience a peace that is normal, but is not normal everywhere else that you go. We’re set on making sure there’s unity. We’re set on making sure there’s love. We actually have a set of instructions, commandments, from the son of God, Yahshua. We couldn’t do anything apart from him.”

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Regarding the traditional gender roles in the household, I later found this statement on the Twelve Tribes website: “As the Communities entered the 1990s...they gained more understanding about the ways in which society was violating Natural Law — to the point of calling evil good and good evil. It was becoming obvious that the time-honored ideals of the hardworking man, the submissive wife, and respectful children were under attack. Men were striving for positions where they could make the most money with the least sweat possible. Women were demanding at least a 50-50 partnership where there was no acknowledged head. Children were increasingly being left to themselves to choose their own course and form their own values. The concept of family was being redefined to the point that homosexual partnerships were being given the same legal status as marriage.”

Can you see the Roosters cringe? Also in stark contrast to the other co-ops, who seek to eradicate hierarchy with even distribution of decision-making power, the Community is guided by councils and individuals. As HaQuinai explains: “In the Community, there’s authority, and that authority — like our master Yahshua said [of] his kingdom — are servants of all. He set the example. He said, ‘I come not to be served but to serve.’ That good authority on the Earth wants to draw out the good in other people. We don’t vote on them, but it’s evident who has grace and who doesn’t have grace. It’s difficult to explain to some people, because the authorities of today’s societies are often very contrasting to our authorities.”

On the other hand, the Yellow Deli is run, at least among the managers, by consensus.

“At the deli, we have three or so managers,” HaQuinai explains. “We’re always talking to each other, finding out what’s in each others’ hearts, and taking suggestions.

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“Please clean off your tables and move your chairs to the side of the room so we can celebrate,” Wade announces. The room erupts with whoop and cheers of agreement.

“This is a diadem,” HaQuinai explains when I ask about his braided-cloth headband. “It’s what a crown would sit upon, and represents the crown which we hope Yahshua holds for us in Heaven.” He removes the diadem, as many of the other men already have, and replaces it with a leather headband.

“What does that one represent?” I ask.

“This one,” he says, smiling, “holds my hair in place.”

A band of hand drums, guitar, accordion, double bass, clarinet, piano, fiddle, and tambourine gathers in one corner. They break into traditional Israeli folk songs as we assemble to dance. The first dance is called “Od lo Ahavti Dai,” which means “I have not yet loved enough.”

“You’ve got to get in on some of these dances!” HaQuinai exclaims. “Here, try this.” He shows me how to follow with the footwork, spin in circles, and clap in time.

“Every child raised in the Community learns an instrument,” HaQuinai says. Having joined himself only six years ago, he says he isn’t as proficient, but experiments with the harmonica. I jot more notes as the dance continues. A Community member, who appears to be in his early 20s, sits next to me. Smil-
ing, he says, “You know you are trying to do the impossible. To describe this.” He’s right. The ecstatic sense of, well, community, even for a first-time visitor, transcends my capacity for words.

When the music dies down, Wade addresses the group. “We could be watching TV right now,” he says. “Some of us used to do that.”

Later, HaQuinai explains the Hebrew names which everyone has adopted. “Name means purpose. It’s who you are, or who you will become. There’s no rule or specific time, but eventually we will all name each other.” His name means “The Zealot.” Elijah means “My God is Jehovah.”

After a few sing-alongs, the party clears out at around 10:00. Wade sits down with us to tell us how he met the Twelve Tribes in the late-’80s at a Grateful Dead show. The Community was running a first-aid trailer on Shakedown Street, a temporary camp that surrounded the concert. Wade “spent three hours with the Community. I didn’t even go into the show.”

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Diageo, the British spirits giant, is talking with the Beckmann family to acquire the brand, reports the New York Times. The annual dinner of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association, a stalwart of the downtown business establishment, got a lot of publicity on TV last week with funny videos featuring stand-up comedies by local politicians and journalists. The event’s program was also interesting. Among the underwriters was California Strategies, LLC, the Sacramento lobbying outfit run by ex-Pete Wilson aide Bob White, which picked up the Taxpayer’s wine tab. Two years ago the firm got a $280,950 contract from the City-owned Centre City Development Corporation to work on development of a new city hall, deemed by critics a sinkhole for local taxes. Another listed sponsor was San Diego Medical Services, the so-called public-private joint venture between the city of San Diego and Rural/Metro, recently the subject of a scathing report by city auditor Eduardo Luna. Another sponsor, the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, got the association’s Regional Golden Watchdog Award.

— Matt Potter

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become a black mark on the agency’s history.

Growing restless after retiring from a lucrative law practice, Aguirre joined the Securities and Exchange Commission several years ago.

He began looking into a possible insider trading case. Pequot’s boss at the commission noted that Mack had “very powerful political connections,” according to the Project
report. Indeed, Mack had raised $200,000 for George W. Bush in 2004. Suddenly, Aguirre was fired. At the time, Wall Street giant Morgan Stanley was thinking of hiring Mack as its chief executive. The big law firm Debevoise & Plimpton was hired to vet Mack. Debevoise began asking top officials at the securities agency whether Mack might be besmirched in an investigation. Mary Jo White, who as U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York had been responsible for policing Wall Street but was now making huge bucks working for Debevoise, covertly contacted senior agency personnel, including the enforcement chief, on Mack’s behalf, according to Project investigators, quoting an earlier Senate committee investigation of the matter.

Paul Berger was an agency official a couple of notches above Aguirre. He signed the papers authorizing Aguirre’s firing. Berger had a supervisory role in the Pequot/Mack investigation, such as it was, and White conferred with him. “Berger contacted Debevoise & Plimpton about potential employment just days after he initialed Aguirre’s termination notice,” according to the Senate investigation. “Berger did not recuse himself until four months later,” just before he took a fat job with Debevoise.

“It appears that the [Securities and Exchange Commission] did very little to investigate Mack’s potential role in the period between Aguirre’s firing in September 2005 and Berger leaving the commission in the spring of 2006,” said the Senate report, which concluded that Berger did not recuse himself in a timely manner and was “less than forthcoming” in the investigation.

According to the Senate probe, Berger worked through an intermediary, one Lawrence West, another agency lawyer. Senate investigators unearthed an email from West to Berger in late 2005. The subject line read: “Debevoise.” The note read, “Mary Jo [White] just called. I mentioned your interest.” Berger admitted that West had been the go-between in the Debevoise contact.

Who is Lawrence West? Well, he was the primary securities agency lawyer on the Peregrine Systems scam. John Moores, former major owner of the Padres and also onetime chairman of Peregrine, hired Charles La Bella, former United States attorney, to quarterback a report on the Peregrine swindle. Not surprisingly, the report, by the law firm Latham & Watkins, exonerated board members, including Moores. At the securities commission, West gave his blessings to the Latham & Watkins report, widely considered a whitewash. Then, within four months of assisting Berger to get a job at Debevoise, West joined Latham & Watkins. I gave both lawyers a chance to refute anything in the Project and Senate reports and asked West to continued on page 48
Incest continued from page 47 explain how he landed at Latham & Watkins, but heard nothing.

The sordid story does have a happy ending — of sorts. Investigations by two Senate committees and the agency’s own internal watchdog vindicated Aguirre and slammed the securities commission for not pursuing Mack diligently. Working on his own, Aguirre gave more insider trading evidence on Pequot to the red-faced securities agency. Reluctantly, it banned Samberg from the business, fined him and Pequot $28 million (a pittance since Samberg was worth $15 billion), and paid Aguirre $755,000 in a lawsuit settlement. Pequot closed down. But Mack, White, Berger, and West are doing swimmingly. And so, unfortunately, is the Securities and Exchange Commission — even after Friday the 13th.

Scary up there continued from page 3 was going to toss the bottles inside and drive off. I got out and was walking toward her. And the police cars were now forcing their way through traffic. But the lady came running back around her car and toward the wall of the bridge. I hurried up to her and grabbed onto her as tight as I could, and we ended up leaning against the wall. At first, my butt was up against the wall, and only later did I realize how low that wall is, maybe three feet or a little more.” (A 1999 Caltrans fact sheet states: “The 34-inch-high barrier railings are low enough to allow an unobstructed view while crossing the bridge.”)

“Meanwhile,” Knoliton continues, “the lady was yelling at me to let her go, and she was trying to get over the wall. Then she began hitting me over the head with the wine bottle and pulling my hair. She seemed very desperate, and finally she goes, ‘If you don’t let me go, you’re going with me.’”

But the bottle fell to the ground, where it broke, and the struggling pair fell on top of the glass. (The sandy-blond Knoliton, who is a little over five feet tall and weighs 160 pounds, says the woman was slightly shorter but about the same weight.) “By then,” says Knoliton, “two highway patrol officers were there, and they dragged us to the middle of the road.

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he said.

more like a little road rash, “he told me. “But it was stuck into me. But it was the sharp points might have stuck into me. But it was more like a little road rash,” he said.

Surprising to Knowlton was how down in the dumps he became in the aftermath of his good deed. “It took me a good two or three days to get over some depression. You think you wouldn’t be depressed, but I kept playing everything over again in my mind, and it was working me down and down to a point that I couldn’t even talk about it. But, finally, it’s starting to feel a little better. At least I saved someone’s life, and I should feel good about it. It took a few days for that to sink in. And I just hope that what the lady went through was just a cry for help that she’s over now.”

Knowlton has conflicting thoughts about nobody stopping to help as he talked to the woman on the bridge, whose name has not been released. “When she wasn’t looking, I signaled people driving by to help, and I’m sure lots of people called the police,” he tells me, “but it is surprising that nobody got out to help. I mean, why was there this big-ass bottle of wine sitting on the hood of her car and she was swigging at it like she wanted to get trashed?

“I think only a small percentage of people will get involved in something like that. If the lady had panicked and jumped when I was first walking up to her, that would have changed my life forever. And maybe other people driving by were afraid of the same thing. After a few days had passed, I talked to a number of my friends who said they’d have been reluctant to get involved, too. So I’ve eased up on my judgment of the way most people react.”

How high are the odds that ordinary citizens will ever witness someone try to jump from the Coronado Bay Bridge — or any other suicide attempt? As of May 1, 2008, according to a Voice of San Diego article from the same date, there had been 233 suicides from the bridge. Ashley Hatton posted a comment to the article, asking people to contact her “if you have witnessed a stranger’s suicide and are willing to share your experience.” Hatton is a candidate for the doctorate in psychology at the California School of Professional Psychology. I reached her by phone in Massachusetts.

“I put a similar request for information on Craiglist,” she told me, “and I got about 30 people to respond with their stories.” (Hatton is incorporating the anecdotes into her dissertation, which will discuss “how down in the dumps the time the lady was hitting me. At released. “When she wasn’t looking down to the woman on the bridge, I signaling people looking, I signaled people driving by to help, and I’m sure lots of people called the police,” he tells me, “but it is surprising that nobody got out to help. I mean, why was there this big-ass bottle of wine sitting on the hood of her car and she was swigging at it like she wanted to get trashed?"

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area,” Delocht confirmed. Gomez faced one felony charge of bringing a weapon to school. Public defender Alejandro Morales asked judge Martin Staven to reduce the charge to a misdemeanor, but the judge noted that Gomez had a December 2010 conviction in juvenile court for robbery and declined the motion. By Eva Knott Thursday, May 26

Chop Chop
Ficus Trees on Jefferson Street to Get Axed
Carlsbad — “I don’t know if any of you guys are aware that they are going to be cutting down [ficus trees] on Jefferson Street,” said Carlsbad resident Ila Schmidt during the May 25 city council meeting.

According to Schmidt, she spotted an 8x10 laminated sign giving notice that on June 4 over a dozen ficus trees will be cut down on Jefferson Street (from the corner of Carlsbad Village Drive to Oak and Pine avenues) because their roots have been known to damage underground pipes.

“The trees are on the public way,” said Schmidt, who followed with a suggestion that the city delay the decision because the roots may not be as problematic as believed.

Schmidt said she has had personal experience dealing with ficus trees as a property manager, and she oversaw old clay pipes “replaced with another material” that doesn’t emit moisture. Thus, she claimed, the problem with backed-up plumbing was resolved without cutting down trees.

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La Paloma Remains
Flower Hill Cineplex to Close
Del Mar — With the recently announced closing of UltraStar Cinemas’ Flower Hill fourplex in Del Mar, North County residents between south Carlsbad and Carmel Valley will be without a multiplex movie theater. The Flower Hill theater will close in July and be replaced by a Whole Foods grocery store.

Earlier this month, the UltraStar chain closed its Carlsbad sixplex in La Costa and announced it will not reopen the Del Mar Highlands eight-screen, which was participating in a multimillion-dollar makeover of the Highlands shopping center on the corner of Del Mar Heights Road and El Camino Real in Carmel Valley. The closings of the three multiplexes amount to one third of the theater chain’s San Diego County locations. UltraStar claims they are closing their screens due to underperforming screens. The company already has announced the closing of other underperforming screens.

In the same week UltraStar announced the closings, the 1920s-built single-screen La Paloma premiered Soul Surfer — a first-run film that normally would have opened at the multiplexes.

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The week of April 11-15, 2011, was designated the National Crime Victims’ Rights Week. This week was dedicated to recognizing, honoring, and supporting crime victims and the challenges and struggles that they face and endure. To honor this week, the Crime Victims Fund hosted an event at the Rooftop Beach of the W Hotel. The W was gracious in their support of our endeavor, as was San Diego District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis, an invited guest to the event.

On or around May 4, 2011, the San Diego Reader, in a complete and utter distortion of the event, published an article entitled “Bonnie Dumanis Releases Butterflies to Honor Crime Victims” (“Under the Radar”; titled “Bonnie’s Butterflies” in the Reader’s print version), with an offensive picture of Ms. Dumanis. Inexplicably, an even more offensive version of the article ran on Divorce.com around May 7.

It is inconceivable that anyone could have the audacity to make light of the suffering of crime victims. Your article was shameful and despicable. In my capacity as the executive director of the Crime Victims Fund, I had an opportunity to speak with Matt Potter regarding the event and the organization. It is crystal clear that Mr. Potter forgot what we discussed when we spoke.

The Crime Victims Fund is an all-volunteer 501(c)3 organization founded in 1983. We provide emergency financial assistance to victims of crime, that is, persons, who through no fault of their own have been assaulted, raped, abused, robbed, hit by cars, strangled, stabbed, shot, and even murdered. Regardless of the nature and extent of the crime, victims and their families are too often left with financial fallout from the crime — above and beyond the emotional and physical toll of the crime itself. The impact crime has on victims and society in general, particularly during difficult economic times, is staggering. We simply try to alleviate some of the suffering.

D.A. Dumanis, Sheriff Bill Gore, and Sheriff Bill Kolender before him are on the front line of helping injured victims countywide because they have firsthand knowledge of the destructive force of crime on victims. Like any other nonprofit during these difficult times, we do have struggles with the ebb and flow of our funding as reflected in our 990s. Despite any financial concerns, we have continued to provide food, transportation, medical assistance, and shelter on a consistent basis for the past 30 years. We concede that our bottom line isn’t as large as that of the San Diego Reader. Rather than use ink to humiliate our organization, National Crime Victims’ Rights Week should be a call to arms to our community and the Reader itself to contribute to the Crime Victims Fund so that we can continue meeting the multitude of requests we receive for assistance daily.

The stark reality is that anyone, at any time, can become a victim of crime. Perhaps your publication, with its wide platform, would better serve the citizens of San Diego by sharing the stories of true challenge faced by crime victims rather than mocking victims and the organizations and persons that support them.

Patti Colston, M.S.
Executive Director
The Crime Victims Fund

Man In The Mirror

In response to your letter (“You Reds in the Red, White, & Blue,” April 14), I would like to applaud your effort in becoming a mechanical manufacturing engineer. However, I need to point out a few discrepancies in your argument, in random order.

First off, I pride myself on staying up-to-date on the real world. Besides regularly publishing engineering articles, I attend conferences and seminars on current technology releases. Old face, new ideas. Engineering is a practice, like law and medicine. Your engineering degree, which is in doubt due to your unsubstantiated dialogue, is supposed to be a license for continued practice of your profession.

While I sympathize with your family issues, neither your father’s death nor your uncle’s age is related to your current status. One in a million is not an accurate statistic; perhaps you ought to accept the fact that under a bell curve, a certain amount of engineers will fail. Like you. But I cannot accept the blame, nor can the guy down the street. You probably need to blame the guy in the mirror.

Capitalism is based on the steady growth of value-added products taking raw materials and semi-finished materials and creating marketable goods that provide profits to be reinvested in improving production, creating employment, and improving lifestyle.

I suppose you can consider my kids as rotten. Four are university graduates, one in the second semester at a local engineering university, one still in high school. Certainly they have been spoiled with current technology — iPods, cell phones, laptops — but these times are part of their world, as much as an abacus was when I received my degree in the Middle Ages. And maybe it’s not fair that my daughter received the highest scholastic honors in high school, which means she pays nothing for engineering school, but perhaps her bumbling of the old school midnight oil had something to do with it. I’m not sure.

I was just coming back from lunch at Seau’s restaurant (Cobb salad with chicken) after eating with another engineer to discuss an automation project, and while making our way through the almost-full parking lot, we started talking about cars and noticed a lot of new models. These must have been purchased by persons other than the slum-class-economy subjects with
whom you concluded your letter. You see, buying cars, whether made in Japan or Korea, or even the United States, is part of the free market capitalistic form of life. A car from Japan, sold in Mission Valley, creates value-added salary for a salesman, who in turn is able to purchase food, buy a house, and see an overspriced ball game. Your bitterness toward those who are able to do this adds to your dilemma. It’s likely you display this during job interviews. I know if you applied to work for me, I would sense this and probably pick someone else.

I will add one more piece of information. I did not become an engineer right after high school. In fact, I earned a GED while serving six years in the U.S. Army, then took courses at night, and finally earned my degree near age 30, all the while working and supporting my family. At age 59, I still earn a decent living and find time to coach Little League (32 years).

The problem is not “communist.” Rather, that the world noticed how much I’ve contributed to my family. At age 59, I still earn a decent living and find time to coach Little League (32 years).

Still Missed
I finally looked up the article announcing Duncan Shephard’s retirement (“So Long,” November 11, 2010). Thank you for allowing Duncan Shephard to review movies for as long as he did. I always read and appreciated them — most of all for his uncompromising criticism and intelligent writing. It was one of the few pieces of media these days that did not, in my opinion, insult intelligence. Because of him, I went to see movies I might not have seen. He will be missed.

Name Withheld via email

Annoying To The Max
I always try to ignore them, too (“Go Away,” May 26, 2011).

Daily online blog by Barbarella. Sometimes, I’ll wear my headphones and listen to something on my iPod. I often rewatch what to say in a non-American accent just in case I can’t escape talking to them. I especially hate the ones who work for Greenpeace. Are they supposed to be annoying?

Shinichi Evans via Facebook

Stupid Truth
I don’t bother lying anymore (“Go Away,” May 26, daily online blog by Barbarella). I’m tired of coming up with BS or avoiding these guys get paid per signature.

Brad Clinskases via Facebook

Half Scam
Half these guys are scamming anyway (“Go Away,” May 26, daily online blog by Barbarella). Sign a petition to do the opposite of what you think.

Andy Cooper via Facebook

BS Weary
I just say no (“Go Away,” May 26, daily online blog by Barbarella). Or pretend that I’m on my phone. But once I got into an argument with one of these yahoos about health care.

Laura Anderlohr Dorrance via Facebook

Comments from Reader website

Sporting Box
Published May 25
What exactly is a rooster-faced man? I hope he’s not reading the column this week.

By monghan 6:07 p.m., May 25, 2011

Restaurant Review
“Big Flavors at Bay’s Ethiopian” Published May 25
Sounds fascinating — how does Bayu stack up against Muzita on Park Blvd.?

By Pose Dave 4:02 p.m., May 25, 2011

From someone who grew up in DC and who also is into the sustainable and fresh ingredients, I was really impressed with Muzita (not sure what Muzita means, I should ask). You could really... continued on page 53
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I don’t feel that way every time I encounter firefighters, whether they’re arriving on scene to tend to stupid chicks or dancing on a bar while I auction them off to raise money for the Burn Center.

This morning, prior to my interview, I noticed a flag on the wall of the station office. Seeing where my attention had gone, the man in the room said, “That’s a list of our fallen.” I thought he meant in general, but he then clarified that these were the names of the firefighters lost on 9/11.

I looked for Engine 10 and found Jeffrey’s name. “That’s my cousin,” I said. “Wow, how cool,” said the guy. “No,” I said, “it’s not.”

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David and I are on our way out in a few minutes to check out the place we’re thinking about moving into. It’s contemporary, modern, suits our taste, but we need to stand inside and see if it’ll work. Will the bed frame fit in that room, will I have enough room for an office over there? It’ll be about half the size of the condo we’ve been living in. The short sale is nearing completion, and soon we’ll have to begin packing. Whether or not this happens before or after our trip back East in July remains to be seen. As if we didn’t have enough going on already.

I’m hoping we fall in love with this new space. I need something to work toward. I need to keep my eyes ahead of me rather than focusing on all the things I’m leaving behind. Fortunately, I’ve been way too busy to do much wallowing. Back-to-back interviews, film editing, events, it’s all fun and it keeps me occupied. And distracted. Double win.

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taste how fresh the ingredients are. The manager told me that he can tell me exactly where each of the ingredients come from. So I put him to the test. Beef: They use sustainable natural beef from Cedar River Farms. You get the idea. And to top it off, if you are lucky to meet the mom (the manger tells me she doesn’t like too much attention) she will cook you some other tradition dishes. As you can tell I am a fan of Mushita. Don’t forget the servers. They are a bunch of fun people. I tried Bayou’s about a month and half ago. No comment. I wish them well.

By Clemens 11:02 p.m., May 25, 2011

I found Bayou perhaps a hair more authentic than Mushita. They’re both very worthy additions to our eateries. Asmara is still perhaps the king for both authenticity and flavor, if not for creature comforts.

By Naomi 8:34 p.m., May 26, 2011

Bayou has a nice buffet for lunch. The sauces are delicious. The location is excellent right next to the little flower shop near 5th on University (their signage is subdued). Reem is very personable and makes you feel welcome. Her mother is the cook and she knows how to deliver just the right blend of spices. Of course, Asmara is the best restaurant for Ethiopian food but Bayou does a very good job as well and is my second favorite now in San Diego. Mushita is good but just doesn’t have the right vibe for me. I like the ethnic feel because it enhances the experience. I’m pretty picky about my Ethiopian food and I intend to come back regularly to Bayou’s. Try this place out. It’s worth it.

By cocopuffs 10:37 p.m., May 27, 2011

Crasher “The Wiggle Is Back”
Published May 25

Closely listen to a dvd of Inception made before the January 8th Tucson shooting, especially during the dialogue, “Do It.”

By JamesT1984 9:03 p.m., May 27, 2011

City Lights, by Dorian Hargrove
Published May 25

Easy solution. take away “Sovereign Nation” status and close the casinos. Make them earn a living like the rest of us, instead of being leeches upon society.

By Arborigine 1:39 a.m., May 25, 2011

They ARE earning a living. Why is it wrong for tribes to operate businesses for which there is clearly a market? The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 actually put restrictions on gaming, which the SCOTUS determined was a legal activity in the Cabazon case in 1987.

By Arborigine 11:09 a.m., May 26, 2011

The basis for Native American Sovereign Nation status is rooted in the Constitution. Over the years, there have been several challenges to it on various grounds, some making all the way to SCOTUS. All of the challenges were defeated. It would take an amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

By tomjohnston 3:42 p.m., May 25, 2011

yes, they ARE earning a living, but they produce nothing. They create nothing, and therefore contribute nothing to society. They are living off the earnings of others, just like welfare. Seriously, how can they earn self-esteem if they won’t earn respect?

By Arborigine 8:01 p.m., May 26, 2011

Outsourcing at the local level is VERY different from outsourcing across the pond or south of the “border.”

Across the pond, it is all about slavery, wage- and otherwise. Leechery!

By Arborigine 8:01 p.m., May 26, 2011

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Your Week

AND WELCOME TO IT

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THE MIND’S EYE
What do art history and visual neuroscience have in common? Salk Institute neuroscientist Rich Krauzlis and UCSD art historian Jack Greenstein discuss this overlap in their disciplines and seek to determine whether a “synergistic relationship” is possible. See LECTURES, page 64.

HELL ON TWO WHEELS
Three-time Ironman finisher Amy Snyder visits Warwick’s Bookstore to discuss her book about the Race Across America, a 3000-mile, nonstop bicycle race that can take up to ten days. The one who sleeps the least (two hours a night) tends to win. See IN PERSON, page 63.

Friday | 3

COLLAGE
Visionary Dance Theatre closes its first season, showcasing many different forms of dance and performing artists. Guest choreographers are Daniel Marshall (LaDiego Dance Theatre) and Khamla Somphanh (instructor for the Academy of Performing Arts, San Diego). Original music by Taylor Smith. See DANCE, page 61.

Saturday | 4

STRIKE OUT SUICIDE
Enter the competition with a team of three to five bowlers, no matter their age or bowling skills. Participants bowl two games and receive refreshments. Competitors are asked to raise a minimum of $100 to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. See SPORTS, page 60.

CARLSBAD BEACH FEST
The day begins with a low-tide beach run and continues with sports competitions, paddle-boarding clinics, surfing, kayaking, beach volleyball, soccer, and Ultimate Frisbee, plus a beach cleanup and sand-sculpting. Art and live entertainment round out the day. See SPECIAL, page 59.

Sunday | 5

PET HEALTH EXPO
Take your furry friend to City Hall for a check-up and entertaining activities. The City of Encinitas hosts this free event, which features a best-trick contest, professional photos with pets, grooming, a “neuter scooter” clinic, rabies shots, discounted dog licensing, and vendors. See SPECIAL, page 59.

Monday | 6

THE WITCHES OF LUBLIN
As part of the 18th-annual Lipinsky Family San Diego Jewish Arts Festival, Lyceum Theatre presents Yale Strom’s “radio play” about the three-best klezmer musicians in 18th-century Poland, who must perform to save the town. See THEATER, page 94.

Tuesday | 7

SHAKESPEARE-QUOTING COP
Retired police lieutenant Timothy “T.B.” Smith visits Upstart Crow Bookstore and Coffeehouse to discuss his novel, The Sticking Place. Afterward, six San Diego Shakespeare Society members will read excerpts from Smith’s gritty police procedural. See IN PERSON, page 63.

Wednesday | 8

THE VARIETIES OF RICE
There are many flavors between white and brown. At Alchemy of the Hearth, chef Arleen Lloyd leads an exploration into the world of rice. Learn about long grain, arborio, jasmine, basmati, black, brown, red, and wild rice. See FOOD & DRINK, page 61.
Travel & Getaways

Gather No Moss
TRAVEL STORIES AND TIPS FROM OUR READERS

Fast is what she likes to do. We’re on a 40-foot Tripp. For those not-so-dedicated sailors, a Tripp is a high-class sailing yacht. Maybe not so “yacht-ish” to cruisers accustomed to comfortable cruising, but it has great lines and its massive sail inventory wins races.

I’m part of a crew of six plus the captain, ranging in age from early 50s to 25 (me). My age and lack of offshore racing experience put me toward the bottom of the totem pole, but I don’t mind; this opportunity has been a long time coming. I’m delegated more menial tasks but occasionally allowed to fine-tune my trimming abilities, which I relish.

We average around four to six knots on our way toward Mexican waters. The beauty of the southern California coastline’s housing developments conquer the picturesque sea bluffs. Only Camp Pendleton retains the beauty that ancient mariners were fortunate enough to experience.

Night falls. We pass San Diego, even at night a beautiful place: Mt. Soledad, crowned by blinking antennae; a rhythmic flash of the Point Loma lighthouse; and the glow of lights in the distance adorns the San Diego skyline.

On land, houses become fewer leeward of the Islas Coronados. Marine life awakens and hundreds of Pacific white-sided dolphins dominate the horizon, accompanied by whales heading north after spawning in the protected bays of southern Baja.

Sometime in the early morning off the coast of Rosarito, a large pod of bottlenose dolphins surf the boat’s bow only a few feet under the surface. With each stroke of their powerful tails, phosphorescence illuminates underwater pathways trailing hundreds of yards.

The northern Baja coastline contrasts that of Southern California: you can still observe the natural contour of the coast. Low-lying hills are heralded by seaside bluffs; unmolested valleys continue upland, carved by watersheds. Besides the random villa or two, the land between Rosarito and Ensenada retains its original charm.

A light marine layer lingers as the sun rises over Punta Salsipuedes. “Leave if you can,” the area’s name suggests. Leaving, we are, approaching Isla Todos Santos in the distance and our final destination, Bahía Ensenada.

The full day’s sail includes breath-taking vistas, phosphorescent fishes, and delicious chicken adobo (thanks, Rosel!). But as the finish line is faint in the distance, the wind comes up. I was warned Ensenada doesn’t just allow you to enter her protected harbors — she puts up a fight. Cross-currents and fickle winds create a challenging approach, especially when motor power leads to

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The recent opening of Highway 39 high above Azusa, after years of repair, allows hikers and campers to once again enjoy the beautiful Crystal Lake Recreation Area. Troubles began with the destructive Curve Fire of 2002, but now the recreation area has been spruced up and is open again for business. First, let’s note that the entire area lies within the Angeles National Forest, which means that a National Forest Adventure Pass must be posted on your car whenever it is parked.

This week’s “Roam-O-Rama” focuses not on Crystal Lake, but rather on a side trip on the way up there: the hike to Lewis Falls, a.k.a. Soldier Creek Falls. The current year’s abundant as well as relatively late rain and snowfall should ensure a generous flow of water over the falls through most of the summer. The hike to the base of the falls is short (only 20 minutes or so), but rough and rocky in places.

To reach the starting point, exit Interstate 210 at Azusa Avenue (Highway 39) in Azusa. Go north on Azusa Avenue, which becomes San Gabriel Canyon Road. (As that happens, note the San Gabriel Information Station on the right — adventure passes can be obtained there.) From Azusa, continue a total of about 20 miles. Use the roadside mileage markers to identify the starting point — a small, shaded turnout on the right at mile 34.8, where Soldier Creek tumbles through a culvert under Highway 39.

From the turnout, make your way up a beaten-down but non-official trail on the east side of the creek, under a canopy of trees still recovering from the Curve Fire. Higher up, the path becomes sketchy and your route is simply up the flood-scoured bed of Soldier Creek. A final 200-yard scramble over rocks along the stream takes you to the base of the falls.

Some 50 feet above you, Soldier Creek cascades down a two-tiered rock face. The volume of water splattering on rocks and sand below is seldom dramatic; but the cool spray and the sounds of falling water are refreshing.

Above Lewis Falls, Soldier Creek tumbles over half a dozen smaller cascades. Adventurous hikers may want to try to approach this area by way of an old dirt road, intersecting Highway 39 at mile 36.8. Beyond the end of that dirt road there’s an improvise-as-you-go route down to the creek below.

This article contains information about a publicly owned recreation or wilderness area. Trails and pathways are not necessarily marked. Conditions can change rapidly. Hikers should be properly equipped and have safety and navigational skills. The Reader and Jerry Schad assume no responsibility for any adverse experience.

Find more Roam-O-Rama columns online at SDReader.com/roam
**Outdoors**

“June Gloom,” the cool and intermittently overcast conditions likely to dominate the beach and coastal areas through the remainder of this month, mocks the already soaring temperatures inland. If it weren’t for the ocean’s enorous resistance to changes in temperature, the hottest weather along the coast would occur soon after the summer solstice — June 21. Our warmest beach weather will probably not arrive until August or September, just about the time the ocean water temperatures are peaking.

**Crape Myrtles** and coastal areas through the cooler and warmer parts of the county’s higher altitudes, ever higher, and ever brighter crescent moon will look ever fuller, higher, and brighter throughout the county’s higher sidewalks representing the heads of the twins, Castor and Pollux, which are Castor and Pollux (the twins) which make up the constellation Gemini. On succeeding evenings at dusk, the crescent moon will look ever fatter, taller, ever higher, and ever brighter in the western sky.

**Celebrate National Trails Day**

Volunteers needed to remove invasive exotic plants growing along shoreline and trail. Wear long pants, hiking shoes, T-shirts, supplies, snacks, water provided. 760-804-1965. Saturday, June 4, 8:30am; free. Agua Hedionda Lagoon — North Shore Rubies Trail, 4200 Gibraltar Road. (SAN CARLOS)

**Special**

“Art Around Adams 2011: Art Evolved” Enjoy variety of local artists, street performers, interactive installations from Oregon Street in Normal Heights to Vista Street in Kensington. Music by Todd Muindo, Secret Seven, Wendy Bailey & True Stories, Gayle Skidmore, S$33, Dave Humphries, the Old In Out, others. “Comedy-Trol- ley” Sketches hosted by SD-24 794-7496. Saturday, June 4, 11:30am; Sunday, June 5, 11am; La Jolla Yoga Center, 7741 Fay Avenue, La Jolla.

**Timon of Athens**

San Diego Shakespeare Society hosts open reading, 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, June 7, 6:45pm.; free. 14 and up. Upstart Crow Bookshop and Coffee House, 835 West Har- bor Drive. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Adore Cats and Kittens?**

National Cat Protection Society no-kill cat shelter celebrates 43rd anniversary with open house, fundraiser. See shelter’s “environmentally enriched” area boasting overhead walkway, “lifeguard tower,” “volcano and lava” with pressure-controlled heating pads, more. RSVP: 619-469-8771. Sun- day, June 5, 1pm; free. National Cat Protection Society, 9031 Birch Street. (CARDIFF)

**Banner Day! Arts Alive Banner Project 2011 concludes in auction of the 97 fine-art banners created by local artists which have been on display along Coast Highway from Leucadia to Cardiff. Paintings will be hanging at 10am for silent auction bids; live auction begins at 2pm. Minimum bid: $150. 760-943-1990. Sunday, June 5, 2pm; Cardiff Town Center, San Elijo Avenue and Birmingham Drive. (CARDIFF)

**Carlsbad Beach Fest**

Head to Frazier Beach (at intersection of Carlsbad Boulevard and Pine Avenue) for festival beginning with Low Tide Beach Run Blast on sand at (Tamarack Beach, Ran), Low Tide Beach Walk and Kids One Mile Fun Run follow. Also planned: beach cleanup (10am), sand sculpting, art, live entertain- ment. Sports competitions, clinics --

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Drum Circle Night Help ‘balance your ‘right’ and ‘left’ brain’? Percussionist Nana Taw Astudu, who has ‘spent years learning from and working with many different cultures of the world,’ leads circle. 760-696-7084. Saturday, June 4, 7:30pm; $10. Indigo Energy and Fitness, 1839 S. Coast Hwy. Suite 100. (CARLSBAD)

East Village Art Soirée Art-making for adults inspired by “whimsical and wry mask work of Saul Steinberg, who defined the style of New Yorker magazine covers for over half a century.” Create a mask, pose for photographs amid shadow puppetry art, music, hors d’oeuvres, libations. 619-886-2594. Saturday, June 4, 6, 8pm; $12. Space 4 Art, 325 15th Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Fiesta del Sol Enjoy arts and crafts, vendor booths, children’s activities, food, libations. Live music by Common Sense, Bedouin Soundclash, Bushwalla, Mike Pinto, Hoi Poloi, many others. Saturday, June 4, and Sunday, June 5, 9am. Free. Fletcher Cove, Lomas Santa Fe Drive. (SANDY BEACH)

Japanese Cultural Bazaar Tea provides the theme for this “foody-licious” event promising displays, demonstrations, workshops, martial arts, taiko, musical performances, food for sale, kids’ activities. Traditional tea ceremony, ongoing tea tastings. 619-239-0896. Sunday, June 5, 11am. Free. Budhist Temple of San Diego, 2929 Market Street. (GOLDEN HILL)

Lutherie’s Cooperative’s Guitar Exhibit Display of “live handmade guitars and harps,” showcasing “visual and sonic beauty of the instruments.” Lutherons on hand to describe their work, demonstrate techniques used to create the instruments. 760-599-9663. Saturday, June 4, 1pm. Free. Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

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. 760-703-1485. Mondays, 6pm; $12. World-Beat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

Pet Health Expo City of Encinitas hosts event with activities for pets and owners. Slated: best-trick contest, professional photos with pets, grooming, “neuter scooter” drive, informational booths, vendors, animal rescue organizations, discounted dog licensing, rabies clinic, informational booths, veterinary services, neuter scooter, professional photos with masks, pose for photographs amidst mask, “visual and sonic beauty of the instruments.” Luthiers on hand to demonstrate their work, demonstrate techniques used to create the instruments. 760-599-9663. Saturday, June 4, 1pm. Free. Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

RB Alive Expo Enjoy performing arts, music, visual arts, cultural center with historical reenactments, classic car show; kids zone; arts and crafts; vendor booths; games, more. 858-487-1797. Sunday, June 5, 10am; free. BB Alive, Bernardo Center Drive between Lomica Drive and Bernardo Plaza Court. (SAN DIEGO)

Shoot-Out for the Shorties Scotch doubles 9-ball charity pool tournament benefits Rady Children’s Hospital of San Diego. Teams: $50, spectators: $10. 619-463-8759. Friday, June 3, 5pm; On Cue Billiards, 8010 Parkway Drive. (LA MESA)

Snyder’s Doodle Art Reception for Carlsbad artist, carlsbadnow.com editor Bryan Snyder, who displays more than 20 “doodle” paintings. Music by Trouble in the Wind. 760-521-8713. Sunday, June 5, 9pm; free. Selon 580, 580 Grand Avenue. (CARLSBAD)

Spellapalooza! View 2011 Scripps National Spelling Bee finals, predict which kid will spell all words correctly. Guess correctly to win prizes, bragging rights. Fee: $5 per prediction. If “your kid” is eliminated, you can switch to a different kid; buy-in raised $1 each time a kid is eliminated. “Drink Enforcers” on hand to make sure everyone takes a drink every time a kid misspells a word. As national bee winds down, live spelling bee begins. Individu-
**LOCAL EVENTS**

**RHYME & VERSE**

**Pollution**

A poem by Karen Stromberg

Dear God,
I want you to know
I feel so much better
since I cleaned the fish tank.

Every time I saw them
suckling at the surface
like a row of tenors,
my guilt was immense,
as you can imagine.

Karen Stromberg was raised in Michigan but fled to California. She favors the short poem, flash fiction, the ten-minute play. She has worked as a children’s librarian and taught short form poetry in an online summer camp for kids. Twice nominated for a Pushcart Prize, her work can be found online at qaritsiluli, Pedestal Magazine, and Red River Review. “Pollution” was published in her first collection Walking with Ducks, published by Caernarvon Press, and is used by permission. Author’s photo by John Bailey.

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**CLASSICAL**

**Classical Piano Concert**

Spend “An Evening with Misho and Copa Dichter” when duo opens Mainly Mozart Festival performing works for two pianos by Mozart, Liszt, Brahms, and Tchaikovsky. 619-239-0100. Thursday, June 4, 7:30pm; $13-$23. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 Fifth Avenue.

**Classical Spring Concert**

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**SPORTS**

**June Jamboree Festival Horse Show**

Equestrian competition. 858-794-1171. Thursday through Sunday, June 2–5, 8am; free. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 1260 Pacific Beach Drive. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Region One Arabian Horse Show**

Arabian breed equestrian show. 858-755-1161. Thursday through Sunday, June 2–5, 8am; free. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Strike Out Suicide**

Teams of three to five bowlers encouraged to compete, regardless of age or bowling skills. Bowlers asked to raise minimum of $100 to benefit American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. 760-459-9959. Saturday, June 4, 12pm; Kearny Mesa Bowl, 7580 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KENNY MESA)

**San Diego Padres host Colorado Rockies**

Games broadcast on radio station XX Sports Radio (1090 AM), XEMO (860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: $12–1st hour and $10–7th hour. Saturday, June 4, 7:30pm; Sunday, June 5, 5:30pm; Monday, June 6, 7:05pm; Tuesday, June 7, 4:40pm; Wednesday, June 8, 7:05pm; Thursday, June 9, 1:35pm; & Friday, June 10, 1:35pm. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

**U.S. Open Elite Taekwondo Championship**

Competition open to public for viewing. 760-724-3659. Saturday, June 4, 9am; Ocean side Pier Plaza Amphitheatre, 200 North of the Strand. (OCEANSIDE)

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**DANCE**

**Collage** Visionary Dance Theatre closes its first season showcasing “many different forms of dance as well as various performing artists.” Guest choreographers: Daniel Marshall (La Diego Dance Theatre), Khamia Somphax. Original music by Taylor Smith. 619-303-6495. Friday, June 3, and Saturday, June 4, 7pm. Saville Theatre at San Diego City College, 14th and C Street. (EAST VALLEY)

**Eveoke Dance Theatre** presents work by choreographers Becky Hurt and Myriam Lucas “exploring cycles of domestic women.” Pay-what-you-can one hour before show. 619-238-1153. Saturday, June 4, 12pm; June 5, 2pm and 7pm; $15-$20. Eveoke Dance Theatre, 4428 Convoy Street $88. (EAST VALLEY)

**First Friday Social Dance** Dance party with mix of ballroom, Latin, club dance. 838-580-4732. Friday, June 3, 6-7pm. Free. Infinity Dance Sport Center, 4428 Convoy Street $28. (EAST VALLEY)

**FOOD & DRINK**

**A Rosé is a Rosé** Lisa Redwine from Shores Restaurant leads wine-pairing class with “classic rosé wines and classic foods” such as boudin blanc. Donation ($5) benefits San Diego Food Bank. 619-291-1111. Saturday, June 4, 12pm; Macy’s Mission Valley Home Store, 1555 Camino de la Reina. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Convivio: Italian Entertaining at Home** Federico and Steve Moretta — co-authors of Delicately Italian and Italian Pride: 101 Reasons to be Proud! You’re Italian — lead class with menu planning, farmers’ market shopping, choosing wines, preparing a number of recipes. 838-459-2877. Thursday, June 2, 6pm. $65. Caps Lounge and Culinary, 7857 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Spring Beer Thing** Taste six beers from local breweries including Ballast Point, Stone Brewing, Port Brewing, Lost Abbey. Tickets include ten tasting tickets, food samples. 619-232-8203 x109. Saturday, June 4, 6pm, $50-$75. San Diego History Center, 1649 El Prado. (EAST VALLEY)

**“The Varieties of Rice”** Chef Aiden Lloyd leads exploration into the world of rice; learn about long grain, Arborio, jasmine, basmati, black, brown, red, and wild rice. 760-233-2433. Wednesday, June 8, 6pm. $65. Alchemy of the Hearth, 960 Rancheros Drive suite L. (SAN MARCOS)

**California Cuisine** Enjoy “fresh flirty flavors” with cookbook author Phyllis Carey. Recipes include risotto with turkey sausage, corn, leeks, spinach, tomatoes; strawberry Napoleon. 858-270-1582. Tuesday, June 7, 10:30am; $54. Great News!, 1788 Garnet Avenue. (SOUTHEAST VALLEY)

**Couples Cooking** Chef has designed a menu for all participants “to be creative in the kitchen together… make a full dinner.” Dinner served in tasting room. Take home recipes. 858-442-5252. Saturday, June 4, 6:30pm; $45. 6 and up. Charlie’s Tasting Room. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

**FOR KIDS**

**“Sound Science” Visit Discovery Lab, find out how sound is created and how it travels. For kids 5-12 years old. Regular admission (0-$10) plus $2 activity fee. 619-238-1233. Saturdays, 1pm, through Saturday, June 25, 5 and up. Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (EAST VALLEY)

**2011 Play!** Players in each of three organized play-recognized age divisions battle to earn points toward a potential invitation to World Championships in August. Pokemon Trading Card Game Battle Road Spring Tournament is for players of all ages, skill levels. 858-229-2742. Saturday, June 4, 9:30am; free. San Diego Gami and Comics, 9910 Mira Mesa Boulevard suite C. (SOUTHEAST VALLEY)

**Touch-a-Truck** Kids of all ages invited to “climb-in and honk the horn of all the vehicles on display.”

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**Encinitas Rotary Wine Festival**

Stroll gardens “sampling fine wines and beverages from around the world,” enjoy live music. Local restaurants offers samples of their dishes and desserts. 760-736-8669. Saturday, June 4, 5pm. 885 San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)


**St. Mary Catholic Church**

**Contact:** 102 West 13th Avenue, Escondido, 760-745-1611; stmaryescondido.com

**Membership:** 15,000

**Pastor:** Richard Perovich

**Age:** 60

**Born:** Clairton, Pennsylvania

**Formation:** St. John Seminary, Camarillo, California

**Years ordained:** 19 years

**San Diego Reader:** How long do you spend writing your sermon?

Father Richard Perovich: I don’t write them out, but I begin praying them on Sunday morning. As I prepare for the first sermon, I read the readings for the next Sunday as well because they always follow. I read them every day and pray them, and little by little they come together. We were taught not to write things out in seminary — but to stand and deliver our thoughts.

**SDR:** What is your favorite subject on which to preach?

FP: Jesus and the Eucharist. That’s the classic Catholic center of everything that we talk about. His promise of eternal life that begins with baptism is cemented in the Eucharist. The spirit lives in us when we do God the Father’s will. In John 6:51-58, Jesus says, “Unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood, you do not have eternal life. But if you do, you will have it and I will raise you up on the last day.”

**SDR:** Which of the Ten Commandments does your congregation have the hardest time keeping?

FP: The Third Commandment. Not keeping holy the Sabbath day is a challenge for a large number of people. When we were kids, we learned it was a mortal sin to miss Mass on Sunday. I think that’s not being taught so much. The whole concept of mortal sin, in fact, has been played down — a deviation from God’s commandment that really cuts off the relationship between you and God, avenues of grace that give you true wisdom, and orders your desires according to his, and strengthen your will to do his will. The same thing has happened with the Sixth Commandment — the sexual sins. People have played that down as well with everything-goes-contraception — abortion, homosexuality, cohabitation — all of these things that are so common. Once they do become common, people see them as normal instead of the aberration that they are.

**SDR:** What is the mission of your church?

FP: Our mission is to bring all people to Jesus Christ through word, sacrament, and communion, the work of Christ. … We’re also not afraid to be political. If we see things that are not right in politics, education, or in the Church, I speak without fear of condemnation. I try not to say people are bad, but it’s true — the prophet that ideas and behaviors are bad. I wrote a piece back in 2009 for California Catholic Daily — “Abortion is our God and Obama, Pelosi, and Kennedy are his prophets.” The bishop didn’t like that, but it’s true — the prophet is one who speaks against his God — and that’s what these people are speaking about.

**SDR:** Where do you go when you die?

FP: The soul goes immediately before God for a judgment, either for a deliverance or at least an accounting for what one has done in the flesh. With that first judgment, you will either be in Heaven or Hell or your soul will be purged in purgatory for a time so that you’ll be ready to go to Heaven. One has to have a pure heart to see God face to face. — Joseph O’Brien

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IN PERSON

“Blacklight Theatre” Techno-mania Circus presents “acts of all types including blacklight illusion with the Disappearing Technoman, aliens, and gods,” as well as “many other unusual acts.” Blacklight wear encouraged. 619-231-1950. Friday, June 3, 4, 5, 6, 6:30pm, free. Escondido Civic Center, 2438 Civic Center Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

“Guys and Dolls Sing” San Diego Choraleers adult mixed cho- rus plans annual variety show along with Women of Note, Serra-Naders, Men of Note, Infections. Reserva-tions: 619-501-7298. Saturday, June 4, 8, 9pm; Sunday, June 5, 10am. Center for amusing Arts, 2438 Commercial Street. (SAN DIEGO)

“Juno Gloom and Other Haftly Tales” Enjoy “Truly Terrifying Sum- mer Stories” with storytellers Charles Johnson, Cynthia Griffin, Jake Arly, Marilyn McPhie, Sam Carr. 858-484-3253. Saturday, June 4, 7pm; 7:12 and up. Temple’s Hall at Old Poway Park, 14134 Midland Road. (POWAY)

“Magic Lounge” Magicians Terry Lanceford, Joe Mytic, Magic Mike Stilwell, Dereck Ostovani, John Darland present magic, illusion, comedy show. Dancing follows. 619-231-0011. Friday, June 3, 6-30pm; $10-$15. 21 and up. On Broadway Event Center, 615 Broadway Avenue. (MIDTOWN)


“Dealing with Women of Note, Serra-Nanders” Serra Nanders plans annual variety show along with the Disappearing Technoman, aliens, and gods, as well as “many other unusual acts.” Blacklight wear encouraged. 619-231-1950. Friday, June 3, 4, 5, 6, 6:30pm, free. Escondido Civic Center, 2438 Civic Center Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

“The Hard Stuff” Restaurant celebrates acquisition of liquor license with “night of hard-hitting stories from acclaimed local and out-of- town authors.” Readings promise mix of fiction and nonfiction writers, including author Roy Kesey. 619-235-8778. Saturday, June 4, 6pm; free. El Take It Easy, 1926 30th Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Hell on Two Whees Three-time Ironman finisher, author Amy Snyder visits to discuss, sign her book about bicycling’s Race Across America. To be signed, book must be purchased from Warwick’s. 858-454-0347. Thursday, June 2, 7-7:30pm; free. Warwick’s Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Baby Daddy” Author Clayton Con-nolly launches his “informative, no-nonsense book for men who find themselves on the verge of father-hood.” Shaves and books dispensed; $10-$15. 21 and up. On Broadway Event Center, 615 Broadway Avenue. (MIDTOWN)

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“The Flowers of This Pain-ful World” Open poetry reading devoted to “poetry, resilience, and enduring culture of the Japanese people.” Read your own work, or from favorite authors who have written about Japan. 760-480-4101. Sunday, June 5, 1pm; free. Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

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Chasing a Dream in the Galá-pagos Author Betty Blades Pegas presents slide show, discussion of her book. 760-753-4027. Sunday, June 5, 6:30pm; free. Cardinal-bye-the-Sea Library, 2081 Newcastle Avenue. (CARDIFF)

“The Man in the Gray Flannel Skirt” Memoirist Jan-Jon Gaulon, “a hyperneurotic kid who felt out of place wherever he turned” while growing up in La Jolla, on hand to discus his book. Courtesy of the author, “the first five men to show up...wearing skirts” will receive complimentary copy of his book. Otherwise, book must be purchased from Warwick’s for signing, 858-454-0347. Tuesday, June 7, 7:30pm; free. Warwick’s Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Carolla Live Podcast Comic Adam Carolla, Alison, Bald Bryan joined by guest Dana Gould for live podcast. 619-299-2583. Thursday, June 2, 6-30pm; free. Warwick’s Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Comedy Night Fundraiser Benefit for Dennis “Chooch” Mota starring comics Mike Pace, Shayla Revera, Vicki Barbolak, musician Ross May. 760-519-8380. Saturday, June 4, 6pm; 8pm-9pm. Carlsbad Village Theatre, 2822 State Street. (CARLSBAD)

Mental illness — Insight and Guidance National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) hosts Psychiatric Emergency Response Team advisory board, introduc-tion “Behavioral Health Emergency Response Form.” Panel of consum-ers, family members, police officers, police dispatchers shares insights, guidance in these situations. Sep-arate panel discussion examines “opportunities within the public mental health field.” 800-923-5933. Thursday, June 2, 6, 30pm; free. University Christian Church, 3900 Cleveland Avenue. (HOLLYWOOD)

Sam Hinton Folk Heritage Festival Day promises folk music, contra dance, storytelling by Mar- lyn McPhie, Fred Laskowski, Sarah Sautler, Vicky Reed, Charles John- son, many others. Music by Chris Clarke, Gregory Page, Patty Hall, Rattlesnake Creek String Band, Trails and Rails, Wood N’ Lips, more. Bring your instrument, voice, “musical enthusiasm” for folk circle and bluegrass jams 858-484-1325. Saturday, June 4, 10, 30am; free. Old Poway Park, 14134 Midland Road. (POWAY)

Shakespeare-Quoting Cop Retired police lieutenant Timothy “T.B.” Smith reads from, discusses his new novel, The Sticking Place. Following brief author talk on “role of Shakespeare’s plays in the development of characters in Smith’s book,” six San Diego Shakespeare

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The countenance of the Buddha is like the clear full moon, or again, like a thousand suns releasing their splendor. His eyes are pure, as large and as broad as a blue lotus. His teeth are white, even and close, as snowy as white jade.

The Buddha’s virtues resemble the boundless ocean. Infinite wonderful jewels are amassed within it. The calm, virtuous water of wisdom always fills it. Hundreds and thousands of supreme concentrations throng it.

The marks of the wheel beneath his feet are all elegant — the hub, the rim, and the thousand spokes which are all even.

The webs on his hands and his feet are splendid in all parts — he is fully endowed with markings like the king of geese...

His marks and signs are as unfaithful as the sky. And they surpass a thousand suns releasing their splendor. All like a flame or a phantom, Buddhist sacred texts provided a mixture of practical and mystical instruction. As part of the “Confession Sutra,” the Golden Light Sutra seeks to foster the practice of confession of faults among Buddhists. Particularly influential among Japanese Buddhists, it is provided a model for the well-run state, which the Japanese emperors used to legitimize and strengthen their rule.

**LECTURES**

“Rendezvous with Books” Dale Spector shares new titles and older titles you may have missed when Ouia meets. 888-573-1396. Wednesday, June 8, 1pm. free. 18 and up. Sears Mesa–Keaary Mesa Library, 9005 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

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**San Diego Reader June 2, 2011**
Beer for Brontos

I am a Car— a Card Carrying Carnivore! I love the supple, greasy squish of tender, gastronomically compromised muscle tissue yielding beneath my molars. I enjoy the tart, grassy zing of goat’s- milk chèvre, and the rich coating of butteriness that a high dairy fat content lends to gelato. The way I see it, I could live without these things—but why?

That said, I harbor sincere respect for those who believe humankind should recuse itself of rights afforded those at the top of the food chain. These are noble individuals with strong ideals who, in many cases, suffer a lower quality of life due to a stalwart commitment to their beliefs.

I’ve come up for air in the midst of a duck fat–laden ultra-nosh at a restaurant just as a patron at a neighboring table inquired about a high dairy fat content lends to gelato. The way I see it, I could live without these things…

The meal started with three Asian-inspired amuse-sized offerings: a black quinoa salad with bright sweetness from fresh mandarin oranges (an homage to tabouleh, Carballo’s favorite snack); a sushi-style roll with rice-encased tempura avocado and enoki mushrooms, and an amuse-sized offering: a black quinoa salad with hints of pepper that segued perfectly from the noodles and back; and Spice of Life, from Vistals Iron Fist Brewing Company, a spiced ale brewed with coriander, mace, grains of paradise, and orange peel that matched the citrus and spice of the mirin ginger vinaigrette in the quinoa salad.

Perhaps the best dish of the evening followed, a cannelloni that used thin-sliced zucchini in lieu of pasta to sheath a house-made soy ricotta filling. It was a nice preview of the type of fare that’s likely to come when the brewery’s Master Pairings Series, in which executive chef Alex Carballo creates a themed dinner menu where each course is paired with one or several beers by renowned cicerone (beer sommelier) Bill Sysak. Having never consciously eaten a vegan dish, much less a multi-course banquet, I was as interested to check out the dishes Chef Carballo was fixing as the exceptional brews I knew “Dr. Bill” would have on hand. The latter did not disappoint. More surprisingly, neither did the former.

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Food aside, one of the best things about the dinner was having a chance to converse with so many vegans and vegetarians. Just like carnivores (or a herd of herbivorous brontosaurs), they tend to stick together, so I rarely have the benefit of their perspective for broadening my own edible worldview. Between getting the scoop on how long they’d been abstaining from some of my favorite things (in many cases well over a decade), and confirming once and for all that tofu is one of man’s worst creations, I asked for opinions on the meal. Each one considered it the best vegan bill of fare they’d come across in San Diego. Even if it was the beer talking, that’s bistro, as well as for an upcoming second bistro in Liberty Station.

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Must Try: Meatless Mondays

You can follow and friend Brandon Hernández at twitter.com/offdutyfoodie and facebook.com/offdutyfoodie.
high praise, and while this was a one-time-only event, the bistro features a special Meatless Monday menu each week with various veggie vittles, including an avocado taco that earned rave reviews from one of my tablemates.

For other vegans who like suds-accompanied offerings that meet their dietary requirements, there’s an organization that’s putting on pairings throughout San Diego County on a consistent basis. It’s called LoveLikeBeer, and their aim is to give vegans what they want while giving to charities — like the International Rescue Committee, a nonprofit that helps local refugees displaced from their homelands — what they need. That particular charity benefited from a vegan beer-pairing event at North Park’s Sea Rocket Bistro on May 12, where numerous dishes were matched with specialty beers such as a从前-cask Stone Ruination IPA dry-hopped with citrus hops.

Tips from the Table
My new beer buddies’ recommendations for good veg and vegetarian treats: Blind Lady Ale House, Normal Heights; Evolution Fast Food, Banker’s Hill; the Linkery, North Park; Lucha Libre Taco Shop, Five Points; Pokez, downtown; Ranchos Natural Foods, Ocean Beach; Ritual Tavern, North Park; Spread, North Park; Tao, Normal Heights; Urban Solace, North Park; Veg-N-Out, North Park; Z Pizza, various locations. ■
Barbarians' Delight

Butt, thighs, calves are screaming like kids in the backseat — “Are we there yet!”

Only rich people and felons live behind walls, right? Society’s afraid of felons, and rich people are afraid of society. So, back to Medieval days! Walled cities! Uh, except now we call them gated communities.

But, guess what... Seems some places let us barbarians in. Like the Coronado Cays.

I've just discovered this. Here I was, around sunset, puffing like a steam train on my bike along ye olde Silver Strand. (Gotta do something before I start taking up two bus seats.) I was at the point where you're five miles from IB, five miles from Coronado, and, man, you've gotta take five. Butt, thighs, calves are screaming like kids in the backseat — “Are we there yet?”

I decide to ask the guard at the gate how far to the nearest eatery. Drinkery. Anythingery.

“Matter of fact, we have a little cafe right in here,” he says. “First right, second left, first left.”

Who knew? So I ride on in, past expensive houses and cars. Midnight-blue Bentley slows at the stop sign beside me. A yellow Beemer lets out two teens and cars. Midnight-blue Bentley slows at the stop sign in front of me. Midnight-blue Bentley lets the teens out. Midnight-blue Bentley speeds away—over by an entrance from the other end. A yellow Beemer lets out two teens and cars. Midnight-blue Bentley slows at the stop sign beside me. A yellow Beemer lets out two teens and cars. Midnight-blue Bentley speeds away—over by an entrance from the other end — over by an entrance from the other side. It has a patio, too, which must catch the morning sun.

Lady appears from behind a display case. “Can I help you?”

She sure can. ‘Cause I've just spotted the dinner menu on the counter. Dishes start with a rack of lamb for, uh, $28. Chicken kabob’s $16. Best deal looks like a teryyaki salmon wrap for $13.95.

“You still doing lunch?” I ask, because, hey, sun’s setting, but lamb’s not on my horizon. Need more options.

“Oh, yes, certainly,” the lady says. “Breakfast ended at 11:00 a.m. But you can have any of the lunch items.”

Her name’s Hanan. Born in Jordan, brought up here. Lives in the Cays. Is a grandma now. This is her place. She hauls out another menu from behind the counter.

Lunch. This I can do. Salads, like the Asian chicken, are all $7.95. “Cafe sandwiches,” where you choose your own meat, bread, cheese, and veggie, go for $5.95. Cheeseburger and fries is $5.95. Mediterranean chicken wrap is $6.95, a gyro with lamb and beef costs $7.95. Fish and chips, with three fish and “a tangy coleslaw,” $8.99. Can’t resist glancing at the breakfast menu, too. Some real bargains there. Sunrise muffin, with egg, cheese, and bacon or ham, $2.95. Biscuits and gravy, $4.75. Breakfast plate (two eggs, potatoes, bacon, ham or sausage, toast), $5.95. Sigh.

That Asian salad looks tempting. It’s got chicken breast, cabbage, shredded carrots, crispy wontons, and Asian dressing — meaning ginger, for sure. But now I’m wondering if they have happy-hour specials.

“Yes,” says Hanan. “We have sautéed shrimp for $5.95 tonight.”

I could go with that, but at the last second decide on a baja gouoush ($6). They have wines, like a chard for $5 a glass, or imported beers for $3.50. Not bad, but I’ve still got to ride five muscle-crunching miles to get back to town. So I ask for a coffee ($1.75) instead.

I take my cup of joe out to the patio (to the sunny Cays side, natch). It’s country-quiet. All you hear is halysaps slapping against masts. See they have their own dock below.

Hanan arrives with the food loaded on plates. The baja gouoush has golden rivulets of olive oil snaking through the mushed eggplant. I scoop a couple of pita bread loads. Ooh…Love eggplant. Gervus would be so good here. I turn to the fish. It’s cracklin’ hot, battered, extra fresh. Cod, I bet. I toss extra salt on and gouge the pieces through the lumpy tartar sauce. The coleslaw is tart and acts as a mouth freshener. Dee-lish.

Hanan had to fight to get this restaurant up and running. “For 42 years, you couldn’t even get a coffee in the Cays,” she says. “Finally, I persuaded the homeowners’ association to let me open a coffee cart.”

Then she convinced them to let her start this full-on eatery. Opened last July (she says the first anniversary, this coming July 8, is gonna be big, with wine tastings, food, music...). So, how much have Cays people adopted this place? “You should come by in the morning,” she says. “Some turn up for coffee in their robes.”

But why so cheap, in this billionaires’ haven?

“This is a gated community, but, actually, most everybody’s living on a budget.”

Hanan’s two grandkids, Elias and Gianna, come and hang around her knees. Sun’s dipping behind Grand Carlita Cay. It’s suddenly cooling. Guess I’d better get back to the world before they lock me in for the night.

“Will be back for breakfast,” I say. Kiddying, though I would love to try her $5 “choose your own filling” omelet.

“Weary your pajamas,” she says.
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Banker’s Hill

Inn at the Park
3615 Fifth Ave., Banker’s Hill, 619-291-0999. Despite a touch of mangle here, chipotle there, it’s the nice, conservative, meat-and-potatoes comfort food that the regulars here prefer. Wilder hits include calamari frito misto, duck breast, and coconut-lime crime brûlée. Moderate.

Jimmy Carter’s Café
3172 Fifth Ave., Banker’s Hill, 619-291-2070. This cozy, middle-class eatery at the edge of Balboa Park has Indian breakfasts — try chicken curry or par- savori (mung bean crepe with onions, peppers, ginger, cilantro, and chutney). Good Mexican and decent Chinese food, too. Inexpensive.

Bonita

Romesco
4346 Bonita Rd., Bonita, 619-475-8627. Sophisticated Mexican food, including smoked marlin carpaccio, grilled duck breast, mole. The whole menu is worth exploring, full of surprising treats. Moderate to expensive.

Carlsbad

African Spice Restaurant
3484 54th St., City Heights, 619-342-9484. Fascinating Somali food for just seven dollars — as much rice, salad, spaghetti, goat meat, beef, chicken (and tilapia when available) as you can fit in your polystyrene box, along with a banana to break up and mix in. Somali-style. Inexpensive.

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4079 University Ave., City Heights, 619-283-4352. The Vietnamese do French baguette sandwiches better than the French — with some spicy Asian touches. Inexpensive.

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College Area

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1500 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-229-8490. Modern Cal cuisine with a blissful bay view and superb ingredients, so finely cooked you’ll be thrilled to eat your veggies. Expensive.
Cafe 1134  1134 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-437-1134. Interesting omelets, salads, and pastis (e.g., roast beef and bleu cheese crumbles) from a local reincarnation of a Lido Bank cafe to hang out, chat, think deep thoughts. Inexpensive.

Candelas on the Bay 1201 First St., Coronado, 619-435-1223. Watch the sun set sipping Greek wines. Low prices keep Spyro’s popular with locals and tourists. Try mousaka or souvlaki chicken, marinated in tzitziki sauce, served with tomatoes, onions, and pita bread. Inexpensive.

Del Mar


Milton’s Donut 2001 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-792-2225. (Fresh donuts made multihens. Staff yourself with stuffed cabbage, overstuffed deli sandwiches, crisp-skinned cheese blintzes, matzoh ball, hot baklava with loking — or chicken-fried steak, if that’s your bag. Inexpensive to low-moderate. 

Downtown

Bay Cafe 1050 N. Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-590-1083. If famished at the ferry landing, you can eat decent burgers, good clam chowder, or other basic fare in the bare-bones interior; or test it upstairs to a serene bay-view terrace. Inexpensive. 

Blue Point 161 5th Ave., Downtown, 619-233-6623. In a handsome, plushy, noisy dining room, pristine main course breakfast or lunch sandwiches, soups and scones. Inexpensive.

Brian’s 24 828 Sixth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-8410. Open 24/7, it has a fabulous peanut butter burger with bacon. Plus a gothic bar with Joan Crawford’s heel marks denting it where she danced. And burgers breakfast and lunch specials. Inexpensive to moderate.

Ciro’s Pizzeria 534 Market St., Downtown, 619-464-0450. This small pizza parlor has that “back East” feel. For a house and neighborhood hangout offers garden seating and light eating — mainly breakfast or lunch sandwiches named after the volcanoes of the world (get it?). Inexpensive. 

Encinitas

El Cajon

Chen’s Golden Palace 350 N. 2nd St., El Cajon, 619-442-2541. A Lau-Chinese family serves mostly basic Chinese cuisine, with a few Southeast Asian dishes like Thai spicy shrimp noodles — and good fish ’n chips. Inexpensive. 

Palms Family Restaurant 1255 E. Main St., El Cajon. Traditional Middle Eastern eatery and social center for Iraqis, Syrians. Which means excellent food, especially appetizers like eggplant and tabbouleh. Midwest video. Inexpensive.

Hillcrest

Arrivederci 3845 Fourth St., Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. A narrow, overcrowded room with a long menu, offering a familiar regional Italian potpourri, including reliable real in a brusdy cream sauce, ”straw and hay” pesto pasta, shellfish pesto. Moderate. 

The Original 101 Diner 552 First St., Encinitas, 760-753-2123. The down-home cooking includes all-day breakfast ranging from really cheap biscuits and sausage gravy to a pretty cheap top-outine steak and egg. A bacon-cheddar burger with fruit is a good surprise combo, or try spinach salad. Inexpensive.

Escondido

Centre City Cafe 2880 S. Escondido Blvd., Escondido, 760-489-6011. Classic American fare, including exemplary chicken-fried steak with a crinkly crust and smooth, peppery cream gravy. USDA Choice steaks offered at rock-bottom prices. Huge portions, low prices.

San Diego Artisan Bakers 1511 S. Escondido Blvd., Escondido, 760-740-5963. Recipes are from all over Europe for breads with great textures and depths of flavor. A treat: breakfast on the front porch with cup of espresso and some. Inexpensive.

Golden Hill

Krakatoa 1228 23rd St., Golden Hill, 619-233-0272. Goat rodding, beer house and neighborhood hangout offers garden seating and light eating — mainly breakfast or lunch sandwiches named after the volcanoes of the world (get it?). Inexpensive. 

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Kensington Grill

4355 Adams Ave., Kensington, Talmadge, 619-281-4014. This comfortable-but-sophis-ticated neighborhood restaurant has found a five formula for seasonal Cali-fornia cuisine. Early bird three-course dinner moderate, regular menu moderate to expensive.

La Jolla

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1235 Coast Bl., La Jolla, 858-454-7703. Great Core view, with best food in at breakfast/brunch. La Jolla Town, the French toast your happiest dreams, fluffy and airy with orange flavor. Coffee is excellent. Moderate to expensive.

La Jolla Brew House

7536 Fay Ave, La Jolla, 858-456-6729. Solid food, like the prime rib sandwich (which goes great with their Russian stout) or the roasted potato. Best of all, the hefty, low-cholesterol buffalo burger. Inexpensive to moderate.

Michele Coulon Pastries

7556- 15 Fay Ave., La Jolla, 858-456-5098. Cakes are light, moist, rich, and available as whois, slices, and even “mini-tarts.” You can choose tarts, chocolates, ice creams, and breakfast pastries. Moderate.

Lake Murray Café

5465 Lake Murray Bl., La Jolla, 619-433-0180. Comfort food in generous quantities. All the omelets are four eggers, with sides like biscuit and gravy. Evening meals include meatloaf, fries, and ome-lets, stuffed pork chops, whole (head-on) fish. Inexpensive.

The Calypso Café

379 E. Coast Bl., La Jolla, 858-458-0000. This historic café serves home cooking, Mexican style, with spicy salsa and mild red chiles. The classic pulled egg and red sauce, chilis rellenos, pozole, and menudo. Inexpensive.

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Lecadia

The Calypso Café

579 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Lecadia, 760-632-8252. The cuisine is Mexican, ranging from warhorses like onion soup and as you go to Gallo-Cal-Italian-Pacific Rim rhymepatrons. Mussels are the specialty, and their rapid turnover here ensures freshness. Upper-moderate.

Linda Vista

Sab-E-Lee

2405 Ulloa St., Linda Vista, 858-410-4688. Tiny-forever-serv- ing authentic, fiery, fabulous food from northeast Thailand, as spicy as you want. Don’t miss unname-rich tom yum soup or amazing fish salad. Look for “Linda Vista Food” awning. Cash only, BYO, no reservations, wait at prime-time. Inexpensive.

Little Italy

Anthology

1337 India St., Little Ita- ly, 858-827-0891. User-friendly, mod-ern American cuisine (local produce, natural meats, wonderful buns) in huge, chic, just-right kitchen. Expensive or, if you drink anything but tap water.

Midway District

Bolsa Vietnamese Restaurant

9225 Mesa Bl, Midway, 858- 693-5633. Hospitable chef-owner Kim Trang makes excellent pho (beef noodle soup) but also offers hundreds of other items, all cooked home style. Inexpensive.

Miramar

Madras Café

9848 Black Mountain Rd., Miramar, 858-695-6229. Vegetarian cuisine of south India, centering on stuffed pancakes — from thin, crisp dosas (spiced crepes) to spicy lentil cake with lentil (chickpeas) and potatoes, in a flavorful sauce. Inexpensive.

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Mission Hills

Izakaya Masa


Mission Valley

Bally’s East

2401 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2005. Word is, they serve more prime rib with no ju and heredera than all eaten in San Diego. Or try the Bally Burger, French dip sandwich, or calamari sand-wich. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

National City

Lai Thai Restaurant

1430 5 Pla-za Bl., National City, 619-474-5046. The soups, tom kab (spicy coconut) and free yam (hot and sour), are good, as is the house Lai Thai Fish (usually tilapia) in delicious panang coconut-curry sauce. Inexpensive to moderate.

Normal Heights

Jyoti Bhanga

3351 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-342-4116. Beng-al-tinged vegetarian health food from Sri Chinmoy devotees can be delicious. Chutney-topped Naan breads with nutty, irritating flavors. Even the ac-companying mashed potato and gravy tastes different. Also delicious: Bhuna Burrito, Infinite Blue (brown rice salad with blue cheese dressing). Inexpensive.
"slow food" cuisine here features local ingredients and made-from-scratch preparations. The focus is on sausages, some of the best include the juicy "super bison Meatloaf," the linguini, and the Polynesian pork. Moderate.
Sicilian Thing Pizza 406 30th St., North Park, 619-282-5000. Sicilian-style pizzas are inch-thick, bread-like, but lighter than Chicago deep dish. When you order, they add sauce, cheese, and put it back in the oven to double cook. Open late. Inexpensive.
Point Loma
The Pearl 1410 Rosecrans St., Point Loma, 619-226-6100. The fare is California eclectic and emphasizes grilling with local produce and sustainable pests and fish. Candied pork belly, "deconstructed" shrimp nachos, wings du jour, and salmon with skin are among the hits. Moderate.
Red Sails 2814 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-223-3010. Vintage seaside eatery serves seafood and steaks of uneven quality. Start with clams on the half-shell or clam chowder. Coconut shrimp entrée is good, guilty pleasure, fish fry less well. Low-moderate.
SOLANA BEACH
California Pizza Kitchen S37 5 Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999. Additional locations in Mission Valley, Carmel Mountain, University City, Vista, Chula Vista. The Original BBQ Chicken Pizza, the champ’s first hit, is still on the menu. It has barbecue sauce, smoked Gouda and mozzarella cheeses, BBQ chicken, red onions, and cilantro. Inexpensive to moderate.
Fidel’s Little Mexico 749 Geneva Ave. and 50th Ave. (two entrances), Solana Beach, 858-755-5292. Old line place where the Del Mar race crowd goes for a "safe" Mexican experience. Yet, alluring. Look for happy hour deals. One fat taco will almost fill you up. Inexpensive to moderate.
Sorrento Valley
South Park
Big Kitchen 3003 Overas St., South Park, 619-234-5789. Judy "the Beauty" Formas presides over this highly social scene of big healthy breakfasts and lunches, including from-scratch waffles, muffins, omelets and scrambles, vegan choices. Inexpensive.
University Heights
El Zarape 4642 Park Blvd, University Heights, 619-492-1652. This stylish little restaurant is proof that not all taco shop food is equal — try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada with generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat, or scallop bunnits or well-prepared soups. Inexpensive.
Valleymore Restaurant 1014 Grand Tract Road, University City, Vista, Chula Vista. The Original BBQ Chicken Pizza, the chain’s first hit, is their top seller. It has barbecue sauce, smoked Gouda and mozzarella cheeses, BBQ chicken, red onions, and cilantro. Inexpensive to moderate.
Fiore’s 777 Harrahs Way, Valley Center, 877-777-2457. The casino’s most upscale restaurant offers luxurious Angus steaks and numerous seafood entrées. For lighter eating there’s an oyster bar attached. Best attraction the long, adventurous wine list. Moderate oyster bar, upper-moderate to very expensive in restaurant.
Old Town
El Agave 2504 San Diego Ave, Old Town, 619-220-0602. Serious Mexican food highlighting mainland regional cuisines, including five different Oaxacan mole (plus a sixth from Chiapas). Moderate.
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Paul’s Place 3671 Mission Ave., Oceanside, 760-721-0124. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek half-chicken, the oregano grilled chicken sliced over salad, and the gyro mix with all-American three-egg omelette specials and meaty burgers. Inexpensive.
Pacific Beach
The Australian Pub 1014 Grand Ave, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9921. Try the Broad Kill sandwich (grilled chicken breast with hot sauce and cheese) or the huge, Burke’s Aussie burger, too. Inexpensive.
Lamont Street Grill 4445 Lamont St., Pacific Beach, 858-270-3860. F.B.’s most romantic restaurant serves California comfort food, punctuated by bold Mexican/Asian/Cajun flavors. Salmon over fettuccine in a delicate dill cream sauce is especially fine. Moderate.

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would make Santana a household name, he booked the band into the Aztec Bowl (site of the Viejas Arena) in 1969 in what was the band’s first local gig. The May 11 concert also featured Lee Michaels, Canned Heat, and the Grateful Dead.

Aztec Center, being razed as of this writing, housed two smaller indoor venues: Montezuma Hall, capacity 1,000, and the 250-capacity Backdoor. “Aztec Center was important to the San Diego punk movement of the 1970s, especially when the [hometown] Penetrators opened for the Ramones in 1978,” says Lennox. The Ramones played at SDSU on seven different occasions between 1977 and 1990. During a 1980 show, Lennox says, “the crowd rushed the stage and actually caused it to move, band and all, and moshing caused structural damage to Montezuma Hall. The Associated Students tried to ban future punk concerts. They were unsuccessful!” Lennox is still in the research process and asks that anyone with SDSU concert memories, photos, set lists, or memorabilia contact her at music.sdsu@gmail.com. — Dave Good

Record-Release Roundup

Downspell’s release party for their new full-length The Violent Majority happens Friday, June 3, at Brick by Brick. “It’s the kickoff to our West Coast tour with To Violently Vomit,” says singer Tyson Montrucchio. “The name [of the record] is a play on the phrase Silent Majority, reflecting on today’s political climate in London, Egypt, Libya, America, and everywhere that civilian protests have turned violent.” Guests on the album include Dan Lilker (Nuclear Assault, Anthrax), Kevin Sharp (Venomous Concept, Brutal Truth), and Travis Ryan (Cattle Decapitation). The June 3 show will also serve as the U.S. release party for the band’s new split hosted by the local weekly talk show The Book, and then I’ll be performing a few of my singles off the album,” says Abram. The free show will include a screening of Abrami’s new video “Weather

Downspell spells “the silent majority” The Violent Majority, CD with All Will Suffer, on U.K. label Feto Records. Hershel Abram debuts his 26-song double album War of Music Volume 1 with a June 7 release party at the AC Lounge in North Park. “The show will start off with a live interview

The Trim of Voluptuousness

By Garrett Harris — May 30, 2011, 1:49 a.m.

Steve White Memorial Event June 25

By Jay Allen Sanford — May 29, 2011, 3:14 p.m.

Musician Profile: Rob Thoren

By Robert Bush — May 29, 2011, 12:50 p.m.

Bunnymen, Red Flag, New Order Sill Raging on New 91.3 FM Show

By Jay Allen Sanford — May 28, 2011, 11:57 p.m.

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By Chad Deal — May 28, 2011, 10:05 a.m.

Memorial Day Weekend Concert Pick: 12 Bands in 12 Hours

By Jay Allen Sanford — May 28, 2011, 2:39 a.m.

Jazz Live: Joshua White Quartet


Randy Chiurazzi’s Got Talent

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**4th & B:** 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343.
Friday, 8pm — Cinderella. Glam metal. With special guests Stodd and Dirty Leslie. $25.
Saturday, 8pm — Don Carlos and Junior Reid. Firehouse. Reunion. With the Scientist. Reggae.

AMSOncerts: 4650 Mansfield St., Normal Heights, 619-383-8176.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Neil Innes. Comedy/satire.

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 877-828-0891.
Saturday, 8:30pm — N’Dambi. R&B/soul.

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

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buenos Aires Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.

Friday, 8pm — Downspell. CD-release party with Tony Violently Vomit, All Will Suffer, Semetics Vest, Imbalanced, and Jesus Christ vs. the World. $8.
Wednesday, 8pm — Front Line Assembly. With Die Krupps, Cynotic, DJ Accracy, DJ Robin Roth, and DJ Bryan Pollard. $18-$20.

**The Casbah:** 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4353.
Thursday, 8:30pm — Dale Earnhardt Jr. Jr. With TV Girl and So Many Wazeds. $10.
Friday, 8:30pm — Inspired Flight. With In Motion Trio + 2 and Illuminants. Hip-hop/down-tempo/dub. 512-514.
Saturday, 8:30pm — Gyaing. With Jamuel Saxon. Indie/soft rock. $15-$17.
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**The Coyote Bar & Grill:** 380 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4299.
Fiesta del Sol

Saturday June 4

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Dead Feather Moon
Mike Pinto
Sole e Mar
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The Heavy Guilt
Rheanna Downey

10-10:15am Boys & Girls Club of San Dieguito YAA
10:15-10:55am Simple Green
10:55am Laurel Semerdjian

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Fiesta del Sol

Sunday June 5

Bedouin Soundclash
Bushwalla
Shoreline Rootz
Wild Child
Hoi Polloi
Atomic Groove
The Farmers
Combo Libertad

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12:45-1:15pm Dying the Slushy
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In concert, Gayngs has been known to cover “Eye in the Sky” by the Alan Parsons Project, which is something of a yacht-rock anthem. But much of the material on Relayed is too weird and arty to belong on a playlist alongside Foreigner’s “Waiting for a Girl Like You.” This raises a question: Is Gayngs trying and failing to be the new Christopher Cross, or is Gayngs just joking around with yacht rock on the way to something stranger? Jamal Saxon also performs.

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**NOTE**

BY DAVE GOOD

“Some people said they wouldn’t even listen to us because of the band name.” Dale Earnhardt Jr. Jr. is Josh Epstein and Daniel Zott, a Detroit-based indie-pop duo. Their first EP was called Horse Power, but DEJH have been called the “least Motor City band ever” with their 1960s pop-meets-hip-hop sound.

I get Epstein on his cell at a Guitar Center in Detroit. “The reason we decided to keep the name is that we don’t feel like you need to be a tortured and miserable person to make good art. A lot of people take themselves too seriously.” Having select audience members wear skeleton costumes during shows helps break the spell. “We’re playing music to have fun.”

What’s next? “We’re trying to get into the old Motown recording studio to make our next album. It hasn’t been used since the ’70s. We’ve been talking [to the owners]. We’re hometown boys. They may let us.”

TV Girl and So Many Wizards also perform.

**DALE EARNHARDT JR. JR.: The Casbah, Thursday, June 2, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. $10.**

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Magnetic North
Shalini
By Andrew Hamlin

Were I the man on the deck at the college radio station, I’d first throw on track two, “Mime As You Ever Were.” Not so direct as the opener “One of One,” this “Mime” nevertheless unleashes powerful ponderings (What really happened? Does any of it matter?) interposed with a “crazy synthesizer,” courtesy of Shawn Lynch, a constantly self-stumbling-and-correcting signal, the Starchild trying to communicate with Earth to figure out how it should play with those delicate little land masses below.

“One of One” gives you the crunch if it be crunch ye desire, although Ms. Shalini waxes inquisitive as she’ll continue to do all down the set list, and on track after track the solid and subtly inventive ensemble (Shalini, ex-hubby Mitch Easter, Jane Francis, Chris Gargas, and Lynch) answers questions musically, while the vocals/lyrics ask different ones.

Thus, assurance and mystery proceed side-by-side, if not exactly hand-in-hand. This simple dynamic proves richer in execution than most of what we currently call the “pop,” and I find myself wishing I were the man on the deck at the college radio station. Feast (however delicately) of this stuff, I’d say as I played. Notice how images of Diana, however many people Diana may be, actually stick in your head and flower, after the song is over. Then we can figure out who and what “Echo” might be. Or at least enrich our beings trying. Life is better over here. Smell that air. Salute the sun. Get your boots on for tomorrow.

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July 28 — Umphrey’s McGee.
July 30 — The Beach Boys.

Aloha Hapa, 
Aloha San Diego
By Tim Manglona

This was Nathan Aweau’s first appearance in San Diego since leaving popular Hawaiian folk band Hapa. The venue at the Bali Hai, though oddly configured, provided an intimate atmosphere for music. Opening for Aweau were the Kalama Brothers, who began the evening with several original songs that ranged from ballads to island reggae. Their performance was inconsistent at times but showed flashes of tightened harmonies in their slower material.

Nathan’s entrance was quick — an “Aloha” to the audience, and immediately into his take on traditional Hawaiian song “Lālī.” Aweau followed with mostly original material, which included songs written in English and Hawaiian. The highlight of the show was Aweau’s skill on a seven-string electric bass. His solo performance of that instrument was the equivalent of experiencing a drum solo by Alex Van Halen — a ten-minute experience of varying tempos and rhythms that kept the audience hooting and on their feet.

Aweau closed the evening with an original composition, a touching song dedicated to his father who Aweau told us was in surgery that night.

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June 10 — Good Charlotte and Yellowcard.
June 11 — The Airborne Toxic Event.
June 16 — Matt & Kim.
June 17 — The Maine.
June 19 — Gospel Brunch.

June 20 — Brett Dennen.
June 24 — Taking Back Sunday.
June 25 — Buckethud.
June 28 — Face to Face, Strung Out, and the Darlings.
June 29 — Ted Nugent.
June 30 — Warren Haynes.
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**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, 5-7pm: 1pm-close: Drink & beer specials. $2 Taco Tuesday (chicken, beef, fish, carnitas), $2.50 margaritas. Tacos, tacos, tacos.

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**Costa Brava:** Daily, 4-6pm: 1/2-price sangria. 1/2-price tapas.

**Dave’s Tavern:** Daily, 4-7pm: $2 domestic draft. $3 mimosas. $3.25 wine. Free pool.

**Miller’s Field:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: $1 wells. $2 street tacos.

**Pacific Beach Ale House:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: $3 drafts, wells, house wine. 1/2-price appetizers.

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According to Arthur Kopit and Anton Dudley’s new play, Drummhicit — pronounced drum-hkkkt — is a single-malt Scotch. It’ll curl your nose and lacquer your teeth but is not ready for prime time. Neither is the play.

A Dram of Drummhicit isn’t an exact rip-off of the movie Local Hero, in which a Texas oil magnate wants to buy a Scottish village for a refinery. But it’s close. In Dram, American developer Robert Bruce — with no relation to Scotland’s legendary Robert the Bruce — wants to build two golf courses on Muckle Skerry, an island three and a half hours north of Glasgow. But fairies supposedly inhabit the property. So, Bruce sends young Charles Pearse, a “fixer,” to iron out details. Like Mac, the “fixer” in Local Hero, Pearse goes native.

At the end of Local Hero, Mac returns to Houston. His condo overlooks an orchard of oil derricks. But in the background we hear Mark Knopfler’s mystical “Going Home.” The song’s Scottish lilt pits Mac between two worlds. He’s stuck in Texas but his heart’s in the highlands.

At the end of Dram, owing to pseudo-supernatural shenanigans, Pearse goes even more native. But, by then, the authors’ heavy-handed urge to pry laughter from the audience has ground things down. What could have been magical just ends up silly. Most of the dialogue, especially in the first act, involves detailed explanations. Dram’s as gabby as a Scottish pub.

Only one scene has what playwright Moss Hart called “the breath of life.” Pearse comes to the home of Angus MacLeod (John Ahlin) and his daughter Fiona (Polly Lee), who might be a fairy in human form. Pearse is soaking wet, so Angus encourages him to take a bath — with Fiona. Turns out they’re compatible tuning forks, and much more. As Pearse, Lucas Hall reacts with an endearing combination of innocence and awakened desire. It’s one of the few times Dram achieves unforced vitality.

Or stages characters that are more than sketches. Robert Bruce, the entitled American developer, for example, practically has “villain” etched across his mustache (and his red-rinsed demise is as hokum as a 19th-century melodrama). The denizens of Drummhicit, thanks to an eager ensemble cast and David C. Woolard’s spot-on costumes, suggest as much “character” as the principals — several of whom, strange to say, are unnamed.

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Christopher Ashley directed with a firm, upbeat approach. Lines receive hard, urgent stresses (from the miked actors, in particular). But for a play trying to be light and magical, the tactic contributes to the overall sense of heaviness.

Right now, San Diego is showcasing the design work of David Zinn. His set for August: Osage County at the Old Globe is a sturdy, three-level monster that rightfully dominates the stage picture. For Dram, Zinn plays a shell game, with stone walls the color of St. Andrews, the “auld grey toon.” Tall half-circles, the color of St. Andrews, the “auld game, with stone walls the barest qualifies as an island (a “skerry” is lower classification). The weather’s so bad that, except for a lighthouse, it’s uninhabitable. Even fairies, gnomes, and puckish elves might find the constant, howling winds a mite too inclement.

It may have been PR to plug his three one-acts, or true. Rumor has it that when Neil LaBute’s bash: latterdays play was first produced, the Mormon Church excommunicated him for eternity. Iphigenia in Orem, Medea Redux, and A Gaggle of Saints portray con-

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| A Chorus Line | San Diego Musical Theatre presents the “singular sensation,” about a chorus audition for a Broadway musical, and the stories behind the story. Robert Marra directed and choreographed. LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN. 619-544-1000. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, SATURDAYS; 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH JUNE 12. |
| A Dram of Drumhickey | La Jolla Playhouse presents the world premiere of Arthur Kopit and Anton Dudley’s supernatural comedy about a Scottish island with secrets. Christopher Ashley directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 3000 la Jolla village dr., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 8PM THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS; 2PM AND 7PM SATURDAYS; 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS; 7PM TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH JUNE 12. |
| August: Osage County | Tracy Letts’s three-act epic about a nuked nuclear family is one of the finest American plays in a long time. Credit to the Old Globe for staging such a theatrical blast furnace and to director Sam Gold and a remarkable cast for giving it the quirky flow of life. Violet and Beverly Weston live in a three-story house, all windows covered with black shades, in the epicenter of summer. A family reunion evokes abundant laughter — of the sudden, depth-charged variety — and stark, illusion-shattering revelations. Since the ensemble cast is so uniformly excellent, it’s almost unfair to single anyone out. That said, Louis Markle’s chain-smoking Violet (a monster with reason?) and Angela Reed’s Barbara, who grows into the next Violet before our eyes (or does she?), stand out. Osage turns Chekhov’s Three Sisters inside out. Chekhov’s trio never reaches Moscow. For Lett’s three sisters, Moscow could be Denver, New York, and Miami. But given how the play bombards illusions, it’s probably best to say each, “good luck with that.” Critic’s Pick. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1000 old globe way, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM FRIDAYS; 2PM AND 7PM SATURDAYS; 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS; 7PM TUESDAYS THROUGH THURSDAYS, THROUGH JUNE 12. |

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**Calendar Theater**

- **Once Upon a Wedding**
  - The interactive musical comedy takes place at the Dudley/DWI Brewery, where things don’t go according to plan and people begin to disappear. The show, a “masonic dinner cruise,” takes place aboard the William D. Ellison sternwheeler. Bahia Resort Hotel, 980 West Mission Bay Dr., Mission Beach. 888-799-7477. 6:30 PM Thursdays, through September 3.

- **Raisin the Rent**
  - If Papa, Duke of management, can’t pay the rent by midnight, the owner will close the Chicago jazz club. So Papa has a “rent party” fundraiser headlining Billie Holiday (Anas Johnson), Nina Simone (Jan- ice Edwards), and Ruth Brown (Jenny Polite). They work pro bono and often raise the roof. Calvin Manson, artistic director of IRA Aldridge Players, revised an earlier version. The new one needs tightening, especially a sag in act two (caused not by lesser efforts but by the unleashed energy that preceded it). An impressive five-piece band backs the singers. If they are good, they should be the ensemble. “They Call It Stormy Monday” or the women sing “Ain’t Nobody’s Business If I Do” — they’re in trouble. Worth a try. SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 10405 PIONEER RD., SCRIPPS RANCH. 858-578-7238. BPM Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 PM, through June 25.

- **Swimming in the Shallows**
  - InnerMission Productions presents Adam Bock’s surreal comedy about Barb trying to downsize possessions. Donna wants to marry a woman who smokes, and Nick, who goes on a date with a shark. Carla Nell directed. IMPERIAL HOUSE, 4640 PACIFIC BLVD., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-220-0007. BPM Thursdays, 7:30 PM, Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 PM, through June 25.

- **Ten Cent Night**
  - Moxie Theatre presents Marisa Wegrzyńska’s “off-beat comedy about a time when a dime could buy you a phone call home.” But not if you’re trying to hitchhike while handicapped to a folding chair. Delicia Turner Sonnenberg directed. Moxie at Rolando Theatre, 1654 El Cañon Blvd., University Heights. 619-220-2105. BPM Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 PM, through June 5.

- **Rounding Third**
  - Don and Michael coach a Little League team. To Don, the only fun is winning. To Michael, who couldn’t tell a fielder’s choice from a fungo, fun lies in the playing. Richard Dresser’s two-person comedy takes this odd couple through an entire season. You can predict the eventual melting of minds, but the curves life throws them make for a fun evening at Scripps Ranch Theatre. Walter Murray gives Michael a clean arc from bumbling newcomer to hardcore horse-hider. John Nutten has the juicer part and gives it one of the year’s funnier performances. Don has four alarms, anger-management issues (if it weren’t for baseball, he confesses). Don would dream almost exclusively about “revenge and set.” Don’s a control freak, but Nutter (and director Robert May) cuts through the stereotype by showing that he actually means well. Don just keeps shooting himself in the foot. His solution? Get a bigger gun. Worth a try. SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 10405 PIONEER RD., SCRIPPS RANCH. 858-578-7238. BPM Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 PM, through June 25.

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13 Assassins
If Unforgiven was Clint Eastwood’s mud-spattered testament to the rotten life of a gunslinger, then it might be fair to call J3 Assassins Takashi Miike’s mud-spattered testament to the rotten life of a samurai. Because for all a samurai’s badassery with a sword and noble talk of honor, he still lives to serve his master. (At least, that’s the claim made repeatedly during the film, and it’s a claim that is never answered, let alone refuted.) And if your master is a rotten bastard…well, you’ve still got a job to do.

So there’s your setup: young Lord Naritsugu is a regular Caligula, raping and killing at will and chalking it up to the duties that the ruled owe their official Sir Doi sees that “chaos and the samurai Hanbei. He’s not thrilled. At the head of Naritsugu’s guard is a rotten bastard…well, you’ve still got a job to do.

Meanwhile, wise government official Sir Doi sees that “chaos and suffering will befal the people” if Naritsugu ascends, so he secretly commissions retired-samurai Shimaemon to gather a team and assassinate the wicked Lord. Shinzaemon and Hanbei are old classmates and sparring partners; now, they seem destined to cross swords one last time.

What follows looks wonderful and feels familiar, even if you haven’t seen Eiichi Kudo’s original version. I’m guessing that the conventional storytelling — right down to the ridiculously drawn-out final battle against hordes of inept guardsmen — serves to highlight the element that remains unconventional: the peasant Koyata. Lean, filthy, and full of cunning, Koyata joins the assassins as a guide and eventually fights alongside them. Like Seven Samurai’s Kikuchiyo, he claims to be descended from the samurai class. Unlike Kikuchiyo, he is full of scorn for samurai arrogance and imagined superiority. (Instead of honor, Koyata longs for his boss’s wife.) And you know what descen-dents do: they inherit. There’s a reason for all that mud clung to the samurais’ robes.

How to Live Forever
Curiously unused subtitle: What a Drag It’s Getting Old. There’s a great black comedy to be made from the documentary material in How to Live Forever. I’m thinking here of the blunt declaration made by the founder of the Ms. Senior America Pageant that he simply cannot allow a swimsuit competition, of the notion that “the dead man is unwelcome” at a Boomer funeral, of people who laugh for no reason in an effort to improve oxygen flow and so ward off dementia. (“We just look crazy!”)

But documentary Mark Wexler doesn’t come across as wanting to make a joke out of death, in part because he’s not quite ready to regard it as an unavoidable tragedy. He won’t even look the Reaper full in the face; instead, he suggests his real fear is of “the uncivil trappings of age.” So he handles all these potentially lacerating moments with a gentle touch and instead spends his time crisscrossing the globe to talk to the long-lived about how they do it. But while the old folks are remarkable — especially the ones who drink and smoke and crack wise — they don’t offer much in the way of secret wisdom.

Along the way, Wexler checks in with various scientists and researchers devoted to the idea of keeping people going indefinitely, mostly by replacing parts as they wear out. Here, philosophy comes into play, and we are treated to a few moments of proper tension. At one point, Wexler justa-poses an advocate of charity-poor diets with the Falstaffian Los Angeles food critic Jonathan Gold. Do you want to live long or live well?

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13 Assassins — Takashi Miike’s testament to the rotten life of a samurai
As I said, there’s plenty of good material here. But the film mean-ders and doubles back on itself; at one point, even Wexler can’t bear the thought of another old-timer or another scientist. It’s almost as if he’s afraid to reach the journey’s end.

Uncle Boonmee, Who Can Recall His Past Lives
That plantation-owner Boonmee is dying. Naturally, his relatives come to stay with him during his last days, including his sister-in-law Jen and his nephew Tong. Unnaturally, his deceased wife Huay also shows up. So does his long-lost son Boonsoon, now transformed into a ghost mon-ster, after having taken one for a mate. And there, gathered around the dinner table, is the substance of Uncle Boonmee: death, the afterlife (or, in some cases, the beforelife), and man’s con-nection to the primal, ancient, drip- ping natural world.

It’s a charming, oddly moving scene, largely because of the living’s equanimity upon encountering the dead. Jen asks Huay if she received the things Jen sent her via the temple (“Yes, they comforted me”). She won-ders why Huay looks so young, and Boonmee knows the answer: Huay is the same age as when she died. Then attention shifts to Boonsoong — he of the glowing red eyes and resplendent black fur — who tells Boonmee that the spirits and animals in the jungle outside can sense his sickness. Boon-mee must make ready for his final journey.

In a funny way, the film is a more profound meditation on the mystery of death than anything in How to Live Forever. The uncertainty; the helpless- ness; the stubborn suspicion that this life matters, that it is not the only life...
How to Live Forever — Buster Martin, the marathon-running, beer-drinking, chain-smoking 101 year old

there is: it’s all so achingly human. (When your dead wife comes back to you, what does she do? She helps to drain your kidney, just as she would have done in life.)

As he prepares, Boonmee looks back on his current life and on his lives before this one. Some are humdrum, others reek of mythic significance. He regrets the past (“I killed too many communists”) and ponders the future (“How will I find you?”). Nothing is hurried, and director Apichatpong Weerasethakul takes no pains to spell out his intentions. But by the time he is finished, it’s a tough call between the cave and the city.

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— Matthew Lickona

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Bridesmaids — A raunchy comedy with integrity from star and cowriter Kristen Wiig. The movie is unquestionably from a female perspective, a quality that is pervasive but never exclusive. Wiig plays Annie, a heart-touched, recession-broken middle-aged struggling to maintain an emotional parallel with her best friend whose life is on the up-and-up. The chief area of contention is the latter’s upcoming nuptial, for which Annie is the maid of honor. Wiig achieves a splendid vulnerability. Some moments miss the mark, but overall the movie maintains a genuine spirit. 2011. — J.R.

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“EVERYTHING MUST GO” — Dan Rush directs his padded adaptation of Raymond Carver’s short story, Why Don’t You Dance? Will Ferrell, as the central character, is a bit of an obstacle. He plays an upper-middle-class alcoholic whose wife leaves him on the same day that he loses his job. He returns home to find his possessions scattered about the front lawn and spends the next three days living on that lawn, ruining his existence. Ferrell is earnest, if not entirely up to the task, and receives ample support from Rebecca Hall as the new neighbor on the block. 2011. — J.R.

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— Matthew Lickona

Forks Over Knives — Movie or info-commercial? Both, convincingly. “Let food be your medicine,” said wise old Hippocrates. Too often, modern food hooks us on salt, sugar, and meat-based protein, causing obesity, diabetes, cancer, and heart disease. Director Lee Fulkerson ate himself back to health by following the advice of Dr. Caldwell Esselstyn Jr. and nutrition scientist T. Colin Campbell. Their patients, and their many studies make a powerful case that a plant-based food regimen is the organic, affordable, and tasty answer — and that government programs enslaved to agri-biz must end. 2011. — D.E.

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— Matthew Lickona

The Hangover Part II — Reviewed this
How to Live Forever

Hanna — Hanna (Saoirse Ronan) leaves the Finnish Arctic region where her ex-agent dad (Eric Bana) trained her to surmount any challenge. She makes it to Spain for some Gypsy flamencos, then it’s off to Rome, running from assassins as if hoping to catch up with Franka Potente in Ron Lola Ron. Cate Blanchett is her frigid nemesis, an insanic CIA witch with a syrupy Dixie accent. Joe Wright’s movie is pretty yet too inexpressive to power this with a feminist slant. Ronan is angelically a syrupy Dixie accent. Joe Wright’s movie of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides

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MOVIES

MIDNIGHT IN PARIS — One of Woody Allen’s mostly smoothly enjoyable entertainments. Like Stanley Donen’s Funny Face and Richard Linklater’s Before Sunrise, this is a devotional candle of the American love of La Belle Paris. The blood wish who lights up for joy in Owen Wilson as Gil, a “Howard huck,” aspiring novelist, and mostly a thrilling tour. Stuck with a pretty but philistine wife (Rachel McAdams), he magically escapes into his preferred Paris, of that the 1920s. There are fond, funny riffs on Hemingway, Picasso, Matisse, Gertrude Stein, Dalí, Buñuel, Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald. The charming, sneak-up romance of Gil with a French beauty ( Marion Cotillard) adds luster to Darius Khondji’s delicious imagery. Not snuffy, the movie name drops with a blithe bounce. 2011. — D.E. ★★★ (FLAMING 15; PALM D)/DOWNTOWN

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Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) Fri - Thu: 10:30 AM, 1:35, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30

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★★ (GASLAMP 15; TOWN SQUARE 14)

X-Men: First Class — Prequel roots of the famed super-warrior elite. Matthew Vaughn directed James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender, Kevin Bacon, Jennifer Lawrence, Jason Flemyng, January Jones, Nicholas Hoult, Olivier Platt. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; OCEANISDE MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; OTA Y WATCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA KONA 18; Poway 10; Rancho del Rey 10; River Village 6; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 6/3)

Thor — Director Kenneth Branagh almost manages a comic-book marriage of heaven and earth. Heaven, or rather Asgard, is full of mystical sci-fi, portentous speech, and world-shattering drama. Earth, meanwhile, provides comic relief and a forum for personal matters: character building, falling in love, etc. Both the visuals and the acting have enough spark to keep things lively until The Big Finish. Then, sadly, everything splinters left. 2011. — M.L.

★★★★ (CRAIG BENTLEY; MANHATTAN PLAZA; FROM 6/3)

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THIS WEEK’S WINNERS:
- Allan Dorfman, Del Mar, 9.
- George Jackson, Oceanside, 9. (What if the voices were right all along?)
- Bob Carlson, Serra Mesa, 9.
- George Jackson, Oceanside, 8. (What if the voices were right all along?)

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LEAD STORY — A tank and several armored vehicles with dozens of SWAT officers and a bomb robot rolled into a generally quiet Phoenix neighborhood on March 21, startling the residents. Knocking down a wall, deputies raided the home of Jesus Llovera, who was “suspected” of running a cockfighting business, and 115 chickens were found inside, but Llovera was alone and unarmed, and his only previous connection to cockfights was a misdemeanor conviction in 2010 for attending one. “We’re going to err on the side of caution,” said Sgt. Jesse Spurgen. Adding to neighbors’ annoyances was the almost-fantastic sight — riding in the tank — of a man named Steven Seagal, who had brought his “Lawman” reality TV show to Phoenix.

The Entrepreneurial Spirit — Bobblehead dolls may be popular base¬ball giveaways, but as part of the local “Green Sports Alliance” demanding concern for the environment, the Seattle Mariners announced in March that for several games this season, fans would get free bags of compost (made from food and other items discarded at Mariners games).

It started as a class project at Brown University, but after a launch party on March 19 (and a sell-out first run of 500), Julie Sygie’s Sexy Period menstrual-leafy-fighting parties are on sale ($12 to $44, depending on the size; “Cherie,” “hipster,” or “bikini”). Sygie said “sexy” is less to suggest sensuality than to help women cope with the time of the month: “We’re fed out [at their] best. We want to banish that moment.”

— In the early hours of the destruction at Japan’s Fukushima nuclear power plant in March, rumors abound that millions of people might need iodine products to fight off radiation. A restaurateur named Guo in Wuhan, China, seeing the price of iodinated table salt dramati¬cally, cornered a market with 4 1/2 tons of it, trucked it to his home, where it filled half the rooms. According to a March 25 China Daily report, the price has returned to pre-Fukusima levels — much less than what Guo paid, and he can’t return the salt (lacking documentation), sell it, or transport it (lacking the proper licenses).

Weird Science — From March Discovery.com report: “Forty million years ago, a female mite met an attrac¬tive partner, grabbed him with her clinging rear end, and began to mate — just before a blob of tree resin fell on the couple, preserving the mo¬ment for eternity.” The resin-encrusted mites were discovered recently by researchers from the University of Michigan Museum of Zool¬ogy (who noted that, in those days, the female dominated mating, but that evolution has re¬versed that role).

— From the September 2010 issue of the jour¬nal Endoscope, reported by three physicians at the Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadel¬phia: a 52-year-old woman undergoing a roux¬ine colonoscopy was shown on the screen to have a cockroach in her traverse colon. A litera¬ture review revealed no previous cases of cock¬roaches (but, e.g., ants, wasps, bees). Though the cockroach was not welcome, the doctors acknowledged that in some other countries, they are delicacies.

Leasing Agent Needed — During New York City’s Fashion Week in February, “fanny packs” made a comeback (though certainly not under that name), ac¬cording to a Wall Street Journal report, reaching in price from a $325 Diane von Furstenberg to a Hermes “Kelly Banneau” model, expected to sell for $4675.

— In March, DailyCaller.com, combing federal government job announcements, found more than 1000 in Washington, D.C., including a Facebook manager for the Interior Department ($115,000 annually), a student internship at the Housing Finance Agency ($48,000) (the same salary as being offered by the Pentagon for mailroom clerks), and managers of equal-op¬portunity employment programs at the Peace Corps ($150,000) and the Transportation Dep¬artment ($almost 80,000).

Smooth Reactions — A suspicions wife (who lives apart from her husband because of work requirements) flew to the couple’s principal home in Wilmette, Il, on March 4 and, finding her husband’s new girlfriend’s clothing hanging in their closet, scissored out the crotch area of all her pants, doing about $2000 in damage, and leaving the remnants in the driveway before returning to her East Coast home. According to police, nei¬ther the husband nor the girlfriend chose to file complaints, and the case is closed.

Send your News to Chuck Shepherd, San Diego Reader, P.O. Box 85030, San Diego, CA 92186 or to WeirdNews@sd.com

**leads by Chuck Shepherd**

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The Reader Sudoku Puzzles:

Rules of the Game

1) Submit one completed puzzle of any difficulty level (Easy, Medium, Hard or Evil) to the Reader. Please mail or scan your puzzle with your name and address to: Reader Puzzles, 1703 India St., San Diego, CA 92101, or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India St. in Little Italy, or scanned and e-mailed to delsolpm.com. Submissions by email must be attached in PDF format or in PDF format minimum size of 1MB. Submissions that do not fit the format will not be counted or viewed.

2) Submit the correct answers to one of the puzzles along with your name and a brief message. 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 received by the Reader Puzzle deadline of May 12, and delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India St. in Little Italy, or scanned and e-mailed to ReaderPuzzles@sdreader.com. Submissions by email must be attached in PDF format or in PDF format minimum size of 1MB. Submissions that do not fit the format will not be counted or viewed.

5) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.

6) Late entries will not be considered.

7) One entry per person is allowed. All entries will be judged and ranked.

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This Week’s Winners:

Marc Richard, Banker’s Hill, 8
Esther Hays, La Mesa, 8
Haley Hodnett, San Diego, 8
Walter Guereffry, Clairemont, 8
Denise Magallanes, San Diego, 2

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by Jane Belanger

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Brainstorms
by Don Rubin

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SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK’S PUZZLE:
Roman times

I) 6,000 (20 x 1 x 15 x 20
II) 126,000 (40 x 21 x 10 x 15
III) 212,100 (1010 x 21 x 10
IV) 900 (30 x 30
V) 56,100 (510 x 1 x 11 x 10
VI) 24,200 (110 x 10 x 22
VII) 8,910 (11 x 10 x 9 x 9
VIII) 381,500 (70 x 109 x 50
IX) 31,460 (26 x 11 x 11 x 10
X) 231 (1 x 21 x 1 x 11

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NEW RULES
Starting with the issue of May 12, we will award writers of the five (5) best messages among those who correctly solve the puzzle one of the famous Reader baseball caps. And we will print the winning messages in the paper. Puzzle winners with rankings will still be posted online at SDReader.com.

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Those Who Work In Bong Shops Should Not Cast Stones

I saw an individual who I know for a fact lived out the back of his vehicle for three or four years. He was allowed to park behind one of the local businesses on Newport Avenue in exchange for sweeping and cleaning its bathrooms. It was not until recently that he managed to save enough money and get an apartment down by Dog Beach.

Although I have never been homeless, I am very conscious of the fact that I am only a few poor decisions and one unlucky event away from living out of the back of my car. I figured this guy must somehow feel the same way (about the “Don’t Feed Our Bums” stickers). Yet, this guy screamed louder than anyone (in support of the stickers).

The fact that so many other people who I liked and respected thought that those stickers were a great idea made me question myself, my values, and my beliefs for a long time.

By JorgeFurioso

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Neighborhood Rentals

Ocean Beach, $1800
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Upcoming Events

Ocean Beach Farmers’ Market
On Newport Avenue between Cable Street and Bacon Street. Open Wednesdays, 4-8 p.m. in summer; 4-7 p.m. in winter.
**Crack Bust:** A routine traffic stop on April 10 led to the arrest of a woman carrying 12 rocks of crack cocaine in her vaginal cavity. According to the report filed by officer Nicholas Juarez, the driver of a green 2011 Nissan Altima failed to signal prior to making a left turn. When the officer smelled marijuana, he searched the car and asked its three occupants if they had any narcotics on their persons. Tracy Morris-Ether stated that she did and withdrew from inside her vagina two baggies containing a combined five grams of crack cocaine. She and her two companions were arrested.

**Missing: 241 Mariachi Players:** On April 16, Coastal Bend College held their ninth annual Dia del Mariachi competition. Organizers attempted to beat the Guinness world record for largest mariachi ensemble set last April in Tucson, Arizona. They needed more than 555 mariachis dressed in full vestments and had to play continuously for 12 minutes. Although the college could not afford to have a Guinness adjudicator present, they set up cameras and spread verifiers around the gym to make sure everyone was playing. In the end, the ensemble fell 241 players short of breaking the record.

**Tsk, Tsk, Richie:** A Duval County deputy turned himself in to Texas Rangers and confessed to sexual misconduct. At 2 a.m. on March 30, Ricardo “Richie” Garza stopped a 41-year-old woman for a traffic violation and offered to waive her ticket in exchange for sexual favors. He asked her to meet him on a secluded county road, where she performed the act. Two weeks later, the woman notified the Texas Rangers, who then began an investigation. Chief deputy Jose Martinez III told Alice Echo News, “I’m disappointed with the actions of this officer.”

**Head-On Arrested:** Police officers tripped a suspected prankster, leading to his arrest.

According to the arrest report, officer Jason Childers observed Juan Laureles, 18, and Mark Buentello, 19, rearranging traffic cones “in a manner which would cause northbound and southbound traffic to collide head-on.” A foot-chase ended with Laureles in the back of a patrol car, during which time his cell phone rang. Sergeant David Valdez answered, pretending to be Laureles, and told the caller he was hiding in the brush and needed to be picked up. Buentello drove his 2004 Dodge to the intersection where officers were waiting with their lights off. Buentello admitted he was with Laureles and was arrested for evading arrest.

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Boulevard. www.aquaticwarehouse.com. Warehouse. 5466 Complex Street California cookie-cutter stores! Aquatic saltwater fish. Extensive reef animals. $40. Even a 60E is just $60. Other tank sizes available.

ASSOCIATIONS AND FOUNDATIONS. Alligator farming is a fairly new activity in Southern California. The majority of alligator farms are located in the Coachella Valley and the Imperial Valley. The majority of the farms are operated by private individuals who purchase the alligators from an alligator farm in the United States or from China. The alligators are then raised in captivity to maturity and then sold to pet shops or other individuals.


BASSET HOUND RESCUE/ADOPTION. For more information, call 520-319-5495. The Basset Hound Rescue of AZ is a non-profit organization that rescue basset hounds from throughout Arizona and Southern California. The organization is managed by a board of directors and staffed by volunteers. The organization is dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of basset hounds. The organization is located at 500 S. Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ 85713. The organization is open to the public on Saturdays from 10am to 4pm.

CASCADIAN FISH AND WILDLIFE. The Cascadian Fish and Wildlife (CFW) program is a joint federal and state program that is responsible for the conservation and management of fish and wildlife in the Pacific Northwest. The CFW program is funded through the sale of fishing and hunting licenses and through grants from the federal government. The program is managed by a board of commissioners that is appointed by the governors of the member states.


CLAUDIA CAT. Hump, Female. 5 years old. Available for adoption. Go to www.furryfriends.org or call 619-573-2781.

COUNCIL FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. The Council for the Advancement of Science and Technology (CAST) is a national organization that promotes the advancement of science and technology. The organization is managed by a board of directors and staffed by volunteers. The organization is dedicated to the advancement of science and technology. The organization is located at 1200 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20005. The organization is open to the public on weekdays from 9am to 5pm.

CUT THROAT TORTOISESHELL. Tina D. 6 years old. Litterbox trained. Current on vaccines. Very active and requires daily attention. Adoptions are limited to those who can provide a loving, caring, and nurturing home. Please call 619-409-6883.

DORUDOMO NICA. Female, 8 years old. Great with other dogs. Very good with kids and dogs. Cats? Suits those who keep them in separate rooms. Great with kids and dogs. Loves to play and be active. Adoptable pets are available for adoption at the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) adoption center in Queens, NY. The adoption fee is $50 per pet. For more information, please call 718-939-6500.


KITTEN. Male. 1 year old. Great with other dogs. Loves to play and be active. Adop...