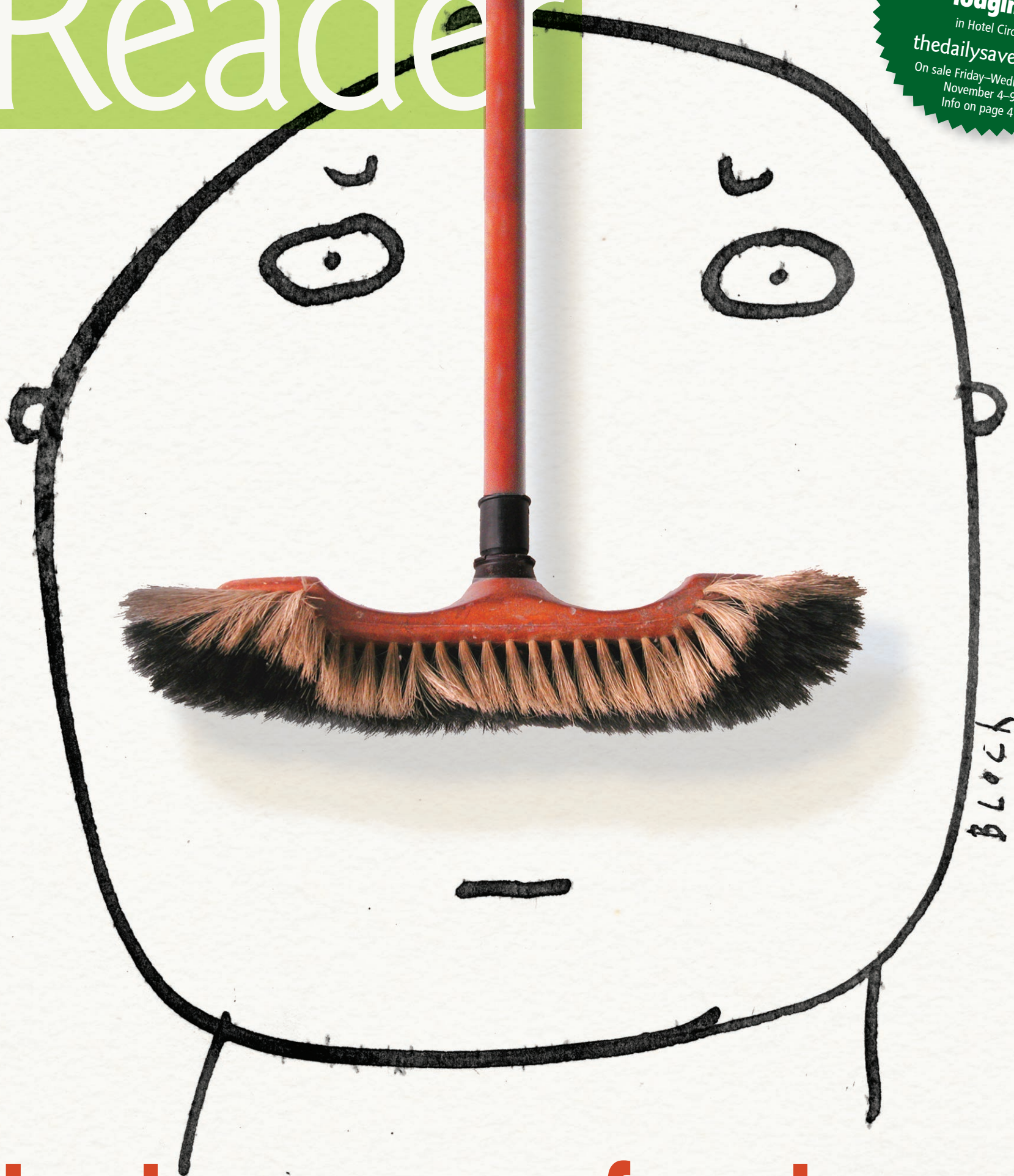


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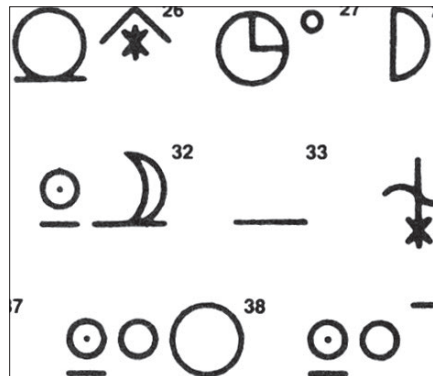
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## UNDER THE RADAR

### You can take her anywhere

The violent death of Libyan dictator **Muammar Qaddafi** has evoked varying recollections of his decades-long absolute rule. Back in March 2004, congressional Democrat **Susan Davis** traveled to Libya. According to a gift report filed by Davis, who holds the San Diego County record for congressional junkets, she was “a member of a congressional delegation visiting Libya as a guest of the Libyan Parliament.” As gifts from

foreign governments go, it was modest: \$117 in lodging and \$52 for meals. The seven-member delegation, according to disclosure records, included Republican **Thad McCotter** of Michigan, Democrat **Silvestre Reyes** of Texas, and the GOP's **Rodney Alexander** of Louisiana.

The visit was made after Qaddafi agreed to take apart his country's nuclear program in exchange for U.S. diplomatic recognition. According to newspaper accounts, Republican **Curt Weldon** told the Libyan General People's Congress, “Your leader is correct. The two peoples of Libya and America have to engage and understand each other.”

Qaddafi spoke afterwards, saying, “Libya was very enthusiastic about possessing the nuclear bomb during the Cold War confrontations. It wasn't Libya only, every country was seeking the nuclear bomb, even the poorest countries.... If we got this bomb, which country would I attack? The United States? I would be crazy, the United States has thousands of nuclear bombs.” He added, “Libya was defending the Palestinian cause and so had tension with the Americans.”

**Cash without cause** **Robert Nascenzi**, the computer executive who dropped out of the 52nd District primary in the race to take on GOP congressman **Brian Bilbray** next year, managed to collect a healthy \$77,654 in contributions through September 30, according to his federal campaign filing. Donors included venture capitalist **Kevin Kinsella** (\$1000); Justice Department attorney **Jefrey Auerhahn** (\$750); **Tom Compogiannis**, chief financial officer of WIS International (\$1000); **Jay Cohan** of Westech Investment Advisors (\$500);

Biocept, Inc., chief executive **Stephen M. Coutts** and **Jane Coutts** (\$1000); dentist **Doug Disraeli** (\$1000); venture capitalist and Padres board vice chairman **Glenn Doshay** (\$1000); Sequenom vice president of human resources **Alisa Judge** (\$1000); downtown real estate agent **David Marino** of Hughes Marino (\$1000); and Geoscape founder

**César Melgoza** of Miami, Florida's Latin Force Group (\$2500).

Nascenzi said he left the race to make way for fellow Democrat and ex-San Diego city councilman **Scott Peters**, a centrist who still faces an intra-party challenge from liberal ex-assemblywoman **Lori Saldaña**. Next year's primary will be the first under the state's new run-off system, with the top two contenders, regardless of party, facing each other in the general election.

**Presidential bets** Early results are in from horsey Rancho Santa Fe regarding the presidential fund-raising derby, and so far the winner is **Mitt Romney**, with \$112,000 from the beginning of the year through September 30. According to data from *Congressional Quarterly's* MoneyLine website, \$2500 Romney donors included **Marilyn Fletcher**, wife of retired savings and loan magnate **Kim Fletcher**; ex-Del Mar fair board member **Robin Parsky**; and **Douglas Kimmelman** of Energy Capital Partners. Among the rest of the GOP pack, Minnesota congresswoman **Michele Bachmann** drew sizable support, with \$25,050. Texas governor **Rick Perry**, a latecomer to the race, got \$13,750. (Ex-downtown redevelopment honcho **Fred Maas** gave Perry \$2500.) **Ron Paul** picked up \$8000. Pizza magnate **Herman Cain**, a grassroots favorite and front-runner in some national polls, managed only \$3500 from the bastion of GOP privilege. Ex-

House Speaker **Newt Gingrich** got \$2700, \$200 from car dealer **Bob Baker** and the rest from **Peri Urvek**, listed as a retiree. Utah's **Jon Huntsman** got a single \$500 contribution, from physician and biotech consultant **Douglas Axel-**

**rod**. Incumbent president **Barack Obama** took in \$31,905. Regular Democratic donor **Elizabeth Keadle** was down for \$5000, but the biggest Obama giver was **Karen Kohlberg**, whose occupation is listed as philanthropist, with \$10,000.

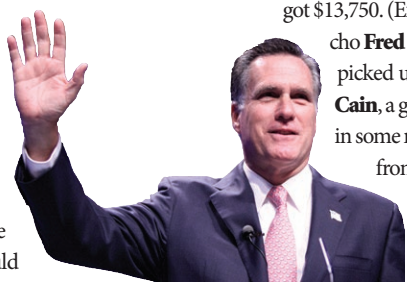
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Happier times — congresswoman Susan Davis visited Libya in 2004.



Romney: “Thank you, Rancho Santa Fe. I’ll be here all year. Never mind the waitresses. Tip me.”



These apartment buildings on Lantana Drive in City Heights were declared a “public nuisance property by the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association.”

## Please Upgrade the Tenants

By Elizabeth Salaam

**O**n a hot Friday evening in late August, Jennifer Bernal and Jamila DeCarli sit at the kitchen table in their 998-square-foot home on the rim of Fox Canyon in City Heights. Their two small dogs rest on the floor nearby, as does the 70-pound husky they're dog-sitting. A red-eared slider turtle named Sushi floats in a murky tank near the window.

Bernal, the more street-wise of the two, admonishes her girlfriend DeCarli for having purchased this house, for which she paid \$345,000 in 2006. Had they known each other then, Bernal says she would have talked DeCarli out of buying on this street.

“To tell the truth, I was just excited that I owned a house. I didn't care where it was,” DeCarli admits. “I was excited about living in a diverse neighborhood. I was excited to get out from under the thumb of my snotty HOA in my condo-setting in Hillcrest.”

When I ask if she'd make the same decision today, DeCarli says, “Move here? Hell, no.”

“But do we convince nice

people to move in here?” Bernal says of the house for sale next door. “Heck, yes. I tell them, ‘It's not that bad.’ I lie. I totally lie. Because we want more nice people to move in here.”

The two women are



Jose Lopez, president of the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association, says the landlord's failure to address problems has forced legal action.

hopeful that the neighborhood is changing for the better — especially since DeCarli is upside-down on her mortgage and has decided to stick it out.

“I've been living in San Diego since 1998,” Bernal says. “I've seen this transition moving east on University Avenue, from Hillcrest

to North Park to Normal Heights, and I'm, like, ‘Keep moving this way! Keep moving toward City Heights!’”

Most of the houses on Lantana Drive are set close to the road, their yards not much bigger than the sidewalk squares they butt up against. The setting is intimate. Before the neighbors next door moved out, it was not uncommon for Bernal and DeCarli to hear them copulating — exuberantly. Today, in their tiny living room, the women have two fans and a standing air conditioner — all on high settings. “Our coping mecha-

nism,” DeCarli explains. “To drown out the noise [of the neighbors].”

The loud copulating couple no longer lives next door, but neither were they the worst of what DeCarli, Bernal, and other neighbors have endured. Nearby, at 4790 and 4802 Lantana Drive, stand two apart-



ment buildings, four and six units, respectively. Both were bought six years ago by JB Trust, the living trust of an elderly couple. The buildings were declared a “public nuisance property” by the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association, which filed a suit in small claims court against the trust last January. The suit was one of many steps the association took toward addressing the issues the properties posed to the neighborhood. In July 2010, after three years of collecting evidence, documenting “nuisance effects,” and attempting to negotiate with the buildings’ owners, association president Jose Lopez sent the owners a demand letter.

The letter rebuked the property owners for “poor or non-existent property management skills” as evidenced by “blight and dilapidation” and “nuisance tenants.”

“Loud and profanity-ridden angry expressions and commands given to adults and children directly or at a distance from the balconies are the norm in your property...,” the letter read.



Jamila DeCarli (left) bought her Fox Canyon house to escape a “snotty HOA” in Hillcrest. Now she’s dealing with crime and noise.

According to Lopez, who has lived in the neighborhood since 1993 and who founded the association in 1997, the properties’ previous owners kept the apartments in good shape before they sold them in 2005.

“Within three months after the new owners took possession,” Lopez says, “the good tenants that were still there moved out. Because what moved into the rest of the units was just yucky.”

Much of what Lopez knows about issues with the properties is secondhand. His house is located toward the quieter end of the street. But for four years, DeCarli and Bernal, like other neighbors closer to the buildings, have experienced the problems firsthand.

“You have things that happen, like a girlfriend stabbed her boyfriend in the gut and then ran down the street.”

That was about eight months ago.

“A week and a half ago, somebody tried to throw his girlfriend out the window,” DeCarli tells me in late August.

Then, there’s the litter, the children in the street, and the time a child’s fifth birthday party ended with “adults fighting, throwing bottles at each other” and people getting arrested, she adds.

According to the San Diego Police Department, officers have been dispatched to the two buildings a total of 134 times over the past two years — 42 times to 4790 Lantana and 92 times to 4802 Lantana. The ten units in the two buildings account for approximately 10 percent of the residences on Lantana Drive and 47 percent of the police visits.

Lopez says his purpose in documenting the problems and sending the letter was to get the owners to manage the buildings properly. When the demand letter yielded no response, Lopez filed the lawsuit.

Jake May, a real estate agent, is a friend of the elderly couple. He tells me that the wife died in June and the husband is in poor

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## NEWS TICKER

### Occupy Outpouring

Protesters, Labor, Critical Mass Converge

**Downtown —** Police raids on the Occupy San Diego protest early Friday morning drew a groundswell of support for the group, which last night hosted what was likely the largest crowd since the movement’s early days at Civic

Several of the two dozen or so officers holding a line across the street rushed to their patrol vehicles and returned with riot shields.

Ultimately, there was no major confrontation, though two more protesters were arrested, bringing the day’s total to 53. One was charged with battery for attempting to strike an officer, another was charged with

assault with a deadly weapon for throwing a can that hit an officer in the face.

Shortly after 10:00 p.m. and upon the return of the march, 300 or more protesters continued to occupy the plaza. Police, vowing



Police crackdowns caused Occupy numbers to grow.

**Center Plaza downtown.**

Long-term occupiers were joined by labor groups who passed out pizza and water. Approximately 500 demonstrators had gathered in the plaza by 8 p.m. Friday night. Their numbers briefly doubled when, shortly after 8:30, riders in Critical Mass, a monthly cycling event, stopped by to show support for the group.

A few protesters circled the plaza, soliciting donations for bail money to release the last few of the reported 51 that were arrested on various charges after police and sheriff’s deputies dismantled the encampment that had slowly begun to re-emerge after being shut down two weeks ago.

Tensions briefly escalated when one of the water-filled barricades police had erected to limit access to the plaza from Third Avenue was overturned, sending water and protesters pouring into the street.

to firmly enforce rules against sleeping, threatened to arrest anyone who sat down. Enforcement on this rule was later lifted. Most sleeping was condoned, if not explicitly, by officers present. By dawn, the group appeared to have thinned to less than a hundred protesters, and police ordered the group roused.

By Dave Rice

Saturday, October 29

### The Human Microphone

Occupiers Pledge to Retake Civic Center

**Downtown —** Occupy San Diego has regrouped after



Occupy San Diego protesters regroup after police broke up their demonstration.

being forced from Civic Center Plaza in the early morning hours on Friday. A

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### Finally Vegan

I was glad to see that some of your writers were thoughtful to mention vegan and vegetarian options in the recent October 20 restaurant issue ("Eat"). This was an improvement on previous years. I hope to see more progress next time (a veg category, perhaps?), as this is a rapidly growing area of interest. For ideas and updates, check out [vegsandiego.com](http://vegsandiego.com).

Teagen McClain  
North Park

### Feel-Good Fish Laws

Yes, sadly the bait looks and sounds really good ("Go Fish. But...Where?" "City Lights," October 6). "Marine Life Protection Act" has a ring and a good feeling connected to it! But when you examine the bait closely, you quickly see that it is a sham. A few people come up with some shortsighted plan that is touted as made by the Blue Ribbon Task Force bunch, and it is guaranteed as the only plan for success.

I am a recreational fisherman. Perhaps my greatest moments in life occurred off of Black's Beach in a kayak

about three years ago. I was fishing for halibut with a very large mackerel. This fish took off in one direction going straight offshore. Finally, I brought to the surface a six-foot, six-inch black sea bass. I estimate that the fish weighed about 400 pounds. After three attempts at holding the fish upright (swim bladder problem), it was able to swim back down. I can't even imagine the horror of making it illegal or to outlaw the greatest moments in my life. And for all of the other local fishermen — perhaps 1000 other local American fish stories. I tremble in disgust and shake my head no again and again as my saddened heart cannot ignore the destruction and worthlessness of the current Marine Life Protection Act.

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Patrick Keith  
Imperial Beach

### They Cry Poor

I would like to comment on the article "One Night, El

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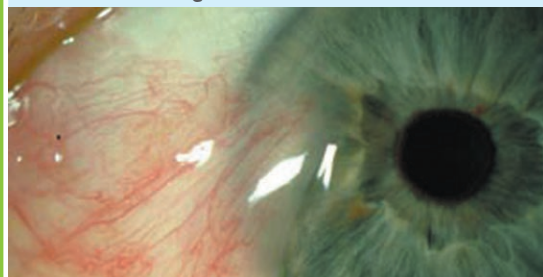
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# Disturbing Turtle

**W**hat is that? A duck?" David followed my gaze to the green-painted humanoid statue. "Looks more like a turtle," he said. "Turtles don't have beaks. And look at its head. Maybe it's some kind of monk — that looks like a Friar Tuckish crown around a bald patch." We continued walking. After a few minutes, we passed a similar figure, only this one was doing some kind of handstand. "Maybe we're both right — it's a turtle-duck."

As we ventured further down Kappabashi-Dori — the area nicknamed "Kitchen Town," which is Tokyo's go-to kitchen-supply district for the world's largest city's 80,000-plus restaurants — I noticed tiles in the sidewalk, engravings on signs, depictions on banners, and more carvings, all versions of the same creature. Some of them were embracing a golden ball.

"I wonder what that thing has to do with cooking," I said. David shrugged. We'd already marveled at the specialized stores (some shops sell only those utensils and items necessary in the preparation of a single recipe, such as *soba* noodles), and salivated over the super-realistic plastic representations of ramen, sushi, ice cream, and any other prepared food I could imagine. After hours of exploring Kitchen Town, we were now in search of real food, which, ironically, was nowhere to be found.

As we backtracked down the sidewalk toward the train station (where we were guaranteed to find sustenance), I continued to wonder about the neighborhood's mascot. "It's Kappabashi-Dori, which

means Kappabashi Street, but there are other streets that start with the word Kappa," I said. "Do you know what that means?" David shook his head.

Before leaving the U.S., I'd purchased a few Japanese language apps for my iPhone, one of which is an extensive Japanese-English dictionary. I typed in "kappa" and 21 related definitions popped up. "Ah, this makes sense. The first definition is 'kappa,' mythical water-dwelling creatures.' Also means 'excellent swimmer.'" I scrolled down, reading the additional definitions as I went. "Raincoat, vigor, printing, mythical — what the freak?"

"What?" David swiveled his head to make sure my suddenly shrill voice hadn't annoyed any natives.

"Check this out — one of the things that comes up under 'kappa' is 'mythical ball inside the anus that is sought after by kappa.' Freakin' weird, right?"

Bafflement continued to dog us as we ate our curry and rice, as we rode the train back to Shinjuku, as we stared at the elevator doors all the way

up to the 21st floor, as we entered our temporary home, one of myriad high-rise apartments in Japan with a distant view of Mt. Fuji. Once inside, I went straight for my laptop.

"Listen to this," I said. David retrieved a bottle of water from the fridge, kicked off his shoes, and joined me on the bed. "Kappa means river child or water sprite, which seems accurate, given how adorable and cartoony they are. Nothing about anus balls...oh, wait, this is kinda close: 'Kappa are usually seen as mischievous trouble-makers. Their pranks range from the relatively innocent, such as loudly passing gas or looking up women's kimonos, to the malevolent, such as drowning people, kidnapping children, raping women,' *Jesus*. This isn't Donald Duck we're talking about."

Wikipedia had some illustrations of the creature; they looked nothing like the sweet Teenage Mutant Ninja-ish mascot of Kappabashi. I pointed to one particularly disturbing image — it was like Gollum meets Godzilla. "Look at those long sharp teeth, scaly skin, and crazy claws."

"Leave it to the Japanese to make that thing cute," David said. "I'd like to see their pictures of the Devil, with big puppy dog eyes. Next thing you know they'll be coming out with a *kawaii* Adolf Hitler."

"It's funny 'cause it's true," I said. I returned to my search. "Here we go. Apparently, these things were invented to explain away drownings and surprise preg-

nancies. Ew, I didn't really need to know this, but now I'm going to tell you — when someone drowns, their buttohole becomes distended, so villagers surmised some kind of ball must have been sucked out. They call it the *shirikodama*. Oh, and get this — you know the *kappamaki*?"

David nodded. *Of course I do*, his face told me. The *kappamaki*, or cucumber roll, is one of his frequent orders when we're out for sushi.

"Well, it's named after this monster-turned-pet. When it wasn't eating kids and anus balls, it was said to be after cucumbers. Women would carve their children's names in cucumbers and throw them in the river to appease the creatures. And that whole bald,

Friar Tuck head-top? It's a container-of-sorts for some kind of liquid that allows the kappa to leave the water. Despite its horrific pursuits, the kappa is supposedly very polite, so one of the ways to debilitate it or send it back to the water is to bow, because it will politely bow right back, thus spilling the liquid."

"Yeah, weird's the right word for it," David said. We took a moment to digest this newly discovered folklore. After a few minutes, David said, "What do you want to do for dinner?"

"Duh. Sushi," I said. "Thanks to all this research, I'm totally craving *kappamaki*." ■



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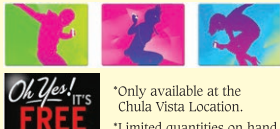
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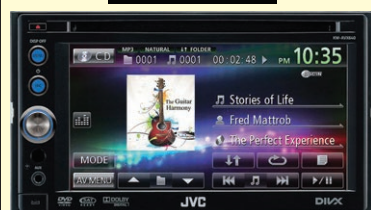


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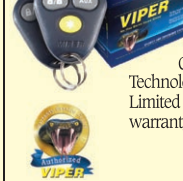
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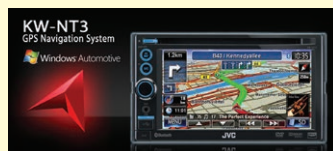
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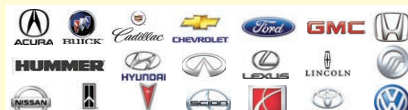
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## Thirty-Five Years Ago

[A] local symbol has almost gone up in flames. The hut at the base of Bonair and Neptune Place was damaged in a fire last week. Refurbished with new palm fronds each year by surfers, the hut...has stood without serious damage for years. Some members of the beach community suspect vandalism. The beach has been a focal point of dissension between residents who want more municipal involvement in regulating the activities of beachgoers and some of the surfers, who prefer less regulation.

— "WINDANSEA HUT IN FLAMES,"  
Rich Louv, November 4, 1976

## Thirty Years Ago

"You almost have to be coming to Imperial Beach on purpose to come here at all," says Bill Russell, the owner of the Marina Inn. In other words, Imperial Beach isn't on a path to anywhere. If it were a street, it would be a turnaround. For a businessman it's bad news. For residents — well, as Russell puts it, "We're kind of a small town next to a big city."

If this sounds a little unusual for coastal San Diego County — a strip better known for luxurious playgrounds like La Jolla, Del Mar, La Costa, and points north — it is. But unusual is a good word for Imperial Beach. It has some of the last vacant oceanfront lots in the county, and nobody will buy them.

— "WHERE THE RIVER MEETS THE SEA," Gordon Smith,  
November 5, 1981

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

Sitting at the Improv watching Dennis Blair get laughs as he lampooned the most successful rock musicians of our time, it occurred to me that in some small way this type of schtick represents a form of professional revenge. For years young comics have been the rodeo clowns of the pop-music world; whenever a rock-concert promoter needed a nonmusical opening act or simply wanted to avoid the expense of staging hassles of hiring a second-billed band, he has reached for a stand-up comedian.

— "ROCK ZINGER," John D'Agostino,  
November 6, 1986

## Twenty Years Ago

I began dumpster diving about a year before I became homeless.

I prefer the term "scavenging" and use the word "scrounging" when I mean to be obscure. I have heard people, evidently meaning to be polite, use the word "foraging" but I prefer to reserve that word for gathering nuts and berries and such, which I do also according to season and opportunity. "Dumpster diving"

seems to me to be a little too cute and, in my case, inaccurate because I lack the athletic ability to lower myself into the dumpsters as the true divers do, much to their increased profit.

— "THE ART OF DUMPSTER DIVING," Lars Eighner,  
November 7, 1991

## Fifteen Years Ago

I liked the premise. I would waddle out to a campaign event and talk to politicians about sports. Since politicians are egomaniacs, it would be interesting to push them off the topic of self and then see how they function.

To wit: I have talked to two city councilmen and three aspirants for public office and received absolutely nothing. They all recognized the name "Chargers" and all agreed that the name is good, and that is the beginning and end of it.

— SPORTING BOX: "HEY, BUDDY, HAVE YOU TALKED TO A THERAPIST LATELY?" Patrick Daugherty,  
November 7, 1996

## Ten Years Ago

It had to happen sometime. *The Man Who Wasn't There* is the first Coen brothers movie to disappoint me. That's not to say that it's not good, certainly not to say that it's not even as good as their first, *Blood Simple*, when I had no expectations of them at all and so could not be disappointed. Nor is it to say that someone without my elevated expectations might not be able to enjoy it without qualm or quibble. Or in other words enjoy it — another first — more than I. It's simply to say that on my personal scorecard it brings to an end, or at least to a drop-off, one of the great streaks, if not the single greatest (and yes, I realize what I am saying), in the history of American cinema.

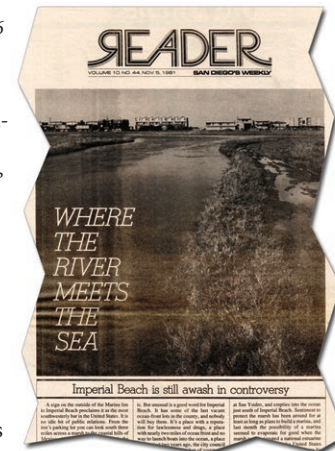
— "BLOOP," Duncan Shepherd, November 1, 2001

## Five Years Ago

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— ROAM-O-RAMA, Jerry Schad, November 2, 2006



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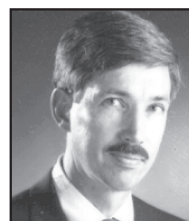
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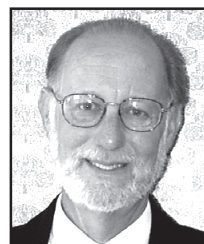


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*Local Entrepreneur Defends Gruesome Displays Mimicking Mexican Cartel Massacres: “Hey, isn’t it time somebody made some legitimate money off of this whole scene?”*

Critics unable to do much more than cover their mouths and grip their stomachs

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“I wanted to do something different,” explained Joe Serra, who got the idea for the hotel after discovering a trove of bro-



Remember when haunted houses were nice and sweet, like this?

ken and discarded mannequins behind the Mission Valley Center Charlotte Russe clothing store. “I mean, everybody has seen the horror movie stuff, you know? There’s not a lot of potential for shock anymore. Oooh, the torture room from *Hostel*! Eek! The facesplitter from *Saw*! But a murdered four-year-old girl in a glass-topped coffin? A dealer’s totally hot girlfriend, minus her arms and legs and hair? Sixteen bodies laid side-by-side in a dump, all with mutilated genitals, all either decapitated or suffocated with masks made from packing tape? Now you’re talking scary, because that shit is real.”

But as with the *narco-corridos* — Mexican pop songs that adopt the voice and manner of the cartels in their lyrics — some are questioning whether a haunted house that glorifies violence associated with the Mexican drug war

can stoke that same violence.

Serra says he’s just giving the people what they want. “It’s a market, and I’m in the scare industry,” he says matter-of-factly. “If I don’t do it, someone else is doing it.” Serra says the *encintados* display — the term refers to those who are found bound in packing tape — represents power. “It’s just an image saying how someone, you know, [who] is dumb enough to mess with the wrong guys can become wrapped in packing tape until he suffocates and stuff.”

At the same time, Serra says the violence across the border pains him. “I was born in the United States, but I’m also Mexican, and it hurts me to see people’s faces carved off and sewn onto soccer balls,” Serra said. “I just think that...it’s just a haunted house. You give people what they need to be scared right now.”

## SDSU to Spirit: Ho Dough a No-Go

*University Seeks Injunction Against Halloween Superstore’s Line of “SDSU Party Slut” Costumes*

“Where is the essential element of make-believe?”

CREEPLY HANGING OUT NEAR SORORITY ROW, COLLEGE AREA — San Diego State University has a long and proud tradition as a top party school stocked with fine, fresh females who aren’t afraid to display the merchandise. But new president Elliot “The Greenback Lantern” Hirshman isn’t about to let some cheap costume pop-up store cash in on that fact. Hirshman and SDSU today filed suit to stop Spirit Halloween Superstores from selling its new line of “SDSU Party Slut” costumes, outfits which the store claims are inspired by online photos of scantily clad SDSU coeds getting their groove on.

“Our students are our most precious resource,” said Hirshman in a statement for the press. “We cannot allow them to be exploited for someone else’s gain. I mean, if some sorority sisters want to get all wet and soapy during a bikini car wash that raises money for a class trip to Mexico for spring break, that’s one thing. But this is just crass. Besides, to my knowledge, Spirit has made no effort to secure licensing rights for the trademarked title of ‘SDSU.’”

Reached for comment, Spirit founder and CEO Randy Hornblower expressed confusion. “Are those photos not online, available to anyone who looks for them? Are they not of SDSU students, partying it up in slutty attire? But whatever. If the judge takes their side, we’ll just change the line to ‘College Party Slut.’ If SDSU wants to pass on this opportunity to raise brand awareness, that’s their problem.”



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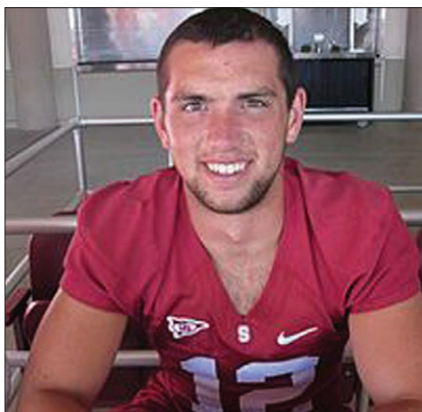


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# To Tank Or Not To Tank



With once-in-a-generation quarterback Andrew Luck on the line, 0-16 looks like a pretty good season.

On the phone with a friend I'll call Henry Hill. He's a family man, casino consultant, degenerate gambler, and believer in conspiracy theories. Henry thinks the Indianapolis Colts are tanking the season.

Conspiracy theories are fun to play with. Some, like the President Kennedy assassination conspiracy, I regard as true, but most don't make the cut, particularly those that depend on many people acting skillfully at the same time.

As to Henry and the Indianapolis Colts. If the team goes 0-16 and the head coach is not fired, and then, armed with the number-one draft pick, the Colts select Stanford's once-in-a-generation quarterback Andrew Luck (everybody's candidate to be the next Peyton Manning), then I'll have to revisit Henry's theory.

At 0-8, the Colts are halfway there. Peyton Manning is almost certainly out for the season. On September 8, Manning had a single-level anterior (read: *neck*) fusion procedure (read: *operation*). That was his third neck surgery. So, we can count him gone. But, it's hard to believe the loss of one man, even a four-time NFL MVP, causes a team that has made it to the playoffs every year for the past nine years in a row, a team that has been to the Super Bowl twice in the past five years...hard to believe the loss of that one man means that same team goes 0-8, including a 62-to-7 loss to New Orleans, a defeat so deep and thorough that it wasn't a defeat as much as a surrender.

Yes, other Indy players are out for the season (strong safety Melvin Bullitt and middle linebacker Gary Brackett), but that happens to every team. It's true the team was designed around Manning's individual talents, but that doesn't explain it, either. Remember the 2008 New England Patriots? Quarterback Tom Brady

was injured in the first quarter of the first game and was out for the season. The Pats went 11-5 that year.

Good coaches coach the team they have. If you don't have Manning, then you draw up an offensive scheme that plays to the strength of the quarterback you have on the field. The Colts' backup quarterback had been Curtis Painter, three years in residence. In a heart-tugging vote of confidence, club president Bill Polian and general manager Chris Polian (aka the Polian Bros.) went out and spent \$4 million on quarterback Kerry Collins. Collins had played 16 years in the NFL and recently retired.

Collins didn't know the Colts' playbook, didn't know where the cafeteria was, but did know enough to insist on a guaranteed contract. He started three games before exiting in the fourth quarter of game three with "concussion-like symptoms." He's on injured reserve now and can go home. During his stay, he completed 49 percent of his throws.

Now then, the Colts could turn to their secret backup quarterback, punter Pat McAfee, or to their just jilted backup quarterback, Curtis Painter, who does know the playbook, players, coaches, and where the cafeteria is.

Painter was the unanimous choice!

And to insure a successful season, the Colts signed another quarterback, Dan Orlovsky. Orlovsky has been a second- or third-string quarterback for Detroit and Houston, cut by Houston before training camp, invited to the Colts' 2011 camp as a free agent, and subsequently cut.

The Colts sail into the second half of the season with Curtis Painter at the helm and Dan Orlovsky as his first mate. Are Painter and Orlovsky the two best QBs available? Not even close. The Colts could have made a run at Carson Palmer or David Garrard, even Brett Favre. Favre will win you some games, even now. Instead, they relentlessly (one could say *intentionally*) went for mediocrity.

Here's the beauty part of Henry's conspiracy theory: Players see the front office hire inept quarterbacks when better quarterbacks are available. Players know their team runs the same defensive and offensive schemes as they did when Manning was playing. Players see teammates who aren't playing hard. Nobody has to meet you in an alley and whisper, "Psst. Throw the game or your family gets it," for you to slack off.

This scenario doesn't even require cooperation from the coaching staff. The GM provides the players. Just make sure you only have mediocre quarterbacks on the roster and let nature take its course. You'll still need some luck to go 0-16, but so will Miami. Miami pulled out a loss against the Giants on Sunday, but it took a ten-point fourth quarter from New York to get it done.

Follows was written Friday by Bob Kravitz, a sports columnist for the *Indianapolis Star*: "If it comes down to the final two weeks and Luck is on the line, tank. Seriously, tank."

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## the red zone

By Anthony Gentile



Point Loma running back Morris Mathews tries to shake the tackle attempt of Mission Bay defensive lineman Aaron Cobbler



Oceanside's band and color guard perform during halftime of the Pirates' loss to La Costa Canyon

### Game of the Week: #9 La Costa Canyon at #4 Oceanside

OCEANSIDE — A slow start may have kept La Costa Canyon in obscurity early in the season, but the Mavericks can't hide any longer. Friday night, October 28, at Oceanside, ninth-ranked La Costa Canyon climbed out of an early hole and outplayed the fourth-ranked Pirates in the second half to deliver a 21-16 upset.

"We haven't been able to get this one in forever," said La Costa Canyon senior running back Isaac Maquet. "It's about time we got them."

Oceanside (5-2-1, 1-1 Avocado West) scored the first 10 points of the game and led 13-7 at halftime. La Costa Canyon (6-2, 3-0) received the ball to start the third quarter and marched 61 yards in four minutes — mostly on the ground — to take a 14-13 lead on a Deon Dickey 3-yard touchdown run.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, La Costa Canyon defensive back Zane O'Brien intercepted a pass by Oceanside quarterback Tofi Pao Pao to give the Mavericks the ball near midfield. Powered again by the run game, the Mavericks took just more than a minute to make it a 21-13 game on a Dickey 6-yard touchdown run with 10:40 left.

"The offensive line was opening up big holes and we had the stretch play going backside both ways — it was just money," Maquet said.

### Santa Fe Christian Flies Past Christian in Coastal League Shootout

SOLANA BEACH — With first place in the Coastal League on the line on Saturday afternoon, October 29, Santa Fe Christian rode a big third quarter and outlasted Christian for a 48-34 win that has the Eagles on track for the top seed in Division V.

A slow, back-and-forth first half ended at 14-13 in favor of Santa Fe Christian. But on the first play of the second half, Santa Fe Christian running back Grant Lucier fired the opening shot of a shootout third quarter by returning the

kickoff 78 yards for a touchdown. Lucier's kick return was the first of six touchdowns scored in the third frame, and Santa Fe Christian had a 41-27 advantage headed into the fourth quarter.

Santa Fe Christian running back Tony Miro rushed for three touchdowns and threw for one, connecting with quarterback Connor Moore on a 23-yard halfback pass in the first quarter.

### Red Zone Top 10

1. Helix (7-1) – Blanked Valhalla to keep rolling in Grossmont Hills
2. Cathedral Catholic (7-1) – Host Mira Mesa after beating Lincoln
3. Poway (7-0-1) – Travel to take on Torrey Pines this week
4. St. Augustine (8-0) – Rolled Scripps Ranch on the road
5. Eastlake (6-2) – Eyeing fifth straight Mesa League crown
6. La Costa Canyon (6-2) – Mavs make jump after beating Oceanside
7. Oceanside (5-2-1) – Need to get healthy to keep title streak alive
8. Madison (8-0) – Host Point Loma for first place in Western League
9. Mount Miguel (7-1) – Has inside track in Grossmont Valley
10. Steele Canyon (6-2) – Keeping pace with Helix in league play



Santa Fe Christian quarterback Connor Moore fires a pass with Eagles teammate Jarrod-Watson Lewis providing protection

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## T.G.I.F.

BY JOHN BRIZZOLARA

**"I was walking through the park/ goosing statues in the dark/ If Sherman's horse can take it so can you."**

The children in my neighborhood are a life-affirmative kind of pleasure for me, despite their girlish screaming and boyish growling sounds. They are noisy urchins, to be sure, yet somehow I find their racket reassuring. Mostly they are African-American or Mexican-American and, for the most part, under 12 years old. Their noise is far preferable to me than the uglier sounds of their parents: fighting, cursing, jabbering until dawn on — I figure — crack or methamphetamine, the revving of cars endlessly and seemingly to little point other than to announce to neighbors that they have six cylinders and maybe a 409 cubic under the hood. Ghetto status.

One particular charm the little poets possess is their chanting while jumping rope, often several of them at a time. I can barely catch all of it, but one I did is recited, "Who stole the jewelry from the jewelry store? Number one!" Another, usually next to the first breathy rope-jumper, will say, "Who me?"

First chanter: "Yeah you."

Second: "Couldn't be."

First: "Then who?"

Second: "Number two!"

Third rope-skipper: "Who me?"

Second: "Yeah you."

Third: "Couldn't be."

Second: "Then who?"

Third: "Number four..." Etcetera, until the chorus returns after all of the rope-jumpers have recited their parts. Apparently there is some sort of penalty for flubbing the script in any way.

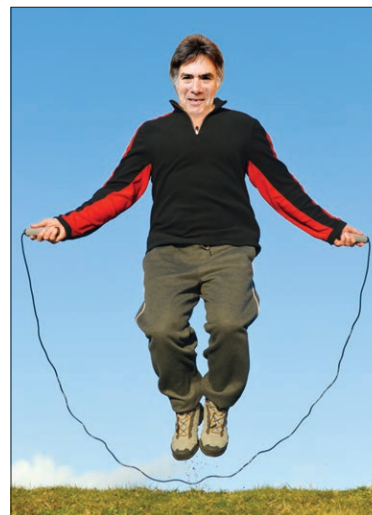
Another of these is one I heard as a kid as well, though I don't remember where or when. This one is simpler but easier to mis-recite than the more complicated patter above. It is chanted to the beat of rope and feet on pavement. "I was walking through the park/ goosing statues in the dark/ If Sherman's horse

can take it so can you." If any of the players — and this seems the most common mistake — substitute the words "park" and "dark," some dire penalty will ensue, though I have no idea what that might be.

I've mentioned before that I tend to like children, though by this I absolutely do not intend to imply that I am enamored with all of them. I have known more than a few insufferable and spoiled brats. One that springs to mind is a little pecker named Bran. He would play with my son in a bamboo stand down the canyon in our backyard in Hillcrest/Mission Hills (right on the artificial real-estate border on Curlew Street) and had a fondness for lobbing rocks at passing cars and once or twice my son. He would also break off lengths of bamboo and either whack my son and/or his friends with the thing or stab someone (again, more than once, my son) doing no serious damage but necessitating some rudimentary first aid and causing my usually stoic son to wipe at tears from his usually dry ducts.

I wrote a longish short story featuring Bran and called it — imaginatively enough — "The Bamboo." One short-fiction publisher responded to my submission with a note stating something to the effect that it was an interesting enough idea, "A kind of cross

between *Peter Pan* and *The Lord of the Flies*, but not enough Pan and too many flies. Perhaps if the story were more upbeat, less depressing, and featured more sympathetic characters than the two you've introduced and then do almost nothing with them (they serve only as victims), the piece could be salvaged. As it is, there is nothing here for readers who might want something more than a kind of *Heart of Darkness* involving children."



I sent it to a few more publishers and received similar comments. It is still in one of my trunks full of rejections.

Now, apropos of none of this, it occurs to me that a recent column of mine, written pretty much in long-hand with vitriol instead of ink, concerned several of my pet peeves. I forgot one major one and consider this (shifting gears as thoroughly as one might imagine) an opportunity to complain of yet another and what I consider more major beef. That is the attitude that many people have toward someone reading a book or even a magazine or newspaper. Often, on the bus or on a park bench or even in my own home when guests are present, reading anything will be interpreted as "doing nothing." As long as one is "doing nothing," he may be interrupted with impunity.

Too many times I have been reading something very involving, but since I'm being idle, this is a cue for others to initiate a conversation, a monologue, or diatribe with much to do with the speaker's vastly uninteresting life story.

This same thing will happen while one is playing an instrument, I've noticed. But more about that another time...maybe.

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—EVE KELLY

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"Oil keeps on burnin', burnin', burnin', out of my Chevy," he replied. "Another week passed, still no oil change, and no time to do it."

"Candice down the street has a mobile oil-change guy come out to her house," I said.

"I'm sure she does," Patrick

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Turnaround time on oil changes depends on demand, but it's within a week.

"We change the oil and top off fluids on the vehicle: the windshield-wiper fluid, the radiator fluid, the brake fluid, any fluids that can easily be accessed to fill up. We also fill up the tires if they need to be. And check the windshield wipers and let people know if they need to change them. Headlight restoration — it's about a ten-point inspection, checking little things here and there."

SoCal Oil doesn't use conventional motor oil. "We stick with semi-synthetic and full synthetic. It's better for the vehicle. It covers the parts and it sticks to the parts better inside the engine — helping them last longer, less friction. With semi-synthetic oil, we recommend changing the oil every 4000 miles or four months. With full synthetic oil, it's 5000 miles or five months. We usually use Kendall. We get it from National Petroleum here in San Diego.

"A semi-synthetic oil change runs \$33.95, and that covers up to five quarts and includes

*"We change the oil and top off all fluids on the vehicle: the windshield-wiper fluid, the radiator fluid, the brake fluid..."*

the filter. For the full synthetic, that's \$55.95 for up to five quarts and a filter. There's a \$2.50 waste charge and a tax fee."

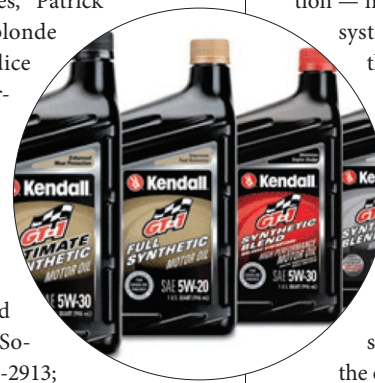
Seals says the oil change is a clean operation — no drips or stains left. "We have a system where we hook a hose up to the bottom of the drain pan, and it sucks the oil out. So rather than taking the plug off and having oil shoot out, our drain plug replaces the manufacturer's drain plug and it allows us to hook a hose up to it and suck the oil out. It's a quicker job, a cleaner job, and there are no spills. Depending on the vehicle, the oil change can take from 20 to 30 minutes."

"We work mostly in the North County coastal area, but it depends on the job," said Jay, owner of Coast Mobile Oil Service (760-652-9373; [coastmobileoilservice.com](http://coastmobileoilservice.com)). "If it's a fleet of cabs, we will go farther. We work on cars to motor homes, but I don't work on semi tractors."

Coast Mobile's turnaround time depends on the schedule. "If I have the opening, sometimes I can do it that day, but usually it's the next day. For five quarts of regular oil and an oil filter, it costs \$35. For a synthetic oil change, you pay per quart, so it's \$9.91 per quart." With the oil change comes a fluids check.

Coast Mobile will also repair flat tires, if a tire can be patched. "If they get a nail or a screw in the tire, we can patch it. We also do mobile brakes. The cost for brakes is labor plus parts. Parts vary, but labor for replacing a brake pad is \$75 — rear drum brakes, then it's \$95 labor."

Where the oil change can be performed "depends on the regulations in the area," Jay explained. "Some clients will let me know that I can't do it there, so we'll agree on a place. But most of the fleet businesses or the office buildings have a place where cars can be washed or serviced. But I am spill-proof; there's nothing to be dripped on the concrete."



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# He cleans up on foreclosures

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From Yahoo News, December 2010: A suit was filed in March by Pennsylvania homeowner Angela Lannelli. She was up to date on her payments when, she says, she arrived home in October 2009 to find that Bank of America had ransacked her belongings, cut off her utilities, poured antifreeze down her drains, padlocked her doors, and confiscated Luke, her pet parrot of ten years. It took her six weeks to get the bank to clean up the house.

The collapse of the housing bubble in 2007, and the wave of foreclosures that followed, created a cottage industry known as “property preservation.” The banks, ill-prepared to manage a sudden inventory of thousands of vacant houses and condominiums, soon mobilized a small army of guys driving around in pick-up trucks with a digital

camera sitting on the front seat and a lawn mower and a leaf blower in the back. At the bottom rung of a lucrative industry that sprang up overnight, these workers earned around \$20 for each “grass cut,” for which a middleman would bill a regional vendor, who would then add more to the bill and invoice the bank for the jobs.

It was a pretty sweet deal

all around, even for the guys at the bottom. In Southern California, where I worked, the grass at most properties was usually quite dead, with only a few tufts of green along the sidewalk where runoff had managed to keep it alive. Many people whose houses are repossessed give up on





watering the grass — or, for that matter, paying the water bill — long before the sheriff shows up with an eviction notice. In the business's heyday, there might be as many as 15 vacant houses within a five-mile radius. Working off a route sheet created with Microsoft Streets & Trips, the game plan was to drive the shortest distance between properties, jump out and take "before" pictures, run the weed wacker, blow the sidewalks, then take "after" pictures and jump back in the truck to hustle on to the next house. In the evening, the photos were sent to the bank via email.

In California foreclosure process, when a person falls behind on a mortgage payment, they are subjected to a "non-judicial" legal process, the ultimate intent being to evict them from the house so that the bank can sell it to a new owner.

It starts with a notice of default, then escalates to a notice of trustee's sale, where the property and its accompanying debt is offered up on the courthouse steps. If no one steps forward to buy the note, the property becomes "bank owned." Sometimes, the bank offers "cash for keys" to the former owner,

a bribe to get them to walk away peacefully and turn over the property in clean condition. Sometimes, it takes an eviction notice, a couple of sheriffs, and a locksmith. Sometimes, people just pack up and walk away on their own; other times, they trash the place before they move out, stripping it of all appliances, light fixtures, light bulbs, and, occasionally, the toilets. One way or another, they all have to go, leaving these properties vacant and in various states of disrepair.

That's when the "trash-out" guys come in. As soon as the prop-

erty is empty, they arrive with a crew, change the locks, and haul off all the trash and debris left behind — everything, down to the door mats and the potted plants and the Tupperware lids in the back corner of the kitchen cabinets. This process is euphemistically known as "initial services." After initial services are completed, the grass needs to be cut twice a month. I started out in the property-preservation business doing grass cuts. Eventually, I ended up doing trash-outs, as well.

At the time, I was hauling as a second career. I had dropped out of the high-pay,



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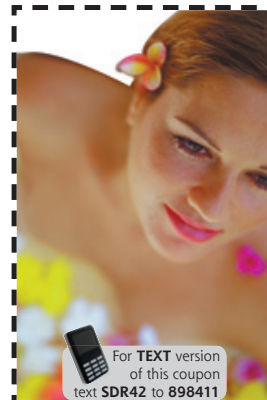
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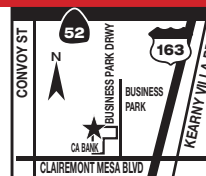
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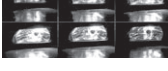
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high-stress white-collar workforce, and was hauling off trash for people clearing out the garage or for move-outs or backyard clean-ups, that sort of thing. One day, I picked up a last-minute job for a bank-owned duplex in Lake-side. I worked for a guy who was a middleman; he worked for another guy who had a contract with a major bank to take care of vacant bank-owned properties throughout San Diego County. A deadline had been missed, and a pile of dead wood and palm fronds needed

to be removed from the duplex's backyard, ASAP, so that it could close escrow. He hired me to take care of it.

When the job was completed, we met at a Denny's in El Cajon, and he cut me a check for \$400. A week later he called with a proposition. The main contractor had tasked him with all their grass cuts in San Diego County. At the time, the bank we were working for had about 400 vacant properties, from Oceanside to the border, and out east to Jacumba. I was invited to meet to go over the scope of the work and join up with a team assembled to carry out this monumental task. I drove to where the guy lived and met with him and a blonde surfer dude also hoping to make some fast money.

In addition to the biweekly grass cuts, the properties needed a

monthly "maid refresh." Each service paid a flat \$20: \$20 for the grass

workforce in San Diego, which is how guys like me, with no experience,

## The guy said, "I guarantee you will get paid."

cut, \$20 for the maid refresh. We would be self-employed subcontractors, with no benefits, no overtime, no workers' compensation. The bank didn't even know who was doing the work. All that was required was that we be legal citizens, have the wherewithal to upload digital images through a high-speed internet connection, and a willingness to work for a couple of months before getting paid. That, of course, eliminated the majority of the indigenous landscaping

aside from occasionally mowing our own lawns, got into the business of mowing lawns for the banks.

The goal was to complete ten jobs a day, ten days in a row. It sounded too good to be true: driving around, weed wacking and picking up old newspapers and tidying up vacant houses, garnering around \$400 per day — yeah, you read that right. The only catch was that we wouldn't be paid until the pictures and invoices were sent to the bank and they'd paid the main contractor and he'd paid the guy I was working for. But, the guy said, "I guarantee you will get paid." Here, I thought, was an opportunity to get out of the lousy cash junk-hauling gig I'd been scraping by on for the last couple of years. I joined the team.

Twice each month, the cheerful, friendly woman in charge of doling out jobs would send out an email proclaiming "The Grass Cuts Are Here!!" Each guy on the crew received a list of 60–80 properties, mapped out with driving directions to ensure the shortest route between jobs. They tried to give us properties close to where we lived, but there were always a few places out in the boondocks, in Campo,

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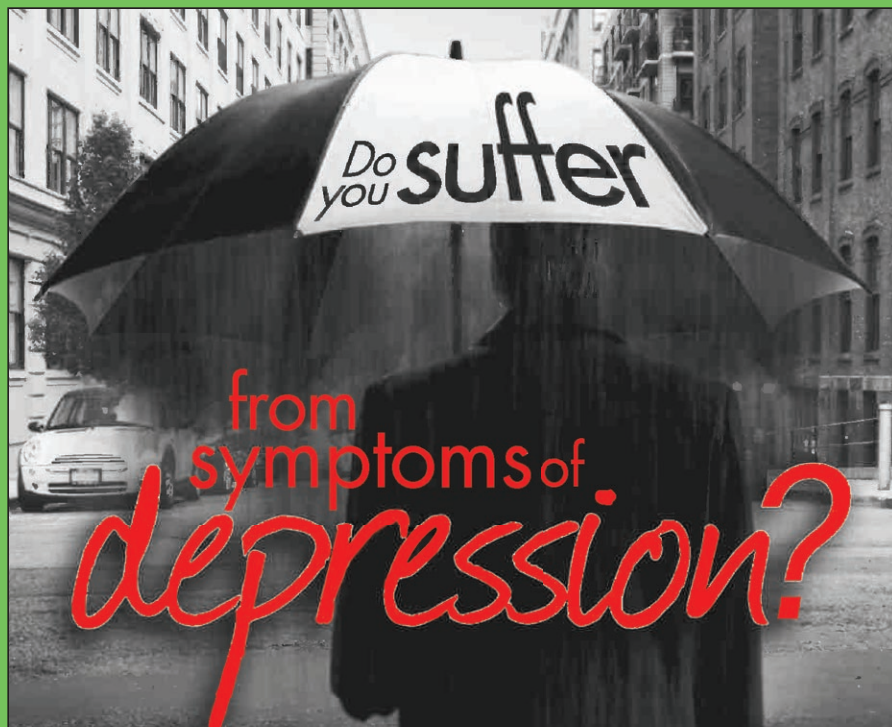
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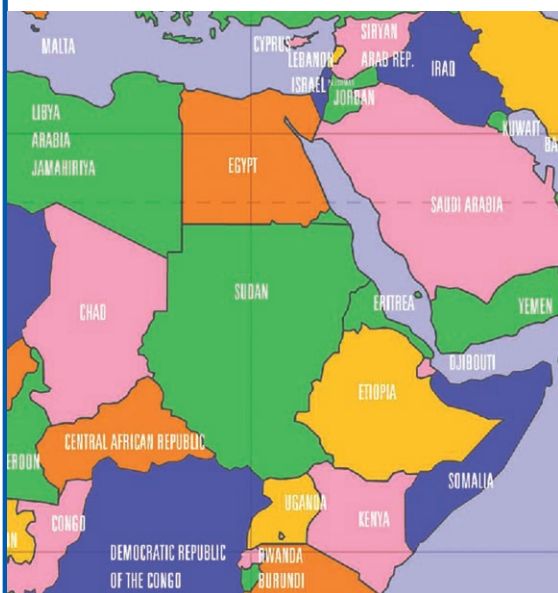
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- compensation for time and travel.

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## Is Diabetes a Part of Your Life?

Learning to live with this chronic disease is not easy. Even with proper diet and plenty of exercise, keeping your blood sugar under control can still be challenging.

If you have uncontrolled Type 2 Diabetes, you may be eligible to participate in a research study of an investigational oral medication.

You may qualify for this study if you:

- Are 18 years or older.
- Have been told your blood sugar is too high.

If you qualify, you will receive study related care and study medication at no cost.



To learn more about this study, please call

eStudySite toll free: **1-877-500-3788**

or Valley Center; those were the least desirable destinations.

I went to Sears and spent several hundred dollars for a gas-powered weed wacker (more properly called a string trimmer) and a leaf blower. I got a long-handled toilet scrubber from Home Depot. I changed the oil in the truck, and set to work. When the list came in, it signified the start of an eight-to-ten-day ordeal, working 12 hours at a time without a break, striving to make the deadline. You got a week off before the next batch came in.

I tried to get them

to cut my workload — I was a 45-year-old guy with a torn-up left knee and a drinking problem — but as the months progressed, people kept quitting, and the workload stayed at no fewer than 60 jobs per cycle, sometimes as many as 100. You might get lucky and pick up a bunch of properties in the same neighborhood and spend your day driving from one to the next, not even enough time to smoke a cigarette before it was time to jump out of the truck, take pictures, run the weed wacker, blow the sidewalks, dump some Lysol toilet-bowl

cleaner in the toilets and scrub them until they shined — \$40, *ka-ching* — then move on to the next. On the easy ones, it took about 30 minutes. But for every easy job, there were properties that were long distances apart, or places with a thick growth of weeds that needed to be hacked down and raked up and hauled off, or dirty toilets and 2000 square feet of wall-to-wall carpeting that needed to be vacuumed. That's where it got exhausting.

Then it started to rain. The formerly easy grass cuts turned into swaths of six-inch-tall crabgrass and cockleburbs. I got behind, sometimes able to complete only eight jobs a day, sometimes having to drive to Alpine or Escondido, 40 miles from my starting point. I purchased a new lawn mower. At first, I got along pretty well with my middleman boss, but after awhile he was constantly on my back. He was a manic, workaholic type. All he cared about was meeting the deadlines, getting the dough. He fired off dis-

### RESEARCH STUDIES

## HPV Vaccine Study

Boys & Girls ages 11 to 17 are needed for an investigational HPV Vaccine Study.



Compensation for travel & expenses

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## Do You or Does Someone You Know Have a Diagnosis of Schizophrenia or Schizoaffective Disorder?

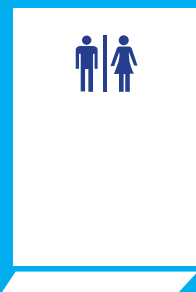
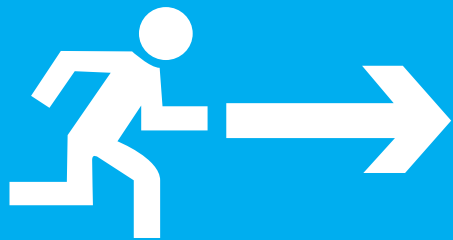
Medical researchers at UCSD are currently conducting an outpatient research study to learn more about the genes (DNA) carried by people with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder. We are looking for people aged 18-70 with a current diagnosis of schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder.

For more information call:

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Eligible participants will receive financial compensation for time and travel.





## Urgency?

**When you have an overactive bladder, the need to find the bathroom can be urgent and immediate.**

People over the world are dealing with the distressing effects of overactive bladder – just like you.

The symptoms can include:

- strong sudden urges to urinate
- the need to urinate frequently
- repeated wetting episodes

We are conducting a research study of a study medication for overactive bladder. If you take part in this study, we will ask you to attend four clinic visits and one telephone visit over a 16 week period. You will also receive study medication or placebo from inactive substance and study-related medical care at no cost. You may also be compensated for time and travel.

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## WOMEN WITH FIBROIDS & HEAVY PERIODS

A 9-month clinical research study is underway to evaluate an investigational oral medication for women with fibroid tumors of the uterus with heavy periods who want an alternative to surgery



**To possibly qualify for the study:**

- Women, 20 years of age and older
- Must have a history of fibroid tumors of the uterus
- Periods must be heavy and occurring every 24-35 days

**Qualified participants may receive at no cost:**

- Study-related exam and consultation with a board-certified ob-gyn
- Study-related labs, EKG, Ultrasound, DEXA bone scan, and study medication
- Compensation to \$900.00 for time and travel

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A 3-month clinical research study is underway for menopausal women affected by vaginal dryness and irritation. An investigational vaginal suppository using **DHEA** will be used for menopausal dryness and irritation.

**TO POSSIBLY PARTICIPATE, MUST BE:**

- 1) Postmenopausal women, 40-75 years of age
- 2) Must have bothersome symptoms of vaginal dryness or irritation
- 3) Natural or surgical menopause (>6 months after surgery)
- 4) Not presently using hormones

**PARTICIPANTS MAY RECEIVE ALL STUDY-RELATED**

- 1) Exam and consultation with Board-Certified OB-GYN
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- 3) Compensation for time and travel

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## KNEE PAIN & STIFFNESS

**MEDICATIONS NOT WORKING  
NEED POSSIBLE RELIEF???**

A medical research study is underway for men and women with a history of osteoarthritis in one or both knees. If what you are doing or taking for symptoms of osteoarthritis of the knee, including pain and stiffness, aren't working consider this study of an investigational topical gel, for possible relief of your pain.



**To possibly qualify for the study:**

- Men and women over 35 years of age
- X-ray evidence of Osteoarthritis of the knee
- Symptoms for at least 6 months
- Willing to go off present medication for 7 days prior to starting study drug

**Participants may receive at no cost:**

- Exam and consultation by a board-certified physician
- Labs, X-rays, all study-related medications or placebo
- Compensation for your time and travel for 4 visits

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paraging emails. "Hey slowpoke, pick up the pace." He took to calling me "sugarbritches," a nickname I despised.

Completing ten grass cuts and ten maid-refresh jobs in one day was a lot of work. But I sucked it up. I told myself, *\$400 a day, buddy*. There were ways to speed up the process. If the trash-out guys had done their job, and the house was spotless, you could just take the interior pictures and send them in without doing any cleaning whatsoever. But I couldn't stand leaving a bunch of weeds in a side yard, or a dirty toilet, so I

toiled on; I did the best job I could under the circumstances.

a pattern on the grass or carpet. When they started getting pictures

**What the quality-control people wanted to see in the photos was "stripes."**

But...the banks had quality-control people. What they wanted to see in the photos was "stripes." When you mow a lawn, or run a vacuum, it leaves behind

showing room after room of carpets covered with footprints from the last open house, not a stripe to be seen, I suspect they denied a few payments. This is when the too-good-to-be-true aspect of the job started to manifest. After the first round of work, I expected almost \$3000. But then the next round of grass cuts came in, and the next, and after two months we still hadn't been paid. Meanwhile, I was meeting all my expenses out of pocket: gas, vehicle maintenance, equipment, \$200-\$300 every couple of weeks, and all I had to show for it were calluses on my hands and about 1000 miles

## RESEARCH STUDIES

### Meningitis Vaccine

**Boys & Girls ages 10 to 12 are needed for an investigational Meningitis Vaccine Study.**



**Compensation for travel & expenses**

Please call for more information  
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# Hepatitis C Research Studies

eStudySite is conducting research studies on an investigational medication in patients with Hepatitis C.

Please contact eStudySite if you or a loved one have been diagnosed with Hepatitis C to see if our study is right for you.

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# Do you have Schizophrenia?

If so, and you are between the ages of 18 and 65, you may be eligible to participate in a research study of an investigational medication for schizophrenia.

#### Qualified participants will receive:

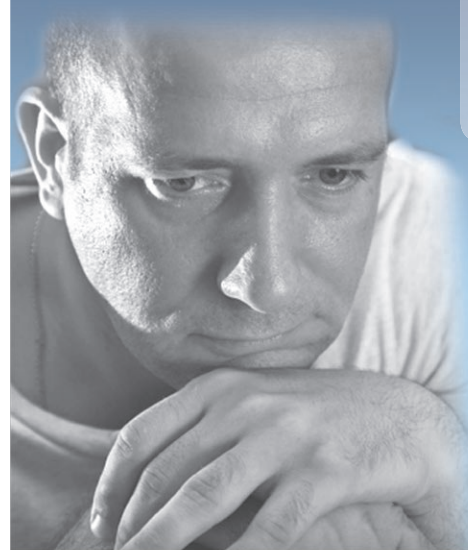
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### Qualified participants must:

- Be 18-65 years of age
- Currently being treated for schizophrenia
- Have had a diagnosis of schizophrenia for at least the past year

### Those who qualify will receive:

- All study evaluations, study medication and study-related care at no cost
- Compensation up to \$4200 for their time

For more information, call  
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of wear and tear on my truck and a disintegrating relationship with my girlfriend. When the first check finally came in, it was a nice chunk of change. It was also \$500 short. The bank was overwhelmed, I was told. They'd missed a few payments, but the money was coming. And so it went, month after month, the checks short, a few stragglers coming in for work done months previously, but never all of it.

As far as the work went, eventually I toughened up to the point I could run that weed wacker all day long, day after day; it almost became an extension of my arm. I weed wacked in Alpine in a heat wave, 105 degrees. The noise from the two-stroke was a distant buzz, muffled by the shimmering heat, and I was sweating, buckets of sweat, ten hours at a stretch. In that kind of weather, you take slower steps and more frequent pauses. Time slows down, until you are encapsulated in the heat, the weed wacker's

buzz like locusts whirling unseen. You drink a gallon of water a day,

the money was never going to materialize. It was lost in the shuffle,

## I was sweating, buckets of sweat, ten hours at a stretch.

kept in a cooler of ice, then sweat it back out; the cold water reduces your core temperature, so you can carry on. I got to where I could reduce a yard full of weeds to a crop of stubble and mulch in no time flat. The tricky part was not destroying ornamental plants in the process or sending a rock through a window.

But the late payments, that sucked, waiting for the mail to arrive, finding the box empty, day after day. When a check finally came in, two months after you'd done the work, it was short.

More people quit. The workload increased. It became obvious that about 10 percent of

hung up in accounts payable at some bank office, or sitting in the coffers of someone further up the food chain. "I guarantee you will get paid" turned into "I didn't get paid, you are not getting paid, tough luck, and furthermore, my attorney says you agreed to an imputed contract to that effect." It was messed up. Everyone was pissed off. More people quit. Still, I stuck with it. It was decent money, a source of steady income at a time when jobs were hard to find, and I figured that, when the time came to pull the plug, I could file a lawsuit in small claims court to try and get the rest of the money. Meanwhile,

## Clinical Research Study *Major Depression*

Have you been diagnosed with Major Depression? If so, and your current medication has not helped improve your condition, you may want to consider this research study. We are currently enrolling patients for a clinical research trial to assess whether a new investigational drug may be useful, safe and well tolerated for the treatment of major depression.

### You may be able to participate in the study if:

- You are between 18 to 65 years of age
- You have a current diagnosis of Major Depression
- Your depressive condition has not improved with the treatment you are currently receiving

Additional criteria will be assessed by the study doctor to confirm your eligibility for this study.

### Qualified participants will receive:

- Study-related care and health exams at no cost
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## HOT FLASHES AND NIGHT SWEATS IN THE MENOPAUSE

### HOW ABOUT AN HERBAL SOLUTION

A 3-month research study is underway for women with menopausal hot flashes and night sweats, tired of hormonal options and over-the-counter products that don't work....

### HOW ABOUT AN INVESTIGATIONAL HERBAL COMBINATION?

#### POSSIBLE PARTICIPANTS MUST BE:

- 1) Women, surgically or naturally menopausal, age 40-65
- 2) Have moderate to severe hot flashes
- 3) Not presently taking medication for hot flashes or are willing to go off present medication for the study

#### POSSIBLE PARTICIPANTS MAY RECEIVE STUDY-RELATED:

- 1) Study-related exam and consultation with a board-certified physician
- 2) Study-related labs, ekg, pap smears, mammograms and study medication, all at no cost
- 3) Compensation to \$375.00 for time and travel interested

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## Do you feel depressed?

### Announcing a medical research study for people with depression.

Depression isn't just feelings of sadness — it can affect the way you see the world. Your body may feel constantly fatigued, and your mind may dwell on thoughts of worthlessness and guilt. If you are currently depressed and not taking an antidepressant, you may qualify for a medical research study to determine the effectiveness and safety of an investigational medication for Major Depressive Disorder. If you qualify, you'll receive investigational study medication, study-related medical exams and lab tests at no charge. Financial compensation for time and travel may also be available.

To learn more, please call the Clinical Research Center at Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital at (858) 836-8350.

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## Does your child suffer from Bipolar Disorder?

If so, your child may be eligible to participate in a research study if he or she is between 12 and 17 years of age and generally healthy. Those who qualify will receive study-related mental health assessments, physical exams, lab services and an investigational medication or placebo (inactive substance).

For more information, contact:

**South Bay Research Center**  
**619-281-8581**

there was grass to cut.

There were rules of the game that, if ignored, caused problems. One was the before-and-after pictures. They had to be taken from exactly the same angle; if you were off by a couple of feet, you had to drive back and retake them.

There was also a murky area regarding "initial services." As grass-cut vendors, it was a big no-no to do work on a property that had not yet had its initial services. Judgment calls were required. If the place was still full of trash, or had five-foot-tall weeds in the

backyard, or otherwise looked like it needed initial services, we were

charge" that would pay us \$10. We were forbidden to remove any per-

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wonk in a cubicle  
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hundred thousand  
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toilets.**

supposed to take pictures, then skip the job, instead billing a "trip

sonal property. This was because sometimes the former occupants left

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- Currently suffering from the symptoms of depression

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To possibly qualify for this study:

- 1) Male or female, 18-75 years of age
- 2) History of infrequent bowel movements, straining, and hard stool
- 3) Not taking medications which may cause constipation

Participants may receive all study-related:

- 1) Exam and consultation with a board-certified physician
- 2) Labs, EKG, colonoscopy (if necessary), and study medication at no cost
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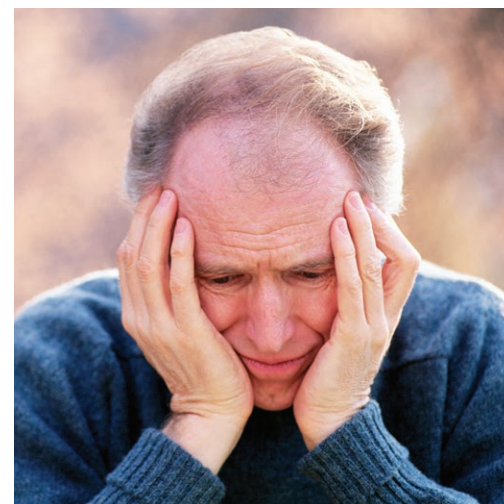
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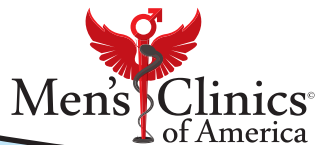


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valuable items behind, and, legally, they had 18 days to come back and retrieve their belongings.

When a bank owns a property that has been foreclosed, they assign it to an REO (real estate owned) realtor who will get the listing when it goes up for sale. If the agent discovers the property vacant and abandoned, the bank is notified, and they have someone change the locks and haul off the trash. However, if it appears that the value of what's left behind is more than \$300, a notice is posted on the front door stating that the owners have 18 days to make an appointment with the agent and retrieve their belongings.

Sometimes, they'd send us to mow the grass and complete a maid refresh at properties that were still in this "post and hold" period, and we would find a house full of someone's stuff. Jewelry, art, booze, 54 Chevy trucks in the barn. I never understood why, after they'd evicted the occupants and changed the locks, they couldn't realize that initial services had probably not been completed. Maybe in the general chaos and confusion, they shotgunned out the list of every bank-owned property and left it to us to sort things out. At my level, it was like being a mushroom, kept in the dark.

We took pictures and sent them in by the thousands. I imagined some bank wonk in a cubicle in Texas, trying to keep track of several hundred thousand photos of lawns and toilets, determin-

ing which needed grass cuts and which needed trash-outs. Usually

the house to clean it, and the master key did not work. The locks

**"Hey, dude, you're just an independent contractor. Sorry, sugarbritches."**

it was obvious, to us, whether the property had been abandoned, people leaving behind only things they weren't able to stuff into a U-Haul — old patio furniture, worn-out shoes, and crusty barbeques. But the banks had a policy that, if a bed was present, it was an indicator that someone might still be living there. They'd put the property straight into the 18-day post-and-hold. Even a photo of a ratty, stained mattress on the floor meant that the stuff was off limits for 18 days. Three weeks later, we'd sometimes arrive to find the power off, a refrigerator full of rotting food, and a house full of rodents. Banks.

One day, I rolled up on a property out in Eastlake. There was a large dirt lot with a lot of weeds out in front. It looked vacant, abandoned. I got started on the grass cut, running my beat-up Craftsman weed wacker at full throttle over almost a third of an acre of dead weeds, little decomposed granite pebbles and nettles flying off and stinging my face. I was sweating profusely, another dirty job, one of about ten that day. Then I went to go inside

hadn't been changed yet, so I called the guy I was working for and asked what to do. He said, "You are not getting paid for that one, should have checked the locks before you cut the grass. Hey, dude, you're just an independent contractor. Sorry, sugarbritches." He was laughing, almost giddy, like this was some kind of hilarious joke on me. I did not find it amusing at all.

Another time, I went inside a house that had had the locks changed but not yet been trashed out. It was full of someone's personal belongings. The place was in east Chula Vista, south of Eastlake, in one of the new subdivisions. There were a ton of foreclosures out there. Some of the streets were not even on the *Thomas Bros.* map yet, and the people were getting locked out of their homes. This particular property was a row home, with a small front yard maintained by the homeowners' association. We only had to wack the little postage stamp of a backyard and do the maid refresh, easy money. I opened the door and stepped into the house without knocking, and stopped in my tracks,

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shocked to see that the place was full of stuff. Not the usual junk and trash; it looked like someone still lived there, with art on the walls, furniture, dishes in the sink. It felt like I'd walked into someone's house uninvited. I thought they'd appear at any moment, saying, "What in the hell are you doing here?"

Over the year and a half I was doing grass cuts, I went through three weed wackers, four lawn mowers, two leaf blowers, and three digital cameras. The work was rough on lawn mowers, especially, because half the time you couldn't see what you were mowing underneath the weeds. I killed a nice Sears 6.5 horsepower rear bagger on a rock in Fletcher Hills. I ran a White's side bagger, my favorite lawn mower of all time, flat-out into the ground. I replaced the bent blades on it twice; finally, it gave up the ghost at a property east of El Cajon. I felt like having a funeral for it. In that time, I completed about 800 grass cuts, took around 6000 pictures of grass, before and after, and photos of perhaps 1600 clean and shiny toilets.

At the row home in Chula Vista, after I got over the initial shock of feeling like I'd walked into someone's house uninvited and was critiquing their taste in art and furniture, I took pictures of the debris and sent them in so I could at least get a trip charge out of it. A couple of weeks later, there was a go-ahead on the trash-out and the job was given to the middleman I worked for. He did some of the trash-

outs himself, to make more money while we were out mowing lawns. But he'd missed yet another deadline and needed to get it done, like, yesterday. So he

called me and asked if I wanted to start doing trash-outs instead of grass cuts. I immediately agreed. The grass cuts were getting boring, and I'd always liked

the trash business. As it turned out, the townhome in Chula Vista didn't have anything especially valuable in it. The former owner had just packed up and left,

taking what he wanted and leaving the crap he didn't: an extensive VHS video collection, some Ikea furniture, magazines, art prints, dishes. It was the

detritus of yet another person who'd walked away. Soon the condo was empty, cleaned to a sparkling shine and freshly vacuumed, without a trace of the former

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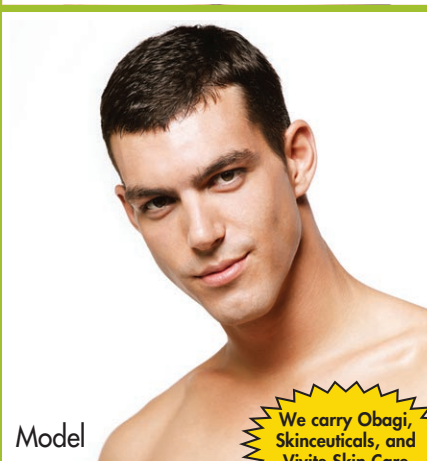
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occupant.

Sometimes, people would yank out the refrigerator, leaving the line to the ice-maker dripping. It ruined the floor. Sometimes, you found pictures of children, pets, or home-made birthday cards, everything left behind in the chaos. It was a little sad, depressing even, one vacant house after another, silent, empty, bobby pins in the carpets jamming up the vacuum cleaner, a favorite toy left next to a sleeping bag and a pillow on the floor. It felt like cleaning up the aftermath of broken dreams. But you get used to it. People often left the booze, half-empty bottles of tequila, wine on the top shelf, various liquors, cans of beer left over from the last party, before they moved out for good. I made a rule for myself: if the seal on a bottle was open, I poured it down the sink. A gurgling fifth of Jack Daniel's always gave it a fresh, clean smell, like a dentist's office. One day, I found several bottles of French Champagne, \$200-a-bottle stuff. I meant to save them for a special occasion but ended up drinking them, one by one, usually after I'd run out of beer. The decadent luxury of knocking back an expensive bottle of Champagne on top of a Miller High Life beer-buzz was one of the little perks of the job.

After a year and a half, it all fell apart. I was still owed a couple thousand dollars for grass cuts that had been done months earlier, and by then I was fully occupied hauling

tons of trash out of vacant houses. It was a whole new ball game,

dice. Typical to form, the guy didn't have his checkbook with him,

## The White's side bagger gave up the ghost at a property east of El Cajon. I felt like having a funeral for it.

but the same old story on payments. Always late, always short. It finally got to the point where I couldn't take it anymore.

I suppose we could have worked through it and built the business up altogether as a team, but by that point, I wasn't interested in cooperation and teamwork; I just wanted the money for the work I had done. So I quit. For a few months, I waited for the payments to catch up, then I filed a small-claims action against the middleman for the rest of what I felt was owed me. As near as I could figure, it was about \$2500.

I won in small claims, but the case was appealed to superior court. The appeals judge didn't seem too impressed with either of us. He blandly suggested we step outside into the hallway and try and settle the matter during a recess in the hearing. I had the feeling I was going to walk away with nothing if the matter was decided by the court, so we settled with a handshake for \$500, and the case was dismissed without preju-

but after three weeks of unanswered phone calls and haranguing emails, he finally mailed me the money. And that was the end of it.

I still do a little preservation work now and then, not so much of the high-volume, fast-money stuff anymore, just a few freelance jobs here and there. I have people who work for me, and I do okay. I get to be my own boss.

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*Tomás* had required an extensive careening: leaks plugged, much of the hull reboarded, heavy caulking. Many

still questioned its seaworthiness. The top-heavy Peruvian galleon could barely maneuver. Vizcaíno feared that the ship, which disappeared off Magdalena Bay, had been lost at sea.

On September 1, writes Vizcaíno's diarist, "God deigned" that the ships would reunite at Cedros Island. Amid

his jubilation, the diarist noted for the first time that "the men were becoming worn out and ill."

In an age that measured time by sundials and hourglasses, people thought in blocks of weeks and months. Onboard ship, off a sterile coastline, the expedition had a daily need for fresh food and water. By the time they reached Cedros, their diet of fish, biscuits, and brackish "green" water — but no perishable vegetables and no Vitamin C — began to take its toll.

Sailors became lethargic. Reddish-blue bruises began appearing on the skin, first single dots, then expanding into clusters. Veteran seamen recognized the early symptoms of scurvy.

Adding to the burden, soldiers used



quarter pipes to pump drinking water from underground wells. At Cedros, the brittle pipes, made from worm-eaten staves, began to decay. "When we thought we had water," writes Vizcaíno's

diarist, "we were without it."

On September 9, the fleet sailed north-northwest. The *San Diego*, the *Santo Tomás*, and the *Tres Reyes* must keep together, Vizcaíno ordered: if

## QUOTATIONS

1. Colnett Bay and Cape Colnett were named for Captain James Colnett (1753–1806), officer in the Royal Navy, fur trader, and seeker of the "Northwest Passage."
2. Richard Pourade, on the pillars of smoke: "Indians burned vast open lands to drive game into areas where it could be hunted down and killed."

3. Vizcaíno's diarist: "On Sunday, the 10th [of November] we arrived at a port, which must be the best to be found in all the south sea."



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a storm came up, they should return to the sheltered bay at Cedros. Given favoring southwest winds, they would continue north to Cenizas Island and wait 12 days.

On September 18, a northwest gale blew so hard, writes Father Ascensión, “the waves reached the heavens with an abyss between them.” Incessant currents of air had pounded the expedition all the way up the coast. But nothing compared to these invisible battering rams bent on demolishing the fleet. The sea roared like a waterfall blown sideways.

On the *San Diego*, Vizcaíno refused to give ground. “Furl the sails and lay to,” he shouted. The ship plowed into the waves and frantic gusts of air.

Not stout enough to forge straight ahead, the *Santo Tomás* unfurled the lower fore- and spirit-sails and scudded out to sea.

The monster gale blew 24 hours. When it died at nightfall, as abruptly as it arose, an iron-gray fog cloaked the growing darkness. The murky mist became palpable, more like smoke than moisture. Captains couldn’t see the other ships’ signal lanterns. Then they couldn’t see their own crews.

The fleet rejoined the next day, only to face a second assault: brutal northwest winds and another dark fog “so thick that a man could not see another in the waist of the ship,” writes Ascensión. Broad daylight became dusk.

Once again, the *Santo*

*Tomás* had headed west. This time, “to the great sorrow of all,” it vanished. Once again Vizcaíno feared the worst: merciless waves would splinter the tired old galleon, and the crew would drown.

When the skies finally cleared, not seeing the other ships, Captain Corbon of the *Santo Tomás* assumed that Vizcaíno had sailed back to Cedros. But when the galleon reached the island’s lee side, the fleet was not there. So Corbon sailed west.

Many days later, near a large, unnamed island, winds came up. Rows of waves the size of houses rolled into the *Santo Tomás*. The bow made a sudden crack.

The timbers — the ship’s wooden support

frames — shivered. Sailors feared that the trembling, like a quaking ribcage, was a sign that the end was near.

Water seeped through a fissure on the ship’s nose. The main timber had begun to splinter. The trickle became a steady stream of brine. Excess water-weight up front tilted the *Santo Tomás* forward. Then it pitched. Ascensión thought it could “open up and founder.”

“To the mainland,” shouted Captain Corbon. His reasoning: if the ship fractured, the crew might be close enough to swim to shore.

They sailed toward land, writes Ascensión, to “see if perchance Our Lord, Jesus Christ, would grant them the favor of finding” the *San Diego*.

Days later, as they approached today’s San Quintín Bay (about 100 miles south of Ensenada), the ships rejoined. They’d been apart 28 days.

“A plain miracle,” declared Ascensión. “When one ship was arriving in such need, the other should meet her and console those who had lost all hope of rescue.”

Possibly to commemorate the site of the reunion, Vizcaíno’s diarist declared

the area to have the best climate “in the world, for the night dews last until 10:00 in the forenoon.”

Cabrillo had originally called the shallow, placid bay — where cinder cones loom like sentinels — San Quintín. Vizcaíno, as was his wont, renamed it “the Bay of Eleven Thousand Virgins.” In 500 A.D., when Ursula, a virtuous Roman maiden, refused to marry the leader of the German Huns, he ordered her killed, along with her 11 ladies in waiting. (Someone added the three zeros later.)

On October 28, seeking shelter from another storm, the fleet anchored in Bahía de San Simon y Judas (today’s Colnett Bay, 50 miles south of Ensenada). A mountain on the north shore, sheared down to the beach, provided ample protection from the elements.

In desperate need of water, especially for the *Santo Tomás*, Vizcaíno sent Captain Peguero and ensign Juan Francisco ashore with 20 armed soldiers. Several accounts say Vizcaíno told them to “treat well the Indians, especially when embarking and disembarking.” Given what followed — and since the viceroy had ordered the death penalty for anyone mistreating natives —

accounts may have added “treat well” after the fact.

At sunset, the party dug a well in the sand and found fresh water. As they inserted the decaying pipes and began to fill barrels, more than 100 natives drew near with bows and clubs. They were “very insolent,” writes Vizcaíno’s diarist, “to the extent of drawing their bows and picking up stones to throw at us.”

The landing party made signs that they meant no harm. Then the soldiers bowed their heads and went about their business as if the naked warriors didn’t exist.

Natives shouted threats at the mute interlopers. Some ran forward, waving bows or clubs, then pulled back. No response. Soldiers loaded barrels and bottles of water onto the launch and returned to the ships.

The next day, Captain Peguero, Ensign Alarcón, and chief pilot Bolaños went ashore with many soldiers. They brought small gifts and biscuits as peace offerings.

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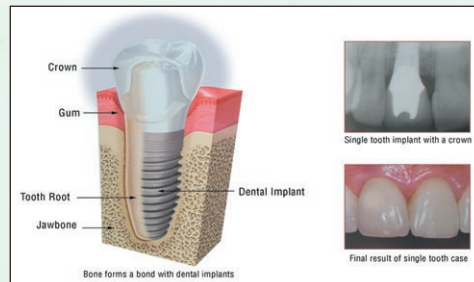
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Accounts differ about what happened next. Ascensión says the natives detected weakness in the strangers from the sea. "As the Indians saw that our people treated them well, they concluded that they did this for fear of them." As a result, the natives "began to commit excesses."

One "counted coup" with his bow. He looped it around a Spaniard's neck and gave the hairy man a good tug.

Antonio Flores, pilot of the *Tres Reyes*, drew his cutlass and hacked the bowstring. Natives fitted arrows onto their bows and drew them back. Others prepared to throw clubs and stones.

Several soldiers with match-lit arquebuses took aim. But instead of a volley of warning shots, they fired low, into the crowd.

The blasts of powder, the strange puffs of smoke, and the sudden cries and shrieks scattered the natives. At least six hobbled off, wounded by balls of small shot. Two fell on the sand. Others, defiant, came back and carried the bodies up a hill. Writes Ascensión, they showed themselves to be "very much offended."

Two hours later, over 200 natives returned, covered with feathers and painted for war. They approached in squadrons. "With arms in hand," writes Vizcaíno's diarist, "they came toward us, who to them seemed few."

Alarcón's soldiers took positions on the beach and lit arquebus fuses. Then he noticed that women and children had joined the throng. He made a sign of friendship — to see if they'd come to fight. He also signaled his soldiers to hold their fire.

The natives parted in the middle. A boy emerged

carrying a little white puppy. He walked across the no-man's-land between combatants and set the animal down at Alarcón's feet. An offering of peace.

Alarcón met with the native leaders. "Be quiet," he signed. "We should be friends."

The leaders agreed, but no more gunfire.

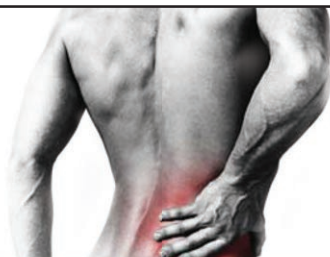
"Although as friends they joined the Spaniards," writes Ascensión, "they never took their eyes off the arquebuses, explaining by signs that four of them had died and others were badly wounded."

Having gathered water and wood, the fleet departed the next day, October 30.

The three ships hugged the coastline, battling a cold current and wind at the prow. On November 5, they came upon two small islands about 12 miles from a bay. When Cabrillo had passed by 60 years earlier, he'd named the area San Mateo.

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Vizcaíno, who swore Cabrillo's geographical markings were askew, renamed it Ensenada de Todos Santos ("bay of all saints"), since he'd arrived there — today's Ensenada — at dawn on All Saints Day.

They planned to enter the bay and sound the depths. But a favoring breeze came up. These were so rare that the fleet had to take advantage. They would perform cartographic chores on the return voyage.

The expedition continued north, into a strong headwind. Large pillars of smoke marked its progress day and night. Ascensión: "These the Indians made as if calling to the ships to come close to their country, which showed indications of good, fertile, and level, and of pleasing aspect."

It's just as likely that the smoke signals could have been controlled burning of brushlands, to prevent larger fires — or a warning of seafarers with lethal fire-sticks.

The fleet approached two islands, and two large rocks "shaped like sugar loaves." Vizcaíno named the group Islas de San Martin. Then he changed his mind. The four, probably reached on November 8 — the day of the "Cuatro Coronados" — became known as the Coronado Islands.

Vizcaíno ordered the *San Diego* to explore the islands. Although the water was 14 fathoms deep, writes his diarist, "the kelp extended...above the water." Some of it looked "as large as gourds...with fruit resembling very large capers and with tubes like sackbuts." The *San Diego* passed over kelp beds as if they "were a green meadow."

So many columns of smoke rose from the mainland that at night they resembled "a procession, and in the daytime the sky was overcast."

Beyond the Coronados, the expedition saw "a large, extended bay, surrounded by hills which form a very fine port." In 1542, Cabrillo had named the

bay San Miguel. Vizcaíno, who swore this couldn't be Cabrillo's discovery, would rename it San Diego.

*Next time: Exploring San Diego Bay.* ■

—Jeff Smith

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### Upgrade the tenants

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health. In early February, May says, the wife met with the Fox Canyon Association to resolve the issues in the lawsuit. Jose Lopez says that in early February he was told that the couple would sell the properties.

On August 17, the building at 4802 Lantana Drive was sold to the Muhe Family Trust. The other property is currently in escrow, according to May.

Lopez says he will show the new owners of 4802 Lantana the property's documented history.

"The ideal situation would be a property that is well-managed according to code and the legality of rental law. And a landlord that is reactive," Lopez says. "I've told the neighbors to continue to watch this property like a hawk. Over the next six months, we need to be very vigilant. If there is a leaf that moves in that apartment, we need to call the police."

I speak to Dan Muhe in late October. He says he has not heard from the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association thus far. He says, "We're busy with inside and outside renovation. We're trying to upgrade the building and have better tenants." ■

## NEWS TICKER

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crowd of 30-40 protesters milling about in front of the Wells Fargo Plaza building at 401 B Street downtown was met by a group of marchers about twice as large shortly before 9:00.

Plans were affirmed to protest at a San Diego Association of Governments meeting to discuss a regional transit plan, which members of the group say will result in \$200 billion "wasted on further highway sprawl."

Speaking through the

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human microphone, Lorena Gonzalez of the San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council pledged support from her group.

"We may get arrested, but I will be first in line," said Gonzalez. "They can deal with me and with my attorneys."

By Dave Rice  
Friday, October 28

### Nonprofit Conflict Fraudulent Block Grant Claims

San Diego — In an October 25 letter, San Diego's

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tractor who was awarded the bid.

By Dorian Hargrove  
Wednesday, October 26

**Bureau's Frenemy**  
Molasky's San Diego FBI Building Breaks Ground Sorrento Mesa — San Diego city councilman and GOP mayoral candidate Carl DeMaio, along with a contingent of federal officials, has helped break ground for a new FBI headquarters building here.

As we wrote in June, the building, to be leased



Strange bedfellows — mob pal Irwin Molasky won a \$223 million construction contract for a Sorrento Valley FBI building.

city auditor confirmed allegations that non-profit Alliance for African Assistance, working with the Economic Development Division, knowingly submitted a false claim for more than \$20,000 in Community Development Block Grants.

"The complaint alleged that the organization submitted the request for work to be done knowing that the work had already been completed. We concluded that the allegation was SUBSTANTIATED [emphasis theirs]," read the October 25 letter addressed to Beth Murray, director of the city's Economic Development Division.

The investigation found that the nonprofit submitted false bids in order to fulfill the three-bid requirement on the application. To make matters worse, the audit found a potential conflict of interest between an executive from the non-profit and the con-

to the government upon completion, has a tortured legal history and an interesting owner:

"Incredible as it seems to some old bureau hands, Molasky, loyal friend and associate of Moe Dalitz and a litany of other gamblers and bookies, has won a 20-year, \$223.4-million lease from the U.S. General Services Administration to construct a 248,882-square-foot field office and campus overlooking Interstate 805 on Vista Sorrento Parkway in Sorrento Mesa."

By Matt Potter  
Thursday, October 27

**Pull the Plug**  
Operator Agrees to Dismantle Power Plant Chula Vista — The South Bay Power Plant is now one step closer to being dismantled. In an October 25 letter, executives from former plant-operator Dynegy, Inc. agreed to strip the 51-year-old plant in two steps. The first



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*By Dorian Hargrove*

*Wednesday, October 26*

### Three and Out

**Occupy San Diego City  
Council**

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*Downtown* — “Endorse us now. Endorse us now. Endorse us now,” was the chant from members of Occupy San Diego just before city council president Tony Young abruptly adjourned the city council’s Tuesday morning session.

While more than 40 people crowded council chambers looking for an opportunity to speak about the council’s unwillingness to endorse the Occupy San Diego movement, Young informed the group that city council bylaws only allowed three minutes of public comment per issue.

**In response, activist Michelle “Jersey”**

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Deutsch approached the microphone.

“Our right to protest has been discouraged by the city,” Deutsch told councilmembers. She then led a group of about 50 people in a chant asking for the council to support their movement. Young asked the next speaker to come to the microphone.

“I understand the passion here, but you are interrupting the public process,” Young told the protester.

*By Dorian Hargrove*

*Tuesday, October 25*

### DeMaio Draws Fire

**Critics Bash Endorsements,  
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*San Diego* — Carl DeMaio and his mayoral campaign have been drawing fire from several directions in recent weeks.

First, there's the *San Diego LGBT Weekly*. Last week, the paper published an editorial criticizing recent endorsements the openly gay DeMaio's campaign has picked up.

DeMaio backer, former mayor, and AM radio conservative talk host Roger Hedgecock is one of the eye-raisers. Hedgecock has in the past petitioned for a protest group he headed — called "Normal People" — to be allowed to march in Hillcrest's annual Pride parade.

Doug Porter of the local progressive news website *OB Rag* has also been critical of DeMaio. One of Porter's complaints centers around DeMaio's aversion to attending mayoral forums and debates.

By Dave Rice  
Tuesday, October 25

## They Don't Decompose

Closer to Plastic Bag Ban Solana Beach — Nineteen billion plastic bags are used each year in California, resulting in 147,000 tons of waste landing in state landfills.

On Wednesday, members of the Solana Beach City Council decided to reduce that waste, directing staff to draft an ordinance banning plastic bags.

When passed, Solana Beach will be the first city in the county to adopt such an ordinance.

"[The plastic bags] never go away, they don't decompose. [This ordinance] is long overdue and is about protecting our environment and clean beaches," councilmember Mike Nichols said during an October 26 city council meeting.

By Dorian Hargrove  
Thursday, October 27

## CITY LIGHTS

### Re-Refund?

Catholic Group Demands Money from IRS

*San Diego* — Catholic Answers, a San Diego-based group "dedicated to serving Christ by bringing the fullness of Catholic truth to the world," announced last Friday that it will ask the U.S. Supreme Court to intervene and allow the organization to sue the Internal Revenue Service.

In 2004, the group sent two political emails to a subscriber group that specifically attacked self-proclaimed Catholic and then-presidential candidate John Kerry for his stance on abortion.

The IRS, in an investigation, ruled that the e-letters, since they specifically opposed the candidacy of an individual, constituted political expenditures. Catholic Answers was then ordered to pay excise taxes for 2004 and 2005. The IRS eventually reversed its decision, ruling that the alleged political activity "was not willful and flagrant." The agency refunded the taxes, along with interest.

In April 2009, Catholic Answers filed suit against the IRS in U.S. District Court, claiming that the levy was a First Amendment violation and demanding a return of the taxes paid. The case was thrown out, as a refund had already been issued.

By Dave Rice  
Monday, October 24

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## LETTERS

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Cajon Felt Like Baghdad" ("City Lights," September 29).

Mr. Kharat is the last person who should judge law enforcement. He is part of the problem.

In the course of my employment I have had the opportunity to visit the Chaldean community and see how they live firsthand. Many have luxury items like big-screen televisions, expensive furniture, and expensive cars.

Many of these same people have no visible means of income and do not work.

As they cry poor and destitute, they are receiving every public assistance available and still want more. Some have said we "owe" them.

They laugh at our government while taking money for nothing.

Friends who work at Costco tell me there is a customer who happens to be Chaldean who bought a water filter, and instead of changing the filter every three months, he returns the whole thing and gets a new one every three months instead. Likewise, the same is done with vacuum cleaners — why change the bag if you can get a new one? (Granted, Costco is way too generous with its return policy, but you get my drift.)

They also are known for buying big-ticket items like televisions and computers and not paying the sales tax by saying the item is for resale. What gas station or

liquor store has an electronics department?

Any drive down Main Street in El Cajon will tell you — it looks like Baghdad, all right, but what do we do?

I cannot give my name because of my job.

Name Withheld  
via U.S. Postal Service

## Chicken-Killing Thursdays

I'm a big fan of Don Bauder's because I think he's one of the very best investigative reporters in the country. I personally got a nostalgic chuckle out of his subject column when he mentioned anecdotes from former President "Cal" and Mrs. Coolidge ("Work Is Wonderful. Really?" "City Lights," September 29).

Cal Coolidge's son John and his family attended the First Congregational Church in Farmington, Connecticut, where I also attended church/Sunday school as a tyke and during my formative teenage years. As a result, while I never knew former President Coolidge or Mrs. Coolidge, I did personally witness on many occasions the taciturn John Coolidge and the rest of his family in church. Accordingly, I was quite surprised to read that the former President and Mrs. Coolidge had such a well-developed and wry sense of humor, because, with all due respect, John Coolidge certainly needed a charisma transplant!

Farmington is the home of Miss Porter's fashionable and prestigious finishing school. Notable alumnae include Jackie Kennedy, Babs

Hutton, and Doris Duke.

Anecdotally, New England Yankees are a good but occasionally strange breed, and, truthfully, I have to include myself as one of them, even though I've been removed for almost a half century. Why? *Holiday* magazine in the late '40s referred to New England as a place where there was a difference between 10 and 11 cents!

While I'm definitely not as penurious as suggested by the foregoing anecdote, I do recall working on a chicken farm in Farmington at the age of 14 and trying to take care of both ends of 20,000 chickens by throwing 100-pound feed bags off freight cars and other sundry chores for \$6 a day! Thursdays were chicken-killing days, and I was the designated assassin. Needless to say, I still dread Thursdays even on joyous holidays such as Thanksgiving because they still conjure up the fact that on those days I was a reluctant but an efficient executioner.

Fred Harden III  
via email

## Love Sheep, Love Goats

I love Joseph O'Brien's column, "Sheep and Goats," and read it without fail. However, the stock questions are vapid. *Every* pastor works "20 hours" a week on his sermon. So? Who cares? The Ten Commandments question? Can be better.

Here are my suggested substitutes (use some or all):

1. What do you specifically do to make your church relevant to America in 2011?

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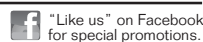
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## LETTERS

2. Why should anyone be a Lutheran, Presbyterian, Catholic, etc.?

3. Why is the Christian concept of "sin" and its consequences important anymore?

4. What is the most corrupting influence hurting your congregation?

5. Do you believe Heaven and Hell are actual realities?

6. How do you explain Christian freedom versus the tyranny of "do's and don't's"?

Martin Roules  
via email

*Joseph O'Brien responds: Mr. Roules, Thank you so much for your suggestions and for making the pastor's Q and A a regular part of your reading diet.*

*Space limitations in the column itself prevent readers from seeing the deep conversations that my interviews become with pastors. The questions are meant to serve less as an indication of what*

*was actually asked verbatim and more a context in which to place the response. Thus, the apparent vapidty.*

*Incidentally, over the course of any given interview, in the typical give and take that interviewing entails, many if not all of your suggested interview questions are in fact asked.*

*That said, I appreciate the suggestions and am flattered to know I have such a committed reader. I will attempt if space permits to more explicitly incorporate some of these questions into the column. Thanks for reading!*

### Comments from Reader website

#### Cover Story

**Published October 26**

I know dog breeders all too well...and many don't deserve to have dogs!!

I once worked in a kennel and told the owner she'd rot in hell for the way she treated her dogs.

By nan 5:45 p.m., Oct 26,  
2011

The judges, deputy D.A.s,

and police witnesses at the Vista court are notorious for getting dog rescuers thrown in the slammer. Thanks to the Reader for exposing San Diego's dirty judicial secret.

Of course, Vukov would have been wise to clip a coupon from the Reader to get a free dog exam, but she shouldn't be in jail just because she wasn't clever enough to use a coupon from the Reader.

By thrillraceresq 10:56  
a.m., Oct 27, 2011

It is a shame that this article was written. I know Philippe Belloni. We bought our dog from him and spent months training the dog together with him. The suggestion that he would ever mistreat or neglect any dog in his care is preposterous.

By CSR 9:42 p.m., Oct 27,  
2011

Hi Philippe Belloni!

By SurfPuppy619 4:56 p.m.,  
Oct 28, 2011

Vukov would have been wise to contact the authorities. The fact that she didn't makes me doubt her judgment completely.

By Joaquin\_de\_la\_Mesa  
10:49 a.m., Oct 28, 2011

This is a sad story filled with enough drama for the makings of a TV movie.

A man's dog, Elvis, is gone. A dog that he had gone to great lengths and expense to get. A dog that he searched for relentlessly by involving detectives, posing as a jewelry buyer and calling Vukov over 300 times, and driving day and night to find. Only to come so close to being reunited with Elvis and to find that he had been stolen again from Vukov's gated back yard by possibly another animal lover or the dog trainer.

A compassionate woman who can't bear to leave behind the broken down dog pleading her to rescue him from the dirt hole that he has dug to find refuge from the hot Escondido sun where he licks the bloody wounds inflicted by the sadistic trainer's beatings to make him submissive. A woman, barely able to provide a home for herself and two teenage daughters, who chooses to

add an extra burden to her life to kidnap and nurture a starved, feces ridden dog covered with flies and maggots from his hellhole.

A court of law that must decide the reasonableness of a person in taking their custody an abused dog that belonged to someone else to protect it. A jury so taken by emotion they take a day to deliberate the issue.

And last, the dog trainer who aggrandizes himself with elite professional credentials of European accomplishments that no one questions....

A trainer that parlays what would have been a simple \$1,500.00 dog training job into an annual revenue of probably \$40,000.00 or more by training three dogs (Elvis and the two he sold Afghani for \$8,500.00) and upselling his training and coaching services that could take a couple of years and easily be \$3,000.00 per month.

The trainer's cost — a wire and hook to contain the dog, a girlfriend that feeds the

dog one dish of dry food at night, and a little of his time to continue duping the dog owner that he'll win the title if he keeps buying more dogs and training. America, what a country....

Where's the animal rights people when a dog needs them?

By Hd608 2:19 p.m., Oct  
28, 2011

The alleged claims of the poor condition of the dog were fabricated to avoid prosecution. The felony conviction tells the facts of the matter. Shame on the Reader for causing undue stress on a true professional trainer, Philippe is the victim of a woman who could obviously not handle rejection.

By CSR 2:42 p.m., Oct 28,  
2011

Hi again Philippe Belloni! Nice to see you know the entire case here, including that it was a "fabrication".

Please post under your true name instead of as gimmick account-OK!

By SurfPuppy619 4:58 p.m.,  
Oct 28, 2011

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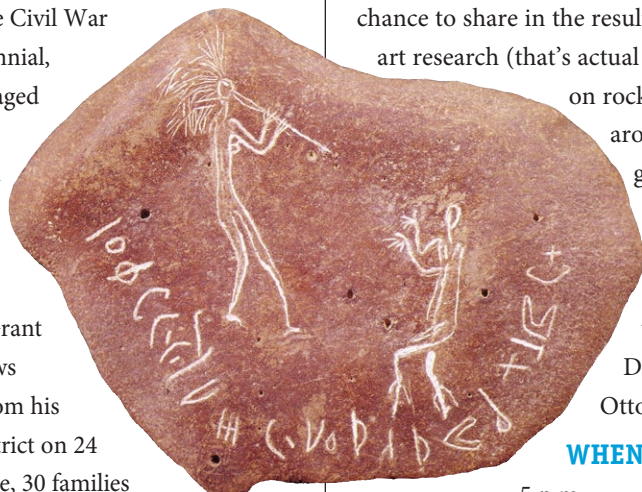
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**WHEN:** 7:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive, La Jolla. 858-362-1348; [sdjc.org/garfield](http://sdjc.org/garfield)



## Saturday | 5

### ROCK ART 2011

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**WHERE:** San Diego Zoo, 2920 Zoo Drive, Balboa Park. 619-239-2001, x10; [museumofman.org/rock-art-symposium](http://museumofman.org/rock-art-symposium)

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## Friday | 4

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**WHEN:** 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**WHERE:** Martha Pace Swift Gallery, 2820 Roosevelt Road (at NTC Promenade), Point Loma. 619-239-1713; [swiftsd.blogspot.com](http://swiftsd.blogspot.com)



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## Tuesday | 8

### SCIENCE, SOUND, AND STRUGGLES BETWEEN WHALES AND MEN

Marine biologist Aaron Thode at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography and Nicolas Reveles of the San Diego Opera take part in a conversation on the science of whales, including research on sperm-whale acoustics and modern-day conflicts between whales and fishermen.

**WHEN:** 7 p.m.

**WHERE:** Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way, La Jolla. 858-534-3474; [aquarium.ucsd.edu](http://aquarium.ucsd.edu)

## Wednesday | 9

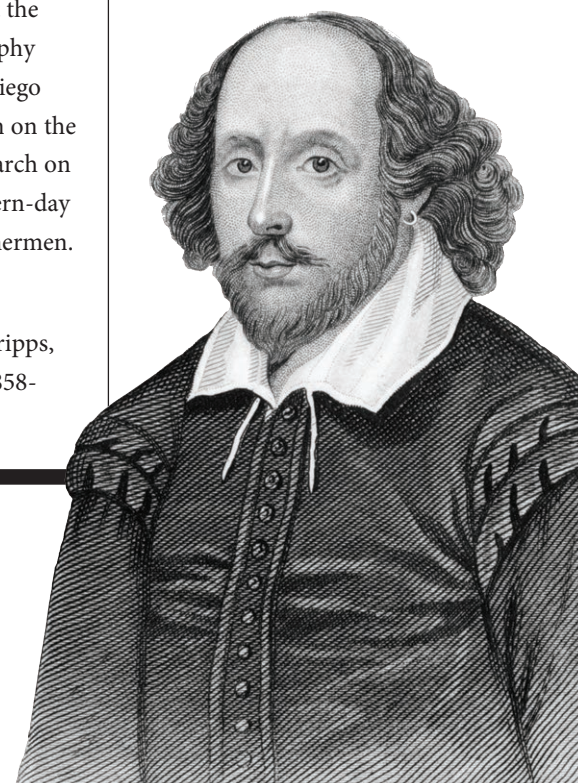
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The San Diego Shakespeare Society presents an evening of

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**WHEN:** 7:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive, La Jolla. 619-333-0141; [sandiegoshakespeare.society.org](http://sandiegoshakespeare.society.org)





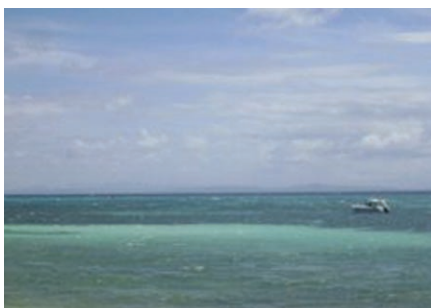
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*Even our sea-view bungalow in Malapascua didn't set us back more than \$50 a night.*

### Malapascua, Philippines

By Frances Aguilar

"Bad Easter": that's the Spanish translation of Malapascua, the Philippine island we visited recently. But I like to call it "cheap-o Hawaii."

It has all the amenities Hawaii offers, including water sports, crystal-clear waters, exciting (and chill) nightlife, friendly locals, and sunbathing. All without the crowds and inflated prices you'll see in Hawaii.

Just off the coast of Cebu, this smaller Philippine island is a haven for scuba divers — beginners and experts. Although we didn't go on any scuba-

diving excursions, I recommend the restaurant at the Malapascua Exotic Dive Resort to taste the best iced coffee, feel a nice sea breeze, and smell delicious food cooking.

Malapascua is home to picturesque hikes along the shoreline and through its lush interior. Massages at the beach cost about \$10 (no, I didn't forget a "0"). Even our sea-view bungalow didn't set us back more than \$50 a night.

However, travel to Malapascua is not for the faint of heart. Being a typical city girl, I was not receptive to the three-hour-plus, bumpy, non-air-conditioned bus ride from Cebu City to a small port where we took a wobbly boat, then a bigger open-air boat, and finally arrived at this small piece of heaven.

On the brighter side, I have great memories of the bus ride that provided us with Cebu's scenery and smells of tasty Filipino street food, the tiny boat allowing me to see for the first time the clarity of water surrounding Cebu, and the bigger boat giving us an extensive preview of the beauty surrounding Malapascua. Some destinations are worth all the hassle it takes getting there.

### Big Sur, California

By Quinne Huffman

Last New Year's Eve we waited online at [parks.ca.gov](http://parks.ca.gov), ready to book a campsite for the summer of 2011. We didn't want to miss our opportunity to reserve a spot in one of Big Sur's hike-in environmental campsites — they're typically booked up almost a year in advance.

We were lucky to get two nights in July. The site, \$30 a night, was located right above an 80-foot waterfall that drops into the ocean. It was wonderfully cool and pristine, surrounded by redwood, tan oak, madrone, and chaparral that framed an exquisite sunset over the Pacific.

On the way up, we stopped in



*Big Sur — no wonder it's one of the most photographed landscapes in the world.*

Cambria, a little town just south of Big Sur. The boardwalk on the ocean offers great views of seals and sea lions on the rocks and looked ideal for a run or walk. The landscape and hikes around the town of Cambria make it definitely worth the stop.

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### Other Adventures



**nerdalert:** Yep, that's a giant clown with a gun to a girl's head at a public market in Portland, Oregon. Just good times.



**basicuser:** Could be anytime, anyplace....



**robynlorenza:** Beautiful view of the seaside village from a guest house in Hope Cove, England.

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### FROM THE TRAILMASTER'S FAVORITES FOLDER

The past decade's relative lack of cold winter storms has made local cross-country skiing an increasingly rare activity.

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*Snowscape at sunrise*

**P**owdery snow softly crunches beneath sunny skies as you kick and glide along the wide forest path. In the blue-shadowed

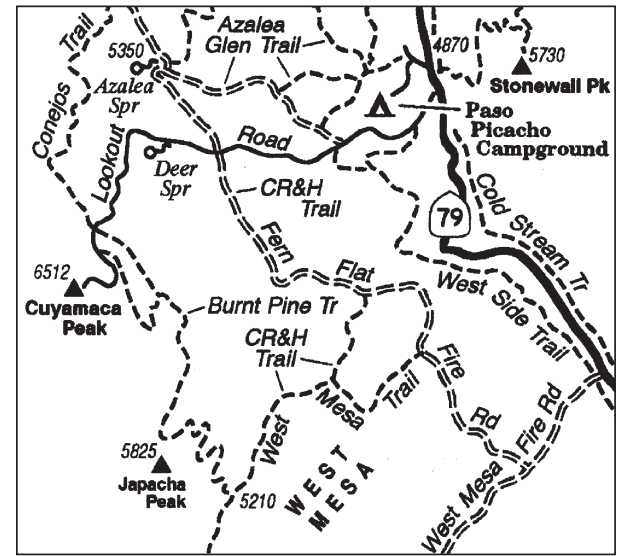
gloom of the oaks and pines, a doe bounces across your path, as if on a pogo stick. The morning air is crisp and nips your

nose and ears, but the exertion keeps you comfortably warm underneath thin, breathable layers of clothing.

San Diego County's mountains aren't high enough to retain snow from winter storms for very long, but the cross-country skiing scenario above has worked for me on several cold winter mornings over the past 15 years. If you have the right ski equipment, simply wait for a cold, wet storm to hit San Diego, arise early the next morning, and take off at your earliest convenience for the Cuyamaca or the Laguna mountains. If you live in East County, areas for skiing lie as little as 30 minutes away via Interstate 8. Haste does not make waste — typically you'll have only a few hours of prime skiing conditions before the ascendant sun softens the snow and "snow bunnies" clog every parking lot and roadside turnout.

Several ski and outdoor shops around the county offer cross-country ski and boot rentals for those who might like to try out the sport. Also, don't forget tire chains — they may be required at the higher elevations.

The densely forested east slope of Cuyamaca Peak features more than one challenging route for cross-country skiers. The generously wide West Mesa and Fern Flat fire roads (accessible from a parking turnout at mile 7.3 on Highway 79) offer gentle gradients at altitudes



between 4000 and 5500 feet. The wide, south leg of the Azalea Glen Trail also works well for skiing, but not the narrower and steeper northern sections of that trail.

Experienced skiers can try the Lookout Road from Paso Picacho Campground (elevation 4750 feet) to the summit of Cuyamaca Peak (elevation 6512 feet) and back, 5.5 miles round trip. The strenuous ascent is followed by an at-times-terrifying descent back down, which is practical only when the snow is

soft and powdery (and not icy).

A longer, more gradual, and less nerve-racking bid for Cuyamaca's summit can be made via West Mesa Fire Road, Fern Flat Fire Road, West Mesa Trail, Burnt Pine Trail, and finally the Lookout Road. The West Mesa and Burnt Pine trails are former fire roads and thus are somewhat wider and less steep than most hiking trails.

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**Native Gardening** San Diego Audubon Society hosts three-day workshop divulging “best practices for creating...water-saving native gardens in your own backyard.” Workshops continue November 12, 19, including field trip to native plant nursery or open space. Participants asked “to commit to 20 hours of volunteer service at the Anstine Nature Preserve.” Registration: 760-295-1548. Saturday, November 5, 9am; Anstine-Audubon Nature Preserve, 2437 Hutchinson Street. (VISTA)

**Search for Saturn and Jupiter** As well as shooting stars and more during stargazing party in MiraCosta College’s baseball field (weather permitting). Call to con-

firm: 760-757-2121 x6201. Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, 8pm; **free**. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

**Sycamores and a Waterfall** Naturalist Linda King leads moderately paced loop hike to Carson’s Crossing, waterfall, and Sycamore Crossing. 858-484-3219. Saturday, November 5, 8am; **free**. Del Mar Mesa trailhead, 7107 Park Village Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

**Tracking Trek** Mammal and critter mysteries revealed on nature walk with tracking team guide. “Discover and examine the signs wildlife leave behind.” Wear long pants. 619-668-3281. Saturday, November 5, 8:30am; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**“Bonita Holidays”** Sweetwater Women’s Club hosts 44th annual home tour (Saturday, \$10) and craft show including home decor, gifts, farmers’ market (Saturday and Sunday, free admission). 619-482-4505. Saturday and Sunday, November 5 and 6, 10am; **free**. Sweetwater Women’s Club, 3855 Sweetwater Road. (BONITA)

**“Hawks, Hikes, and Heroes”** Earth Discovery Institute hosts fundraiser with guided hike or mountain bike trail ride, red tail hawk presentation, brunch. Saturday, November 5, 8am; \$10-\$25. Crestridge Ecological Reserve, 1171 Horsemill Road. (EL CAJON)

**“Interpretations”** Friday Night Liberty opening reception for juried exhibition of “works of art from around the globe” by 37 artists. Jurors and four local artists will discuss their work during reception. Closes Sunday, January 22. 619-546-4872. Friday, November 4, 5pm; \$5. Visions Art Museum: Contemporary Quilts + Textiles,

NTC Promenade, 2825 Dewey Rd., Suite 100. (POINT LOMA)

**“Odyssey”** Suite Brigitte presents art show with live painting by Jimmy Ovadia and Quentin Anderson 2. Thursday, November 3, 6:30pm; Bare Back Grill, 624 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**“Puzzle Pursuit: The Scoop”** Outdoor Outreach hosts third annual Puzzle Pursuit. Participants follow leads, unfold mysteries, “engage their out-of-the-box thinking skills in a frantic on-foot race to the finish line.” Fee includes park admission. 619-238-5790. Saturday, November 5, 9:45am; \$80. Legoland and Sea Life Aquarium, One Legoland Drive. (CARLSBAD)

**“The Adoption Experience”** Bolander Law Group gathers “adoption professionals, charities, organizations, prospective adopting parents” to reveal “Everything You Need to Know” during educational event for prospective adopting parents. Saturday, November 5, 10am; \$40. Handlery Hotel and Resort, 950 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

**“Yoga for Healthy Bones”** Marguerite Tyrell leads series blending “ancient wisdom of yoga and the knowledge of modern science to provide a holistic approach to bone health.” Topics: yoga postures and sequences for healthy bones, nutrition recommendations, role of stress in health, lifestyle factors. 858-622-9642. Sunday, November 6, 6:30pm; \$45-\$180. 18 and up. Akasha Yoga, 3211 Holiday Court #203. (LA JOLLA)

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Hundreds of used books, including rare collectibles, for sale at the University Community and Scripps Miramar Ranch Libraries.

**General Orders No. 11** “When General Ulysses S. Grant banishes Jews ‘as a class’ from his military district on 24 hours’ notice, 30 families from Paducah, Kentucky, flee upriver to Cincinnati.” San Diego Jewish Book Fair hosts event merging theater and literature in commemoration of Civil War Sesquicentennial. Evening promises staged reading by professional actors, discussion led by historian Joellyn Zollman. 858-362-1348. Thursday, November 3, 7:30pm; \$14-\$17. David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Book Sale** Hundreds of donated books for sale. 858-552-1655. Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, 9:30am; **free**. University Community Library, 4155 Governor Drive. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

**Book Sale** Browse, purchase “nearly new and gently used” recent bestsellers, children’s books, fiction, nonfiction, rare, antiquarian, collectible books. 858-538-8158. Saturday, November 5, 10am; **free**. Scripps Miramar Ranch Library, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

**Carlsbad Village Faire** Over 850 vendors offer arts and crafts, antiques, clothing, food, more, in downtown area. 760-945-9288. Sunday, November 6, 8am; **free**. Carlsbad. (CARLSBAD)

**Day of the Dead for Everyone** Enjoy a goblin puppet show by Kathy Felker, dance by Ballet Folklórico Xochitl, themed crafts, music, refreshments. Community altar in library lobby. All welcome. 619-475-4642. Saturday, November 5, 10am; **free**. Bonita-Sunnyside Library, 4375 Bonita Road. (BONITA)

**Does China’s Past Predict Its Future?** Bring opinions to share with Civilized Conversation group. 858-231-6209. Thursday, November 3, 7pm; **free**. 18 and up. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Fall Garden and Home Festival** Festival highlights sustainable gardening and home practices with plant sale, gardening workshops, sustainable homes expo, Ms. Smarty-Plants Kidz Zone (0-\$3). Self-guided Sustainable Homes Tour features ten San Diego County homes representing “art of living green in today’s society” (\$20). 619-660-0614. Saturday, November 5, 9am; Water Conser-

vation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

**Friday Night Liberty** Evening promises music, food, drink, open artist studios and galleries. Look for “Seduced by Dance” at Dance PL., photography by Raymond Elstad in Mandell Weiss Gallery, performances by Malashock Dance, Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater, San Diego Ballet, Tango by Colette. 619-573-9300. Friday, November 4, 5pm; **free**. NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road. (POINT LOMA)

**GemDiego Show** San Diego Mineral and Gem Society celebrates 77th anniversary with show promising gem and mineral dealers, gemstones, minerals, beads, jewelry, lapidary equipment, supplies. Gemstone identification. Demonstrations in wire wrapping, faceting, lost wax casting, more. 619-889-6886. Saturday, November 5, 9:30am; Sunday, November 6, 10am; **free**. Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road. (KEARNY MESA)

**Kids in Classical Music** For the benefit of Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). Performances by children and pro-

## Big Sur *continued from page 52.*

Big Sur and Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park are only an hour’s drive north of Cambria, and the drive took our breath away. It’s hard not to stop at every turn to take in the views along this stretch of coast. No wonder it’s one of the most photographed landscapes in the world.

We finally arrived at our campsite, and everyone gasped at the views. Even though we had to deal with hikers trudging through our site about every hour to capture the view, I could hardly blame them. With only a couple primitive toilets at the top of the hill, we had to trek in our own water and settled into not

washing for a couple of days.

The stars at night were spectacular, and the shooting stars made you believe your dreams would come true. The days were calm and blue and the water alluring. We did a couple beautiful hikes; one toward a waterfall where we could cool off and enjoy an icy shower.

The other, more scenic hike — although short — led us down to the ruins and terrace of the McWay Waterfall House, where we found an incredible view of the waterfall cascading down from the granite cliffs and our campsite above. My imagination again went wild, imagining what it was like to live here with these views and mountains to climb.

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## LOCAL EVENTS

fessional musicians classical piano and instrumental compositions. Admission is \$20. Proceeds will be donated to the San Diego chapter of JDRF. Organized by the Bendetskaya Family. Friday, November 4, 6pm; \$20. Greene Music Recital Hall, 7480 Miramar Rd., Suite 101. (MIRA MESA)

**Light the Night Walk** Leukemia and Lymphoma Society hosts 13th annual inspirational two-mile walk. Check-in: 6pm; opening ceremony: 7pm; walk: 7:30pm. Friday, November 4; **free**. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Movie Night and More at the Pier** “Bike the Coast — Taste the Coast” hosts screening of *Hell on Wheels*, the German documentary (with English subtitles) of the 2003 Tour de France. Screening is in conjunction event packet pick-up, late registration, food fest and sports expo (noon-8pm). Beer garden (4-8pm). Low-back beach chairs, blankets recommended. Friday, November 4, 6pm; **free**. Oceanside Pier Plaza Amphitheatre, 200 North of the Strand. (OCEANSIDE)

**Paint Some Sneakers** Bring a pair of clean, white canvas shoes, express yourself with acrylic paint during class led by Lauren Becker Downey. Transform your feet into a gallery of art. 619-223-0058. Sunday, November 6, 2pm; \$52-\$58. 9 and up. Bravo School of Art at NTC Promenade, 2690 Decatur Rd., Studio 206. (POINT LOMA)

**Postcard and Paper Collectibles Show** Almost half a million items displayed and for sale including postcards, paper collectibles, ephemera, advertising trade cards, cigar labels, travel brochures, matchbooks, more. 626-665-9435. Saturday and Sunday, November 5 and 6, 10am; \$5. California Center

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

**PrimeXpo Jewelry Show** Exhibitors from around globe offer jewelry, gifts. 480-458-7600. Friday, November 4, 12pm; Saturday and Sunday, November 5 and 6, 11am; **free**. Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Renaissance Faire** Queen Elizabeth I and her royal court, pirates, entertainers, food vendors, merchants, Renaissance reenactors gather for Renaissance Faire. Enjoy period music, battle pageants, Shakespearean theater, continuous entertainment, vendors, children’s activities. Weekend passes available. 805-496-6036. Saturday and Sunday, November 5 and 6, 10am; **free**-\$17. Felicita Park, 742 Clarence Lane. (ESCONDIDO)

**San Diego Brewers Guild Festival** San Diego Beer Week begins with showcase of “all of the San Diego breweries.” Sample award-winning local beer, meet brewers. Music by Matthew Sweet, Telekinetic, Stone Foxes, the Bloody Hollies, Dead Feather Moon, Family Wagon. Tickets: 800-313-7960. Saturday, November 5, 11am; \$35-\$60. 21 and up. Liberty Station, Womble Road at Historic Decatur Road. (POINT LOMA)

**Saturday At The Lawn** A new initiative of the House of Pacific Relations to promote multicultural goodwill and understanding through cultural programs from various Nations presented to Balboa Park visitors. November 5th, 2011, marks the 10th time this year that the House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages, Inc., has been able to provide music, free to the public on Saturdays. Balboa Park at International Cottages Lawn Stage. Saturday, November 5, noon to 4pm; Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

**TNT: Phenomenal** Celebrate “Phenomenal: California Light, Space, Surface” exhibition during Thursday Night Thing. Delve

## Rhyme & Verse

Wigs Galore

*A poem by Claire Hsu Accomondo*

Wigs are in style.  
There’s a store in every town.  
There’s a kiosk in every mall.  
Golden blond, near crimson,  
silky black, cascading brown.

They glamorize, maximize,  
voluminize and dramatize.  
Human hair or synthetic?  
Not even a spouse can tell.  
Curly, wavy, arrow straight,  
frizzy, bouffant and Afro.

Tucked in a corner is a medical wig  
with a soft monofilament crown.  
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and comes in two sizes, adult and child.



Claire Hsu Accomondo was born in Geneva, Switzerland, to a French mother and a Chinese father. Her book, *Love and Rutabaga*, published by St. Martin’s Press, is an engaging memoir of a childhood spent under the shadow of Nazi-occupied France during WWII. A former history and ESL teacher, her recent poetry has appeared in the Atlanta Review, Mudfish, California Quarterly, Perigee, The San Diego Poetry Annual, and the Magee Park Poets Anthology. “Wigs Galore” is published by permission of the author.

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into work of participating artists, enjoy cocktails, live music by Hayena and Lesands, an installation by Ela Boyd, art-making activity designed by Teen Art Council, food from MIHO Gastrotruck and Viva Pops. 858-454-3541. Thursday, November 3, 7pm; **free**-\$10. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, 1100 and 1001 Kettner Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

**Taste of Russia** Celebrate Russian culture with traditional Russian foods, folk dancing, vendors, activities for the children, beer garden. Saturday, November 5, 11am; \$1-\$5. St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, 3873 Cherokee Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

**Upscale Singles Dance/Mixer Ages 45-65** Simply The Best Singles, an upscale singles organization for singles looking for relationships, marriage and more, offers Comedy Hypnosis Show, live band “Calico Ridge,” free appetizers (7pm until gone), Lock & Key, chocolate tasting, prizes, free photographs and

parking. Classy casual dress. \$18 payable by credit card at [www.SimplyTheBestSingles.com](http://www.SimplyTheBestSingles.com) or cash at the door. Saturday, November 5, 7pm to 10:30pm; Hilton Del Mar, 15575 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Wings for Warriors Poker Run** Enjoy 90-mile ride through SD backcountry, including a stop at Hideout Saloon. All bikes welcome. Barbecue promises vendors, music by Three Spoke Wheel (1-3pm). Fee: \$25 single rider, \$10 backseat; purchase sixth card for \$5. Registration: 7:30am; kickstands up: 9am. Proceeds fund medical research to improve healthcare for veterans. 858-752-2943 or 858-552-8585 x6478. Saturday, November 5, 7:30am; \$10-\$25. Biggs Harley-Davidson, 1040 Los Vallecitos #113. (SAN MARCOS)

**Witness Mural Making!** Watch artists at work each night in Sculpture Court as WriterzBlok mural and graffiti group creates a site-specific mural inspired by

“Mexican Painting from the Andrés Blaisten Collection” exhibition. 619-232-7931. Thursday and Friday, November 3 and 4, 5pm; **free**. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

## ART MUSEUMS

**“From El Greco to Dali”** This exhibition of “Great Spanish Masters from the Pérez Simón Collection” — continuing through Sunday, November 6 — features “64 works drawn from one of the world’s finest private collections.” Exhibit showcases masters of the Spanish school including El Greco, Ribera, Murillo, Goya, Sorolla, Picasso, Dali, Miró.


“Mexican Modern Painting from the Andrés Blaisten Collection,” opening Saturday, November 5, features selection of 80 paintings dated 1907-1956 from the renowned collection. See work by artists including María Izqui-

erdo, Diego Rivera, David Alfaro Siqueiros, Rufino Tamayo, Alfonso Michel, Federico Cantú, Angel Zárraga through Sunday, February 19. **Free**-\$12. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Infinite Balance: Artists and the Environment”** View “first U.S. presentation of artists shortlisted for the Prix Pictet, the world’s top prize for photography and sustainability” through Sunday, February 5. Exhibit showcases contemporary photographers including Sammy Baloji, Edward Burzynsky, Thomas Joshua Cooper, Susan Derges, Naoya Hatakeyama, Chris Jordan, Michael Wolf.


“See/Saw: Annual Youth Exhibition” is a juried exhibit of photography and film by young artists. Closes Sunday, January 29. **Free**-\$6. Museum of Photographic Arts, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Phenomenal: California Light, Space, Surface”** Enjoy in-depth look at 13 artists whose work with light as a medium in the 1960s and



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'70s defined an era of art making in California. Featured artists: Peter Alexander, Larry Bell, Ron Cooper, Mary Corse, Robert Irwin, Craig Kauffman, John McCracken, Bruce Nauman, Eric Orr, Helen Pashgian, James Turrell, De Wain Valentine, Doug Wheeler. "Combining key works from the museum's collection" with major loans from public and private collections, exhibit "includes immersive light installations together with rare, ephemeral, and site-conditioned works, some seen in California for the first time in decades." Through Sunday, January 22.

View "Jennifer Steinkamp: Madame Curie," a new digital video animation through Monday, January 2, inspired by Steinkamp's recent research into atomic energy, atomic explosions, and the effects of these forces on nature. The "enveloping panoramic work will activate a field of moving flowers and flowering trees." **Free**-\$10. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, 1100 and 1001 Kettner Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

**"San Diego's Craft Revolution"**

This exhibition reveals important contributions of San Diego craftsmen to the post-war Southern California art scene. Show explores progression from sleek modernism to unconventional handmade objects of use such as furniture, doors, jewelry, ceramics by over 60 artists. Exhibit is part of "Pacific Standard Time: Art in L.A. 1945-1980." Closes Sunday, April 15.

More than 50 quilts made in the American South between 1910 and

the 1970s are showcased in "Bold Expressions: African American Quilts from the Collection of Corrine Riley," on display through Sunday, November 6. Many of the quilts are made from materials that were readily available to the makers, including flour sacks, old blue jeans, work clothes, fabric remnants. Exhibition explores variety of construction techniques and quilting.

"Maneki Neko — Japan's Beckoning Cats — from Talisman to Pop Icon" includes selections from a collection of 155 cats given to museum by collector Billie Moffitt. Made in the 19th and 20th centuries, each cat is unique; most are made of clay, but some are wood, metal, ceramic, papier mâché. A fabricated cat with a paw upraised in the Japanese gesture of beckoning has been considered a good luck charm, drawing good fortune to individuals and businesses, since the Edo period (1603-1868). Enjoy the cats through Sunday, January 15. **Free**-\$7. Mingei International Museum, 1439 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Transitions: Works by Françoise Gilot"** "Interested in mythology, symbolism, and the power of memory, French-American artist Françoise Gilot expresses complex philosophical ideas with lyrical accessibility." View a collection of oil paintings and works on paper highlighting her interest in color relationships and fine line between figuration and abstraction. Gilot resided for many years in La Jolla with husband Dr. Jonas Salk, now divides her time between studios in New York and Paris. Closes Sunday, November 13.

Local artist Cathy Breslaw created a site-specific installation using "industrial materials to investigate her interest in how people relate to changing physical and intangible environments." View "A Matter of Space" through Sunday, February 12.

Oceanside native Everett Peck is an animator, cartoonist, illustrator, painter, best known for his television series *Duckman* (1994-1997). "It's Not My Fault," on exhibit through Sunday, January 29, showcases Peck's work over past 30 years, tracing his evolution as an artist from early concept sketches to recent large-scale paintings, humorously exploring pop culture

of modern America and its intersection with everyday life. Also on display: illustrations, sketch books, preliminary and concept drawings from Peck's extensive animation work.

"We Can Work It Out" finds artist Becky Guttin transforming museum's lobby with "a playful installation" inspired by memories of growing up in Mexico City. "Working with Mexican cultural symbols such as mythical folk animals, tortillas, and miniature houses, she investigates the meaning of home, family and identity." Closes Thursday, January 5. **Free**-\$8. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

**Saint Bartholomew** Museum features this painting, described as "the only Rembrandt painting on public display in San Diego." Permanent collection includes European old master paintings, 18th- and 19th-century American paintings, and Russian icons. **Free**. Timken Museum of Art, 1500 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Translating California Sunshine!** Spencer Finch's "light-based installations bridge an actual locale with a recalled memory." *Rome (Pantheon, noon, June 14, 2011)*, on view through Sunday, January 22, "evokes the moment and mood of a place by controlling the quality of light, color, or other sensory information."

"Phenomenal: California Light, Space, Surface" offers in-depth look at 13 artists whose work with light as a medium in the 1960s and '70s defined an era of art making in California. Featured artists: Peter Alexander, Larry Bell, Ron Cooper, Mary Corse, Robert Irwin, Craig Kauffman, John McCracken, Bruce Nauman, Eric Orr, Helen Pashgian, James Turrell, De Wain Valentine, Doug Wheeler. "Combining key works from the museum's collection" with major loans from public and private collections, "the exhibition includes immersive light installations together with rare, ephemeral, and site-conditioned works, some seen in California for the first time in decades." Closes Sunday, January 22. **Free**-\$10. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

**BOOK SIGNINGS**

**A Tribute to Teachers** Author, broadcaster Richard Lederer discusses his latest book, subtitled *Wit and Wisdom, Information and Inspiration about Those Who Change Our Lives*. 858-538-8158. Sunday, November 6, 2:30pm; **free**. Scripps Miramar Ranch Library, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

**Go the F\*\*\* to Sleep** Adam Mansbach shares the story behind his "children's book for adults." 858-362-1348. Sunday, November 6, 3:30pm; \$14-\$17. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Rin Tin Tin: The Life and the Legend** Susan Orlean (also author of *The Orchid Thief*) digs deep into the history of the famous canine. 858-362-1348. Sunday, November 6, 12pm; \$14-\$17. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**The Man Who Never Died** Author William M. Adler reads from, discusses his new book, subtitled *The Life, Times, and Legacy of Joe Hill, American Labor Icon*. Adler's "full-scale biography" of Hill "comes as close as one can to definitively exonerating him." 858-456-1800. Saturday, November 5, 7pm; **free**. D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**The Marriage Artist** San Diego Jewish Book Fair continues with author Andrew Winer, who "raises the question of how memory, identity, and love are entangled." 858-362-1348. Sunday, November 6, 10am; \$7-\$9. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Top Brewers Launch Party** San Diego Beer Week opens with celebration of publication of *San Diego's Top Brewers: Inside America's Craft Beer Capital*. More than 24 brewmasters/owners featured in book on hand for "one big group signing." 619-276-8411. Friday, November 4, 6:30pm; **free**. 21 and up. Mission Brewery, 1441 L Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Alison Pick** Author who converted to Judaism over the course of writing her novel *Far To Go*. Appears in conjunction with San Diego Jewish Book Fair. 858-362-1348.



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# SHEEP AND GOATS

## I ANSWERED THE CALL

### Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

**Contact:** 1370 Euclid Ave., San Diego; 619-262-0757

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**Membership:** 400

**Pastor:** David Weber

**Age:** 56

**Born:** Hampton, Iowa

**Formation:** University of Laverne, Laverne; Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

**Years Ordained:** 9 years

**San Diego Reader:** What is your favorite subject on which to preach?

**Pastor David Weber:** The full counsel of God is such that there can't be one thing. God is so all-inclusive that to ignore one part is to miss out on another part. But if I had one thing, I would love to preach about grace. Who doesn't

want to hear about God's love in Christ? But unless you teach on how the law shows our need for a savior, how can we appreciate the grace? **SDR:** What do you enjoy preaching most about, then?

**PW:** Probably the parables, and specifically all of Luke Chapter 15. It's the party chapter in the Bible. It's about the three things that are lost, three things that are found, and the three parties that are thrown to celebrate that. Probably the most notable of those is the parable of the Prodigal Son....

I love how this chapter shows that everyone is important to God, not just those inside the group.

**SDR:** What is your main

concern as a member of the clergy?

**PW:** I saw a bumper sticker awhile back that said, "God, save me from your followers." It really irritated me at first and then I started thinking about it and I thought, *That's right!* You see so much hate, finger-wagging, and being in people's faces; I don't think that's how Jesus would be. I think it was theologian Karl Barth who said, "One of the leading causes of atheism today is Christians."

**SDR:** Why did you become a minister?

**PW:** I've always wanted to be a pastor. My grandfather was a pastor in Iowa, and he was awesome. I felt a kinship to God, in his creation as a little

boy, and as I became more cognizant of his word, I made a closer walk with Christ.

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

**PW:** Specifically, our mission is to be a beacon of light to our community and spread the gospel of God's love to a world that is in darkness.

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

**PW:** As Lutherans, we believe that we have eternal life in three modes. First, when we come to faith and believe that God puts faith in us at baptism, and then when we profess it later.... The second mode will be when we die before Christ returns, which we call heaven.... But ultimately, in the third mode,



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it is when Christ returns and restores all things.

**SDR:** Are there any possibilities beside heaven?

**PW:** The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod definitely talks about hell. If people refuse to believe in Christ, that is the place that people

go. But when I look at scripture more closely, Gehenna was a place that God referred to when he was on Earth, which was a junkyard that was always on fire.... We say in our Missouri Synod doctrine that hell is eternal, but I'm not entirely sure it's scriptural. We believe that the Holy Spirit can operate in the freedom of however he chooses. The parable of the harvester makes it pretty clear that we are not the ones who choose who's in heaven or in hell. God is. So I'm not on the hook for that, thankfully.

— Joseph O'Brien

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Thursday, November 3, 12pm; \$14-\$17. Seacrest Village Retirement Communities, 211 Saxony Road. (ENCINITAS)

**Gilad Sharon** The son of Ariel Sharon kicks off San Diego Jewish Book Fair when he shares from his book, *Sharon: The Life of a Leader*. 858-362-1348. Saturday, November 5, 7:30pm; \$14-\$17. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

### Lesbian Werewolf Reading!

Author Allison Moon reads from, signs *Lunatic Fringe*, "her debut lesbian werewolf novel." 858-268-4747. Thursday, November 3, 7pm; **free**. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Bl., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

**Meet a Top Brewer** Peter Zien signs copies of new book, *San Diego's Top Brewers: Inside America's Craft Beer Capital*. 619-276-

8411. Sunday, November 6, 2pm; **free**. 21 and up. AleSmith Brewing Company, 9368 Cabot Drive. (MIRAMAR)

**Sports Talk** Douglas Stark (*The SPHAS: The Life and Times of Basketball's Greatest Jewish Team*) and Aaron Pribble (*Pitching in the Promised Land*) appear at San Diego Jewish Book Fair. 858-362-1348. Sunday, November 6, 5:30pm; \$6-\$8. Lawrence Family Jewish

Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

## COMEDY

### "Non-Stop Laughs" Promised!

Comedian Michael Ziegfeld and friends entertain. 858-573-9067. Friday, November 4, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, November 5,

7pm and 9pm; Comedy Palace, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

### Comedy Night at Doc's Saloon

Stand-up comedy by headliner Jason Lawhead, Dangerous Dick, Mark Gonzalez, host Aaron Hughes. Reservations: 760-929-1396. Friday, November 4, 8:30pm; \$10. 18 and up. Joey's Smokin' B-B-Q, 6955 El Camino Real. (CARLSBAD)

### Weekend Laugh Jam Headliner

Danny Villalpando joined by Gina Manning, Kathy Finney, Al Gavi for LEC Productions comedy show. Adult language, content. Donation: \$5. No drink or food minimums. 714-388-8552. Saturday, November 5, 8pm; 21 and up. Kelly's Public House, 15817 Bernardo Center Drive. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

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### CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Anniversary Celebration

Christian Fellowship Congregational Church of San Diego, United Church of Christ, located at 1601 Kelton Road, is having a birthday party and everyone is invited. Christian Fellowship's 125th Anniversary Celebration will be held November 4-6, 2011, with a weekend of activities including the following: Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall) November 4, 7:00 am. Memorial Service (Sanctuary and Memorial Garden) November 5, 5:00 pm. Anniversary Gala, San Diego Mission Valley Marriott, November 6, 3:00 pm. Anniversary Worship Service (Sanctuary). EMERALD HILLS 1601 Kelton Road

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### Core of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict



Abdel-Nour, Palestinian intellectual, professor of political science at San Diego State University, and director of the Center for Islamic and Arabic Studies, will give the Palestinian viewpoint. Friday, November 11, 7:00 pm. KEARNY MESA 4858 Ronson Court (858) 268-3674

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## DANCE

**"Russian Masters"** City Ballet of San Diego opens season with program including "The Firebird," Shostakovich, Balanchine's "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux," and Tchaikovsky's "Rococo Variations" with City Ballet Orchestra. 858-272-8663. Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, 8pm; Sunday, November 6, 2pm; \$29-\$59. Spreckels Theatre, 121 Broadway. (DOWNTOWN)

**Ascension** Dance. Friday, November 4, 9pm; \$12. Humphreys Backstage Music Club, 2241 Shelter Island Drive. (POINT LOMA)

**Autumn Cabaret Night 2011** CultureShock Dance Center presents performances by the youth, teen, adult classes. Guest performers: 220, Urban FX, Majesty in Motion, Leigh Scarritt Productions, Matthew Tay-Tai Chi,

many more. 619-299-2110. Saturday, November 5, 7pm; \$15-\$20. Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Dance Studio Hour** Students in MiraCosta College's dance classes perform in variety of styles including ballet, jazz, modern, tap, ballroom, commercial, Latin, world dance forms, in room 204. 760-757-2121 x6302. Thursday, November 3, 7:30pm; **free**. MiraCosta College San Elijo Campus, 3333 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

## FOOD & DRINK

**"A Night Under the Stars"** Chefs and brewers paired by random drawing for Mission Valley Craft Beer and Food Festival for San Diego Beer Week. Five local breweries and six local chefs present their creations in garden. Music by Jesse LaMonaca and the Dime Novels. Tickets include "unlimited food and beer tastings." Benefit for Wounded Warrior Homes. Friday, November 4, 6pm; \$30. 21 and up. Handlery Hotel and Resort, 950 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

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**Clairemont UnCorked** Greater Clairemont Chamber of Com-

merce presents wine-tasting event with participation by San Pasqual Winery, Hacienda de las Rosas, Rock Canyon Vineyards, La Serenissima Vineyards and Winery, Gloriosa Vineyards, Fallbrook Winery. Non-alcoholic and sparkling wines offered. Tickets include commemorative glass, five pours from wineries (extra pours: \$3 each), hors d'oeuvres, desserts. 858-270-6155. Friday, November 4, 5pm; \$20-\$25. 21 and up. Butcher Shop Steakhouse, 5255 Kearny Villa Road. (KEARNY MESA)

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**Make Tamales!** Make chicken and sweet tamales in class. Each student takes home one dozen completed tamales. 858-442-5252. Thursday, November 3, 6:30pm; \$45. Charlie's Classic Cooking, 1291 Simpson Way, Suite H. (ESCONDIDO)

**The Wedge** "Celebration of California's great cheeses, wines, and brews" showcases "all-things-cheese for the holidays" at Grand Avenue and Broadway. Cheesemaking, artisanal cheese pairing with regional wines or microbrews,

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## FOR KIDS

**"Fall Family FUN-Raiser"** Enjoy hay bale castle, carnival games, balloon car races, inflated jumper, live music by Zyzmzy Quartet. Dinner from Ray's Bad to the Bone BBQ. Reservations: 760-233-7755 x1004. Sunday, November 6, 3pm; \$15-\$35. San Diego Children's Discovery Museum, 380 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

**Annie!** San Diego Junior Theatre presents musical tale of the "spunky Depression-era orphan determined to find her parents" after being left on the doorstep of a New York City orphanage. ASL-interpreted performance: November 12. 619-239-8355. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays and Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, November 13, \$8-\$14. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

**Fall Back Festival** Enjoy an "old-fashioned hay ride and take a tour of the town" during children's historical and cultural street fair. Historical demonstrators, live cannon firing, interactive activities. Some activities require donation or minimal fee. 619-233-5008 or

619-233-4692. Sunday, November 6, 11am; **free**. William Heath Davis House Museum, 410 Island Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

**San Diego Jewish Book Fair Family Day** Entertainment by puppeteer Mallory Lewis (daughter of Shari Lewis) with Lambchop; music by On the Town; kid zone; "Bal Yoga for Kids" with Myrna Cohen, Sylvia Roth, Glenda Kacey; Book Nook. Author appearances by Rabbi Joe Black (*Afrikomen Mambo* and *Boker Tov*), Ellen Bari (*Jumping Jenny*), Amy Meltzer (*The Shabbat Princess*). Family concert by Rabbi Joe Black at 2pm (\$3-\$5). 858-362-1348. Sunday, November 6, 11am; **free**. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

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**Poetry and Translation Reading** "Celebrated poets and translators" Martin Woodside and Deniz Perin read from new works. Thursday, November 3, 7pm; **free**. Ink Spot, 710 13th Street. (DOWNTOWN)

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**Chargers Football** San Diego Chargers host Green Bay Pack-

ers during football game broadcast on Fox. 877-CHARGERS. Sunday, November 6, 1:15pm; \$61-\$107. Qualcomm Stadium, 9449 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Out and About Biking** Bring money for "a strange lunch in a strange place" when San Diego Bicycle Touring Society bicyclists head out for 50-mile ride to Miramar area. 619-255-5360. Saturday, November 5, 8:45am; De Anza Cove, 3000 East Mission Bay Drive. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Reach the Peak** Outdoor Outreach hosts trail run/walk in Black Mountain Open Space Park. Select from a trail race, endurance race, adventure race, king or queen of the hill, and "just for fun" routes. Participants may compete solo or in teams. Festival follows at Hilltop Park with full lunch, live music, more. 619-238-5790. Saturday, November 5, 8am; **free**-\$100. Hilltop Park, 9711 Oviedo Street. (MIRA MESA)

**Roller Derby in Del Mar** San Diego Derby Dolls Swarm take on Los Angeles Derby Dolls Fight Crew on banked track. 619-752-4973. Saturday, November 5, 6pm; **free**-\$20. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

**Walk for Kids** San Diego Center for Children hosts annual 5k walk starting in grassy area at south end of Crown Point Drive parking area. Dogs welcome. Donations encouraged. 858-569-2112. Saturday, November 5, 7am; **free**. Mission Bay Park, Vacation Isle, off Ingraham Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

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# Maestro's Changeup

*It is encouraging that there were audience members unfamiliar with applause patterns at the symphony.*

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## SYMPHONY PLAYS CONCERT IN REVERSE

Local choral impresario Krishan Oberoi invited me to the symphony on Saturday night, October 15. I accepted.

The concert started off heavy and maneuvered to increasingly buoyant pieces of music.

Richard Strauss composed *Metamorphasen: A Study for 23 Solo Strings*, in the aftermath of the Allied bombings in World War II. It is in many ways a lament for the destruction of the symbols of German culture.

This music exudes pathos, and Strauss makes his intentions clear near the conclusion. In the score he writes the words "In Memoriam" and then musically quotes a passage from the funeral march of Beethoven's third symphony *The Eroica*.

The strings of the San Diego Symphony achieved a level of sophisticated music-making. The interpretation of conductor Pinchas Zukerman trended toward the brisk.

In a live performance, sustaining a piece of music like *Metamorphasen* is a dangerous game, and a brisk tempo can keep the music in pathos instead of decaying to ponderous.

It is impossible to make this music sound trite, even with the quickest of tempos, and I've heard performances where the conductor has indulged in a slow tempo, and the results were rarely fruitful and at times dreadful.

The Schumann *Cello Concerto* was okay. Maestro Zukerman's wife, Amanda Forsyth, was the cello soloist. When she walked onstage, her

appearance — platinum-blond hair contrasting with blazing red dress — sent a tremor through the audience.

Her playing was middle-of-the-road. Some of her solo passages bordered on murkiness, some on brilliance.

The second half of the concert seemed to be a different night. After the heavy-hearted *Metamorphasen* and the average Schumann, Bach picked us up and dusted us off.

Zukerman played and conducted Bach's *Violin Concerto in E Major*. We witnessed what might be called "home base" for the maestro. Pinchas Zukerman has been a world-class violinist for nigh unto 40 years. Need I say more?

The concert closed with Mozart's *Symphony No. 35: Haffner*. Zukerman conducted without a score, and the orchestra pounced on this gem of a symphony. The final *Presto* section of the symphony was dashed off at breakneck speed and dispensed a satisfying conclusion to the evening.

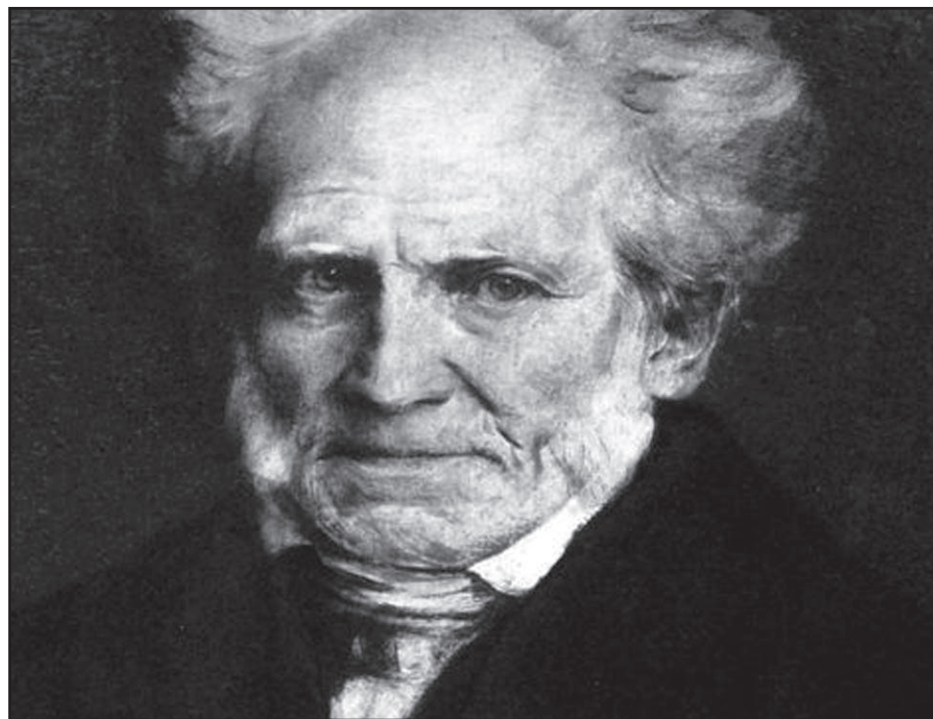
The program notes mentioned that this music was selected by Mozart to open an "academy of his own music." I found it interesting that this piece was selected to close the concert.

I liked the change in programming. The tradition is to move from lighter music to heavier, and this program could have been reversed to be Bach, Mozart, Schumann, and Strauss, which would have also taken us chronologically through these Germanic composers. The change-up created a different experience.

There appeared to be a collection of symphony newbies in the audience. I say this because during the Bach, a faction in the audience applauded after the first movement.

I leaned over to Krishan and asked, "What's going on?" He didn't know. Venerable audience

## IMMORTAL BEAUTY GARRETT HARRIS



Schopenhauer's philosophizing gives us a unique perspective on music.

members among us shook their heads in resignation as a smaller group applauded after the second movement as well.

All in all, it is encouraging that there were audience members who were unfamiliar with the applause patterns at the symphony. It means there were new ears in the audience. It means the symphony, at least for that night, had attracted a new group of patrons.

Well done.

## BRING A SHOVEL: SCHOPENHAUER

You may need a shovel for this one because it could get deep.

"Music is thus by no means like the other arts, the copy of the Ideas, but the copy of the will itself, whose objectivity these Ideas are. This is why the effect of music is much more powerful and penetrating than that of the other arts, for they speak only of shadows, but it speaks of the thing itself." — Schopenhauer

While Schopenhauer failed to provide evidence of objective truth, his philosophizing gives us a unique perspective on music.

"Music does not express this or that particular and definite joy, this or that sorrow, or pain, or horror, or delight, or merriment, or peace of mind; but joy, sorrow, pain, horror, delight, merriment, peace of mind themselves, to a certain extent in the abstract, their essential nature, without accessories, and therefore without their motives. Yet we completely understand them in this extracted quintessence. Hence it arises that our imagination is so easily excited by music."

What does Beethoven's Fifth Symphony mean? What is the value of the key of E flat? It is impossible to say. But Schopenhauer points out that we "completely understand them [the emotions of music] in this extracted quintessence." ■

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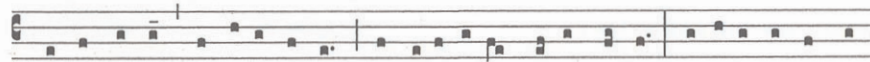
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"Once, I had a secret love/ That lived within the heart of me./ All too soon, my secret love/ Became impatient to be free." So sang Doris Day in the Eisenhower-era film *Calamity Jane*. My own not-so-secret love for Peruvian cuisine dates to a Nixon-era road trip from California to Tierra del Fuego on the Pan Am "Highway" (bwaah-ha-ha!, with its 1000-plus miles of slippery cliff-edge Andean mud and gravel). The two cuisines that won my top Pan American Idol honors were Mexican and Peruvian, the two most complex, nuanced, and, yes, spicy, of the cuisines I tasted along the route.

Café Secret doesn't look Peruvian. "It's like a British cottage in the Cotswolds," said my pal Fred, "someplace where Miss Marple might live." But on closer approach it's much larger, inside and out — in fact, it's got a four-room B&B attached to it. On one of those record-heat Indian summer days, the large, well-lighted front patio was the prime seating area (the cozy interior is better suited to winter).

Fred's coworker Flor had already arrived and claimed us a spacious four-top. A lovely *chilanga* (from Mexico City), she'd never tasted Peruvian cuisine before, and neither had Fred. We began with a cooling round of *chicha morada*, a non-alcoholic cider made from purple corn, fruits, and cinnamon. Sad to say, Secret's version was a thin, fruity juice, short on cinnamon. (Both Latin Chef in PB and Q'ero in Encinitas make more full-flavored renditions.) The wine list was in the throes of revision, so the waiter simply recited available choices, which included a sturdy, affordable screw-top Argentine Torrontes. We had a rather long wait for it. Service proved charming but leisurely, a little disorganized.

As we waited, we nibbled *canchitos*, salted corn kernels roasted until firm and nutty. When our appetizers arrived, I realized I'd way over-ordered, expecting that starters would be small plates, not laden platters. A popular dish from



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Though short on spice and authenticity, Café Secret's a charming, comfortable environment to discover Peruvian cuisine.

Huancayo (a small Andean city south of Cuzco at 11,000 feet), Papitas con Yuca a la Huancaína consists of crisp-fried yucca root strips and burly slabs of roast potato (you call those *papitas* — "little potatoes?" Ahem!). They're robbed in a smooth, creamy, slightly tangy and surprisingly light white cheese sauce made with Mexican *queso fresco* — a better choice than the too-dry, too-tangy feta cheese that some stateside restaurants substitute for the unavailable llama cheese. The little *pica* of hot pepper was welcome, as was the crunchy texture of the yucca amending the more typical all-potato version. Quibble: the dish shouldn't be white, as here, but golden, a color much valued in Inca cuisine, from a yellow leaf called *palillo*, or yellow chilies (*ají amarillo*) — or

even a pinch of turmeric.

We returned to sea level with the Ceviche Mixto, a lime-spiked mixture of blanched shellfish and sea bass, plus citrus-pickled onions with a pleasant nip of hot pepper and soothing baked sweet-potato slices. The array includes a huge, tentacled prawn in the shell, a scallop and a mussel on their

shells, plus firm shrimp and rather chewy calamari rings. The big prawn looks like an undersea monster threatening Captain Jack Sparrow. Treat it like a crawfish: break it at the waist, cut open the center-line, and gobble the tail-meat. Arrgh!

The waiter delivered our dish of Causa with apparent pride. It's small but intense: pressed potatoes layered with crab meat, Peruvian pepper aioli, and avocado slices, with a couple of

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**PICK HITS:** Ceviche; Papitas con Yuca a la Huancaína; Causa; Pescado a lo Macho; Chupe de Camarones (special); Alfajores (cookies). Lunch menu includes several empanadas.

**NEED TO KNOW:** Large portions, with most appetizers and entrées enough to feed two or even three. Check chalkboard for specials. Spacious front patio with heaters is most comfortable seating, weather permitting. (Interior rather too "cozy," with many tables in a small space.) Breakfast room upstairs. Leisurely service. Three substantial lacto-vegetarian dishes.

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\$20), and even more gargantuan. There are only four choices on the printed menu, but a chalkboard lists the day's specials, and attention must be paid. That's where we found the splendid Chupe (seafood chowder), clunking with denizens of the deep (the same gang as in the ceviche), and packing a little heat, too. It soothes and inflames simultaneously — coastal cooking worthy of a good restaurant in Lima. If you love Mexican soups, it's something like Vuelve a la Vida but with a thicker broth. Unfortunately, it made our fine Pescado a lo Macho (sautéed snapper with scallops, mussels, shrimp, and squid in a creamy pepper sauce) rather redundant.

I found our third entrée problematic. While I'll do anything for a good Causa, I'd go anywhere to find a great Aji de Gallina (hen with peppers) like the one I ate in Cuzco: tender chicken in a thick, golden, incendiary sauce of garlic, onions, breadcrumbs, milk, chicken stock, ground walnuts, Parmesan cheese,

and hot peppers, all served over potatoes, hard-cooked egg, a few Kalamata-style olives, with a side of rice. (While "aji" is a generic word for all manner of chili peppers in South America, hot or mild, "Ah-hee!" is how the word should be pronounced for the Cuzqueño renditions.) While working on my first cookbook, *Totally Hot*, I gathered a half-dozen recipes for the dish, including a handwritten version from a friend's *abuela* in Cuzco. They were all pretty similar, so I went mainly with grannie's version.

But Peruvian restaurants in San Diego don't seem to follow this recipe tradition. It's one thing to cool it out a little for the gringos, but remember Clara ("Where's the beef?") Peller? Well, where's the *aji*? The dish is way too mild and creamy at Q'ero, still too mild at Latin Chef, and too mild and dry at Café Secret. Fred and Flor, *aji*-virgins with no expectations, both liked it quite a lot. This rendition is a heap of none-too-tender chicken breast strips with a tart flavor, minimal sauce, and no

real heat, with whole walnuts rather than ground ones, all flung over the requisite tater-and-egg accompaniments with a single cured olive on top. There isn't even any hot sauce at the tables to amend it. (Maybe they make one, but it wasn't offered, and if they have bottled Mexican hot sauces, you don't want them anyway for Peruvian dishes — Peru's fiery *rocoto* chili is a remote cousin to Mexico's chilies, with a different flavor.)

Alternative entrée choices include poached snapper with white wine sauce and quinoa pilaf, and a popular dish drawn from Lima's long-standing Chinese community, *lomo saltado*, stir-fried beef strips with soy-based sauce, here with yucca fries rather than the more traditional french fries. Spinach-and-cheese ravioli with pesto provides a vegetarian option — yes, urbane Lima abounds in Italian restaurants.

For dessert, we were tempted by *tres leches* cake and by key lime meringue pie, but we finally chose the divine *alfajore*, a large, light, and crumbly cookie stuffed with *dulce de leche*. The espresso is from Illy, so who could ask for more?

I could, of course — more spice, more authenticity. Still, this is a charming, comfortable environment to discover Peruvian cuisine for yourself. I prefer the cooking at the tiny Latin Kitchen in Pacific Beach, where the owner is a stickler for authenticity and goes to great lengths to buy Peruvian spices and peppers. But if you're looking for creature comforts in which to casually explore an exciting new cuisine, Café Secret is no secret anymore. ■



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Her voice rings out loud, clear, and beautiful. She’s singing along with the Beatles tune on the sound system, “And I Love Her,” looking at the tiny baby in her arms, and when it comes to the last line, she makes it “...and I love you.”

This is happening in a little restaurant in Uptown. There’s only me, a couple of others at the back, the chef, the server. Still, this gal is fearless, sitting in the window seat. Then her guy comes in. She hands him the baby.

“Six weeks,” she says when I ask how old the kid is.

The place we’re in is called Savory Deli & Market. Easy to miss.

I almost did. I was sauntering down Park Boulevard, passing under the University Heights sign at about 8:00. Love this part of town at night. It glows. I resisted the temptation of places like El Zape, Soltán Banoo, and was almost to Adams when I saw a sign in a window: “Gazpacho.”

Gazpacho! My dad loved that. He used to make it for us when he felt the world wasn’t such a bad place, after all. It’s one of those hot-weather Spanish soups, served cold. Then I see the sign that says, “Specializing in the regional foods of Spain, France, Italy.” And another sign: “Paella Saturday.” I’ve never cottoned to paella, big jambalaya mess of mostly rice, but it has its fanatics. I want to be cool and love it and its saffron whatever...maybe some Saturday. Meanwhile: gazpacho!

I walk into this half-deli, half-eatery. The eating side’s modest. Cream paint, black tables, black chairs. Red back wall. But then they’ve spiced it up with full-size flags. French, Italian,

Sicilian (red and yellow, with three running legs sprouting out from the Medusa head at the center), Corsican. The flags drape the walls and ceilings. They give it a weirdly good vibe.



But Mike the server-owner says no more gazpacho today — they’re out. I check the rest of the menu. Sandwiches and soups and salads. “But our bread is different,” says Mike. “*Piadina*.

From Romagna, Italy. It goes back to the 1300s. We learned how to make it when we were over there.”

It turns out Mike and the chef, co-owner Julius, spent most of the past decade in Italy, France, and Spain, studying how folks cooked. “We were reverse explorers,” Mike says.

They have five *piadina* sandwiches, all in the \$7 range. The prosciutto has mozzarella, tomatoes, and basil (\$7.50). The alioli is like the prosciutto, but with a garlic-mayo spread (\$7.65). There’s a bunch of vegetarian *piadina*; the roasted veggie (\$7.20) is zucchini, yellow squash, red bell peppers, goat cheese, and tapenade (chopped olives, capers, anchovies with olive oil). That sounds pretty tasty. Oh, and there’s a manchego/quince (\$7.50), with melted manchego sheep’s milk cheese (Manchego means from La Mancha, like Don Quixote)

and quince paste. I remember eating quince as a kid. Tasted — and looked — like a strange yellow apple-pear. So that sounds interesting, too.

Then Mike throws me a curve. “Are you really hungry? Because we have pastas, and...let me check.” He heads off to where Julius is slaving away in the kitchen.

While he’s gone, I check out the pastas. One really grabs me: pasta *lunghe* (long pasta) with mussels in a garlic-wine sauce (small \$5.40, large \$10.80). Oh, man. Gotta have that.

“Yes!” says Mike when he gets back. “Julius made a beef bourguignon today. And he still has some...”

Decisions, decisions. Just so happens I l-o-v-e beef bourguignon, despite disappointments, like the watery stews you so often get. In the end, I go for both, the small pasta *lunghe* and the plate of beef bourguignon (even though it’s \$12), plus a small coffee (\$1.45, with refills). Farewell, Jackson.

They are definitely both worth it. The dish of spaghetti with four mussels, lots of garlic, an awesome wine sauce, and chunks of French bread to sop it all up — it’s heaven. I’m bread-wiping my bowl clean and dry when Mike arrives with the beef stew (that’s what it is, except the beef’s been soaked in wine and herbs, which make it as far from Irish stew as, oh, Mars is from Earth). Mike says they marinate it in burgundy for a morning and slow-cook all day. The meat is fall-away tender, winey, garlicky, with pearl onions, ’shrooms, and pancetta — a kind of Italian bacon — to sex it up.

I say to Mike, “All we need is a glass of red plonk.”

“We’re expecting our wine-and-beer license any day,” he says. “But you’re always welcome to bring in your own.”

That’s when Roger, Eliza, and their six-week-old baby, Raiden, come in. They order gnocchi (potato dumplings, small \$4.99, large \$7.99) and the *piadina* alioli. They tell me they love them both.

Roger’s an artist. Eliza’s a singer and actress, an expert in accents. She’s from L.A., and she’s voiced “most of the chick voices” on South Park. “And I’m Rebecca in [the game] *Assassin’s Creed II*.”



Flags drape the walls and ceilings. They give it a weirdly good vibe.



Just so happens I l-o-v-e beef bourguignon.

So this is the point when Roger takes off (to check parking? take a phone call?) and Eliza starts singing to baby Raiden, along with McCartney on the sound system. The few of us in here stop eating and listen.

“Bright are the stars that shine  
Dark is the sky  
I know this love of mine  
Will never die...”

I ask Eliza about her singing, ‘cause, man, that’s quite a voice. “I might be getting together with Shawn Rohlf. You know, 7th Day Buskers?”

Uh, wracking my brain. I should know who this is...

Julius is stacking chairs when Eliza, Roger, Raiden, me, and the two other stragglers finally get out of here.

It’s that kind of place. ■

**The Place:** Savory Deli & Market, 4661 Park Boulevard (near Adams), University Heights, 619-683-3772  
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## A SAMPLING: THIS WEEK'S RESTAURANT BLOGS

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### I'm Not As Think As You Drunk I Am!

Since the San Diego Reader's annual food issue hit the streets, I've received queries asking about my list of great local craft-beer spots.

Mostly they're from folks in the know, wondering how somewhat surprising venues got selected over some of their favorite places.

Their concerns are valid. A list missing spots such as Blind Lady Ale House, Urge Gastropub, and Stone Brewing World Bistro & Gardens is one I, as a San Diego beer geek, would have serious questions about were I to come across it as a

reader. So, I'd like to explain what wasn't explained in this year's edition.

When we, the writers who contributed our picks, were given this assignment, we were provided nine distinct regions (e.g. The Mesas, Mid-City, etc.). Each region was comprised of several neighborhoods, with the North County region taking up the most acreage and including everything north of Kearny Mesa on the inland side and Solana Beach on the coast.

That's a lot of real estate in an area that boasts a number of quality craft-beer establishments. Among those are Stone, Pizza Port Carlsbad, Urge Gastropub, Encinitas Ale House, and a slew of others who can now pile on over being left out not once, but twice.

In the end, I went with Churchill's Pub, a deserving spot that's been doing right by the craft-brewing industry for a long time. I don't apologize for that selection, but I feel it's important that people who care about the subject of craft beer understand that many of those who had to be left out based strictly on geography actually

rank higher in the county suds scene than some who made the final list.

The most challenging region encompassed North Park, South Park, Golden Hill, Normal Heights, and University Heights. Choosing between Blind Lady Ale House, Tornado, Small Bar, Eleven, and eventual winner, Hamilton's Tavern, was very *Sophie's Choice*.

They all have a ton going for them and can beat the tap handles off some of the winners, but that doesn't take away from the fact that the places on our list this year all won the crown based on the regions we were assigned. They deserve a tip of the stein, but I'd be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the incredible also-rans who missed out based on a technicality.

Posted Oct. 25, 10:06 a.m.  
by Brandon Hernández

### El Cajon: Get Stuffed!

Sunrise. Chris Barre. Sitting on top of El Capitan. Lotus position. Could see forever. Noticed how the rising sun appeared

stuffed between two layers of cloud.

"That's it," he said to himself. "Stuffed." He stood up. Yelled across the valley below. "Stuffed!"



Steffani brings my Jalapeño stuffed burger.

Or something like that. Chris is the executive chef of the brand-new, week-old El Cajon Brewing Company microbrew pub-eatery (110 N. Magnolia, between Main Street and Douglas Avenue, 619-873-0221).

I popped in late, around 10:30 p.m. He's sitting here at the bar, nursing an end-of-shift glass of Merlot.

I've just ordered a Belgian Pale Ale (\$3.50), made right here in those shiny vats behind the counter, and a jalapeño stuffed burger (\$8.95) with cream cheese, jalapeños, and bacon stuffed in the actual meat patty.

This is Chris's great invention. Maybe not on El Capitan. Maybe he was making the bed and accidentally left a pillow between the sheets. Whatever. It could change burgerdom across the planet. Or at least here.

"I suggested to Steve [Meadows, the guy who opened this place last week with his brewer brother Dave]: 'How's about a stuffed hamburger — a burger loaded with a stuffed meat patty?'"

Chris's initial idea: the one stuffed with cream cheese, jalapeños, and bacon.

"Then Steve came up with the Greek (feta cheese, olives, and purple onions), and then we did an Italian, with mozzarella, pepperoni, and sausage. People have gone crazy over them."

Steve Meadows runs the place. His brother Dave makes the beer.

It must have worked. Chris says the first week has been huge. "We have 324 seats. People have come and filled them all. No soft opening. Too busy, too soon; but I'm not complaining. The staff held up incredibly."

My burger arrives just as I see I coulda had the Ultimate (\$9.95), where they dip your burger in beer batter and deep fry the whole dang thing.

Still, this is scrumptious. The patty kind of bursts with hot cheese in your mouth. And, boy, does it go with the Belgian ale, which, actually, tastes a little wine-ish, now that I think about it.

Next time I'll have to try the Italian. Maybe pair it with the the El Cajones IPA. I'll need the burger: the El Cajones is 7.5 percent.

But you look around and you can see: El Cajonians are just a little prouder, now that they have beers they can call their own.

Posted Oct. 25, 10:00 a.m.  
by Ed Bedford

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small family farmers through its annual "Boorito" Halloween fundraiser.

Customers visiting any Chipotle restaurant on Monday, October 31, from 6 p.m. to closing — dressed in a costume inspired by the family farm (hey, try an old plaid shirt and straw hat) — will be treated to a burrito, tacos, salad, or burrito bowl for only \$2, and Chipotle will donate proceeds (up to \$1 million) to Farm Aid and the Chipotle Cultivate Foundation.

I know (from many past email squabbles) that many readers lump Chipotle in with the other fast-food outlets, but I've always been pretty pleased that founder Steve Ells never gave up his ideals, even when he sold the company to Mickey D's — he did so with lots of stipulations in the contract to preserve his idealistic thrust.

And so it still goes, with Niman beef and pork and a "we do it your way" menu that allows you to eat healthy. If you want to.

Boorito 2011 also features an online costume contest. To participate, customers dressed in a costume inspired by the family farm — such as humanely raised animals, family farmers, or locally grown veggies — must take a photo of themselves visiting a Chipotle restaurant on Halloween and upload it online at [chipotle.com/boorito](http://chipotle.com/boorito) or by texting "COSTUME" to 888222. One grand prize winner will receive \$2500, and five runners up will receive \$1000 each. Twenty honorable mention winners will receive a burrito party for ten guests.

Posted Oct. 24, 11:57 p.m.

by Naomi Wise

### Your In-Home Wine Pub

Yeah, we all love hanging out at wine bars, sampling the quaffs, tasting the tapas. But with winter rains coming soon, we may want to hang out by the fireplace for our sipping.

A new website, [tastingroom.com](http://tastingroom.com), offers over 50 sets of six sampler bottles of wine to check out — and then order the ones you like, if you like.

The samplers have been selected by Mario Batali in New York and Michael Chiarello in Napa. Most choices are Califor-

nian, but they range through the rest of the wine world, too. There's also a wine club with cheaper shipping if you want to join it, but you don't have to.

Samplers are \$24 to \$35 for six 50-ml. bottles; 750 ml. are \$11 to (oops) \$110. Club membership is free at [tastingroom.com](http://tastingroom.com).

Posted Oct. 24, 8:47 p.m.

by Naomi Wise

### Ready-to-Roll Fish Papillote Bags

Oh, boy, I've needed this! Last time I bought a hunk of Copper River salmon, I wanted to gently bake it *en papillote* with a topping of fresh morels and cream (we're talking major ingredients investment here).

So I pulled out a roll of parchment paper and — well, klutz that I am, after 10 or 15 minutes, I gave up with all the crimping and shaping of the paper. I figured the fish would spoil before I ever got it right, so I switched to buttered tinfoil. Which worked fine, but I still wonder if I did wrong to my precious fish.

Help is at hand. PaperChef (a Canadian company) has created parchment cooking bags for fish or veggies. A generous opening makes it easy to slide in the ingredients, and you can bake at up to 425 degrees or use the nuker. Ten bags for \$3.99 at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).

Posted Oct. 24, 8:36 p.m.

by Naomi Wise

### Actually Healthy Nuked Popcorn

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anyone?)

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Quinn Popcorn ([quinnpopcorn.com](http://quinnpopcorn.com)) comes in lemon and sea salt flavor, Parmesan and rosemary, and Vermont maple and sea salt. Two batches to each box. It's available on [amazon.com](http://amazon.com), three boxes, mixed or all one flavor, for \$14.79.

You think that's expensive for serious, healthy popcorn? Been to the movies lately?

Posted Oct. 24, 8:23 p.m.  
by Naomi Wise

## Yet More Musical Chefs: Delicias

You've read already about Amy

DiBiase taking over the kitchen at the Shores. I think it's great — I think she'll work beautifully with manager/sommelier Lisa Redwine in a woman-run team. High time that more women were in power positions in restaurants.

And you've probably read Brandon's post about Jason Maitland's replacement by Brian Redzikowski at Flavors Del Mar.

Now, here's something of a shocker. Chef Paul McCabe (whom many consider one of the best in SD) — after seven years at Kitchen 1540 at L'Auberge Del Mar — is moving to Delicias in Rancho Santa Fe in mid-November, even as Delicias itself undergoes major changes.

Delicias was known for its beautiful edible garden (even back when growing on-site was a rarity, before the recent rise of the rabid locavore). Originally, Wolfgang Puck was involved in it in some way, possibly as an investor. Recently, the restaurant's latest chef, Michael Knowles, was hired after stints at two of Puck's Las

Vegas outposts.

But the customer base had evidently dropped considerably over the past ten years. Maybe the food had lost a certain spark. So I've heard from former regulars, who used to travel all the way from the East Bay to shop at Chino Farms first thing Saturday morning and then lunch at Delicias.

Maybe the place lost its Puckish *eclat*. Let's face it, the more famous, celeb-catching Milles Fleurs gobbles up most of the diners who'll travel to this rather remote location for what the trade calls "fine food." And there probably aren't enough locals living in RSF to keep any fine restaurant alive all by themselves.

Delicias won *Wine Spectator's* Best Award of Excellence for 2011 with its huge inventory of bottlings, but apparently its food needed work to equal its bevs.

So it's presto change-o time. Manager Alex Campbell wants to change the menu to make it more "approachable...more upscale casual." (Does that mean lower prices?) No more

tablecloths, and with a greater emphasis on modern American cuisine. The restaurant will shut down in January for physical renovations and then the owners hope to open four more branches of Delicias.

As for McCabe, he was creatively ready to open his own restaurant, but logistically that's difficult, with the need to find investors, get licenses, etc. Here, McCabe can just step right into a more intimate venue than the huge 1540.

At least until the owners start building the four branches.

Posted Oct. 24, 8:04 p.m.  
by Naomi Wise

## Sushi Going Beyond Sapporo and Kirin in Coronado

I am a fan of sushi, but I eat less of it than I'd like. I've often pondered why that is and have developed a theory. All too often, it's offered without quality beer to wash it down. I consider this a missed opportunity, since this style of cuisine has a lot going for it as far

as food and beer pairability is concerned.

I can think of no better palate-cleansing option for sinus-clearing wasabi than a swig of a citric IPA (make it a West Coast double). And lighter styles such as pilsner, wheat beers, bocks, and saisons match the clean, poignant flavors of raw, fresh seafood and items such as *uni* and fish roe.

If you've never tried craft beer with sushi, a great opportunity is coming up via a beer-pairing dinner at Saiko Sushi. A new addition to the Coronado restaurant scene, Saiko has been open just over a month but is generating a buzz and business from islanders behind a chef who was offered the head sushi chef job at Harney Sushi. Instead he proceeded with a venture all his own, where he could bring his distinct fusionistic style to diners without compromise.

The dinner, October 25 at 7 p.m., will include six courses paired with beer from Saiko's Orange Avenue neighbors, Coronado Brewing Company. Among the pairings on the

menu is a new-style Hamachi sashimi with a reduction of blood orange (served with Orange Avenue Wit), a salmon roll with Szechuan albacore tartare and chipotle-pomegranate purée (Mermaid Red), and a dessert of chocolate chamamushi (steamed custard) with a sweet beer sabayon and Chinese five-spice whipped cream (Stoopid Stout).

Asian food and American craft beer — there is no better interpretation on the East meets West model.

Saiko Sushi is located at 116 Orange Avenue. Reservations: 619-435-0868.

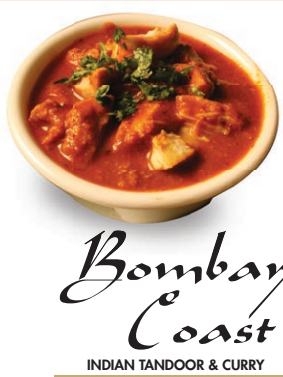
Posted Oct. 24, 10:23 a.m.  
by Brandon Hernández

## Tri-Tip Triumph (Don't Forget the Coffee)

Coffee-rubbed beef?

Sure, if you're Michael Karianian. I'm looking at a menu in his eatery (Sweet & Savory Café, 4614 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-490-9140).

A sandwich place, basically. But what sandwiches.



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The guy's an inventor. A food-combo inventor.

This is what I'm looking at: "The Tri-Tip. Coffee spice rubbed tri-tip [beef] topped with juicy roma tomatoes, mixed greens, smoked gouda cheese, and our roasted-garlic mayo, \$7."



Surfer watercolors by Jesse Miller

For 2-1/2 years Karijanian has been trying out sandwich combos on his customers here. The Tri-Tip has been his triumph.

"I played around with rubbing the tri-tip with spices and coffee. Dry rub instead of marinating," he says. "I thought it was pretty interesting. So we tried it as a special. Then people kept asking for it. Now it's our most popular sandwich."

Karijanian claims he has "hands down, the best tri-tip in San Diego." And the meat certainly looks beautiful. He slices it then heats it then adds it to the rest of the focaccia combo.

For me, it took a little extra sprinkle of salt and pepper to wake it up, but once you did — oh, man, the pink meat, the coffee notes playing deep like a cello, the smoky gouda, the crispy focaccia. This was

a sandwich made in heaven.

He has others, like the Brie, a turkey sandwich with Granny Smith apple slices, brie cheese, and cranberry sauce (\$7). Or the variation, the Thanksgiving. It's also turkey but with veggie stuffing, mixed greens, muenster cheese, and cranberry, \$6.50. Each time, sweet and savory.

"That was a great thing with my grandmother, who taught me so much," says Karijanian. "She was Armenian, and that combination is what it's all about."

Posted Oct. 21, 7:10 a.m.  
by Ed Bedford

## So Much for Blanca Part Two

Blanca, a fine-dining restaurant, settled down in Solana Beach several years ago but never really settled in. The place was sleek, the kind of white-leather wonder where nobody ever really got to feel comfortable, despite the owners' intentions that diners do just that.

But customers weren't the only thing Blanca's ownership had trouble keeping around. Chefs came and went with the greatest frequency of just about any dining establishment in San Diego over the past three years. First there was Wade

Hageman, who produced gorgeous and delicious food before booking it up Highway 101 to Encinitas, where he continues to earn raves for his farm-to-table pie hideaway, Blue Ribbon Artisan Pizzeria.

Next up was a guy I won't mention by name. I'm still steaming from his parting words — "all San Diegans want are fish tacos" — insinuating that our county isn't capable of appreciating gourmet cuisine (which he wasn't producing anyway, so it's sort of a moot point).

Then came Gavin Schmidt, a forager who won over the local media as well as Blanca regulars. Still, Blanca failed to be a draw.

So, the owners closed their doors and began working with Schmidt on plans to relocate to a more centralized part of town where they could attract a more loyal and foodcentric clientele. At least that was the plan. I just received official word that Blanca part two is history. The owners are moving to Texas to lick their wounds and start a new concept. Schmidt will be staying here, which is probably a good thing. It's always sad to lose a good chef, and even in his brief time at Blanca's helm he proved he's got the chops.

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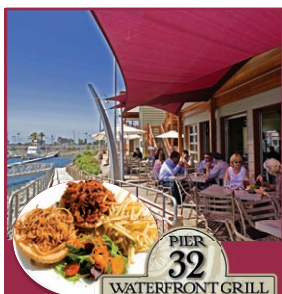
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Posted Oct. 20, 5:14 p.m.  
by Brandon Hernández

## Lamb, Mexican Style?

When I was at Bare Back Grill yesterday, I didn't have the dough to get one of those \$12 hamburgers.

Mosied round the corner onto Emerald, and guess what? Right next door is this new, bright-yellow-and-orange taco joint (La Perla, 745 Emerald Street, Pacific Beach, 858-274-3038), which serves lamb tacos!

What other *taquería* does that? Could be the only one in town.



Art from down Toluco way

"We're from Toluca, in the center of Mexico," says Guillermo Rodríguez. "That's *barbacoa* land. Lamb, *barbacoa* style, is very popular down there."

He and his wife Lourdès started up this place in May. "But we had been working for 18 months getting it ready," he says. "We did everything."

He even invented a new taste combo, the Oaxaca Burrito. "It's stuffed with carne asada, fries, guacamole, salsa fresca, and cheese," he says. "But the twist is we put a double wrap around it and melt Oaxaca cheese between the two tortillas. It's huge!"

It costs \$7.99, and Guillermo says it's *muy* popular among the PB surf crowd.

But, oh yeah, I have to ask about the lamb tacos. "They're \$2.50, *barbacoa* style, of course, and you should put this green tomatillo salsa with it," he says. "Try one."

The man doesn't have to twist my arm. Umm...in the corn tortilla, luscious ain't the

word.

'Course, you've got to have the taste for lamb. But if you do, you could, well, just hang out between here and Bare Back Grill all week long. Never have to go back to beef.

Posted Oct. 20, 4:34 p.m.  
by Ed Bedford

## Chew Lamburger, Cheer Rugby

Listen up, Rugby World Cup fanatics (and we know who we are): Bare Back Grill, the Kiwi organic burgers 'n' beer place in PB (4640 Mission Boulevard, 858-274-7117) will stay open for the final between the New Zealand All Blacks and France through Saturday night, Sunday morning. Game starts at 1 a.m.

Only problem? Lamb-burger lovers (and we know who we are) will have to get their (luscious juicy, blue cheese and mint-doused) lamburger fix (\$12) by midnight. Because that's when the kitchen's closing down.

"And our liquor license stops at one," says the guy behind the bar. "So it'll be chips, salsa, and soda from then on."

But all's not lost, quite. Their downtown eatery/drinkery's license lasts till 2 a.m., so you'll be able to get in a few brewskis there.

Downtown Bare Back Grill's at 624 E Street (between Sixth and Seventh), 619-237-9990.

Posted Oct. 20, 3:27 p.m.  
by Ed Bedford

## O'Hungry's? O'Deal!

"¡Malagueña, salerosa!" Kri-zanto sings his heart out.

I chomp into my \$5 dinner: ribs, carrots, broccoli, blob of mash, bread bun, and butter. I take a slurp of my \$1 beer.

In Old Town? I had to rub my eyes, too. Was leaving the Plaza. Crossed Twiggs. Hit San Diego Avenue and the main

tourist section. First up, on the corner, O'Hungry's. Opened here over 33 years ago, they say.

It's a place I keep meaning to come back to. I need to see if I'm man enough to handle their yard of ale, that long flute glass. Tried the half-yard once. That was tough.

I carry on towards the Old Town Saloon. Figure they may have some cheaper-than-tourist-trap food. Because I'm starved. This is around seven at night.

"No food," says the barman. Dang.

That's when it hits me. Something I'd seen but not computed a moment ago. The sandwich board outside O'Hungry's (2547 San Diego Avenue, 619-298-0133): "\$5 Dinner: Baked Chicken; Ham Steak; Country Fried Steak; Mahi Mahi; Spaghetti; BBQ Ribs."

Says something about \$2.99 breakfasts, too. A roadrunner moment later, I'm back at O'Hungry's, this woody, kinda Wild West place with wooden floor, wooden chairs and tables, and pub-y timbered ceiling.

I order the BBQ ribs. Can't believe they're just five bucks, but Andrea the waitress says it happens every day 4:30 till close, around nine.

I ask for a beer. Bud Light. Says \$4 on the menu. "Actually we only charge \$1," she says, "for your first three mugs. After that it goes back to \$4."

Lawdy. Andrea says the owner, Stan Chu, figures these are hard times, and he needs to meet his customers halfway. I'd say this is more than half, Stan.

The ribs are fine — three of them. Big, meaty...okay, not totally Texas BBQ rip-roaring seared-flavor feel, but plentiful and with plenty of veggies to round them out. And six bucks all in? Unbelievable.

This is when I notice Kri-zanto, the elderly mariachi. Doing the rounds of the tables.

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Nobody's interested. As he passes I say, "¿La Malagueña?" Figure I can afford him, just six bucks down and eating, drinking hearty.

He launches into the finest rendition I've heard of that haunting song. The guitar work. The clear, passionate voice.

Dang. Is that tears I feel sprouting? Can't be the beer. It's Bud Light.

Posted Oct. 20, 11:44 a.m.  
by Ed Bedford

## Cooks Confab Rides Again

Once one of the San Diego dining scene's most exciting developments and biggest draws, Cooks Confab has been on a bit of a hiatus. Or at least they've slowed down from the breakneck pace that saw this consortium of gourmands putting on extensive events every few months.

Those affairs always featured creative dishes built around theme ingredients, ranging from truffles to eggs to craft beer. Such a format allowed the Confab to educate attendees by exposing them to the wide array

of culinary preparations and variations that could be applied to each of the central edibles.

As a foodie who enjoyed attending Confab events, I have felt a sense of loss at their infrequency. Dining enthusiasts who feel the same will be happy to learn that several members of the Confab will be putting on an event on October 24, a multicourse, plated meal built not around an ingredient but a cooking method: confit.

That term refers to cooking something slowly in its own fat. Duck legs are the most common confit ingredient, and they will be on the menu, as will confit of pork, tuna, fruit and — easily the most interesting of the bunch — gizzards.

Participating chefs include Amy DiBiase from The Shores Restaurant, Christian Graves from Jsix, Katie Grebow from Café Chloe, and Tim Kolanko from A.R. Valentien, along with Olivier Bioteau, owner and executive chef of the host venue, University Heights' Farm House Café.

The price per person is \$65 (\$85 with wine), and part of the proceeds from the evening,

which includes two seatings, will benefit Slow Food Urban San Diego.

Farm House Café is located at 2121 Adams Avenue. Reservations: 619-269-9662.

Posted Oct. 20, 11:39 a.m.  
by Brandon Hernández

## Hot Crumpet in P.B.

She's English, she makes crumpets like no one else, and her Mad Dollies are crumbalicious.

I'm sitting on Emerald Street in PB at the Mad Dogs Café, and this lady, Brenda Hollis, is recommending her hazelnut ice cream to a couple of first-time

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customers.

Mad Dollies? Named after her partner who bakes them. I'm having mine (\$1.99) with coffee (\$1.60). It is wa-ay good.

"Graham crackers, chocolate chip, caramel, walnuts, and coconut," says Brenda when I ask what's in it.

Brenda's a cheery blonde lady who hasn't been afraid of adventure. She's lived in Colombia, Venezuela, Panama, Barcelona, all over. Three years ago she set up here in PB and called it Mad Dogs Café

Why Mad Dogs?

"Because we have a mad array of hotdogs," she says. "From bangers — the traditional English sausage — to bratwurst to chorizo. Ten different kinds."

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Longtime employee Andrew has tried them all. He likes the "slightly fishy" taste of alligator.

The other thing they do here which you don't see a lot of:

crumpets. It's like an English muffin but softer, like a pancake (\$1.99 with butter, more with flavorings like ricotta honey and almond).

And a ton of all-day breakfasts (\$6.49–\$8.49). They also bake their own chips here (\$2.49).

She says there's another reason she calls this Mad Dogs. "It's the line from the Noel Coward song, isn't it?" she says. "Mad dogs and Englishmen/Go out in the midday sun..."

Oh, yeah. "Englishmen detest a siesta."

Lord. I just got through this crumpet. Sorry, Noel. Time for a siesta.

*Posted Oct. 19, 4:04 p.m.*

*by Ed Bedford*

### Donovan's Downtown Gets Fishy with Hot New Chef

The Gaslamp branch of Donovan's is not just another steakhouse — it's now Donovan's Prime Seafood (at 333 Fifth Avenue, 619-906-4850.) And their new executive chef is Kemar Durfield, most recently Chef de Cuisine at Addison.

Before that, he worked at

an impressive array of restaurants, under such luminaries as Michael Mina and Jimmy Boyce, and was recently inducted by Thomas Keller into the Relais & Chateaux organization of distinguished chefs. Hey, the guy must have some chops! (But not mutton chops — although even the seafood-centered downtown Donovan's does offer a selection of Prime meats for those who demand red meat at every dinner.)

*Posted Oct. 25, 5:27 p.m.*

*by Naomi Wise*

### Bye, Deco. Hi, McFadden's. Bye, Suite and Tender. Hi, Saltbox.

Deco's, the block-long, floor-through Gaslamp nightclub and once-upon-a-time decent restaurant, is gone for good. The new tenant is McFadden's Restaurant and Saloon, which calls itself the "Wildest Pub on Earth."

Judging by the artwork in their ads (photos of pretty girls — do I dare say Erin Go Wonderbragh?), it's clearly aiming at the party crowd like its predecessors. (Before

Deco's, it was Redfish, a raucous New Orleans-style restaurant of considerable culinary inconsistency.)

As for the late Suite and Tender of the late Hotel Se (renamed the Palomar and bought by the Bay Area's Kimpton Group of boutique hotels) — its new eatery is called Saltbox, the kitchen headed by Simon Dolinky. The menu will consist of American grazes, small or large, meant for sharing, and prices are moderate (all under \$25).

*Posted Oct. 25, 5:44 p.m.*

*by Naomi Wise*

### Breakfast, Santa Fe Style

Jimmy's used to people like me, wild eyed, ticket in hand, minutes to go before the train hauls out.

Catching the Coaster. Still got to navigate that God-awful ticket machine to get the Coaster add-on to my Compass Card. But first things first. Coffee.

So I'm here at the Silver Streak Cafe inside the Santa Fe Depot's concourse (at Kettner and Broadway, downtown), desperate for the black stuff.

Jimmy's look says, "Take a deep breath, think yoga, remember why you're standing here."

They have tables and chairs here in the concourse, but who has time for that? I ask for a coffee (\$1.50), and — what the heck — I grab the nearest pastry. It's a cinnamon roll (\$3). Shameless, but I figure the running I'll do today, we'll burn this off no time at all.

This is about 7:40 a.m. Halfway through Jimmy's day. He opens up at 5:30.

"Over there, by the window," he says. He can see me looking wildly around for the sweeteners, stirrers, milk.

"Do you get a lot like me?" I ask.

"I get a lot like you."

*Posted Oct. 26, 9:33 a.m.*

*by Ed Bedford*

### Alpiners Pine No More — You Can Duet

Several weeks ago, I delivered some bad news for local hopheads, reporting that Alpine Beer Company would no longer be able to get their hands on enough Simcoe hops to produce one of their best-selling brews.

That beer, Duet IPA, has always been scarce, so fans are used to putting in some work to get at it. But the thought of having absolutely zero to sleuth out equated to a full-scale crisis for these folks.

With my last two posts about Alpine being negative notes about the fact that this and another beer (Ichabod pumpkin ale) would not be offered for the next year, it's refreshing to write this post announcing that Duet will, in fact, be available...and soon. Like many good developments in San Diego's beer scene, it comes as a result of camaraderie and collaboration.

As it turns out, Green Flash Brewing Company was in need of some Nelson hops and Alpine, the producers of another popular hop-stoked quaff called Nelson IPA, had plenty to spare. As a result, the companies were able to trade in order to symbiotically meet each others' needs. It's only fitting that such a harmonious duet will provide the basis for Duet's return.

*Posted Oct. 26, 11:32 a.m.*

*by Brandon Hernández*



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**Imitation Diamond.** When Diamond Is Forever! hits the AVO Playhouse stage in Vista on Saturday, November 5, two fans in the audience will have traversed over 5800 miles to catch the local Neil Diamond tribute act.

Sherry. "She's an avid Neil Diamond fan and has seen him five times just this past year, in Capetown, Berlin, Mannheim, Hamburg, and London. Overall, she's seen Diamond more than 15 times.... Now she wants to come to America to see the

La Jolla) specializes in re-creating the Neil Diamond concert experience circa his live albums *Hot August Night* and *Love at the Greek*. According to Verworn, "Most tribute bands lack the passion Neil brings to his performances, and that is what his music is all about. [David Sherry] has his own style and charisma, and his voice is fantastic. He is not a copy of Neil Diamond...in pictures and on [online], he looks remarkably sympathetic."

The German woman met the real Neil Diamond last year in New York City, thanks to a face-to-face introduction arranged by

bass player from 1969 to 1971, also arranged for Sherry to meet the superstar songsmith backstage in On-

he began putting on benefit concerts. Cannon, 59, a harpist and a blues singer, fronts a band called the

non was involved in the producing of for ten years, he says he's created in the neighborhood of 25 or 30 more benefits since Etta's gig. "Mostly, it's people who come up and say, 'Have you heard about so-and-so?'" meaning that Cannon's causes are generally, but not limited to, local musicians. Once there was the case of a school-age boy that got hit in the back of the head and became paralyzed. "I saw Michael Turko talking about it. I called my friends and I said we gotta do something to help out."

Cannon, who will say only that he lives on an East County mountain, is on the hook for everything once he's decided to throw a benefit. This includes lining up the bands, the venue, the sound system, any promotion, and having all of it donated. He says he has zero for an operating budget. "It's pretty much an endless job." He works with a partner named Budd Willis. "He's been my banker and my right-hand man in every show I've put on." Is Willis a banker by trade? "No, he's just an honest guy in the community who really cares like I do."

There have been critics over the years. "It has come up in conversation that this is part of the reason that I do this, to get publicity, but

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# the inside track blurt

"Jutta Verworn, accompanied by her 24-year-old stepdaughter Lena,

best [Diamond] tribute she could find on YouTube." Founded in 2005, Dia-



This week, Jutta Verworn will travel over 5800 miles from Frankfurt for a fake Diamond. She met the real Neil in New York last year.

says she's traveling from Frankfurt, Germany, just to see our show," says Escondido frontman David

mond Is Forever! (whose members live in Carlsbad, Chula Vista, Encinitas, El Cajon, Escondido, and

a mutual friend shared between her and Sherry. Randy Cierley-Sterling, who served as Neil Diamond's

tario, California, in January 2009. "When Randy came to pick me up and I found out where we were going, I was blown away. Neil was so warm and gracious and spent a lot of time talking and laughing with us. Here I was meeting the man himself, something I had dreamed of for almost four decades.

"I told Neil that the first time I saw him [perform] was in Detroit, in November 1970. He looked up, locked eyes with me, and asked sincerely, 'Were we any good?'"

— Jay Allen Sanford

**Brief Peace.** "At this point, we've done so many of them, I really couldn't pinpoint it," Chet Cannon says in response to a question about when, exactly,

Committee. The reason he founded the band, he says, was as a gesture of philanthropy.

"My friend Etta Keeler — I don't know if you remember a club down there on 70th and University called Etta's Place...? She was hosting a benefit for Kids Rock San Diego or something that was helping bring music and instruments to school-age kids. She talked to me about how she was having a hard time getting bands to play her event." The year was 1998, as nearly as he can recollect. "I told her, 'Etta, don't you worry about it. I'll go out and put a band together.' I did, and we've been doing this ever since."

Not counting Harp Fest, an annual benefit that Can-

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What the events accomplish, Cannon says, is rent, utilities, groceries, and so on. "What little monies we're able to raise helps give them a cushion to help cover some of that stuff." How much cash are we talking? "At a good benefit, we might raise \$10,000. Usually, it's



**Musician Chet Cannon says philanthropy is a full-time gig.**

around \$5000 to \$7000." He contrasts that with the cost of a hospital stay. "There's nothing, unfortunately, that I've ever done that has raised enough to save somebody's life." Cannon

says that his objective, therefore, is to bring peace into someone's life, "as brief as it may be."

Monday, November 7, the Committee will host a concert at Humphrey's to benefit San Diego drummer Paul Fasulo, who is currently undergoing treatment for cancer.

— Dave Good

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### We Got the Beats.

"I've always been seeking out exploratory music," says Santino (or Sonny, like in *The Godfather*) Romeri, a Golden Hill—via—Chula Vista experimental beat musician (Illuminatus), promoter, and overseer of boutique vinyl and cassette label Kill Quanti.

"I'd run my tape player into my guitar pedals and play Lee Scratch Perry through it. I've also been into R&B since I was really young. But it wasn't until about five years ago that I picked up a sampler and ran it through my pedals, and I've been refining my style ever since."

That style has come to include nods to noise (Romeri cites Per Mission, Soul-Junk, and Three One G Records), hip-hop, and ambient music.

"Generally, we'll have a few samples and a key, some changes, but it's loosely structured," says Romeri, a 26-year-

old web and graphic designer by trade. "There's a good amount of improvisation. We take cues from free jazz, where there's a theme but everyone's doing their own thing."

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"It's been a slow start," says Romeri, "but now there's a big local audience [for beat music], which is what I'm focusing on right now."

Romeri's recorded repertoire includes a track for an



**The Illuminatus' Romeri wants to keep San Diego "legacy going."**

samplers, synths, loop stations, effects boxes, and turntables, Romeri (former guitarist of Get Back Loretta) and a rotating cast, including Nicky Castañeda and David Peña, have shared the stage with Zach Hill, Danny Harrison (George's son), and Subtle (Doseone).

Adidas commercial ("Southern crunk meets a J Dilla vibe") with Soul-Junk's Glen "Galaxy" Galloway, stray CD-Rs from shows, and a glow-in-the-dark Illuminatus seven-inch split release with Single Screen Records

"Kill Quanti has been

this growing idea for about two years now. Booking and bringing the beat scene to San Diego — Gaslamp Killer, Teebs, Strangeloop, Schlomo, Ras G — anybody exploratory with electronics. Stuff I really believe in."

Kill Quanti is set to assassinate with a pending ten-inch vinyl split of local's eLan (a Critical Beatdown resident soon to tour Europe with Modeselektor's label Monkeytown) and DJ Pound, who was recently sampled by D-Styles at Los Angeles' renowned Low End Theory weekly showcase.

"San Diego is legendary for its music," says Romeri. "I want to keep that legacy going."

Illuminatus play with Dam Funk and Matthewdavid on November 4 at the Casbah.

— Chad Deal

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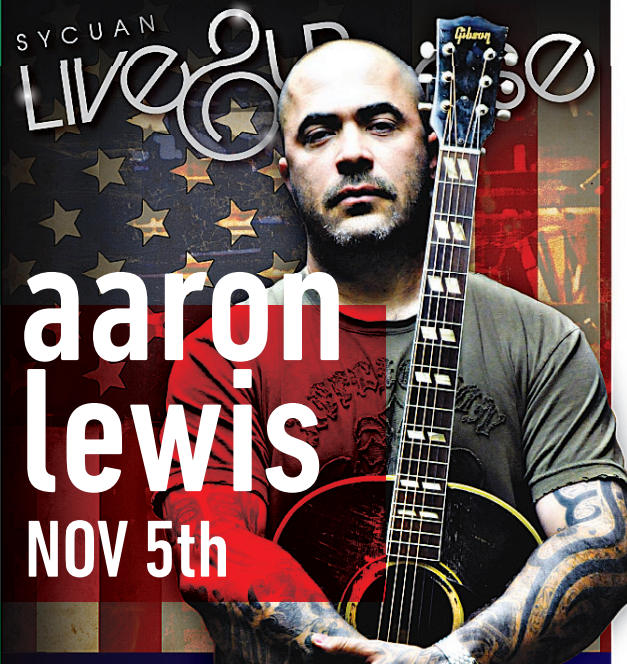
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## This Week In Music

### Thursday 3

Vancouver musician Stephen McBean has a split personality. Lucky for him — and classic-rock revivalists — both personalities are guitarists into album rock. The diff. one's got a closet full of hard-rock concert Tees (Zeppelin, Sabbath) and fronts a muscular heady metal band called Black Mountain, which I can't recommend enough (start with last year's *Wilderness Heart*, as it's a better inroad to metal McBean, tho '08's *In the*



PINK MOUNTAINTOPS AT SODA BAR

*Future* is Black Mountain's peak, imho); the other personality's a kinder, gentler McBean with a closet full of psych-rock Tees (Floyd, VU), who you can meet when Soda Bar stages his **Pink Mountaintops** Thursday night. The Mountaintops are atmospheric, gray-to-goth, more roll than rock. Both their *Axis of Evol* ('06) and *Outside Love* ('09) were met with critical praise and commercial indifference. Vocation/avocation. **Family Wagon** rolls in first with the **Strangers Family Band**, and there'll be psyps by liquid-light artists **Operation: Mindblow**. Measure your head before ordering.... Hot-shit bedsit piano-pop player Trevor Powers, aka **Youth Lagoon**, of Oxford, M-i-s-s-i-s-s-i-p-p-i, flows into Casbah behind debut Fat Possum platter *Year of Hibernation*. I got a press demo some months ago and I'm still peeling the layers off this disc. Drop the laser on "Posters" or "Afternoon" or "July" and you'll see what I mean — melodies with purpose, head and heart, the kid's got it all. It's a little light in the Crocs, but he's young, he'll grow into his gifts. **Young Magic** and **Range Rovers** up first.... Else: swamp-blues slinger **Kenny Neal**'s at Anthology behind his new Blind Pig disc *Hooked on Your Love*...and **Mutant Space Boy** lands at Bar Pink with proggy/jazzy jam band the **Brian Ellis Group**.

### Friday 4

Known as L.A.'s "ambassador of boogie funk," **Dam-Funk** will represent citizens of the funk-mosphere at Casbah. The funkmeister's out to tout double-disc crit-hit *Toeachizown* (that's 24 tracks and over 140 minutes of lippy badassery). **Master Blazter** and the **Illuminauts** will set it

up at the Middletown mainstay.... Best of the rest Friday night has Tin Can Ale House popping the tops offa Portland shoegaze-punk band **Anne** and like-minded locals **Shiva Trash**, **Tan Dollar**, and **Electric Healing Sound**...Dizzy's dishing greazy jazz-n-blues with Hammond man **Joe Bagg** pumpin' the pedals, **Brian Levy** on sax, and **Kevin Kanner** on traps... '70s AM-pop staples **America** will talk and soft-rock the MOCA's Sherwood Auditorium in La Jolla for a Grammy Museum benefit...while '80s wavers **Missing Persons** turn up at Ramona Mainstage.

### Saturday 5

Brooklyn big band **Rubblebucket** will spill into Soda Bar behind this year's party platter *Omega La La*. A sure-fire cure for your joyless hipster friends, *La La*'s got all the indie kids dancing again. Check out yes-wave anthem "Down in the Yards" for a taste: [rubblebucket.bandcamp.com](http://rubblebucket.bandcamp.com). With kraut-pop peeps **Superhumanoids** and one-man dance band **Rafter** on the bill, get set to sweat.... Bar Pink's got a thing for trios Saturday night, as L.A. punk perennials the **Urinals** join the O.C.'s she-punk three-piece **Spare Parts for Broken Hearts** at the North Park nightspot. The Urinals started in '78 at UCLA as a dorm-party parody of punk-rockers. You know how your mom says don't cross your eyes because they'll stay like that? Pretty sure that's what happened t'these dudes. They



RUBBLEBUCKET AT SODA BAR

got a knack for short, sharp tracks that somebody somewhere dubbed "punk haiku".... The cult of **Calabrese** will meet at the Shakedown. The Zonies are known as the "greatest horror-rock band of all time." Go see: [myspace.com/calabrese](http://myspace.com/calabrese). **Dead Daze** up first.... And if you're "broke but stoked" — talking to you, 99 percenters — get with the collection of more than 30 musician/artists milling at Til-Two Saturday night, where they'll

be hanging their wares, celebrating the release of a new punk-rawk zine, and bobbin' their noggins to the **Lumps**, the **Kabbs**, **Space Nature**, and **Roach Spit**, yes, **Roach Spit**. According to theirSpace page, they specialize in hardcore samba. Fuck yes.

### Sunday 6

South Florida voodoo-rockers **Viva Le Vox** bring their new thing, *Wayward Ones*, to the Shake-down Sunday night. I've been lucky enough to catch these cats on their home turf when I go back East to visit the Moms. Tony Bones and Antoine



VIVA LE VOX AT SHAKEDOWN

Dukes concoct a swampy cauldron that's equal parts Cramps and Creedence, Cave and Cash, with the bon vivant of Tom Waits. Fans of the man will dig it. **Strikers** and **Moosejaw** open the show.... Kiwi indie-pop act **Unknown Mortal Orchestra** is at Casbah. Will Crain Of

Noted that show, so flip or click to that for the of-notables. I like what I've heard (esp. "Ffunny Ffriends"), they're really weird... Speaking of weird, local yokels **Gary Wilson**, **Red Pony Clock**, and **Nothingful** fill an art-rock bill at Soda Bar. It's Nothingful Sasha's birthday. Get there early, buy him one, and enjoy his set. Dude's got interesting takes on some choice covers.

### Monday 7

Couple of fun Monday-nighters, as Oregon punk trio **Broadway Calls** brings this year's *Toxic Kids* to Eleven. Portland-based tourmates, the ripping acoustipunk duo **Lee Corey Oswald**, open the show...Aussie alt-pop act **Little Red**'s a block east at Soda Bar with local indie kids **Italian Japanese** and **Foreign Film**...and Portland electro-folkies **Priory** follow likeminded Los Angelino Christopher Pappas's **Miracle Parade** into Tin Can Ale House.



MATTSON 2 AT EL DORADO

### Tuesday 8

Surf-jazz siblings the **Mattson 2** play El Dorado downtown. This month's *Thrasher* has a pretty cool interview with the twins. This is a good venue for these guys, so if you haven't checked them out and you're into Tortoise or Lounge Lizards, you

should go. And grab a copy of their hip new disc *Feeling Hands* while you're there. I'm not shilling. I don't even know these guys. I'm just stoked that a couple SD skate rats are jamming on jazz and doing it well, with some pluck and punk bravado.... Utterwise, Belly Up books a locals-only showcase with eclectic sets by **Heavy Glow**, **Hargo**, and **Gayle Skidmore**.



WE WERE PROMISED JETPACKS AT CASBAH

### Wednesday 9

Aww, yeah, s'more blues-rock badassery this week, as Fallbrook's favorite son **Nathan James** and his trio plug in at Bar Pink. At 19 years young, Nathan was touring with hepcat harpist James freaking Harman. Proof positive there be mad mind bombs dropping from this man's hands.... Steeltown rapper **Mac Miller** hits House of Blues behind his debut, *Blue Slide Park*, while Steve Miller trib **Wild Mountain Honey**'s upstairs in the Voodoo Room for all you midnight tokers.... From Upstate New York, indie-pop act **Ra Ra Riot** will be at Belly Up behind this year's Barsuk offering *Too Dramatic*.... **We Were Promised Jetpacks** flies into Casbah. They're an indie-rock quartet

from Edinburgh with a FatCat record called *In the Pit of the Stomach*. I've listened to several minutes of it.

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# Painful Places

*"I cannot afford to do things that make me feel so bad about myself."*

**N**orth Park singer/songwriter Carmen Caserta was 19 when she dragged her piano from L.A. to San Diego, originally to attend college. "I got my undergraduate degree in psychology and then started law school in 2008," she says, "but I was playing and singing in secret at home, every day, for around seven years."

With a notebook full of songs and encouragement from locals such as performer/producer Astra Kelly, Caserta recorded a four-song EP called *Years* in late 2010. "Musically, I'm the lovechild of Fiona Apple, Tori Amos, and Adele. The songs are pieces of my soul, feelings in my heart: vulnerable, gut-level, and sometimes uncomfortably exposed revelations."

Caserta's debut full-length *The Hive*, recorded at Capricorn Studios in S.D., was released in September. Now playing live shows around town, she says her concert persona is most influenced by the aforementioned Tori Amos.

"The first time I saw her was at the Greek Theatre in L.A. when I was 13, and I remember moments when her expression was so unbridled and intense that I actually felt uncomfortable, because she was triggering such painful places for me. She has the power to evoke an enormous range of emotion, from pain, anger, grief, and the horrifying feeling of being sexually violated, to courage, strength, and empowerment. She uses her entire being as the catalyst for this experience."

Carmen Caserta performs Saturday, November 5, at Cosmos Coffee Café in La Mesa.

## WHAT'S IN YOUR MUSIC PLAYER?

1. Mumford & Sons, *Sigh No More*. "Rich with swelling

emotion and amazing musical dynamics that never fail to move my soul."

2. Adele, 21. "Good songs, with great melodies and grooves."

3. The Nocturnes, *Aokigahara*. "Her voice is hauntingly beautiful."

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JAY ALLEN SANFORD

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"Lady Gaga, 'Poker Face' — but it's the acoustic version, so it's okay. All personal feelings about Gaga aside, that chick plays a mean piano, and she can actually sing her ass off."

### WHAT'S YOUR ETHNIC HERITAGE?

"I'm a first-generation American on my father's side. He's a native Italian, and the only member of his family to ever leave Italy. Such courage!"

### WHERE DO YOU HANG OUT?

"I live by Bird Park and Morley Field, which are quite lovely, and I've recently committed to getting out into nature once a week to give myself some relaxation and connect with the natural world."

### BIGGEST LIE YOU EVER TOLD?

"'No, I'm not stoned.' Or maybe that's just the most frequent lie I've told."

### WHO MAKES OUT IN YOUR WILL?

"The coolest stuff I have would be my grandparents' upright piano, a treasure chest full of my life's writings, and my shoe collection. My hubby would get my piano, even though he doesn't play, my 14-year-old

sister Sabrina would get my shoes, and I've already posted a sticky-note instruction on my treasure chest [stating] that all the contents must be burned and never read. Those go to the fairies and ghosts."

### FIRST TIME DRUNK?

"When we were 12 or 13, my best friend and I stole a bottle of vodka from the drugstore. We used Hawaiian Punch as a chaser, until I realized what a waste of time and stomach space that was. I ended up drinking most of the bottle and blacking out. Flashes of memory still remain, such as running into the street crying hysterically and sitting on my neighbor's lawn chanting 'Stop the rain,' even though it wasn't raining. I woke up face down in the grass in a pool of my own vomit. Not a pretty story, I know."

### SONG THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR LIFE?

"Fiona Apple, 'Extraordinary Machine': 'Be kind to me/ Or treat me mean/ I'll make the most of it/ I'm an extraordinary machine.'"

### MOST MONEY EVER SPENT ON NOTHING?

"On my last trip to New York City, the ultimate danger zone for a compulsive shopper like me, I bought a Jimmy Choo bag. Now, hold on a second, it was 40 percent off retail. It had that irresistible, manipulative allure, but it was still sickeningly expensive. I felt so guilty and ashamed after I bought the damned thing that I couldn't even use it for more than a week. I was a total fraud, walking around with that thing, pretending like it was a true reflection of who I am and what I can afford. I put it up for sale online, but no luck. It's just sitting on the top shelf of my closet, an ever-present reminder that I cannot



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"Musically, I'm the lovechild of Fiona Apple, Tori Amos, and Adele."

afford to do things that make me feel so bad about myself. Anyone want a brand-new iconic Jimmy Choo bag for half retail?"

### BEST LOCAL EATERY?

"El Zarape on Park Boulevard, hands down."

### REGRETS: YOU'VE HAD A FEW?

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*Saturday*, 8pm — Steve Anthony. Veteran Broadway performer. \$10.

**AMSConcerts:** 4650 Mansfield St., Normal Heights, 619-303-8176.  
*Thursday*, 7:30pm — Willy Porter. Acoustic/country/folk.  
*Friday*, 7:30pm — Graham Parker. New wave/pub rock.  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — The Battlefield Band. Traditional Scottish/folk band.

**Across the Street:** 4601 Park Bl., University Heights.  
*Friday*, 8pm — Jon Solo and Will Knox. Acoustic. \$10.

**Anthology:** 1337 India St., Little Italy, 877-828-0891.  
*Thursday*, 7:30pm — Kenny Neal. Swamp blues.  
*Friday* — Euge Groove. Smooth jazz.  
*Saturday* — Angela Bofill Experience. R&B/soul.

**Avo Playhouse:** 303 Main St., Vista, 760-724-2110.  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Diamond Is Forever! Neil Diamond tribute. \$22-\$25.

**Balboa Theatre:** 868 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100.  
*Thursday*, 7:30pm — Día de Muertos Gala Concert. Symphonic Mariachi Champana Nevín. \$25-\$75.

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*Thursday*, 9pm — Mutantspaceboy and the Brian Ellis Group. Psychedelic/jazz-rock fusion. **Free.**  
*Saturday*, 9pm — The Urinals and Spare Parts for Broken Hearts. \$5.  
*Wednesday*, 10pm — The Nathan James Trio.

**Belly Up:** 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.  
*Sunday* — Judy Collins. Pop/folk.  
*Tuesday* — Heavy Glow, Hargo, Gayle Skidmore.  
*Wednesday* — Ra Ra Riot. Baroque pop.

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buena Vista Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.  
*Friday*, 7pm — Dick Justice. \$10.  
*Saturday*, 8pm — B Wash. \$5.

## ! NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

**Unknown Mortal Orchestra's music sounds as if it's off an old cassette tape that sat warping in the sun on a dashboard before falling into a puddle. And it gets weirder the closer you listen to it. The songs are built on simple, peppy beats and topped with melodic vocals, but in between there's a finger-picked guitar that sounds twisted out of shape. Come to think of it, those vocals sound pretty strange, too — they're usually distorted and sung in a high, strained voice. (Look up live video of the band performing the single "Funny Friends" to see the unusual brass microphone the band uses to get that effect.)**

**"Thought Ballune" sounds like an acid-**

**damaged Syd Barrett. "Jello and Juggernauts" comes across like a lunatic's remix of a lite-rock/soul crossover hit from the '70s, but with a guitar solo borrowed from Mozart. Then there's "Nerve Damage!" which alternates a punkish verse and chorus with a heavily effected intro and outro that sound like a dog is chewing on the guitar amplifier.**

Ruban Nielson's guitar unifies all these disparate sounds. Unlike a lot of the lo-fi acts that Unknown Mortal Orchestra resembles, Nielson can really play. In New Zealand, he was a member of the Mint Chicks, a noisy, aggressive band that was signed to the esteemed Kiwi indie label Flying Nun. After moving to Portland, Oregon, and breaking up the Mint Chicks, he began developing the Unknown Mortal Orchestra sound while tinkering around in his basement. The Mint Chicks weren't bad, but ironically it's the new, American band that



### UNKNOWN MORTAL ORCHESTRA

sounds like it belongs among Flying Nun's indie rock heroes such as the Clean and the Chills. Gauntlet Hair and Tropical Popsicle also perform.

**UNKNOWN MORTAL ORCHESTRA: Casbah, Sunday, November 6, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$10.**

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**The Casbah:** 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355.  
*Thursday*, 8:30pm — Youth Lagoon. \$8-\$10.  
*Friday*, 8:30pm — Dam-Funk. Los Angeles' ambassador of boogie funk. \$15-\$17.  
*Saturday*, 8:30pm — The Parlotones. South African rock band based in Johannesburg. \$12.  
*Sunday*, 8:30pm — Unknown Mortal Orchestra, Gauntlet Hair, Tropical Popsicle. \$10.  
*Monday*, 8:30pm — Purple Melon and Kevin Martin. \$8.

*Wednesday*, 8:30pm — We Were Promised Jetpacks and Royal Bangs. \$15.

**Cosmos Coffee Café:** 8278 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa.  
*Saturday*, 7pm — Carmen Caserta. **Free.**

**The Coyote Bar & Grill:** 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4695.  
*Friday*, 6pm — The Blues Brokers. Classic rock/blues. **Free.**  
*Saturday*, 6pm — Bill Magee. Blues/rock. **Free.**

**Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre:** 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600.  
*Sunday* — Chris Brown, Bow Wow, T-Pain, and Tyga.

**Dirk's Niteclub:** 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344.  
*Friday, Saturday*, 9pm — Monsters of Rock. Classic rock/metal covers.

**Dizzy's:** Second Avenue & J St., Downtown, 858-270-7467.

*Friday*, 8pm — Joe Bagg, Brian Levy, & Kevin Kanner. Blues. \$15.  
*Saturday*, 8pm — Mikan Zlatkovich, Gilbert Castellanos, Brian Levy. \$10-\$15.  
*Sunday*, 7pm — Joni Mitchell Tribute. Featuring Robin Adler and Dave Blackburn. \$15-\$20.

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*Saturday*, 9pm — Helen Earth Band. \$6.  
*Monday*, 9pm — Broadway Calls. Know Your Saints, Lee Corey Oswald, Save Amos. \$6.

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*Thursday*, 9pm — Moguai.  
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**Flying Elephant:** 850 Tamarack Ave., Carlsbad, 760-434-2660. *Saturday, 4pm* — Punk Rock Food Drive. With the Burning of Rome, G.F.I., Red Hand, Londons Falling, the Warned. **Free.**

**The Greek Sombrero**  
**Restaurant:** 12891 Campo Rd.,  
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*Friday, 8pm — Pine Creek Posse*  
 Band. Classic rock/country. **Free.**

**Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill:**  
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*Friday, 9pm — West of 5. Rock  
covers. Free.*

**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.  
*Thursday* — Mayday Parade.  
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*Sunday*, 9pm — Doctor P And Cookie Monsta. Dance/electronic.  
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Wednesday — Mac Miller. Rap/hip-hop.

**Humphreys Backstage Music Club:** 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577. *Friday*, 9pm — Ascension. Dance. \$12. *Saturday*, 9pm — Rockola. Classic-rock covers. \$12.

**The Jumping Turtle:** 1660  
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Agnew Band, the Fagz, Chango's  
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**Lacey J's Roadhouse Saloon & Grille:** 8861 Magnolia Ave., Santee, 619-448-8550.  
*Friday*, 9pm — Off the Wagon. Country. **Free.**  
*Saturday*, 9pm — Sundance Band. Country. **Free.**

**The Loft:** 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-8497.  
*Friday, 7pm* — Reply All: The Jazz-88 All-Stars. With members of the UCSD Student Musicians Community. **Free.**  
*Saturday, 8pm* — In One Wind. New York-based sextet. \$5-\$8.  
*Sunday, 8pm* — Aziatic. R&B/hip-hop soul trio. \$5-\$12.

**Molly Malone's:** 1270 Main St.,  
Ramona, 760-789-9050.  
*Friday, 9pm — Lipstick N  
Leather. Free.*  
*Saturday, 9pm — Studio 8. Free.*

OF NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

**We think that we make pop songs, but definitely with a certain kind of twist.** It's Artturi Taira on the phone from Madrid talking about his band Rubik. "You might wanna call it art rock or prog rock." What's that about, "the twist"? "We get bored easily in the studio, and we want to move on after we write the songs and make decent arrangements. It's probably got something to do with the fact that we're really, like, into many kinds of music scenes." This is possibly an understatement from a singer/guitarist who writes a variety of instruments into his songs that support other genres. The band Rubik features indie rockers with new wavish tendencies and clarinet, synth,

weird vocals, and sometimes mariachi brass.

To not like them at first is not unusual; Rubik kind of sneaks up on a listener. Someone called them Sigur Rós on acid, but “unearthly” is more accurate. Go back in time, hire Bowie to produce the Beatles, add glitzy ‘80s synth tracks, and you have the idea. “It’s hard to define what our influences are when we take in so many styles of music and digest them.”

Rubik is not well known outside of Europe. You'd have to be the web equivalent of a record-store crate-digger to find them, but the effort is well spent. They began with a core membership of four in Finland in 2003, but in performance there are up to ten musicians onstage. "Whoever can make the show is part of the band that night." In India, Taira says, "There were five different lineups." This will be their first trip to San Diego. "I don't know much about San Diego. I imagine it's



really hot there." He imagines us as friendly people. "Don't leave without eating Mexican," I tell him. "If you get confused, just ask for a burrito. You can't miss."

Lights headline.

**RUBIK: Soma, Friday, November 4, 7pm.  
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*Thursday*, 8pm — Cyndi Lauper. Pop rock.

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*Friday*, 9pm — Will Street Blues. **Free.**  
*Saturday*, 9pm — Len Rainey &  
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Jacks. R&B/soul. **Free.**

**Pechanga Resort & Casino:**  
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Sunday, 8:30pm — Gary Wilson, Red Pony Clock, Nothingful. \$7.

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Friday, 7pm — Lights and Rubik. \$13.  
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Friday — Anne and Shiva Trash. \$5.  
Saturday — Walking Sleep. \$5.

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Sunday, 6pm — Joshua Bonas. Acoustic. Free.

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December 1 — Rob Ickes & Jim Hurst.  
December 3 — Geoff Muldaur.  
December 17 — Ellis Paul.

**Anthology:** 1337 India St., Little Italy, 877-828-0891.  
November 10 — Marc Cohn.  
November 11 — Average White Band.  
November 18 — Oleta Adams.  
November 19 — Jake Shimabukuro.  
November 30, December 1 — Boney James.  
December 4 — Sophie Milman.  
December 23 — Hiroshima.

**Balboa Theatre:** 868 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100.  
November 12 — Pink Martini.  
November 18 — Herb Alpert and Lani Hall.  
December 1 — Dream Theater.  
December 3, December 4 — Yule Tube.  
December 10 — Straight No Chaser.  
December 17 — Chris Cornell.  
December 23 — Dave Koz and Friends Christmas Tour.

**Bar Pink:** 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.  
November 11 — Pocket.  
November 12 — The Milkcrates.

**Belly Up:** 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.  
November 11 — The Expendables.  
November 12 — Stepping Feet.  
November 13 — Jay Farrar.  
November 14 — Joe Walsh.  
November 15 — Company of Thieves.  
November 17 — They Might Be Giants.  
November 18 — Lotus.  
November 21 — Stephen Stills.  
November 26 — Chris Isaak.  
November 28 — Timothy B. Schmit.  
November 30 — B.B. King.  
December 4 — Los Lobos.  
December 6 — She Wants Revenge.  
December 10 — The Chris Robinson Brotherhood.  
December 11 — The Blind Boys of Alabama.  
December 15 — Venice.

## EVERYONE'S A CRITIC

### Mirror Traffic Stephen Malkmus and the Jicks

What happens when you let Beck produce an album by Malkmus and the Jicks? Wowee Zowee part deux, apparently. Fans of the beloved 1995 Pavement disc will rejoice at the haphazard, attention-deficit feel of *Mirror Traffic*. The loose aura, combined with the seasoned playing of the Jicks makes for one entertaining album.

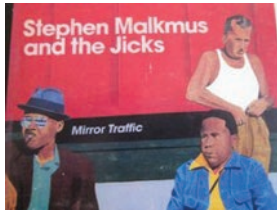
Surprisingly, the disc came across as a bit of a disappointment

early on. I missed the extended jams from 2008's rollicking *Real Emotional Trash*.

The second half of *Mirror Traffic* is what really sold me on the album. What it lacks in epic guitar solos it

more than makes up for in memorable hooks. "Asking Price" moves along at a mellow pace à la classic Pavement track "Grounded." "Spazz" and "Tune Grief" both display a hyperactive side that has been missing from most of Malkmus's output since *Brighten the Corners*. Also of note is "Gorgeous Georgie," which strikes the perfect balance between pop sensibilities and a sneaky guitar solo. It's not often that a five-minute song breezes by so quickly.

Beck's production on this disc is worthy of accolades as well. His secret weapons here are subtle effects (especially on vocals) at key moments.



What it lacks in epic solos it makes up for in hooks.

### Jacob Fred Jazz Odyssey — This Ain't Your Daddy's Jazz

By Alfred Howard

Jacob Fred Jazz Odyssey, a quartet from Tulsa, Oklahoma, brought their unique brand of open-minded musicianship to the Loft at UCSD. JFJO is touring in support of *Race Riot Suite*, an homage to the Tulsa race riot of 1921.

The music excels in emotional depth and dynamic, the cacophony of struggle, the swagger of pride, with a brimming turmoil

to an all-out explosion of catastrophe.

The players captured the attention of a well-filled room from the first downbeat.

Brian Haas's rapid assault on the Fender Rhodes left onlookers gazing in awe. He battles sound with quick and precise fingers.

Over the course of the evening, one could hear elements of trad jazz, indie rock, hip-hop, classical, avant-garde, noise, garage, and psychedelia. These young virtuosos pull from the pallet of infinity and paint sonic landscapes as eclectic as their audiences.



Jazz Odyssey paints sonic landscapes.

**Concert:** Jacob Fred Jazz Odyssey

**Date:** October 5

**Venue:** The Loft (UCSD)

**Seats:** General admission

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December 18 — Shawn Colvin.  
December 19 — Pinback.  
December 27 — Cracker and Camper Van Beethoven.

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.  
November 10 — Cardiac Kidz, Landis, Have a Cigar.  
November 11 — Genitorturers.  
November 12 — Sprung Monkey and Thousand Watt Stare.  
November 19 — Blazing Haley.  
November 20 — Koffin Kats.

**California Center for the Arts, Escondido:** 340 North Escondido Bl., Escondido, 760-839-4138.  
November 22 — Morrissey.

**The Casbah:** 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355.  
November 10 — Austra.  
November 11 — Boris.  
November 12 — Dead Feather Moon, Black Hondo, Get Down Automatic, Heavy Guilt.  
November 14 — High On Fire.  
November 18 — Blowoff.

November 22 — Scott H. Biram.  
November 23 — Cash'd Out.  
November 25 — Big Sandy & His Fly-Rite Boys.  
November 26 — Crooked Fingers.

**Copley Symphony Hall:** 750 B St., Downtown, 619-235-0804.  
January 22 — Wilco and White Denim.

**Cosmos Coffee Café:** 8278 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa.  
November 12 — Jeffrey Joe Morin.  
November 19 — Nathan Welden.

**The Coyote Bar & Grill:** 300 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-729-4695.  
November 10 — Hello Trouble.

**Dizzy's:** Second Avenue & J St., Downtown, 858-270-7467.  
November 16 — Misha Piatigorsky's Sketchy Black Dog.  
November 20 — Joshua White.

**El Cajon Grand:** 351 W. Main St., El Cajon, 619-444-0949.  
November 12 — The Iron Maidens.

**Eleven:** 3519 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-450-4292.  
November 11 — Nigel Tufnel Day.  
November 12 — Alessa Is Red, the Siberian, Arson Academy.

**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.  
November 10 — The Bangles.  
November 11 — Thrice.  
November 15 — Senses Fail.  
November 16 — The Dirty Heads.  
November 18 — Tyrone Wells.  
November 19 — VNV Nation.  
November 20 — New Found Glory.  
November 21 — Sharon Jones & the Dap-Kings.  
November 23 — Mike Pinto.  
November 25 — Murs.  
November 26 — The Cured.  
November 30 — Borgore.  
December 17 — Gary Hoey.  
January 9, January 10 — NOFX.

**Humphreys Backstage Music Club:** 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.  
November 11 — Steely Damned.  
November 12 — Viva Santana.

**Joan B. Kroc Theatre:** 6611 University Ave., La Mesa, 619-269-1552.  
November 15 — Take Me Home: the Music of John Denver.

**Kensington Cafe:** 4141 Adams Ave., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-640-0494.  
November 12 — Doug Walker Duo and Nick Tocco.

**Lacey J's Roadhouse Saloon & Grille:** 8861 Magnolia Ave., Santee, 619-448-8550.  
November 12 — Three Chord Justice.

**The Loft:** 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-8497.  
November 17 — Miguel Zenón Quartet.  
December 1 — Marco Benevento.

**Molly Malone's:** 1270 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-9050.  
November 11 — Studio 8.  
November 12 — Safety Orange.

**Museum of Making Music:** 5790 Armada Dr., Carlsbad, 760-438-5996.  
November 19 — Hornswoggle

French Horn Ensemble.  
December 10 — Randy Raine-Reusch and Mei Han Roots.

**On Broadway Event Center:** 615 Broadway Ave., Downtown, 619-231-0011.  
November 11 — Quor, In the Red, Suicide Chords.

**Open Air Theatre:** 5500 Campanile Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.  
November 20 — Enrique Bunbury and Zoe.

**Pala Casino:** 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-7252.  
January 20 — Engelbert Humperdinck.

**Pechanga Resort & Casino:** 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, 951-693-1819.  
November 18 — Creedence Clearwater Revisited.  
December 9 — Dave Koz & Friends Smooth-Jazz Christmas.  
January 6, January 7 — The Fab Four.  
January 21 — Aaron Lewis of Staind.  
January 27 — Styx.

**Poway Center for the Performing Arts:** 15498 Espola Rd., Poway, 858-748-0505.  
November 19 — Ricky Nelson Remembered: Featuring Matthew and Gunnar Nelson.

**Ramona Mainstage Nightclub:** 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008.  
December 8 — Don Dokken.

**Santa Ysabel Resort & Casino:** 25575 Highway 79, Santa Ysabel, 760-787-0909.  
November 12 — Sundance Band.  
November 19 — Midnight Ride Band.

**Second Wind (San Carlos):** 8515 Navajo Rd., San Carlos, 619-465-1730.  
November 10 — Badd Co.

**Shakedown Bar:** 3048 Midway Dr., Midway District, 619-487-0373.  
November 11 — Lucky Tubb & the Modern Day Troubadours, the Chop Tops, the Strikers, the

Palaminos.  
November 16 — The Hooten Hallers.  
November 18 — Phantom Rockers.

**Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego:** 700 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-3541.  
November 11 — Eve Selis.

**Soda Bar:** 3615 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-255-7224.  
November 11 — Captured! by Robots, Midnight Eagle, Swore.  
November 12 — JC Brooks & the Uptown Sound.

**Soma:** 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.  
November 10 — Winds of Plague.  
November 11 — BlessTheFall.  
November 12 — Pierce the Veil.  
November 13 — The Acacia Strain.  
November 17 — The Sounds.  
November 19 — The Devil Wears Prada.

**Spreckels Theatre:** 121 Broadway, Downtown, 619-235-9500.  
November 28 — Jason Mraz.

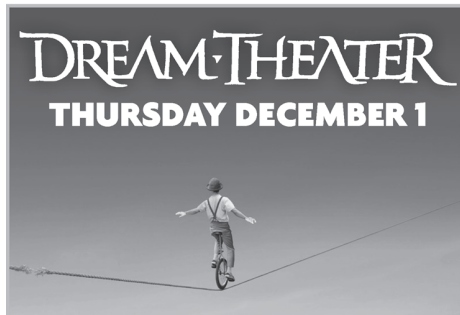
**Sunset Temple Theater:** 3911 Kansas St., North Park.  
November 13 — Real Estate.

**Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre:** 5469 Casino Way, El Cajon, 619-445-6002.  
November 12 — American English.  
December 2 — Tower of Power.  
December 10 — Paul Revere & the Raiders and Chuck Negron.  
December 17 — Eddie Money, Lou Gramm, and Mickey Thomas.

**Whistle Stop Bar:** 2236 Fern St., South Park, 619-284-6784.  
November 11 — Echo Revolution and Misspent War Premise.

**Winstons:** 1921 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-6822.  
November 11 — Eoto.  
November 12 — Rebirth Brass Band.

## THE BALBOA THEATRE





# HAPPY HOUR

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## ALLIED GARDENS

**Emilianos Mexican Restaurant:** Monday-Friday, 2pm-6pm: \$1 off all beer; \$2 off Cadillac, strawberry, blue margaritas; \$2.50 medium regular margaritas; \$5.50 large regular margaritas. \$2 off all appetizers.

**San Diego Brewing Company:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$3 select house & domestic beers, house wine, well drinks. 1/2-off appetizers.

## ALPINE

**Alpine Inn:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$3.75 wells, house wine, \$4.75 calls.

**Donato's Italian Restaurant:** Monday-Saturday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestics, \$3.50 imports & house wine, \$6 Long Islands, \$3 wells.

## BALBOA PARK

**The Prado:** Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm, 8-10pm: \$3.50 wells, pints, house wine, house margaritas. Lounge only.

## BANKERS HILL

**Avenue 5:** Tuesday-Saturday, 5-8pm: \$2 off wines by the glass; \$3 drafts, wells. \$2 off bar food.

**Azuki Sushi Lounge:** Daily, 5-7pm: \$5 large sake, \$5 large Sapporo. \$4 sushi rolls, discounted specialty rolls and appetizers.

**Pizzicato:** Daily, 4-6pm: \$3 pints, house wine.

**Wet Stone Wine Bar and Café:** Daily, 5-7pm: \$5 big glass of select wine. \$2 small bites.

## BAY PARK

**Offshore:** Tuesday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2 domestics, \$3 sangria, well and micro imports, \$5 Tommy Bahama mojitos.

## BONITA

**Sapphire 18+ Lounge & Hookah:** Tuesday-Saturday, all night: Cheap drinks. Cheap eats. 1/2-off hookahs Tuesday-Thursday 7-10pm.

## CARDIFF

**Besta-Wan Pizza House:** Daily, 11am-6pm: \$1 off pint, glass of house wine. \$3 off pitcher.

**Chart House:** Monday-Friday, 4:30-7pm: \$3 domestic drafts, \$4 premium drafts, wells, glass of wine, \$5 cocktails, \$6 martinis.

## CARLSBAD

**The Alley:** Daily, 11am-7pm: \$2.75 wells, domestics.

**Argyle Steakhouse/Golf Club-house:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: Drinks priced by the hour (4-5pm: \$4, 5-6pm: \$5, etc.), offering wine, beer, premium liquors.

**Bistro West:** Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm: Discounted wine, draft, well, specialty martinis, bar appetizers.

**Boar Cross'n:** Daily, 7am-8pm: \$2.50 domestic bottles, \$3.50 premium bottles, \$2.75 wells.

**Board & Brew:** Daily, 4pm-close: All beers two-for-one. \$1 tacos.

**La Costa Grill:** Daily, 4-7pm, 9-11pm: \$4 wells, house wines, \$1 off calls & premiums. Appetizers reduced.

**Flying Elephant:** Monday, \$8 domestic pitchers during Monday Night Football. Thursday, \$3 you-call-it Thursdays. Sunday, \$8 domestic pitchers all day.

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

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

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**Conway's Irish Pub:** Monday-Saturday, 10am-8pm: \$2.50 domestic bottles. \$2.75 wells (short). \$3.25 wells (tall).

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### SAT 11/5 BEER for BREAKFAST with MALHEUR!

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### SUN 11/6 MISSION BREWERY NIGHT

CASK: DEEP SEA STOUT

### TUES 11/8 LIGHTNING BREWERY NIGHT

CASK: BLACK LIGHTING BALIC PORTER

### Spotlight On: CELEBRATED ALES

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### San Diego Brewer's Bonanza!

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### TUES, NOV. 8 | 5pm-8pm

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100% of proceeds from select taps go to support the Monarch School

### THURS, NOV. 10

26 taps of rare Sierra Nevada beer, Beer Camp specialties, & even a Cask of Torpedo!

### SAT, NOV. 12

## OC & LA BREWERY CELEBRATION

A night of beers from our neighbors to the North!



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## MISSION BREWERY NIGHT

### SUN 11/6 Rick Alles Band + Lucifer Night

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### TUES 11/8 ALESMITH NIGHT

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**Twenty/20 Grill & Wine Bar:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$2 off any drink. \$2 off appetizers.

**CHULA VISTA**

**Achiote Restaurant:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: Two-for-one drinks.

**Black Angus:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: 1/2-off wells, drafts, appetizers.

**Blue Haven:** *Daily*, 2pm-close: \$2 domestic beer bottles & wells.

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

**Roberto de Philippis:** *Daily*, 2-6pm: \$2.75 domestic beer, house wine, \$3 premium beer, \$3.75 wells.

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

**CITY HEIGHTS**

**Black Cat Bar:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: \$3.50 import drafts, \$2 PBR cans, \$5 martinis.

**The Tower Bar:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$3 wells and import drafts.

**CLAIREMONT**

**Blarney Stone Pub:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$3 wells, Bud draft, Michelob bottles, Drifter Pale Ale. Discounted appetizers.

**Boomerangs Gourmet Burger Joint:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: Discounted draft beer. \$3.50 house wine.

**Cucina Italiana:** *Wednesday*, 1/2-off select wine bottles.

**Fat Tony's Pizza:** *Tuesday*, 5pm-close: \$2 off all pitchers; 1/2-off wings. *Thursday*, 5pm-close: \$2 pints.

**Joe's Pizza:** *Thursday*, 6-9pm: \$2 any tap or bottled beer, glass of wine.

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

**COLLEGE AREA**

**Casa Machado:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6 pm, \$2.50 margaritas, \$2.50 domestic drafts, \$3.50 imports.

**Cucina Fresca and Sons:** *Daily*, 3-5pm: \$1.75 domestic beer.

**Effin's Pub & Grill:** *Daily*, all day: \$2 Bud bottles. Noon-7pm: \$1 off wells & drafts, 1/2-off appetizers.

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

**Pal Joey's:** *Daily*, all day: \$3 personal pitchers.

**Satin Lounge:** *Thursday*, 9pm-close: \$1 Bud drafts.

**CORONADO**

**Candelas on the Bay:** *Daily*, 4-6pm: 1/2-off drinks & bar menu.

**Chance Bistro:** *Monday-Friday*, all day: \$4 or \$5 wine by the glass. \$7.99 burger/fries/drink.

**Costa Azul:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6:30pm: \$3 Bud Light pints, domestic bottles. \$3.50 imported bottles, wells, house wine, sangria. \$3.75 drafts. \$6 margaritas, mojitos. \$2.95 tacos, \$3.50 shrimp, \$5.95 nachos.

**Danny's Palm Bar:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$3 domestic drafts, \$4 wells.

**Lil' Piggy's Bar-B-Q:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$3 beer, wine. \$1 off appetizers, \$1.50 sliders. All day: \$3 beer of the month.

**Village Pizzeria:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$3 beer, wine. \$3 slices, 1/2-off appetizers. All day: \$3 beer of the month.

**Yummy Sushi:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$3 pints, \$4 large hot sake. 20-50% off appetizers.

**DEL MAR**

**Del Mar Rendezvous:** *Wednesday, Sunday*, 1/2-off select bottles of wine.

**DOWNTOWN**

**Anthony's Fish Grotto:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: \$1 off drinks, appetizers (only in the lounge).

**Asti Ristorante:** *Daily*, 3-6pm: 1/2-price cocktails & appetizers.

**Bandar Fine Persian Cuisine:** *Friday*, \$6 pomegranate martini. *Saturday*, \$6 cosmos.

**Bella Luna:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$5 house wine, 1/2-off appetizers.

**Blue Point:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-off drinks, select appetizers; discount on caviar; \$1 oysters.

**Dublin Square:** *Daily*, 2-7pm: \$3 wells, drafts, bottles. 1/2-off appetizers.

**Dussini Loft Bar:** *Monday-Friday*, 4:30-6:30pm, 10:30pm-close: \$1 off draft beer & wells. 1/2-off select tapas. *Sunday*, all day: \$1 off draft beer & wells. 1/2-off select tapas.

**Elephant & Castle Pub and Restaurant:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$4.50 20-oz. drafts, house wine, well liquor; \$1 off appetizers.

**La Fiesta:** *Daily*, 11am-6pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$2.30 domestic bottles, \$3 house margaritas, \$4 frozen mojitos.

**The Fleetwood:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-6pm: \$4 calls.

**Gaslamp Tavern:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$3 drafts, house wine, wells. Appetizer specials.

**La Gran Tapa:** *Tuesday-Saturday*, 5-7pm: \$2 drafts; \$3 cask wine, sangria; \$4 wells.

**House of Blues:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$3 wines, \$3 wells, \$4 martinis. Killer happy hour menu.

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

**Patrick's II:** *Daily*, 10am-8pm: \$2.50 bottle beer, \$3 wells, Bud Light pints, \$4 calls, margaritas, bloody marys.

**Siren at Sè San Diego Hotel:** *Daily*, 4-8pm.: 1/2-price specialty cocktails/beer/wine (excluding special events and pool parties).

**The Stage Rock Bar & Grill:** *Daily*, 5-8pm: 1/2-off all wells, beer, wine.

**Tabule:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-6pm: 1/2-off all drinks and appetizers. *Saturday-Sunday*, 2-6pm: 1/2-off all drinks and appetizers.

**Taste & Thirst on Fourth:** *Monday-Saturday*, 3-8pm: All drinks two-for-one.

**Time Out Sports Bar:** *Monday-Wednesday, Friday*, 3-7pm: \$2.50 16-ounce draft Time Out Lager, Bud, Bud Light. Sam Adams, \$3.50. 1/2-off appetizers. *Thursday*, all day: Thirsty Thursdays: Buy one pitcher, get second 1/2 off.

**Tivoli Bar & Grill:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$1 off pitchers, \$.50 off liquor.

**EAST VILLAGE**

**El Dorado Cocktail Lounge:** *Friday*, 5-9pm: \$5 menu cocktails. *Saturday-Sunday*, 7-9pm: \$5 menu cocktails.

**Hive Sushi Lounge:** *Daily*, 5-7pm: \$2 domestic, \$4 micro, \$2.50 sake, \$3.50 well, \$4 house wine. Miso, edamame, \$.99.

**Hotel Indigo:** *Daily*, 5-8pm: \$4 domestic & local bottles, wells, wines.

**EASTLAKE**

**Smokin' Sam's BBQ:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, wine; \$3 sangria. Doggy happy hour: \$2 beef & rib bones.

**EL CAJON**

**Blarney Stone Pub:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: \$.50 off all drinks.

**Double D's on Broadway:** *Daily*, 10am-noon, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestics, \$.50 off mixed drinks, \$1 off shots.

**Flinn Springs Inn:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$2.25 domestic bottles, \$3 wells.

**ENCINITAS**

**Blue Fin Sushi Bar:** *Tuesday-Thursday*, 5-6pm: 1/2-off wine, beer, sake, select appetizers, sushi rolls.

**Bullpen Pub & Grill:** *Monday-Friday*, 2-7pm, 10pm-2am: \$1 off draft beer, \$3 off pitcher, \$2 off wine.

**Cap'n Kenos:** *Monday-Friday*, 6pm-midnight: \$2.50 drafts, wells. Free appetizers.

**D Street Bar and Grill:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$3 wells, \$2.50 domestic drafts. \$2 off all appetizers.

**Savory:** *Daily*, 5-6pm: 30% off food & beverages in the bar & lounge area.

**ESCONDIDO**

**El Galeón:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: Two-for-one draft beer, margaritas.

**Holiday Wine Cellar:** *Monday*, 5:30-7:30pm: \$5 for five wine tastings.

**Tango Restaurant & Lounge:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$1 off all drinks; 1/2-off bar menu.

**FALLBROOK**

**Aqua Terra:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-6:30pm: \$3 domestic, \$9 pitcher; \$4 imported, \$12 pitcher; \$1/2-off sushi rolls (no sushi on Monday).

**GOLDEN HILL**

**Turf Supper Club:** *Friday-Sunday*, noon-4pm: \$1 off all beer/wine/spirits. \$5 lunch: 1/2-lb. burger, chicken sandwich, or two Louisiana hot links + chips.

**GRANTVILLE**

**JT's Clubhouse Pub & Grill:** *Monday*, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 11am-4pm: 25¢ wings. *Tuesday*, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 11am-4pm: \$1 tacos. *Wednesday*, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 11am-close: \$1 sliders. *Thursday-Friday*, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. \$5.25 1/2-lb. burger with fries. *Saturday*, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints. 4-8pm: 1/2-off all food. *Sunday*, 11am-7pm: \$3 domestic pints.

**Tio Leo's:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$3 domestic & Mexican pints, \$4 house margaritas & well drinks.

**HILLCREST**

**The Alibi:** *Daily*, all day: \$3 dipper, wells.

**Bangkok Thai Bistro:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: 1/2-off wine, beer, appetizers.

**The Caliph:** *Daily*, noon-7pm: \$4 wells, \$3 domestic bottles.

**Ruby Room:** *Monday, Wednesday*, 7-8pm: \$1 wells. *Tuesday, Thursday*, 7-8pm: \$1 drafts. *Friday-Sunday*, 6-9pm: \$3 wells.

**Tre Porcellini:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$3 domestic bottles, \$3.50 drafts and house wine.

**IMPERIAL BEACH**

**Club Bananas at Lydia's Café:** *Daily*, open-10pm: \$3 wells & domestics.

**KEARNY MESA**

**Carriage House Cocktails & Karaoke:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic bottled beer, \$3 wells, domestic pints. Free munchies.

**Khan's Cave Grill & Tavern:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6:30pm: \$1 off draft, glass of wine. *Saturday*, 3pm-close: 1/2-off bottles of wine.

**Rayo Grill:** *Daily*, 4:30-7pm: \$4 drafts, wines; \$3 domestic bottles.

**Tajima Sushi & Japanese Tapas:** *Monday-Thursday*, 5:30-7pm: 1/2-off house sake/drafts.

**KENSINGTON-TALMADGE**

**Kensington Cafe:** *Daily*, 3-7pm: \$3 all beers, \$4-\$5 all glasses of wine, all tapas under \$5.25.

**The Kensington Club:** *Daily*, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 wells, drafts, domestic bottles.

**Kensington Vine:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$5 fine wine.

**Til-Two:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$3 wells and imported drafts.

**LA JOLLA**

**Barfly La Jolla:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$4 pints, wells, house wines. \$4 appetizers (avocado rolls, fish tacos, sliders).

**Bull and Bear Bar and Grill:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$2 Bud/Bud Light; \$3.50 wells, Bull & Bear wine.

**Extreme Pizza:** *Daily*, 3-6pm: \$3 premium beer.

**Jose's La Jolla:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$4 margaritas. \$2 off appetizers.

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

**Lupi Italian Restaurant:** *Tuesday-Sunday*, 5-7pm: \$3-\$5 martinis, beer, wine. Free doggie treats.

**Roppongi:** *Daily*, 3-6pm: 1/2-off Asian tapas & sushi rolls.

**La Sala:** *Monday-Friday, Sunday*, 4-7pm: \$3 bottled beer, \$4 drafts. \$5 house wine. \$7 specialty cocktails.

**The Shack Bar & Grill:** *Daily*, 3-7pm: \$1 off wells, domestic taps.

**The Shores Restaurant:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: 5 for \$5 Happy Hour menu: 5 appetizers & 5 drinks for \$5 each.

**Su Casa:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: 1/2-off wells and appetizers (excludes seafood & guacamole).

**LA MESA**

**Charcoal House:** *Daily*, 11-7pm: \$.75 off all drinks, \$1 off all appetizers.

**Chico Club:** *Daily*, all day: \$3 big-ass beer (23 oz).

**Hoffer's Cigar Bar:** *Monday-Saturday*, 11am-7pm: \$2 off all beer, \$1 off wine. *Sunday*, 1-7pm: \$2 off all beer, \$1 off wine.



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# the HERE'S DEAL

Last Call [lastcallsd.com](http://lastcallsd.com)

Boasting a weekend happy hour from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., **Last Call's** slogan entreats you to "Go ugly early." And while easily dismissed as another sketchy El Cajon Boulevard hole, Last Call proves to be a welcoming neighborhood joint that owner Rich Walker calls an "oasis on the Boulevard."

"I opened Last Call eight years ago with a friend from when I worked at Dick's Last Resort," says Walker. "We were looking for a name that would catch and were surprised to find that 'Last Call' was available. There were only four nationally, though now there are a ton."

Is it the quintessentially terrible karaoked "Don't Stop Believin'," the oddly inland tiki surf decor, or the walls adorned with Walker's own artwork (made with recycled, reclaimed, and natural materials) that gives Last Call its convivial locals' bar charm?

"We're all family here," former bartender-gone-regular Mike tells me. "We look out for each other."

You can spot family past on Last Call's "Wall of Shame," a collection of over 500 Polaroids on film that went out of production two years ago.

"It's just regulars, some guy acting stupid, girls... whatever," Walker says. "If you take out a digital camera, girls think you're a pervert, but everyone's happy to smile for a Polaroid."

Making light of the venue's location, Last Call offers \$1 kamikaze shooters when sirens pass, though some nights it has to be limited to east or westbound. A handful of taps include Manzanita IPA and Red from Santee, both excellent brews at \$4 a pint. Otherwise, 22 bottled beers include Stone, Manzanita, and New Belgium selections, but the house special is the Sunken Sailor, a shot of Sailor Jerry's rum dropped in a glass of Monster energy drink.



PHOTOGRAPH BY CHRIS WOO

"Everyone's happy to smile for a Polaroid," just look at Last Call's walls.

Catch karaoke on Wednesdays and Thursdays, live bands on Fridays, hip-hop Saturdays, and football on Sundays and Mondays.

"I first came here to play fantasy football," says J.T., a traveling carnival electrician. "Once you're in here, it grows on you. It's the great-

est little bar in San Diego."

As an added incentive, the worst fantasy football player of the week merits their photo attached to the Douche Bag of the Week award, which is, in fact, a douche bag.

Says Walker, "Just come out and belong."

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**Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$1 off drinks and cocktails.

**San Pasqual Winery Tasting Room and Gallery:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: \$1 off wine by the glass.

## LAKESIDE

**Coach Stop:** *Monday-Friday*, 9am-noon, 4-7pm: \$2.50 large drafts, domestic bottles. 7-11pm: \$1.50 12-oz. drafts, \$6.50 60-oz. pitchers.

**Coo Coo Club:** *Monday-Friday*, 6-8pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles, drafts.

## LEMON GROVE

**Dirk's Niteclub:** *Monday-Saturday*, 4-7pm: \$.50 off all drinks \$4.50 or less. *Sunday*, 6am-2pm: \$1 off bloody marys.

## LEUCADIA

**Bar Leucadian:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$2.75 wells, \$2.50 beer of the month, shot special.

**The Calypso Café:** *Daily*, 5:30-7pm: \$4 wells, sangria, margaritas. \$4 house wine. \$3.50 beer.

## LINCOLN PARK

**L & L Hawaiian BBQ at Market Creek Plaza:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-8pm: \$2 domestic drafts. \$1 off appetizers. *Sunday*, all day: \$1 drafts. \$1 tacos & wings.

## LINDA VISTA

**Brick by Brick:** *Daily*, 3-6pm: \$2.50 house wine. 1/2-off beer.

**The New Morena Club 1 M1319:** *Daily*, 2-7pm: \$2 domes-

tic drafts, \$2.50 wells and domestic bottles.

**Tio Leo's:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$3 domestic & Mexican pints, \$4 house margaritas & well drinks.

## LITTLE ITALY

**Anthology:** *Tuesday-Friday*, 5:30-7pm: \$6 wells, wine, featured beer, martinis, margaritas.

**Fat City Steakhouse:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$2 drafts, \$3 wells, \$4 wine. 1/2-off appetizers.

**Puerto la Boca:** *Daily*, 4:30-7:30pm: \$3 house wine, \$3.50 drafts, wells, \$6 house martini. 30% off appetizers.

## MIDWAY DISTRICT

**Daddy-O's:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$2.50 drafts: Negra Modelo, Fat Tire, BP Yellowtail Ale, Coors Light, Shock Top. \$2 domestic bottles. \$2 hot dogs, \$3 chili dogs.

**Shakedown Bar:** *Monday-Friday*, 2-8pm: \$2.50 domestic drafts, \$3 tall boys, wells, \$3.50 Jack & cokes. 5-7pm: \$1.50 tacos, \$2 burgers. *Sunday*, 5-7pm: \$1.50 tacos, \$2 burgers.

## MIRA MESA

**A Taste of Boston:** *Daily*, 3-7pm: \$2.25 Bud draft, \$2.75 bottled beer (except Guinness), \$3 drafts, \$3.75 all wine. Discounted appetizers.

## MIRAMAR

**The Filling Station:** *Monday*, 7pm-close: \$4 margaritas. *Tuesday*, 7pm-close: \$2 kamikazes. *Wednesday*, 7pm-close: \$3.50 premium drafts. *Thursday*, 7pm-close: \$2.50 wells, domestic beers; \$7.50 domestic pitchers. *Saturday*, noon-7pm: \$3 mimosas. *Sunday*, noon-7pm: \$3 bloody marys.

## MISSION BEACH

**Guava Beach Bar & Grill:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: Two-for-one cocktails, beer, shots.

## MISSION HILLS

**The Aero Club:** *Daily*, 2pm-2am: \$.50 off beer and wells.

**City Wok:** *Monday-Saturday*, 3-5pm: 1/2-off beer, wine, sake, appetizers.

## MISSION VALLEY

**Ruby's Diner:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: \$2.99 shakes/malts.

## NATIONAL CITY

**Lai Thai Restaurant:** *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$2 Thai beer.

**McDini's:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: \$2 off domestic pitchers, \$3.50 wells.

**Pier 32 Waterfront Grill:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$2 domestic beer, \$3 import & local beer, \$4 house wine. *Saturday-Sunday*, all day: \$3 mimosas, \$4 bloody marys.

## NESTOR

**Baja Oyster Bar:** *Monday-Thursday*, All day: \$.99 fish tacos. 3-6pm: Two-for-one domestic bottle, discounted special roll.

## NORMAL HEIGHTS

**Bourbon Street:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-8pm: \$3 domestic pitchers, \$4 well drinks, \$5 imported pitchers.

**Live Wire:** *Daily*, 5-8pm: \$1 off drafts and cocktails.

## NORTH PARK

**El Comal:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$3 beer, \$4 wells. Two-for-one mixed shots.

**Lips Restaurant:** *Sunday*, all night: Industry Night, \$3.50 wells, \$5.50 calls, 25% off entrées & appetizers. Must show employee ID or pay stub.

**The Office:** *Daily*, 5-8pm: Two-for-one price on all drinks.

**The Smoking Goat:** *Tuesday-Friday*, 4-6pm: 1/2-off select bottles of wine.

**West Coast Tavern:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$3 wells, drafts, house wine.

## OCEAN BEACH

**3rd Corner Wine Shop & Bistro:** *Tuesday-Saturday*, 3-6pm: \$4 sangria, \$4 glass of wine, \$5 specialty craft beers.

**Blue Parrot:** *Monday-Friday*, 2-6pm: All drinks and appetizers 1/2-price (all day Monday).

**Sunshine Co.:** *Daily*, 5-6pm: 1/2-off all pitchers.

**The Vine:** *Daily*, 4-6pm: 1/2-price entire wine and specialty beer list.

**Winstons:** *Monday-Saturday*, 1-8pm: \$3.50 wells. \$1 off all beer/wine.

## OCEANSIDE

**Harney Sushi:** *Thursday*, \$5 specialty cocktails.

**P's & Q's Sports Pub & Grill:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$2 domestic pints, \$3 premium pints. \$3 chicken wings.

## OLD TOWN

**Cosmopolitan Hotel and Restaurant:** *Monday-Thursday, Sunday*, 3-6pm: \$3 wells, house wine, and drafts.

**Harney Sushi:** *Wednesday*, \$5 specialty cocktails.

**Old Town Mexican Café:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm, 11pm-close: Drink & beer specials. \$2 Taco Tuesday (chicken, beef, fish, carnitas); \$2.50 margaritas, Tecate, tequila.

## PACIFIC BEACH

**710 Beach Club:** *Daily*, 4-7:10pm: 1/2-off food & booze.

**una's:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$2.50 beer, wine.

**Bub's Dive Bar:** *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$10 pitchers. 1/2-off appetizers.

**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.

**The Dog:** *Monday-Thursday, Sunday*, \$6 pitchers.

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

**Sinbad Café:** *Daily*, 4-8pm: \$1.50 drafts, \$2 wells, shots, \$2.50 imports. 11am-8pm: \$12-\$15 hookahs.

## POINT LOMA

**Extreme Pizza:** *Daily*, 4pm-7pm: \$6 craft beer pitchers.

**Humphreys Backstage Music Club:** *Daily*, 5-7pm: 1/2-off all drinks & menu items (excludes holiday/concert nights).

**The Pearl:** *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: \$3 beer, \$4 wells, \$5 wines.

## POWAY

**Kaminski's BBQ & Sports Bar:** *Monday, Wednesday-Friday*, 3-6pm, 9-11pm: \$1 off all wells, drafts, bottles, wine.

## RAMONA

**Boll Weevil Restaurant:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: \$2 off all pitchers.

## RANCHO BERNARDO

**Carvers Steak & Chops:** *Monday-Friday*, 2-6:30pm: 1/2-off drinks. \$3-\$4 off appetizers.

**Kelly's Public House:** *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$8 pitchers, \$3.50 wells, house wines.

## RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS

**Deli Stop Sports Pub:** *Daily*, 4pm-7pm: \$1 off all beer; \$3 Corona, \$3 wine; \$1 off all appetizers.

## RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Cottonwood Golf Club Bar & Restaurant:** *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$2 drafts. 1/2-off all appetizers including pizza, quesadillas, wings, calamari.

## RANCHO SANTA FE

**Delicias:** *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$5 draft beers, house wines, wells.

## SAN MARCOS

**Cowshed Bar and Grill:** *Monday, Wednesday-Sunday*, 4-7pm: \$3 domestic. \$3.50-\$4 wells. *Tuesday*, 4pm-2am: \$3 domestic. \$3.50-\$4 wells.

## SANTEE

**Landre's Sports Bar & Grill:** *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$1 off all drinks. \$5

appetizers: potato skins, garlic/bacon fries, shrimp cocktail, more.

## SCRIPPS RANCH

**Stone Flats:** *Daily*, 3-5pm, 7-9pm: \$1 Bud/Bud Light; 1/2-off all other beer/wine.

## SERRA MESA

**Channel 1 Sports Bar and Grill:** *Sunday*, \$2.50 mind erasers, kamikazes. \$3.50 mimosas, bloody marys.

## SOLANA BEACH

**Chief's Burgers and Brew:** *Tuesday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$2.50 domestic, \$3.50 microbrew. 1/2-off appetizers.

## SORRENTO VALLEY

**Ali Baba's Cave:** *Daily*, 3-7pm: 22-oz. beer \$4 (including tax). \$12 hookahs, \$5 refills.

## SOUTH PARK

**Hamilton's Tavern and Café:** *Daily*, 5-8pm: \$1 off local drafts.

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

## SPRING VALLEY

**Fannie's Nightclub:** *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$.50 off all drinks.

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# Senior Moments

*They strategize like young soldiers, forgetting that they're almost immobile.*

**B**ack in the '60s, Robert Anderson wrote a one-act called *I'm Herbert*. Depending on how old you are, it could be a comedy or a tragedy. In the play, a man and a woman, senior citizens, try to communicate. But senility warps their words into an Abbott and Costello "Who's on first?" routine. If you're young, the old geezers' inability to connect makes for hilarious theater of the absurd. If you're beyond a certain age, however, they become chilling previews of coming attractions.

Gerald Sibleyras's *Heroes* at North Coast Rep uses a similar device. Henri, Philippe, and Gustave, veterans of World War I, were heroes 41 years ago. Now it's 1959 and they're patients at an old-soldiers' home in rural France. And they're stuck. Henri lost a leg in battle; Philippe has a piece of shrapnel in his head and passes out every ten minutes; and the aristocratic Gustave — who won medals in both World Wars — finds safety inside the walls and doesn't dare venture out.

The play combines traces of *I'm Herbert* with Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot* and Jean-Paul Sartre's *No Exit* (where "hell is other people"). Because most days are identical and ruled by devastating boredom, the trio does, and does not, get along. The walled-in terrace where they spend their days (nicely replicated by Marty Burnett for

NCRT) feels more and more like a prison, from which they plan an unlikely escape.

It's actually a campaign: they want to climb to a stand of poplar trees on a far-off hill. They strategize like young soldiers, all the while forgetting that they're almost immobile. The gap between the

two — fading memories of youth, diminishment of old age — creates both humor and pathos.

Tom Stoppard's impressionistic translation leaves out basic information. We learn snippets about the trio, but concrete explanations are few. We're never told why Gustave is agoraphobic (or even that he is; we deduce it from his behavior) or how Henri lost his leg. Or when Philippe is having a spell or just faking one for laughs. The play's more a painting by Claude Monet than, say, Cezanne.

In effect, *Heroes* frames the story through the lens of an octogenarian. It's probably not unique, but the point of view is striking. The playwright doesn't have all the facts. His characters exist in a wavering now, four decades from their battlefield heroics. Our sense of their pasts is as vague as theirs. The script has "senior moments" by design.

The North Coast Repertory Theatre has cast three heroes of regional theater: Ken Ruta (Gustave) is cofounder of the Guthrie Theatre and associate artist at the Old Globe; Ray Rein-

## THEATER REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



**Heroes** Gustave (Ken Ruta), Henri (Ray Reinhardt), and Philippe (Jonathan McMurtry) plan an unlikely escape from devastating boredom.

**Heroes**, by Gerald Sibleyras, adapted by Tom Stoppard  
**North Coast Repertory Theatre**, 987-D Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach  
**Directed by David Ellenstein**: cast: Jonathan McMurtry, Ray Reinhardt, Ken Ruta; scenic design, Marty Burnett; costumes, Renetta Lloyd; lighting, Matt Novotny; sound, Chris Luessmann  
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**Gypsy**, music by Jule Styne, lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, book by Arthur Laurents  
**Ion Theatre**, 3704 Sixth Avenue, Hillcrest  
**Co-directed by Claudio Raygoza and Kim Strassburger**: cast: Linda Libby, Katie Whalley, Helena Marie Woods, Eric Hellmers, Gracie Lee Brown, Jordan Bunshaft, Gigi Coddington, Andy Collins, Betsy Dunbar, Emily Gordon, Ralph Johnson, Justin Warren Martin, Ben Shaffer; scenic and sound design, Raygoza; costumes, Joan Hanselman-Wong; lighting, Karin Filijan; choreographer, Ali Whitman  
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hardt (Henri) is cofounder of ACT in San Francisco; and San Diego’s own Jonathan McMurtry (Philippe) won a Craig Noel Lifetime Achievement Award. It’s a dream cast, but the night I caught the show, the performances felt under-rehearsed with many line troubles. As a result, their rhythms were off and the pace lagged. One often had the sense that each was waiting on the others.

Directed by David Ellenstein, the overall production felt heavy-handed, while the play calls for the lightest of touches. Some scenes struck chords, as when the trio practiced roping themselves for the climb with a fire hose. Their frustrated entanglement was both farcical and sad. But too often lulls intruded and momentum was lost.

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When Ion Theatre announced it would stage *Gypsy*, one of the greatest musicals of all time, in its small space, I said, “Huh?” When I saw the results, all I could say was, “Oh, my!” Ion has shrunk the piece to fit a two-car garage. If you’re expecting production numbers

with a cast of thousands, steer clear. But on its own terms, the Ion downsizing works — even works wonders — on a human scale.

In Cygnet Theatre’s *Glass Menagerie*, Amanda Sitton plays fragile Laura Wingfield as if born for the role. At Ion, Linda Libby exudes the same aura as Mama Rose, the stage mother from Hell. The librettist Arthur Laurents wrote about Rose: “If you try to live your childrens’ lives, you’ll destroy yourself.”

“You’ll be swell,” Libby/Rose sings to daughter Louise, “you’ll be GREAT!” In no time the words evolve from Broadway dream to a formal, military command, and then to Rose trying to will success in her daughter, practically shoving it down her throat. Libby commands the stage throughout, but her unfettered desperation gains magnitude from the intimate Ion Theatre space. Rose will not be defeated again.

*Gypsy* is a backstage musical. Designer Karin Filijan’s somber, “worklight” effects give the songs a personal, behind-the-scenes touch: the characters

sing just to each other, not past the footlights to the back of the house (when Libby does sing out, in the dynamite “Rose’s Turn,” it’s to an imaginary audience, and Rose almost loses her mind). Another unexpected bonus: the singers aren’t miked! These are actual voices — for once.

Backed by Wendy Thompson’s precise, indefatigable piano, the cast obviously relishes this enterprise. Katie Whalley (remember the name) gives young Louise a sweeping arc from pageboy shyness to bombastic Gypsy Rose Lee. Andy Collins is just right as Herbie, the husband drained of devotion. As June, the daughter meant to be the star, Helena Marie Woods has a horse laugh that’s priceless.

*Gypsy* broke a lot of ground when first produced in 1959. Along with a difficult central character, Stephen Sondheim’s lyrics favored the vernacular. Sondheim also summed up the theme: “Gypsy says something fairly hard to take: that every child eventually has to become responsible for his parents.” ■

## THEATER LISTINGS

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### Dead Man’s Cell Phone

When Jean answers a ringing cell phone, she plummets through a technological looking glass into a world of negatives. Except for the conclusion, which has trouble tying loose ends, Sarah Ruhl’s comedy-drama fascinates. Director Delicia Turner Sonnenberg and Moxie Theatre have an affinity for Ruhl’s leaps and lurches. And Jo Anne Glover charms throughout as Jean — a silver lining in a perfect storm. The ensemble cast, dressed in Jennifer Brawn Gittings’s eloquent costumes, does fluid work. And when the “dead man,” Gordon, finally gets to speak, Matt Thompson does one of his best efforts ever. He’s suave, charismatic, and nowhere near Jean’s image of a decent man. *Worth a try.* MOXIE AT ROLANDO THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N, COLLEGE AREA. 858-598-7620. 8PM THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6.

### Fear Beautiful Fear

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### Gypsy

Ion Theatre presents the “musical fable” about a stage mother and the sacrifices she makes to get her daughters into show business. Claudio Raygoza and Kim Strasburger co-directed. ION THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVE., HILLCREST. 619-600-5020. 8PM THURSDAYS THROUGH SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 27.

### Heroes

North Coast Repertory Theatre stages Gerald Sibleyras’s comedy about camaraderie and “the frustrations inherent in growing older.” David Ellenstein directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM THURSDAYS THROUGH SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 13.

### Jane Austen Unscripted

For one evening only, Impro Theatre invents a Jane Austen novel, where “hearts are broken, secrets revealed, and true love wins out in the end. Or does it?” NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 7:30PM MONDAY.

### Man of La Mancha

Miguel de Cervantes sits in a dungeon. To make his case, he stages a drama the prisoners act out. At the Welk, director Dan Mojica has them also playing instruments, and playing them well. As Cervantes/Don Quixote, John Lalonde sings

the iconic songs with strength and feeling, and Natalie Nucci gives Aldonza the necessary grit. A strong support cast includes John Polhamus, Daniel Berlin, and A.J. Mendoza. Jennifer Edwards-Northover’s expert lighting helps make the dungeon become whatever Quixote imagines. *Worth a try.* WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DR., ESCONDIDO. 888-802-7469. 1PM AND 8PM THURSDAY.

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### Of Mice and Men

New Village Arts has had an up and, mostly, down season. Its staging of John Steinbeck’s drama, however, ranks among its better efforts to date. Daren Scott’s direction and Manny Fernandes’s first-rate performance as Lennie — so innocent, so *dangerous* — propel the tale of bonded itinerants to its inevitable, tragic conclusion. Justin Lang (George), John DiCarlo (Slim), and Jack Missett (Candy) make valuable contributions. And Steinbeck still has a remarkable knack for making things we take for granted — warm clothes, regular meals, a place of one’s own — sound like a dream. *Critic’s Pick.* NEW VILLAGE ARTS THEATRE, 2787 B STATE ST., CARLSBAD. 760-433-3245. 8PM THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS, 3PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 20.

### Richard O’Brien’s Rocky Horror Show

At the Old Globe, the band blasts, the Gothic set and costumes drip with decadence, but the evening evolves, unlike the cult movie, into slick, un-edgy production numbers. In the movie, Tim Curry cavorts like an androgynous demigod. While Matt McGrath’s Frank N. Furter lacks Curry’s bravado and vulnerability. The cast has powerful voices, but too often the performance comes first, not the character. That said, I’ve never seen the Old Globe more energized. The opening night audience, many members dressed as one of the characters and shouting dialogue back at the stage, made the show. *Worth a try.* OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAY, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAY, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6.

### Spring Awakening

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### The Diary of Anne Frank

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### The Glass Menagerie

Cygnet Theatre’s uneven production of Tennessee Williams’s drama offers three terrific performances: Rosina Reynolds paints a many-sided portrait of Amanda Wingfield (based on Williams’s mother); Brian Mackey hits the right notes as the Gentleman Caller; and Amanda Sitton, born to play Laura, is as fragile as her figurines. Francis Gercke, however, waves his hands, indicates movements, and consistently gives awkward line readings. His overstated affectations are all the more annoying because the production has such quality elsewhere, including Andy Hull’s appropriately cramped set, Shirley Pierson’s period costumes, and Michelle Caron’s expressionistic lighting, which makes Laura’s glass menagerie gleam like diamonds. *Worth a try.* CYGNET THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 3PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 13.

### The Odd Couple

Neil Simon’s contrary duo has become part of our national lore. The Sullivan Players’ production has a big plus but several misses and questionable choices. The plus is Michael Bova. He makes Oscar Madison a human pigpen, then layers in a caring person acquainting himself with himself. Philip John’s Felix Ungar is far too daffy and inexact (and throws away too many funny lines). Anne Sermon and JC Hamby are a treat as the Pidgeon sisters. But of the four actors in Simon’s famous poker scene, only Joe Solazzo and Lee Howell listened to each other and knew where the jokes were. The quartet proved that one of Simon’s best opening’s isn’t surefire. SWEDENBORG HALL, 1531 TYLER AVE., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 7PM FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6.

### The Servant of Two Masters

Lamb’s Players has turned Carlo Goldoni’s *commedia*-like farce into a musical comedy. The intermissionless piece could use tightening, but it makes for an always lively, often funny entertainment. The ensemble cast (four married couples in real life) does admirable work. But the headliner is Geno Carr. He plays the harried servant, Truffaldino, in an exaggerated style and deftly shows that the most burdened character in the *commedia* is the freest actor on stage. *Worth a try.* LAMB’S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM TUESDAYS THROUGH THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 20.

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# Overreaching Eloquence

*Most of the characters are writers, but writers don't often speak as they write.*

## The Rum Diary

Photographed in a dry, dingy beige, the film looks like it were being viewed through a discarded snakeskin. This is not altogether a fault; the anemic film stock suits the sultry drip of setting and the revolutionary climate of the time.

Johnny Depp — in a pair of brow-hugging sunglasses that turn his head into a smiling V — plays Paul Kemp, a freelance journalist who takes a job at a financially crippled newspaper in Puerto Rico. This is Depp's second film incarnation of a Hunter S. Thompson character. And like

all Thompson's protagonists, Paul shares the wistful woes of the struggling writer. He hopes the spicy locale will jumpstart his stalled career as a novelist.

His initial reporting begins in the horoscopes, but soon Paul is tangled in a web of illegal real estate deals, dangerous romantic prospects, and all manner of alcohol-related hijinks. Thankfully, the drug-induced surrealism of *Fear and Loathing* is restricted to a single scene. Aaron Eckhart is appealing as the wealthy devil in a white suit, and Amber Heard is seductive and stunning as the love interest, though



**The script of *Rum Diary*, starring Johnny Depp, is unapologetically literary.**

she still looks like something that fell out of Scarlett Johansson's compact. Michael Rispoli turns in some credible work as veteran of the newspaper, but his role is ultimately reduced to that of Depp's sidekick.

The script is unapologetically literary. Everyone speaks from Thompson's prose: "This place is like someone you fucked, and you're still under it." The overreaching eloquence can be somewhat excused by the fact that

most of the characters are writers, but writers don't often speak as they write. The story indulges in its own sense of esoteric becoming. This liberty extends to Bruce Robinson's direction as well. Much like Thompson's writing, the film meanders aimlessly, achieving fleeting moments of majesty.

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documentary by Danfung Dennis, this is the response of 18-year-old Nathan Harris when asked in a military interview why he wants to join the Marines. Perhaps more frightening than Harris's comment is the response from the interviewer: "That's the best answer I've ever heard."

This conversation is recollected by Harris when he is 25, now a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps. For his third tour in Afghanistan, Harris is selected as a member of the elite Echo Company, who have been charged with taking the war deep into Taliban-controlled territory. They are, as the commanding officer says, "experts in the application of violence." Harris is shot in the hip, leaving his prospect of returning to service questionable. His welcome-home sequence is effectively interspersed with quick cutaways to soldiers in the grips of despair, suicidal behavior, and physical maladies.

As we follow Harris's recovery, the editing is used to take the viewer back to the deserts of Afghanistan, where we are privy to actual footage from the battlefield leading up to Harris's injury. Even without the flashback

technique, the battle footage would be compelling. The camera is remarkably steady, given the roughness of the terrain and the jeopardy of the mission. One wonders how the shaky-hand technique of contemporary directors ever came to be considered an aspect of realism in war.

Harris is an intriguing subject — he's an "everyman" soldier with deep conviction and an individual with unique demons. He is small of stature, with a firm brow, ghostly complexion, and arresting eyes. Routine banalities, such as shopping in a Walmart, take on a kind of hyper reality as Harris stares transfixed by the release of *Call of Duty 4*. What could he be thinking? Even if the battle footage is presented in a gimmicky style that dramatizes the experience, the reality of the images free it from sentimentality.

The film speaks intelligently on the disconnect between a soldier on the front lines and the logistics of how a mission is planned. The person fighting is left to carry out his duty on faith alone ("We all believe in the cause"), likening military service to a kind of religious zeal. The film also explores the extent to which Afghani farmers are forced to sacrifice their livelihood for the sake of a foreign freedom they do not understand.



**Habana Eva** — *The performances do not live up to the good looks*

The enemy remains unseen for the duration of the film, underscoring the authenticity of the danger.

A strong sense of irony emerges as the home scenes become tenser than the battle sequences — note a moment when Harris is trying to teach his clearly uncomfortable wife how to aim a handgun. Harris practically forces the weapon into her hand, his voice an innocent drawl but with an expectant tone. He is both endearing and aggressive. Even as his physical injuries heal, Harris's mental instability deteriorates to the point of psycho-

sis. His descent is captured in a way few modern documentaries attempt — not with a parade of talking-head interviews, but as a document of an important experience.

★★★★

### Habana Eva

Eva is a dreamer in a world of assimilated perspectives. Her fiancé is a passionless architect. Her family is stuck in a pedestrian rut of soap operas and pet adoration. Her workday consists of sewing in a factory that produces economical, unflattering wedding

resses. Her ambition to become a fashion designer of the highest artistic caliber paints Eva as a bit of a pariah amid the socialist climate of Havana, Cuba: "Beauty is not a priority here."

Enter Jorge (played with convincing suavity by Juan Carlos García), a well-to-do charmer with a smile that could melt an iceberg. His world-weary aesthetic provides Eva with just the escape she needs, finding justification for her infidelity and reckless behavior in a swish of romantic abandon. Jorge, of course, proves too good to be true (though his deception is never all that sinister), and Eva is left all alone to discover her independence and realize her dreams.

Prakriti Maduro in the lead role provides a nice foil for her male counterparts. She darts through her scenes like a mouse but with conviction, using her frumpy eyes, pouty lips, and head full of Medusa braids. Unfortunately, the performances do not live up to the good looks. The acting is self-conscious, like a well-rehearsed high school play. The movements are too static, the dialogue too forced.

Havana is filmed in all its luscious splendor, but the photography never rises above the tour guide variety. Even so, the colors create a vibrant palette; they pop in a way few directors of urban locales are willing to permit. And while the story entraps itself in the romantic-comedy formula, there are some unfamiliar turns (at least in American cinema) that keep interest alive — most notably a pair of goblin-colored seniors who become business partners with Eva and a friendly haunting who comes to dispense legal advice.

★

Reviewed in the movie capsules: *In Time* and *A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas*.

—John Rubio



## FILM FESTIVALS

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**Red Snow** 2006. Peng Tao's film "probes the essential meaning of the Cultural Revolution," focusing on "funny, passionate, and sometimes violent interactions of three runaways who take refuge in the home of a widow." **Thursday, November 3, 8 p.m.**

**The Interrupters** 2011. This documentary presents "an unflinching portrait of three courageous individuals" working "to end the rampant violence in some of Chicago's toughest neighborhoods." **Tuesday, November 15, 8 p.m.**

### TALKING PICTURES

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**Lolita** 1962. In Stanley Kubrick's film starring James Mason, Sue Lyon, Shelley Winters, and Peter Sellers, "a middle-aged college professor becomes infatuated with a 14-year-old teen." **Friday, November 4, 2:30 p.m.**

**A Clockwork Orange** 1971. Disturbing, violent images are used for "social commentary on psychiatry, youth gangs, and other social, political, and economic subjects in a dystopian, future Britain" in Kubrick's film starring Malcolm McDowell. **Friday, November 11, 2:30 p.m.**

### CINEMA UNDER THE STARS

4040 Goldfinch Street, Mission Hills  
619-295-4221

**Crazy, Stupid, Love** 2011. Steve Carell is "a nerdy everyman thrust into a mid-life tailspin" when his wife decides she wants a divorce; Ryan Gosling "helps him get his groove back and guides him through the mating dance." **Thursday-Saturday, November 3-5, 8 p.m.**



**Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2** 2011. Boy wizard Harry (Daniel Radcliffe) and

Lord Voldemort (Ralph Fiennes) square off in a showdown between good and evil, life and death, the past and the future. **Friday and Saturday, November 11-12, 8 p.m.**

### DIVE-IN THEATRE

#### Pearl Hotel

1410 Rosecrans Street, Point Loma  
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**Coming to America** 1988. Eddie Murphy plays an African prince who hits the U.S. to find a woman to marry. **Wednesday, November 9, 8 p.m.**

**The Big Lebowski** 1998. Joel and Ethan Coen's comedy stars Jeff Bridges as an unemployed Los Angeles bowler in the middle of a kidnapping plot. Cast includes John Goodman, Steve Buscemi, John Turturro, Julianne Moore. Abide. **Wednesday, November 16, 8 p.m.**

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**Together** 2003. "A violin prodigy and his father travel to Beijing, where the father seeks the means to his son's success while the son struggles to accept the path" before him. In Mandarin with English subtitles. **Friday, November 4, 7 p.m.**

### FILM FORUM

#### San Diego Central Library

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**Where Soldiers Come From** 2011. Heather Courtney's documentary charts "the four-year journey of childhood friends who join the National Guard after graduating from high school." Discussion follows. **Thursday, November 10, 3 p.m.**



*All reviews are by David Elliott, Matthew Lickona, John Rubio, Scott Marks, and Duncan Shepherd. Priorities are indicated by one to five stars and antipathies by the black spot. Unrated movies are for now unreviewed. Thousands of past reviews sorted alphabetically, by year of release, and by rating are available online at [SanDiegoReader.com](http://SanDiegoReader.com).*

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★★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

★★★★ (LA PALOMA)

★ (CHULA VISTA 10; GASLAMP 15)

**Dolphin Tale** — A tale of a tail. The dolphin is Winter, a sea critter that lost its tail in a crab trap, was rescued by humans, then fitted with a prosthetic for use in its new Florida home. Charles Martin Smith (the actor from *American Graffiti* and *Never Cry Wolf*) directed with splashing confidence. Veteran stars do nicely (Ashley Judd, Harry Connick Jr., Kris Kristofferson, and prosthetics wizard Morgan Freeman), but it is the frisky bezard and

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**In Time** — If time were currency, would you hoard it for eternal life or make every day a risky spree of mortality? In the near-future of an L.A. shot with elegant noir streamlining by Roger Deakins and directed by Kiwi-Brit stylist Andrew Niccol (*Gattaca*), people live to 25, stop aging, and then must buy, steal, or gamble time to keep living. Justin Timberlake is the cocky but time-short rebel, and doe-eyed Amanda Seyfried the spoiled princess who, Patty Hearst–like, joins his revolt against the pampered plutocrats led by her father. It's a true Hollywood fantasy about a world forever young, yet also a nightmare about our current capitalist malaise. A few slippery details should not spoil your fun. 2011. — D.E.

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**Johnny English Reborn** — Rowan Atkinson, the pipsqueak packet of comical nonsense, returns as Johnny, Britain's Clouseau (Clueless?) in a James Bond mode. It's silly beyond silly, but the deft star knows how to do sight gags, blithely

★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; OTAY RANCH 12;  
PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Killer Elite** — What a waste. Director Gary McKendry pulls together action god Jason Statham, genuine star Clive Owen, and a surprisingly subdued Robert De Niro in an international espionage thriller based on a true story, and then turns around and makes this shoddy, shaky, seemingly endless parade of clichés, incoherent action, and generally

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## MOVIES

bad storytelling. At least the sunglasses look good. 2011. — M.L.  
● (CHULA VISTA 10; HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Margin Call** — Not bad, if you want the 2008 financial collapse reduced to an adrenalized ego showdown in f-wordy debt to David Mamet. Kevin Spacey is the greed pig who squishes best. Jeremy Irons is the predator who heads the investment firm, seeming to welcome disaster with a shark’s appetite. Writer-director J.C. Chandor makes high-rises feel like cold coffins, and unhappy occupants include Simon Baker, Paul Bettany, Zachary Quinto, Stanley Tucci, Demi Moore. In this glib, involving cartoon of complex truths, are we truly meant to feel for lonely Spacey because he mourns his dog? 2011. — D.E.

★★★ (GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HILLCREST; LA JOLLA 12; OCEANSIDE MISSION MARKETPLACE 13)

**Martha Marcy May Marlene** — Martha strives to recover from a grungy cult group. Director Sean Durkin intercuts timeframes and creates a twilight sadness. The cult leader (John Hawkes) sings like Charles Manson trying to be Leonard Cohen, and as part of Martha’s “cleansing” he provides rape. As morose, inarticulate Martha, Elizabeth Olsen (sister of twins Mary-Kate and Ashley) can seem like a young Maggie Gyllenhaal drained of vitality, though the *New York Times* has called her the new “it girl.” Clara Bow, anyone? 2011. — D.E.

★ (HILLCREST; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Midnight in Paris** — One of Woody Allen’s mostly smoothly enjoyable entertainments. Like Stanley Donen’s *Funny Face* and Richard Linklater’s *Before Sunset*, it is a devotional candle of the American love of La Belle Paris. The blond wick who lights up for joy is Owen Wilson as Gil, a “Hollywood hack,” aspiring novelist, and mostly a thrilled tourist. Stuck with a pretty but philistine wife (Rachel McAdams), he magically escapes into his preferred Paris, that of the 1920s. There are fond, funny riffs on Hemingway, Picasso, Matisse, Gertrude Stein, Dali, 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 stuffy, the movie name-drops with a blithe bounce. — D.E.

★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Moneyball** — A rare sports movie with a brain. Brad Pitt does perhaps his best star acting as Billy Beane, the Oakland Athletics general manager who, sick of being looted of talent by big-money teams like the Yankees, opted for a “sabermetrics” approach using computers and the advice of a smart, chubby nerd (Jonah Hill, very good as this composite figure). The script went through much overhaul (Robin Wright’s tiny role may be a symptom of that), and Steven Soderbergh left as director, but Bennett Miller came in as more than a relief hitter. Full of nuances, always sharp about the frictions of change, finely acted, fascinated by the game but not pious, the movie has the rich adulthood of Miller’s previous work (*The Cruise, Capote*). 2011. — D.E.

★★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; MISSION VALLEY HAZARD CENTER 7; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**My Afternoons with Margueritte** — Gérard Depardieu puts his unwieldy bulk and asymmetrical face to excellent use as a village simpleton who befriends an elderly intellectual woman after the two discover a mutual interest in pigeons. Their subsequent shared adventure into the world of words is a pleasure to look at and an even greater pleasure

to listen to, but there’s a falsity at the heart of things. *Margeuritte* is ultimately about mother-love (or rather, the lack thereof), a tough subject that demands unsentimentality. But who wants to be unsentimental about Mom? 2010. — M.L.

★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Oranges and Sunshine** — Emily Watson, in her best work in years, plays the English social worker Margaret Humphreys, whose dutiful life suddenly became a crusade when the case of a woman sent in childhood to Australia leads Humphreys to find the awful truth: 130,000 unwanted (often stigmatized as “illegitimate”) kids dispatched Down Under (in many senses) with the connivance of two governments and religious authorities. Her dogged sleuthing helped expose crimes of child exploitation and abuse, some by the Christian Brothers order. The cast is excellent, directed by Jim Loach with the sober, candid realism of his famous father, Ken Loach. Watson is a star without star poses. 2011. — D.E.

★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Paranormal Activity 3** — The static, surveillance-camera imagery has been replaced by jump cuts and jiggly cinematography, and several of the jolts in this prequel, cleverly set in 1988 at the dawn of camcorders, can be chalked up to nothing more than people piercing the dark silence by screaming “Boo!” Still, if you like your terror time stamped, your nerves won’t escape unscathed. The *Cat-fish* team, Henry Joost and Ariel Schulman, directed. 2011. — S.M.

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**Puss in Boots** — The DreamWorks cartoon team spins off the Hispanic macho cat from the *Shrek* series for his own adventure. Kids may take it hard when Puss is betrayed by blood brother Humpty Dumpty, though the flamenco “fight dance” is fun and there is a charming episode in fluffy clouds. Yet too often we feel the animators falling back on proven reliables: big eyes, hectic thrills, snappy patter, boring humans. The contrivances are rounded off by 3-D. Voices by Antonio Banderas, Salma Hayek, Zack Galifianakis, Billy Bob Thornton, Guillermo del Toro. 2011. — D.E.

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**Real Steel** — A promoter and his estranged son bond through robot boxing matches. Motion capture reaches new levels of sophistication, but when it comes to narrative refinement, *Real Steel* remains a product of cinema’s dark ages. The initial effects are enough to hold your attention, but all bets are off when the tin can man is taught a few dance steps and the inevitable third-act pathos kicks in. Shawn Levy directed; starring Hugh Jackman, Dakota Goyo, and Evangeline Lilly. 2011. — S.M.

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## SEEN ON DVD



The Addams Family

### REBECCA HICKS

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Traditional romantic comedies have never been a reflection of my relationship reality, which is why I’m grateful for 1991’s *Addams Family*. Raul Julia and Anjelica Huston have a joyous chemistry in this film. Their Gomez and Morticia are a little left of quirky, whimsically macabre, but full of passion and love. They are a couple that finds joy in simply being together. For my husband and me, it’s the ideal date movie.

Cameron Crowe’s *Almost Famous* is a solid movie. It boasts stellar performances all around, with Jason Lee and Kate Hudson doing some of their best work. But I’m personally grateful for this movie because of one line of dialog. Hudson’s Penny Lane tells Patrick Fugit’s William Miller to “Just write.” Whenever I’m overthinking a project, I hear that line in my head. And I just write.

**THE ADDAMS FAMILY (USA)**  
1991, Paramount  
List Price: \$14.98

**ALMOST FAMOUS (USA)**  
2000, Columbia Pictures  
List Price: \$12.99

**Rise and Shine: The Jay DeMerit Story** — Inspirational sports documentary about an undrafted college football player who beats the odds to become an internationally famous soccer star. Written and directed by San Diego filmmakers Nick Lewis and Ranko Tutulugdzija. (MISSION VALLEY HAZARD CENTER 7; OCEANSIDE MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; TEMECULA TOWER 10; VISTA VILLAGE; 11/03)



The Treasures of Long Gone John

### JOHN PURLIA

Artist and writer, [johnpurlia.com](http://johnpurlia.com)

David Lynch films are like a found box of assorted jigsaw pieces. Yet somehow these pieces wedge together into one grand, disturbing vision. *Inland Empire* is a dizzying Hollywood mystery of actresses, hookers, a pet monkey, and rabbit people! DVD bonuses include a brooding bit of noir with Lynch illuminating the fine art of cooking quinoa.

*The Treasures of Long Gone John* is a frenetic look at legendary “anti-mogul” Long Gone John, high school dropout, thief, one-man record label and toy producer. A lifelong outcast and collector of curious things, he became a significant art collector, started a record label in his living room, and discovered the White Stripes. The film moves fast with amazing art, interviews, and an awesome soundtrack. Featured is a tour through John’s home filled with a jaw-dropping hoard of art, curios, creepy dolls, records, and toys. It’s a housekeeper’s nightmare, but — wow — I want that stuff!

**INLAND EMPIRE (USA)** 2007, Absurda/Rhino  
List price: \$29.98 (two discs)  
**THE TREASURES OF LONG GONE JOHN (USA)** 2006, S’More Entertainment  
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### The Rum Diary

Reviewed this issue.  
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Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein

### BATTON LASH

Cartoonist, Supernatural Law, [exhibitapress.com](http://exhibitapress.com)

I’m grateful for *Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein*, probably my all-time favorite horror/humor movie. I loved how the juxtaposition of the Universal monsters worked so well with Bud and Lou. Each element stayed true to themselves: the monsters were scary and menacing and the boys were goofy and funny! I’m grateful that I originally saw *Abbott & Costello Meet Frankenstein* as a child. I loved monsters and comedy and this movie was an influence on my sensibilities.

I was in college when Woody Allen’s *Love and Death* was released, and I went to see it out of the curiosity of how a movie with such a somber title could be hailed as a comedy. I learned! Played straight, with plenty of literary and cinematic allusions, puns, absurd situations, and a wonderful soundtrack. *Love and Death* was an approach to comedy I found refreshing. Looking back, I can see the influence it had on my own work.

**ABBOTT AND COSTELLO MEET FRANKENSTEIN (USA)**  
1948, Universal  
List price: \$19.98  
**LOVE AND DEATH (USA)**  
1975, MGM  
List price: \$29.99

TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Sarah’s Key** — Maudlin drama that takes the bold step of giving us a heroine (Kristen Scott Thomas) who seems like she might be heroic in her quest to uncover the past, but then again, she might just be obsessed. Not every story needs to be told to everyone, not even the story of a young Jewish girl in WWII France on a mission to save her trapped little



brother. Still, that story is a strong one and is delivered with brilliant color and high emotion — in contrast to the more-muted present-day story also told. — M.L.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**The Skin I Live In** — Spain’s wizard of chic effrontery, Pedro Almodóvar, again wraps his elegant style around desperate, sexy, ruthless people. But there isn’t the motor of female emotion (and perverse fun) that the gay director often finds in his leading women. Instead, Antonio Banderas is a statuesque plastic surgeon who uses a lithe young man who attacked his daughter to rebuild the dead girl (Elena Anaya) as his incestuous sado toy. The story is a frigid maze of twisted fixations, including a vicious brother dressed as a tiger and Marisa Paredes as a doting, demented mom. It remains suavely inert, a creepy art object posing. Try instead the masterworks of mania, *Eyes Without a Face* and *In My Skin*. 2011. — D.E.  
★★ (HILLCREST)

**Take Shelter** — Michael Shannon, who often seems like Frankenstein looking sadly for his doctor, plays a scared and scary guy in the flat Midwest. His sinister dreams and fantasies clue him that a vast storm is coming, and he hurls his fragile family into panic by building a big shelter (he already has a small one). Director and writer Jeff Nichols stokes the mood with brooding light that anticipates the rainy end of the world. But the gifted Shannon is, too obviously, a symbolic

symptom of the economic and social anxiety of fearful, hard-working folk in tough times. Jessica Chastain is sweetly touching as the bewildered wife, a kind of Walmart Ma Joad. 2011. — D.E.  
★★ (HILLCREST)

**The Thing** — A prequel to the 1982 remake of the 1951 original. Pretty lady scientist (is there any other kind these days?) heads down to Antarctica to examine an unusual specimen discovered in the ice. Things go awry. The frozen wasteland is put to good, foreboding use, but director Matthijs van Heijningen Jr. is too quick to strip away the mystery and dread of The Hidden Menace in Our Midst in the name of special effects. And even those are disappointing and a little incoherent, with the borrowed visuals of *From Beyond* thrown in for good measure. 2011. — M.L.  
★ (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**The Three Musketeers** — Not quite Dumas, but no dummy. The brash new Muskies: Athos (Matthew Macfadyen), Aramis (Luke Evans), Porthos (Ray Stevenson), plus D’Artagnan (Logan Lerman) like a 17th-century mall dude. Add saucy, athletic Milady (Milla Jovovich), haughty Duke of Buckingham (Orlando Bloom), cruel Rochefort (Mads Mikkelsen), and not-very-Catholic Cardinal Richelieu (Christoph Waltz): “Evil’s just a point of view.” Also a da Vinci airship, posh graphics, palaces (Versailles and one in Bavaria), and a plot never quite so fancy free as the ’70s swashbucklers from Richard Lester. But director Paul W.S. Anderson

delivers some finely costumed and dashing entertainment. 2011. — D.E.  
★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Toast** — True to title, it pops up but then lies flat. The memoir of British celebrity-chef Nigel Slater was turned by S.J. Clarkson into this quaint coming-out fable. His perky, retro, storybook styling serves the humor about bad British cuisine, but larger emotional themes go hungry. Oscar Kennedy is boy Nigel and then Freddie Highmore plays him as an adolescent, frostily snobbish about the brassy domestic help (Helena Bonham Carter) who woos his father with fine, fat meals. Frankly, Slater is a jerk. 2011. — D.E.  
★ (HILLCREST)

**Tower Heist** — Two regular guys, stiffed by a Ponzi schemer, avenge themselves on him and his fabulous home. Brett Ratner directed Ben Stiller, Eddie Murphy, Casey Affleck, Alan Alda, Matthew Broderick, Judd Hirsch, Téa Leoni, Gabourey Sidibe. Reviewed next issue.  
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**A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas** — Separated at the outset and assigned new BFFs, America’s favorite toking twosome spend the holidays reconciling. The 3-D pot smoke is sublime, but the stereoscopic effects frequently grind what little momentum there is to a halt. It’s not as funny as the first nor as politically responsible as the second, but given the right amount of sativa, you’ll be rolling in the aisle. Todd Strauss-Schulson directed; starring Kal Penn, John Cho, and the fearless Neil Patrick Harris as a closeted heterosexual. 2011. — S.M.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; MISSION VALLEY HAZARD CENTER 7; OCEANSIDE 16; OCEANSIDE MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TEMECULA TOWER 10; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 11/04)

**The Way** — A linear film about a doctor (Martin Sheen) who goes to France for the body of his son (Sheen’s real son, Emilio Estevez, who directed). To honor him and to shake his own life out of torpor (golf isn’t enough), he carries the ashes on a foot trek down the famous pilgrim road to Santiago de Compostela in Spain. Sheen has seldom done

better work, including a memorable drunk scene. By not pitching tourism or Catholicism too hard and by showing remarkable places and engaging seekers, the story is humane in a sauntering, almost documentary way. 2011. — D.E.  
★★★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12)

**We Were Here** — Rending, harrowing, moving. This documentary by David Weissman and Bill Weber uses recent interviews and vintage photos and clips to fathom the AIDS epidemic, which nearly cratered the San Francisco gay community in the ’80s. There are five main survivor-witnesses, including an artist whose aged face is the spiritual map of an agonized era and a wonderful nurse who helped the distraught and dying. The result is never statistical. A medical crisis becomes human history, the history feels intimate, and the film is more about life than death. 2011. — D.E.  
★★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Where Soldiers Come From** — Soldiers come from places such as Michigan’s Upper Peninsula and parents such as the Smiths and Fredianellis. One day they’re kids doing cannonballs off a pier, the next they’re commanding tank cannons in Afghanistan. For four years, and at great personal risk, director Heather Courtney and her crew followed a tight-knit group of friends turned combatants. It’s not often that I call a film important. Every parent who has a child of fighting age should take them to see this movie. 2011. — S.M.  
★★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

# MOVIE SHOWTIMES

*Bargain showtimes are in parentheses.*

## CENTRAL

**San Diego Natural History Museum Kaplan Theater**  
*1788 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-232-0248)*  
**Dinosaurs 3D: Giants of Patagonia** (Not Rated) Fri-Sat 1:00, 2:30, 4:00 Sun 1:00, 2:30; **Inner Earth 3D** (Not Rated) Fri-Sun 11:00, 1:45, 3:15; **Ocean Oasis** (Not Rated) Fri-Sun 12:00p.m.

## CARMEL MOUNTAIN

**Reading Carmel Mountain**  
*11620 Carmel Mountain Road (800-326-3264 #2704)*  
**Dolphin Tale** (PG) Fri,-Sun. (11:40, 2:25); **Footloose** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. 4:50, 7:15, 9:40 Sun. 4:50, 7:15; **The Ides of March** (R) Fri,-Sat. (11:50, 2:20) 5:05, 7:35, 9:50 Sun. (11:50, 2:20) 5:05, 7:35; **In Time** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (11:30, 2:15) 4:40, 7:20, 9:45 Sun. (11:30, 2:15) 4:40, 7:20; **Moneyball** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (1:25) 4:10, 7:00; **New Moon** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun.; **Paranormal Activity 3** (R) Fri,-Sat. (11:25, 1:35, 3:35) 5:45, 7:50, 9:55 Sun. (11:25, 1:35, 3:35) 5:45, 7:50; **Puss in Boots** (PG) Fri,-Sat. (10:45, 11:35, 12:50, 1:40, 2:55, 3:45) 5:00, 5:50, 7:05, 8:00; **Real Steel** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (10:50, 1:30) 4:25, 7:25, 10:05 Sun. (10:50, 1:30) 4:25, 7:25; **The Rum Diary** (R) Fri,-Sat. (11:15, 1:55) 4:30, 7:30, 10:15 Sun. (11:15, 1:55) 4:30, 7:30; **Sarah’s Key** (*Elle s’appelait Sarah*) (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (10:55, 1:10, 3:25) 5:40, 7:55, 10:20 Sun. (10:55, 1:10, 3:25) 5:40, 7:55; **Special Event** (Not Rated) Fri,-Sat. Sun. 3:00p.m.; **The Three Musketeers** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (11:00) 10:10 Sun. (11:00a.m.); **Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (11:55, 2:30) 4:45, 7:10, 9:30 Sun. (11:55, 2:30) 4:45, 7:10; **A Very Harold & Kumar Christmas** (R) Fri,-Sat. (11:45, 1:50) 4:00, 6:00, 8:05, 10:15 Sun. (11:45, 1:50) 4:00, 6:00, 8:05

## CLAIREMONT

**Reading Town Square**  
*4665 Clairemont Drive (800-326-3264 #2722)*  
**Anonymous** (PG-13); **Footloose** (PG-13); **The Ides of March** (R); **In Time** (PG-13);

**Moneyball** (PG-13); **Paranormal Activity 3** (R); **Puss in Boots** (PG); **The Rum Diary** (R); **The Three Musketeers** (PG-13); **Tower Heist** (PG-13); **A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas** (Not Rated)

## CORONADO

**Vintage La Costa**  
*820 Orange Avenue (619-437-6161)*  
**Midnight in Paris** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (1:45, 4:15) 6:30, 9:00; **Puss in Boots 3D** (PG) Fri,-Sun. (1:45, 4:15) 6:30, 9:00; **Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (1:45, 4:15) 6:30, 9:00

## DOWNTOWN

**Reading Gaslamp**  
*701 Fifth Avenue (800-326-3264 #2709)*  
**About Schmidt** (R) Fri,-Sun.; **Blackthorn** (R) Fri,-Sun. (12:55, 3:15) 5:35, 7:55, 10:15; **Citizen Ruth** (R) Fri,-Sun.; **Contagion** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:55, 7:20, 9:45; **Crazy, Stupid, Love** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:25, 1:55) 4:30, 7:10, 9:55; **Election (1999)** (R) Fri,-Sun.; **50/50** (R) Fri,-Sun. (12:35, 2:55) 5:15, 7:30, 9:50; **Finding Joe** (Not Rated) Fri,-Sun. (11:35, 1:30, 3:40) 5:45, 7:40, 9:35; **Footloose** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:30, 2:05) 4:40, 7:15, 9:50; **The Ides of March** (R) Fri,-Sun. (12:40, 3:00) 5:20, 7:45, 10:10; **My Afternoons With Marguerite (La Tete en friche)** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:00, 3:35) 5:40, 7:35, 9:30 Sat. (11:35, 1:35, 3:35) 5:40, 7:35, 9:30 Sun. (1:00, 3:35) 5:40, 7:35, 9:30; **National Theatre Live: The Kitchen LIVE** (Not Rated) Fri,-Sat. Sun. (2:00p.m.); **The Rum Diary** (R) Fri,-Sat. (12:05, 1:40, 2:40) 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 8:00, 9:40, 10:40 Sun. (12:05, 1:40, 2:40) 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 8:00, 9:40; **Sarah’s Key** (*Elle s’appelait Sarah*) (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:25, 2:00) 4:35, 7:05, 9:35; **Sideways** (R) Fri,-Sun.; **Special Event** (Not Rated) Fri,-Sun.; **The Lion King 3D** (G) Fri,-Sun. (12:25, 2:35); **The Thing** (R) Fri,-Sun. (12:45, 3:10) 5:30, 7:55, 10:20; **Warrior** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. 4:50, 7:45, 10:35 Sun. 4:50, 7:45; **The Way** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:40, 2:10) 4:45, 7:25, 10:00; **We Were Here** (Not Rated) Fri,-Sat. (3:20) 10:05 Sun. 10:05p.m.; **Where Soldiers Come From** (Not Rated) Fri,-Sat. (1:10) 5:25, 7:50 Sun. 5:25, 7:50

**Regal Horton Plaza**  
*Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)*  
**Anonymous** (PG-13); **Drive** (R); **In Time** (PG-13); **Johnny English Reborn** (PG);

**Killer Elite** (R); **Moneyball** (PG-13); **Paranormal Activity 3** (R); **Puss in Boots** (PG); **Real Steel** (PG-13); **The Three Musketeers** (PG-13); **Tower Heist** (PG-13); **A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas** (Not Rated)

## KENSINGTON

**Landmark Ken**  
*4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)*  
**HELL AND BACK AGAIN** (NR) Fri. (2:00), (4:00), 6:00, 8:00, 10:00, Sat & Sun: (2:00), 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00, Mon – Thu: (4:00), 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; **PINK FLOYD THE WALL** (R) Fri & Sat: 12:00 Midnight; **REVENGE OF THE ELECTRIC CAR** (PG-13) Fri. (2:00), (4:00), 6:00, 8:00, 10:00, Sat & Sun: (2:00), 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00, Mon – Thu: (4:00), 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; **GIORGIO MORODER PRESENTS METROPOLIS** (NR) Fri & Sat: 12:00 Midnight

## LA JOLLA

**AMC La Jolla**  
*8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (888-262-4386)*  
**Anonymous; The Ides of March; In Time; Margin Call; Moneyball; Paranormal Activity 3; Puss in Boots; Real Steel; The Rum Diary; Tower Heist; A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas** (R) Fri,-Sun. (10:30) 12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:45, 10:15; **The Metropolitan Opera: Siegfried LIVE** (Not Rated) Sat. (9:00a.m.); **Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (10:45) 1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50; **The Way**

**Landmark La Jolla Village**  
*8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)*  
**MARTHA MARCY MAY MARLENE** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: (2:20), (4:50), 7:20, 9:50, Sat & Sun: (11:50), 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50; **ORANGES AND SUNSHINE** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: (2:10), (4:40), 7:10, 9:40, Sat & Sun: (11:40), 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40; **SARAH’S KEY** (PG-13) Fri, Mon – Thu: (2:00), (4:30), 7:00, 9:30, Sat & Sun: (11:30), 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; **MIDNIGHT IN PARIS** (PG-13) Fri – Thu – Thu: 7:30, 10:00, Sat & Sun: 7:30, 10:00; **MY AFTERNOONS WITH MARGUERITE** (NR) Fri, Mon – Thu: (2:30), 5:00, Sat & Sun: (12:00), 2:30, 5:00; **INTO THE ABYSS** (PG-13) Opens Friday, November 18

## MIRA MESA

**Regal Mira Mesa**  
*10733 Westview Parkway (800-326-3264)*  
**In Time** (PG-13); **Paranormal Activity 3** (R); **Puss in Boots** (PG); **The Rum Diary** (R); **Tower Heist** (PG-13); **A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas** (Not Rated)

## MISSION VALLEY

**AMC Fashion Valley**  
*7037 Friars Road (888-262-4386)*  
**Anonymous; 50/50; Footloose; The Ides of March; In Time; Moneyball; Paranormal Activity 3; Puss in Boots; Real Steel; The Rum Diary; The Three Musketeers; Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (10:00) 12:30, 3:00, 5:35, 8:15, 10:55; **A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas**

**AMC Mission Valley**  
*1640 Camino Del Rio North (888-262-4386)*  
**Courageous; Dolphin Tale; 50/50; Footloose; The Ides of March; Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2 3D** (PG-13) Sat. 1:00, 7:00 Sun. 12:00p.m.; **In Time; Moneyball; Paranormal Activity 3; Puss in Boots; Real Steel; The Metropolitan Opera: Siegfried LIVE** (Not Rated) Sat. (9:00a.m.); **The Rum Diary; The Thing; The Three Musketeers; Tower Heist; A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas; Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:00) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; **A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas** (R) Fri,-Sun. (10:30) 1:00, 3:30, 5:55, 8:30, 11:00

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



**Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, Sun - Wed: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, Thu: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00; **A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas** (R) 3D

Upcharge Applies; No Passes Allowed, Fri & Sat: 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Sun - Thu: 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Rise and Shine: The Jay DeMerit Story** (NR) Thu: 7:30 PM; In Time (PG-13) Discounted UNTIL 4PM Tue & Thu, Fri & Sat: 11:00 AM, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30, Sun - Thu: 11:00 AM, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **Puss in Boots** (PG) Fri - Wed: 10:00 AM, 7:15; **Puss in Boots 3D** (PG) 3D Upcharge Applies, Fri & Sat: 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 9:30, Sun - Thu: 12:15, 2:30, 4:45; **The Rum Diary** (R) Fri: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15, Sat: 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15, Sun: 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, Mon & Tue: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, Wed & Thu: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 4:30; **The Hammer (Hamill)** (PG-13) Wed: 7:30 PM; **The Ides of March** (R) Fri: 10:45 AM, 10:00, Sat: 10:45 AM, 4:15, 10:00, Sun - Thu: 10:45 AM, 4:15; Moneyball (PG-13) Fri: 7:00 PM, Sat - Thu: 1:15, 7:00; BABY’S NIGHT OUT: “**TOWER HEIST**” THURSDAY, 11/10 @ 7PM. BRING THE BABY! PARENT MOVIE MORNING: “**TOWER HEIST**” THURSDAY, 11/10 @ 10AM. BRING THE BABY! **Habana Eva** (NR) Fri & Sat: 11:30 AM, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45, Sun - Thu: 11:30 AM, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30

## UPTOWN

**Landmark Hillcrest**  
*3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)*  
**MARTHA MARCY MAY MARLENE** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: (2:10), (4:50), 8:00, Sat & Sun: (11:40), 2:10, 4:50, 8:00; **THE SKIN I LIVE IN** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: (1:40), (4:20), 7:00, 9:40, Sat & Sun: (11:00), 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; **MARGIN CALL** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: (1:55), (4:40), 7:25, 9:50, Sat & Sun: (11:20), 1:55, 4:40, 7:25, 9:50; **TOAST** (NR) Fri, Mon – Thu: (2:00), 4:30, Sat & Sun: (11:30), 2:00, 4:30; **MARTHA MARCY MAY MARLENE** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: 7:10, 9:35, Sat & Sun: 7:10, 9:35; **TAKE SHELTER** (R) Fri, Mon – Thu: (1:45), 4:25, \*7:05, 9:45, Sat & Sun: (11:10), 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:45, \*No 7:05 PM Show Tuesday, 11/08/11; **LIKE CRAZY** (PG-13) Opens Friday, November 11; **MELANCHOLIA** (R) Opens Friday, November 11

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**  
*1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)*  
Call theater for program information.



# MOVIE SHOWTIMES

## EAST COUNTY

### EL CAJON

**Regal Parkway Plaza**  
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)  
Call theater for program information.

### LA MESA

**Reading Grossmont**  
5500 Grossmont Center Drive (800-326-3264 #2710)  
**Footloose** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:50) 5:00, 10:20; **In Time** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2:20) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50; **Margin Call** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:50, 1:10, 3:35) 5:55, 8:20, 10:45; **New Moon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.; **Paranormal Activity 3** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:15, 3:15) 5:20, 7:25, 9:25; **Puss in Boots** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 1:35, 3:45) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; **Puss in Boots 3D** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:35) 4:45, 7:00, 9:10; **Real Steel** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:15) 7:35; **The Rum Diary** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:40, 2:25) 5:10, 7:50, 10:30; **Special Event** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun.; **Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 11:45, 1:05, 2:10, 3:25) 4:40, 5:45, 7:10, 8:10, 9:35, 10:35; **A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:35, 1:50) 4:05, 6:15, 8:30, 10:40

### RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Regal Rancho San Diego**  
2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264)  
**50/50** (R) Fri. (4:15) 9:40 Sat. 4:15, 9:40 Sun. 5:15, 10:40; **Footloose** (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 2:35, 5:15) 7:55, 10:35 Sat. (11:50, 2:35) 5:15, 7:55, 10:35 Sun. (12:50, 3:35) 6:15, 8:55, 11:35; **The Ides of March** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 2:45) 6:35, 9:25 Sun. (1:05, 3:45) 7:35, 10:25; **In Time** (PG-13) Fri. (12:15, 4:30) 7:20, 10:05 Sat. (12:15) 4:30, 7:20, 10:05 Sun. (1:15) 5:30, 8:20, 11:05; **Moneyball** (PG-13) Fri. (12:10, 4:05) 7:05, 10:15 Sat. (12:10) 4:05, 7:05, 10:15 Sun. (1:10) 5:05, 8:05, 11:15; **Paranormal Activity 3** (R) Fri. (12:45, 2:55, 5:00) 7:50, 10:45 Sat. (12:45, 2:55) 5:00, 7:50, 10:45 Sun.

(1:45, 3:55) 6:00, 8:50, 11:45; **Puss in Boots** (PG) Fri. (12:00, 12:30, 2:20, 4:40, 5:10) 7:10, 10:00, 10:25 Sat. (12:00, 12:30, 2:20) 4:40, 5:10, 7:10, 10:00, 10:25 Sun. (1:00, 1:30, 3:20) 5:40, 6:10, 8:10, 11:00, 11:25; **Puss in Boots 3D** (PG) Fri. (1:00, 2:50, 4:10) 6:40, 7:35, 9:30 Sat. (1:00, 2:50) 4:10, 6:40, 7:35, 9:30 Sun. (2:00, 3:50) 5:10, 7:40, 8:35, 10:30; **Real Steel** (PG-13) Fri. (12:50, 4:00) 6:55, 9:55 Sat. (12:50) 4:00, 6:55, 9:55 Sun. (1:50) 5:00, 7:55, 10:55; **The Rum Diary** (R) Fri. (12:55, 4:35) 7:25, 10:20 Sat. (12:55) 4:35, 7:25, 10:20 Sun. (1:55) 5:35, 8:25, 11:20; **The Three Musketeers 3D** (PG-13) Fri. (1:05, 4:45) Sat. (1:05) 4:45 Sun. (2:05) 5:45; **Tower Heist** (PG-13) Fri. (11:55, 12:40, 2:30, 4:20, 5:05) 7:00, 7:40, 9:50, 10:30 Sat. (11:55, 12:40, 2:30) 4:20, 5:05, 7:00, 7:40, 9:50, 10:30 Sun. (12:55, 1:40, 3:30) 5:20, 6:05, 8:00, 8:40, 10:50, 11:30; **A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas** (R) Fri. (12:25, 2:50, 5:15) 7:30, 8:00, 10:10, 10:40 Sat. (12:25, 2:50) 5:15, 7:30, 8:00, 10:10, 10:40 Sun. (1:25, 3:50) 6:15, 8:30, 9:00, 11:10, 11:40; **The Way** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20) 6:45 Sun. (1:20) 7:45

### SANTEE

**Santee Drive In**  
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)  
**Paranormal Activity 3** (R); **Puss in Boots** (PG); **Real Steel** (PG-13); **A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas** (Not Rated)

## SOUTH BAY

### CHULA VISTA

**AMC Palm Promenade**  
770 Dennery Road (888-262-4386)  
**50/50** (R); **Footloose** (PG-13); **In Time** (PG-13); **Johnny English Reborn** (PG); **Paranormal Activity 3** (R); **Puss in Boots** (PG); **Real Steel** (PG-13); **The Rum Diary** (R); **The Three Musketeers** (PG-13); **Tower Heist** (PG-13); **A Very Harold & Kumar 3-D Christmas** (Not

Rated)

**Regal Rancho Del Rey**  
1025 Tierra del Rey (off East H Street)  
(619-216-4707)  
Call theater for program information.

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



**The Big Year** (PG) Fri - Sun: 11:00 AM , 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15, Mon - Thu: 3:30, 5:45, 8:00; **The Thing** (R) Fri - Sun: 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15, Mon - Thu: 4:30, 7:00; **Dream House** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00, Mon - Thu: 4:45, 7:15; **Abduction** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 2:30, 5:00, 10:45, Mon - Thu: 5:00 PM; **Killer Elite** (R) Fri - Sun: 11:30 AM, 2:15, 5:15, 8:30, Mon - Thu: 3:15, 5:15, 8:45; **Straw Dogs** (R) Fri - Sun: 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, Mon - Thu: 5:45, 8:30; **Contagion** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Mon - Thu: 3:15, 6:00, 8:30; **The Help** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 11:15 AM, 7:30, Mon - Thu: 7:30 PM; **Rise of the Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45, Mon - Thu: 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Cowboys & Aliens** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 4:15, 7:00, 9:45, Mon - Thu: 5:30, 8:15; **The Smurfs** (PG) Fri - Sun: 11:00 AM, 1:30, Mon - Thu: 3:00 PM; **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 11:15 AM, 2:00, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30, Mon - Thu: 4:45, 7:45; **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) Fri - Sun: 11:45 AM, 2:00, Mon - Thu: 3:30 AM; **Thomas & Friends: Day of the Diesels** (NR) Sat & Sun: 10:30 AM

### EASTLAKE

**AMC Otay Ranch**  
Eastlake Parkway (at Olympic) (888-262-4386)  
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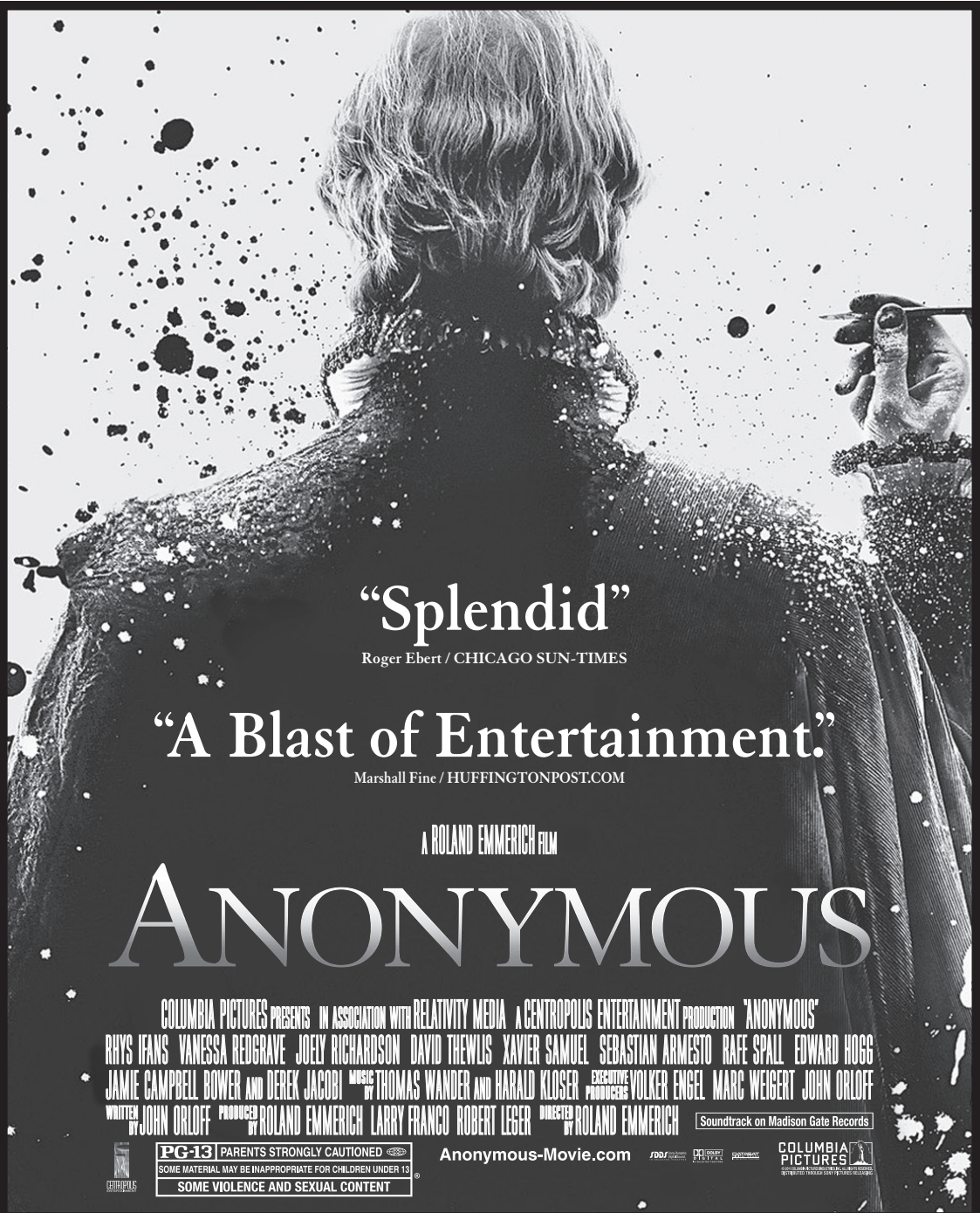
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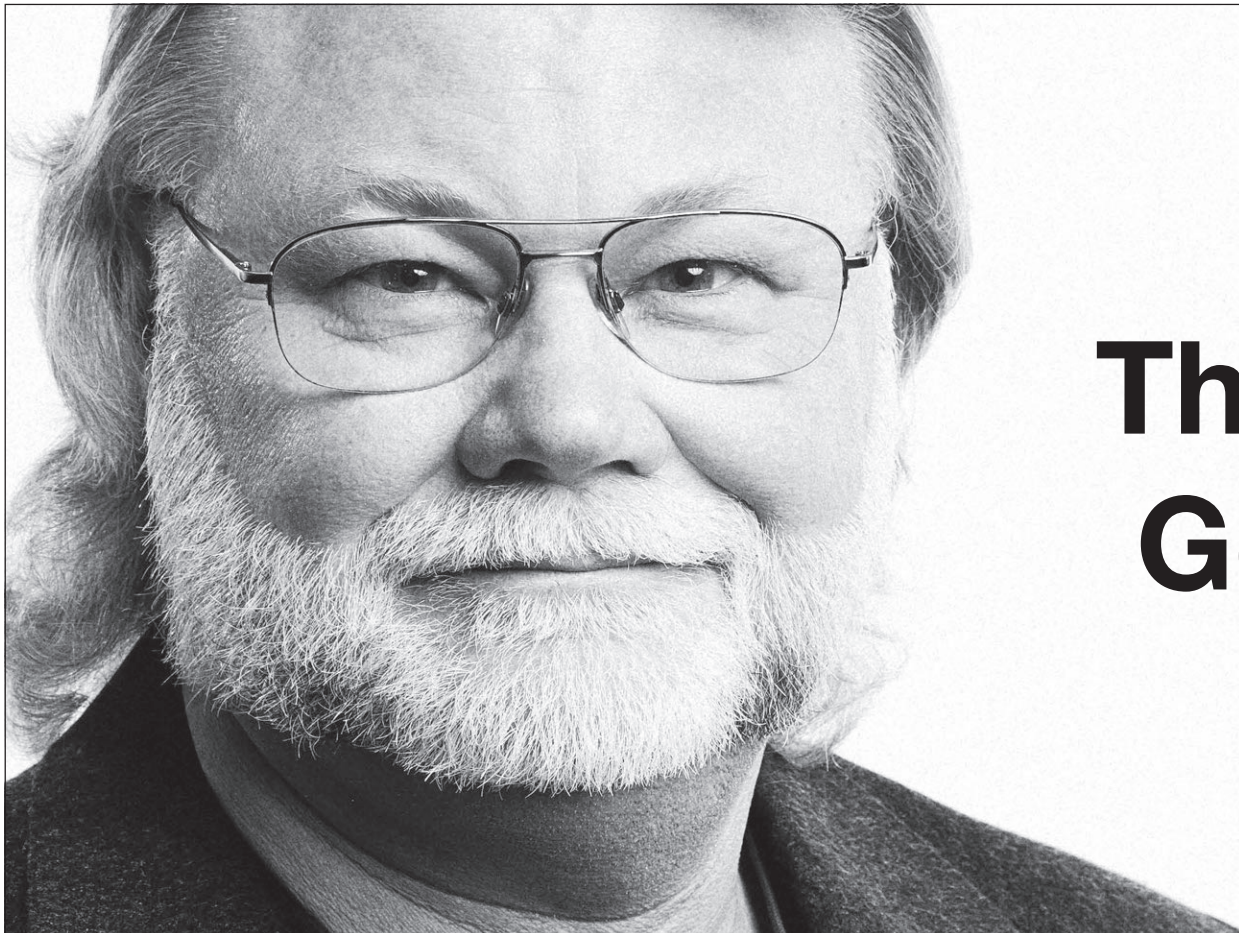
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## THE READER PUZZLE :

### RULES OF THE GAME

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2) Submit the correct answers to one of the puzzles along with your name and a brief message (20 words or less, no URLs or phone numbers). Entries must include a message. This is a great way to express yourself. You may submit a new message weekly. We reserve the right to edit or reject inappropriate text.  
3) The puzzle-contest ranking, shown online and in the paper, will begin anew every three months. Complete the journey four times a year!  
4) Entries must be faxed to **619-231-0489** or **619-233-7907** or mailed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803, or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India Street in Little Italy, or scanned and e-mailed to: [puzzles@sdreader.com](mailto:puzzles@sdreader.com).  
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And now for the really small print:  
1) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.  
2) Late entries will not be considered.  
3) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.  
4) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

### NEW RULES

Starting with the issue of May 12, we will award writers of the best messages, among those who correctly solve the puzzle, one of the famous *Reader* baseball caps or T-shirts. And we will print the winning messages in the paper. Puzzle winners with rankings will still be posted online at SDReader.com.

### Across

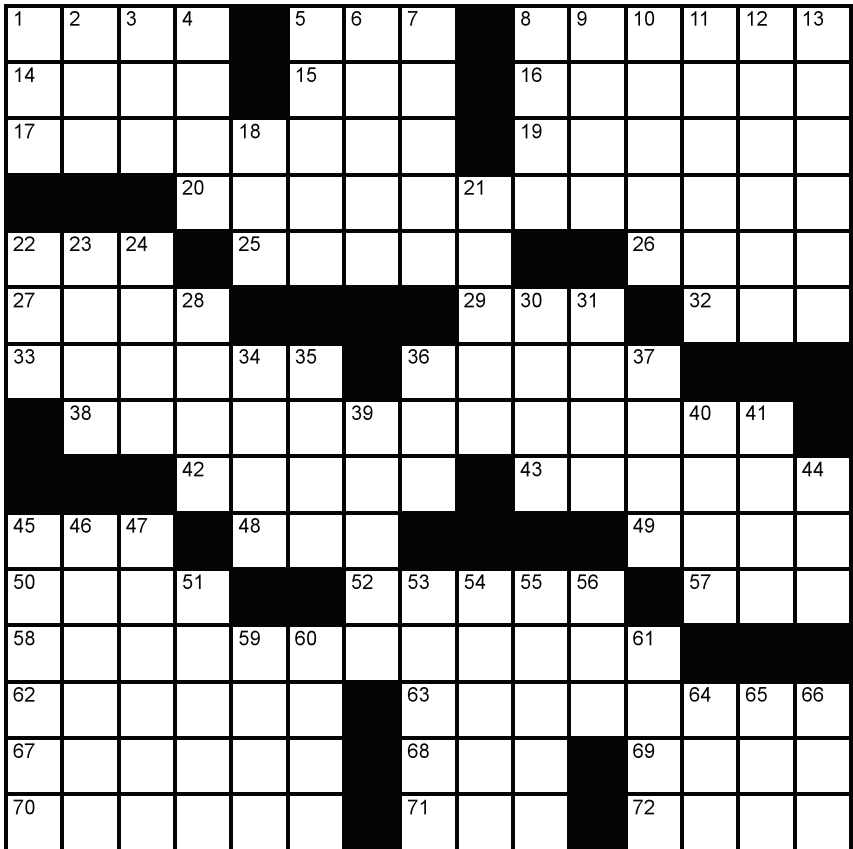
1. Pet welfare org.
5. Wall St. trading group
8. Hybrid women's clothing
14. \_\_\_\_ flakes
15. Little guy

16. Response to "Where's the last piece of pie?"
17. Apple product released in 2004
19. Largest active Eur. volcano
20. Designer who once created a fashion line for Target
22. Trip producer
25. Rankle
26. Pakistan neighbor
27. One of "The Cosby Show" kids
29. Org. of Cavs and Mavs
32. Urban grid: Abbr.
33. Easter \_\_\_\_
36. Pound sounds
38. 1990 Billy Joel hit ... or a hint to solving 17-, 20-, 58- and 63-Across
42. Wed
43. First name of three U.S. presidents
45. Twisty road curve
48. "Vox populi, vox \_\_\_\_"
49. Caracas cat
50. Bank acct. entries
52. Female undergrads
57. ID theft item
58. Player tied with Pete Rose for most seasons with 200+ hits
62. Romeo, to Juliet
63. Hip hop producer who founded the record label Murder Inc.
67. Showy
68. Actor Head of "The Blind Side"
69. Honk
70. Sprint acquisition of 2005
71. Hrs. in Puerto Rico
72. Concert boosters

### Down

1. "MythBusters" subj.
2. Top 40 genre
3. \_\_\_\_-Magnon
4. " \_\_\_\_ quote ..."
5. "Are you calling me \_\_\_\_?"

6. Actress Lathan
7. Proclamation
8. California's \_\_\_\_ Valley
9. Good last name for a veterinarian
10. Cheri of "Saturday Night Live"
11. Paves over
12. Doughboy's helmet
13. Wood treatments
18. Chinese food additive
21. " ... he loves \_\_\_\_"
22. West Point grads: Abbr.
23. Feng \_\_\_\_
24. Mao's successor
28. Lamar who wed Khloe Kardashian in 2009
30. Five-time Wimbledon champ
31. Without \_\_\_\_ (pro bono)
34. Not much
35. Time past
36. Alphabet run
37. Urban haze
39. Clapton and Idle
40. Great times
41. Pepper and Friday: Abbr.
44. Great time
45. His first patent was for the Electrographic Vote-Recorder
46. Lock up
47. Tourist attraction near Giza
51. Occupy, as a table
53. Toy sold with a pointing device called a planchette
54. Poet Pound and others
55. Bed spread
56. Hollywood's DreamWorks \_\_\_\_
59. Learning method
60. Pitcher Hershiser
61. Wee bit
64. Uncle of fiction
65. Best
66. " \_\_\_\_ a done deal"



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Personal Message: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

Hat: \_\_\_\_\_

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## THIS WEEK'S WINNERS:

(All winning entries will be screened for plagiarism.)

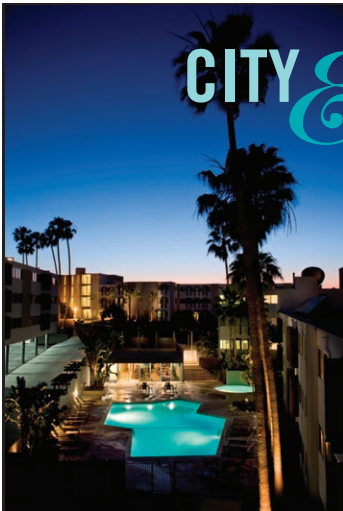
☛ **Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 6.**  
*Definition of "marine layer" – a prostitute that works in Oceanside.*

☛ **John L. Drehner, North Park, 6.**  
*The turtle was so nearsighted, it fell in love with an army helmet.*

☛ **Michael Rewa, Allied Gardens, 6.**  
*Last night I stayed up all night wondering what happened to the sun. It finally dawned on me.*

☛ **Jane M. Reilly, University City, 5.**  
*Imagine a car wash not changing your radio station.*

☛ **Makalani Dingane, Lemon Grove, 2.**  
*If the meek shall inherit the Earth, I'll be the Donald Trump of the afterlife!*



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### THIS WEEK'S WINNERS:

(All winning entries will be screened for plagiarism.)

☛ **Richard Hutchings, Santee, 7.** *The flower shop owner was held up at gunpoint! I'll bet he was a petrified florist!*

☛ **Ric Witt, Clairemont, 7.** *Second place is nothing but the first loser to cross the finish line.*

☛ **Cindy Fisher, San Clemente, 6.** *He's a model husband – a small imitation of the real thing.*

☛ **Cole Macy, San Diego, 3.** *That food in your teeth is scaring my girlfriend!*

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**LA JOLLA, \$1650.**  
1BD+1BA apartment. Reduced. Ocean views, extra clean, steps to village and beach. Prefer 1 person. 6-month minimum. Small pet possible. 858-456-0407.

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1BD+1BA. Parking, appliances, laundry on site. Fenced front and back patio, steps to beach. Across from Catamaran Hotel. 739 Wave Crest Ct. 858-272-9547.

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2BD+2BA Condo. Mission Beach South. No pets. Garage. New appliances. Top floor. Beach/ park view. Clean. Nice. Laundry facilities. 2999 Mission Blvd. 619-275-3455.

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1BD+1BA, apartment. One block to beach. All amenities. Pool, laundry, fireplace, parking. 4825 Del Mar Avenue. 619-298-0859.

**OCEAN BEACH, \$1450.**  
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**OCEAN BEACH, \$1450.**  
Studio+1BA, large studio, partially furnished. At the Ocean Beach Pier. Ocean views, completely renovated. No pets. 5067 Niagara. 619-224-4215.

**OCEAN BEACH, \$795.**  
Upstairs studio. Block to beach! Clean, bright. Appliances/ Shared 35' deck. Laundry, parking. No pets/smoking. Abbott Street. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**OCEAN BEACH, \$800.**  
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**OCEAN BEACH, \$850.**  
Studio+1BA. Studio in Ocean Beach. Right on Sunset Cliffs Boulevard. Great location. Call to view. Jami, 858-268-5004.

**OCEAN BEACH, \$875.**  
Studio+1BA. Small ocean view. 1 block from beach. Pets okay. Deposit \$875. Available now. New paint/ flooring. Remodeled kitchen & bathroom. 619-339-9951.

**OCEAN BEACH, \$945.**  
1BD+1BA. Clean, bright, upper. Block to ocean! Skylight. Peek ocean view. 35' shared deck. Laundry, parking, no pets/smoking. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**OCEAN BEACH, \$975 & UP.**  
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1BD+1BA upstairs apartment. Carpet, off- street parking, laundry room, 2 blocks to beach. No pets. 4832 Coronado Avenue #6. 619-222-6427.

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Retail space. Well located, 769 sqft retail space with private bathroom, parking, signage and great visibility! 4428 Ingraham Street. TPPM, 858-454-4200 x115, info@torreypinespm.com.

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1BD+1BA. 600 sqft. Upstairs unit in quiet Pacific Beach complex. Bike to beach and bay! www.cal-prop.com. 1468 Missouri Street #6. 858-768-4322.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1050.**  
1BD+1BA. Very spacious unit. Parking. 3 blocks to Fiesta Bay. www.cal-prop.com. 858-768-4355.

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1BD+1BA apartment. *Open house Saturday, 11/5, 10:00-11:00.* Beautifully kept property with lush garden courtyard near Crown Point. Many upgrades! 2150 Thomas Avenue #10. TPPM, 858-699-3851, www.torreypinespm.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1095.**  
1BD+1BA. Spacious apartment. 1/2 off first month! Assigned parking. Laundry room, close to shopping. No pets. 1920 Felspar. 858-457-4509.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1100.**  
1BD+1BA apartment. Off-street parking. Laundry on site. No pets. Available November! 4451 Haines Street. Chris, 858-270-4492 x203 or CDunphyPacwest@san.rr.com.

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1BD+1BA. 3 blocks to beach. New paint/ carpet/ tile. Laundry, parking, ceiling fan. No pets. 1043 Law Street. 858-736-1790.

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2BD+1BA, cottage with small private yard. Close to all. Walk to bay. Laundry, parking, patio. No pets. 4105 Ingraham Street. 858-270-4674.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1175.**  
2BD+1BA large duplex. Refrigerator, stove, 700 sqft, parking. Close to I-5. 858-270-4411.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1175.**  
1BD+1BA downstairs apartment in North PB. Stove, refrigerator, private patio, shared courtyard, garage space. 2 blocks to Tourmaline Surf Park. No pets. Available 11/10/11. 830 Sapphire. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

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1BD+1BA upper-level apartment. 3 blocks to beach. Assigned off-street parking. On-site laundry. No pets. 1050 Hornblend. Available November. 858-270-4492 x203.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1350.**  
2BD+1.5BA. New carpet and paint. Parking. Available now! No pets/ smoking. 1727 Missouri Street. 858-273-8283.

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2BD+2BA, 1000 sqft apartment. Heated pool, 2 Jacuzzis, 2 basketball courts, 5 lighted tennis courts, clubhouse, barbecue area, business center, on-site laundry facilities, heat, A/C. Cats/ dogs welcome. Close to freeways and more! Bay Pointe Apartments, 3866 Ingraham. 888-451-8713. baypointe@progressmanagement.net; www.baypointeapartmenthomes.com.

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2BD+1.5BA townhome. Four blocks to ocean. Excellent condition. Dishwasher, stove, refrigerator. Security gates. 2 parking spaces. Laundry. 1150 Grand Ave. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1495.**  
2BD+1BA upper apartment. Three blocks to ocean. Garage, new paint, excellent condition, laundry facilities. 1064 Felspar St. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1525.**  
2BD+2BA apartment in small complex. *Open house Saturday, 11/5, 11:30-12:30.* Great location near Crown Point. Private balcony and 1 off-street parking space. Coin laundry. 1811 Pacific Beach Drive #4. TPPM, 858-699-3851, www.torreypinespm.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1550.**  
2BD+1BA. Dual master suites! 1- car garage! Great location! Downstairs unit! 1354 Reed Avenue. Call agent, 619-820-2584.

# Typo Patrol Results

Issue of October 27, 2011

## Under the Radar

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**Joan Bigge (Point Loma) \$10**

## News Ticker

p.49 Commission *should be* Commission

**Melanie Rubin (Sorrento Mesa) \$10**

## Events listings

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**Carol Landale (Carmel Valley) \$10**

## Events listings

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p.63 canvasses *should be* canvases

**Ian DeFanti (North Park) \$20**

## Straight From the Hip

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**Cole Macy (Point Loma) \$20**

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2BD+2BA, upstairs unit in North PB behind 1070 Diamond. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, private balcony, small garage perfect for storage, parking space, coin laundry. No pets. 1- year lease required. 3 blocks to ocean. Available 12/1/11. 1072 Diamond. Del Sol Property Management, Broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1575.**  
2BD+1BA large upstairs unit over the garages. Rear unit in quiet 4- unit property. Private deck. Wood floors. Shared lawn. 1- car garage with opener. Coin laundry. Cat OK with extra deposit. Available 11/20/11. 1364 Reed Avenue. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1595.**  
2BD+2BA upgraded apartment near Plaza Shopping. 10 foot ceilings. new carpet, A/C, covered parking, storage, gated. No pets. 4640 Jewell. 619-286-3400.

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2BD+1BA apartment, 2 blocks to the beach/ Garnet. Upstairs, in 4-plex, sunny courtyard patio. Sparkling wood floors. No pets. 966 Emerald. 619-286-3400.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1625.**  
2BD+2BA, huge downstairs apartment. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave. Private deck. Parking. Coin laundry. Available 12/1/11. 1346 Pacific Beach Drive. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1650.**  
2BD+2BA upper level apartment. Hardwood floors and carpet. Shared roof deck/ patio. Off-street parking. On-site laundry. No pets. 1455 Garnet St. 858-270-4492.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1650.**  
2BD+1BA upper-level apartment. 3 blocks to beach. Assigned off- street parking. On-site laundry. No pets. 1050 Hornblend. Available now! 858-270-4492 x203.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1800.**  
3BD+2BA house in East Pacific Beach. New carpet! Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher. Laundry. Fenced backyard. Garage. Water/ gardener paid. No pets. Available now. 2751 Hornblend. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$1995.**  
2BD+2BA lovely condo at the Top of Sail Bay. Steps to the sand. Granite counters, stainless steel appliances, balcony. Laundry in complex. Parking. No pets. One-year lease desired. Call Coldwell Banker Property Management, 858-488-2228.

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3BD+2.5BA upgraded townhome. *Open house Saturday, 11/5, 1:00-2:00.* Large townhome in attractive building. Only steps to shopping, dining and the beach. Fireplace, garage, washer/dryer. 1040-F Hornblend Street. TPPM, 858-699-3851. www.torreypinespm.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH, \$2695.**  
3BD+2-1/2BA huge Crown Point townhouse. 2 blocks bay. New carpet, paint, stainless steel appliances. Fireplace. Custom cabinets/ tile. Private courtyard. Nonsmoking. 619-379-3771.

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by Don Rubin

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## BRAINSTORM PUZZLES:

### RULES OF THE GAME

1) Submit one completed puzzle to the *Reader* each week for entry into another contest! We keep track of each puzzle you successfully complete, and the results are posted online at sandiegoreader.com. But your submission will only be counted when you successfully complete a puzzle AND get it to us by 7:00 a.m. Monday.

2) Submit the correct answers to one of the puzzles along with your name and a brief message (**20** words or less, no URLs or phone numbers). Entries must

include a message. This is a great way to express yourself. You may submit a new message weekly. We reserve the right to edit or reject inappropriate text.

3) The puzzle-contest ranking, shown online and in the paper, will begin anew every three months. Complete the journey four times a year!

4) Entries must be faxed to **619-233-7907** or mailed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803 or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India Street in Little Italy or scanned and e-mailed to: [Puzzles@sdreader.com](mailto:Puzzles@sdreader.com). Submissions by e-mail must be attached in JPG format, 800 by 800 pixels, maximum file size of 1MB. Submissions that don't fit the format will not be counted or viewed.

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

6) Late entries will not be considered.

7) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.

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NOTICES

**AL-ANON.** Grupo paz mental. Sufre por el alcoholismo en su familia? Juntas sesionan Martes, 5:30pm-7pm, y Sabados, 1-2:30pm. 3450 Bonita Road, #207, Bonita, CA 91902.

**ALCOHOLICOS ANONIMOS.** Reunion de mujeres. Sesion Miercoles, 9am-10:30am. Desea dejar de beber? Lleve una vida util y feliz! 3450 Bonita Road, Suite #207. 619-280-7224.

**ANIMAL SAFEHOUSE BENEFIT.** *Black tie event, Del Mar Country Club. News 8 Jeff Zevely emceeing. Music—songwriter Jack Tempchin: Eagles' & Johnny Rivers' hits. Saturday, November 5, 7-10pm. Benefits Rancho Coastal Humane Society's Animal Safehouse Program, which fosters animals of domestic violence victims, so victims can leave abusive homes. Tickets or sponsorship: 760-753-6413, [www.sdpets.org](http://www.sdpets.org), or visit Rancho Coastal Humane Society, 389 Requeza St., Encinitas.*

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shortcuts by ANDY BOYD

DANIEL ENEMARK, 29 FROM UNIVERSITY CITY

CAR: 1995 Subaru Legacy and a 1985 Targa C4 Corvette

PREVIOUS CARS? That’s all. I lived other places where I could walk before I moved here and got the Vette.

WHAT’S YOUR COMMUTE LIKE? I commute from the east side of the 5 to the west via La Jolla Village Drive. It’s, like, 500 yards.

CHEAPEST GAS? I’ve stopped paying attention. The difference of \$2 or \$3 has not motivated me to go out of my way.

ANYTHING WRONG WITH YOUR CAR? I have a Corvette, so, of course, it tends to drop out of overdrive and back into gear sometimes. When it does that, it ruins a spark plug for some reason.

WHAT DO YOU LISTEN TO WHEN YOU DRIVE? I actually have an exclusively ’80s mix to listen to in the Corvette. There’s something special about rocking

out to hair-bands in your red 1980s Corvette. It feels a lot like a time machine.

CELL PHONE? That’s a horrible thing to do! I plead the 5th...

HITCHHIKERS? I did, actually, once. On my way up Mt. Hamilton, up to the observatory. I’m not at all sure why he was hitchhiking up a mountain. I can only assume he didn’t want to walk.

TICKETS? I have a “perfect record.” All the tickets I’ve received have dropped off my record at this point. One time, on a Valentine’s date, I had just picked her up outside of Stanford campus when she warned me, “That looks like a cop car ahead.” I said, “That’s not a cop car,” and blew right past him. He pulled me over, said “Nice car,” then gave me a ticket. However, he wrote 2/15 instead of 2/14, so I set up an awesome alibi for the next day.

ACCIDENTS? When I was a junior in high school, I was going about 3 mph in a parking lot and hit some guy super slowly.

WORST TRAFFIC? I do some research for USC and, typically, 405N is gruesome. I am a huge fan of the toll road up there. The 73, I believe. It’s really quiet, cuts through the mountains, and it’s paved like a race track.

FAVORITE DRIVE? The 73 is the best improvement over an alternative, but there’s also a road in Foothills Park up by Palo Alto. It’s one way, and nobody’s ever on it, so it’s a great road to check out your car’s handling.

LEAST FAVORITE DRIVE? 405

SHORTCUT? With Google Maps these days it’s hard to find a route that’s physically shorter. The best thing you can do is avoid traffic with an alternate route. One good one I use is, instead of using the 163S to get into downtown, cut east a little bit and take the 15S to the 94W. From there you can either drive straight in or divert to the 5. There’s much less traffic.

DREAM CAR? Just my Corvette, only with a crazy twin turbo kit.



Daniel Enemark hits Chipotle like a boss.

CRAZIEST DRIVING-RELATED THING YOU’VE EXPERIENCED? When I was a high school student, I thought it would be a good idea to see how fast I could go. I took my dad’s Intrepid up to around 126 mph. I lived through it, but I would never attempt that again.

REAL LIFE SHORTCUT? The Chipotle iPhone app! Seriously, one of the best things ever. It goes: God, Love, Chipotle iPhone app. One button gets you your last order, and you just walk up past all the dopes waiting in line and they hand you your food.

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**LOST BORDER COLLIE. Puck, Search and Rescue dog. Male, 8 years old. White right front paw, chest. Mohawk. For photo, go to link, type in “Puck”: <http://sandiego.sandiegoreader.com/LostAndFound>. Lost 7/14/11 at Del Mar Beach. Will run if chased. Try to play fetch with him. Please call if seen, try to take photo. Paul, 970-445-0033.**

**LOST DOG. Reward. 4-year-old pit bull named “Fifty.” Won’t harm, loves kids, adults. Not friendly with other pets. Approximately 69lbs. Black back, hind feet; white chest with black/white face. Short/ stalky, broad shoulders. Last seen in backyard off of India St. Missing since 10/22/2011. 619-507-8404.**

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PERSONALS

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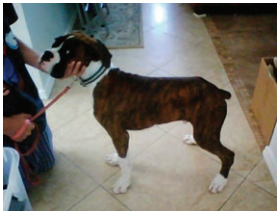
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**DOMESTIC SHORT HAIR. Luigi. ID#A1434789. Male, 2 years old, cute! County Animal Services, Southern Shelter, 5821 Sweetwater Rd., Bonita 91902. 619-767-2675. [www.sddac.com](http://www.sddac.com).**



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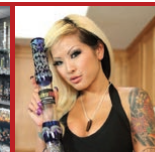
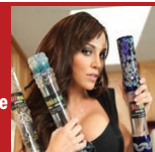
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### Leading Economic Indicators

— Augustin James Evangelista is only four years old, but he has certain financial needs — which amount to about \$46,000 a month, according to the child-support request filed by his mother, "supermodel" Linda Evangelista. A *Wall Street Journal* reporter concluded that the figure is about right for rich kids in New York City, what with needing a driver, designer clothes, around-the-clock nannies and various personalized lessons. And soon, according to a consultant-to-the-rich, Augustin James will become even more expensive, as he graduates from his exclusive preschool and enters his exclusive kindergarten.

— The highest-paid state-government employee in budget-strapped California in 2010 was among the least productive workers in the system, according to a *Los Angeles Times* investiga-

tion reported in July. Jeffrey Rohlfling is on the payroll as a surgeon in the state prison system (base pay: \$235,740), but he has been barred from treating inmates for the past six years because supervisors believe him to be incompetent. Last year, Dr. Rohlfling earned an additional \$541,000 in back pay after he successfully appealed his firing to the state's personnel board. Currently, Dr. Rohlfling is assigned records-keeping duties.

### The Entrepreneurial Society

— The fashion designer Chandrashekar Chawan recently created gold-plated, diamond-studded contact lenses that make eyes "sparkle" (not always a good thing, admitted Chawan, citing reviews calling the look "cringeworthy" and "demonic"). According to an MSNBC report, the "bling" part never actually touches the cornea.

— Among the trendiest avant-garde beauty treatments are facial applications made from snail mucus, according to a July report by London's *Daily Mail*. South Korean glamour consultants were the first to use mollusk extract's generous moisturizing properties, though a dermatologist warned (on NBC's *Today* show) that no "controlled" studies have yet demonstrated snail-goo superiority.

### No, Thanks!

— Colorado inmate Daniel Self filed a federal lawsuit in July against the Sterling Correctional Facility because prison personnel saved his life.

They revived him after he had stopped breathing from an attack of sleep apnea, but he contends he had previously demanded to officials that he never be resuscitated, preferring to die rather serve out his life sentence.

— Terry Barth complained to hospital officials that he was "kidnapped" by paramedics and thus cannot be liable for the \$40,000 he has been billed by Enloe Medical Center in Chico, Calif., where he was brought by ambulance following a motorcycle crash in August 2010. Barth said he had insisted at the scene that paramedics not take him to a hospital because he had no medical insurance. Paramedics are legally required to take anyone with a serious head injury.

### Medical Marvel

— The first published instance of a woman's nipple appearing on the sole of her foot was noted in a 2006 report in the journal *Dermatology* and reprised in a series of U.S. and British press reports in July 2011. The reporting physicians, led by Dr. Delio Marques Conde, acknowledged that out-of-place breast tissue, while extremely rare, has shown up before on the back, shoulder, face, and thigh. The foot nipple was "well-formed," with areola and sebaceous glands.

### Our Animal Sidekicks

— Ruth Adams called on Northampton College in central England to measure the purring sound of her gray-and-white tabby cat, Smokey, aiming for a Guinness World Record. The result,

she told the Associated Press in March, was 73 decibels, many multiples louder than the average cat's purr and about as noisy, according to the AP, as "busy traffic, a hair dryer, or a vacuum cleaner."

— "Most wineries rely on the human nose [to detect out-of-place odors]," said the vintner of the Australian boutique wine Linnaea, "but that is time-consuming, costly, and nowhere as reliable as Belle." Miss Louisa Belle is a seven-year-old bloodhound possessing, of course, a nose that is reportedly 2000 times more sensitive than the human nose. Her primary job, the vintner told Melbourne's *Herald Sun* in July, is to sniff out tainted corks during the bottling process.

### Pervs on Parade

— At a medical board hearing in Manchester, England, in August, anesthesia consultant Dr. Narendra Sharma was accused of placing the hand of a sedated female patient underneath the operating table so that he could fondle his own private parts using a "stranger's" touch. Two medical workers claimed to have seen him, one of whom said she saw Sharma "exposed." Sharma explained later that his pants had inadvertently fallen down during one procedure because a previous patient had kicked loose the tape holding them up.

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