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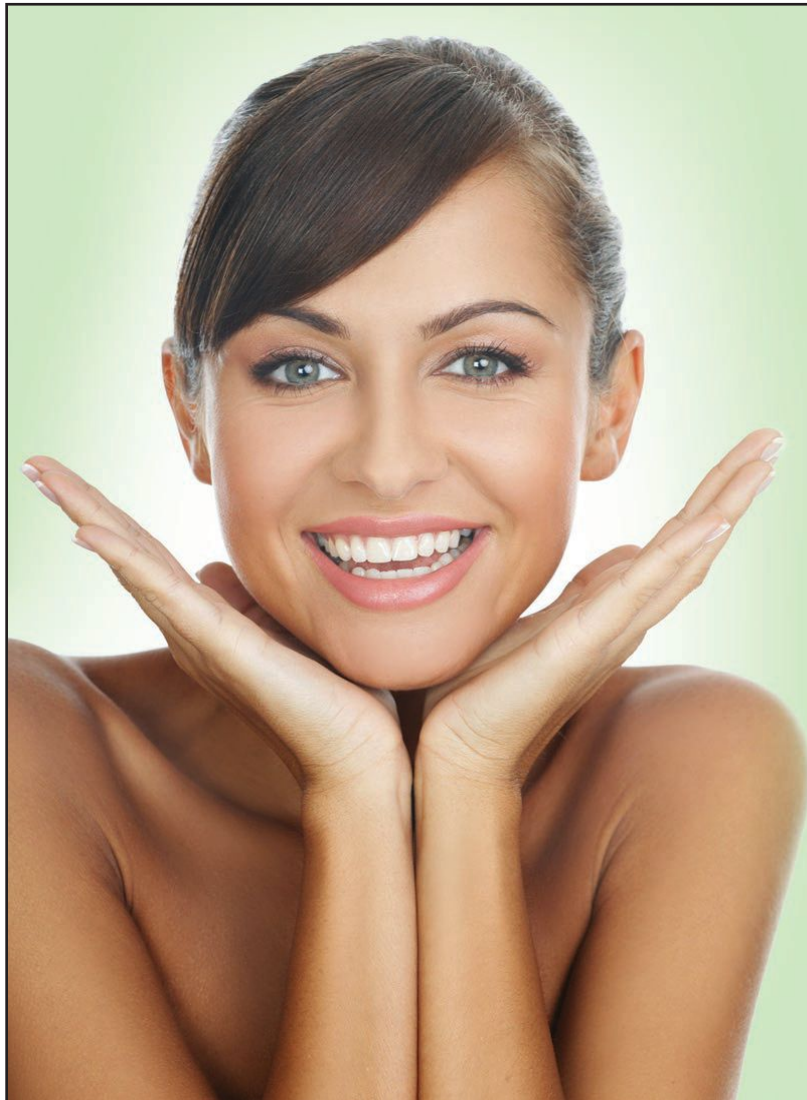
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Dangerous Yet Classy Crowd

Security on edge at racetrack show

Del Mar — The Offspring show at the Del Mar Racetrack on Friday, August 10, kept sheriff's deputies, medical officials, and Elite security guards on edge all night.

A large, boisterous crowd waited next to the Seaside Stage for the concert



Security personnel had their hands full at the Offspring concert in Del Mar on August 10.

to begin. At around 8:20, the punk-pop band from Orange County took the stage. Almost immediately, fans removed the barricade that was placed to keep order at the front came down. The band noticed the mayhem, told everyone to take it easy, and stopped the music after the third song. They waited to begin again until order had been restored.

Back in the medical assistance area, an unconscious man was brought in for treatment. A lady told me her "big toenail was split down the middle" and she lost her shoes.

The Offspring played a short show — a little more than an hour — and seemed to rush through their set list without much yakking with the crowd.

On the band's Facebook page, the Offspring posted this comment: "Thank you Del Mar/San Diego. You guys rocked so hard tonight. Just glad nobody got hurt. Dangerous yet classy crowd."

By Gail Powell, Sunday, August 12

Unhappy Parents

Bus cuts at Sweetwater school district

Chula Vista — Sweetwater Union High School District had unhappy parents lined up outside the transportation services door on August 6. The district is facing a \$27 million budget shortfall. As a result, last March the board voted to cut 13 school-bus drivers and increase the distance that students walk to school. The cut saved \$800,000 — but created a lot of anger.

High-school students are now required to walk seven miles round-trip, while

middle-school students walk a total of six miles to and from school.

Many parents complained that the students are carrying heavy backpacks and some are carrying musical instruments. Safety, however, was the number-one concern. NBC reported on July 31 that an Otay Ranch High School student was robbed at knifepoint on his way home from school.

Norene Andersen, parent of an Eastlake High School student, said the walking route suggested for her child is unsafe because of traffic. She also said she is upset with communication from the district on this issue.

"They tout having sent out robocalls and emails, but many of us in this room did not receive them."

Another parent from Olympic View High School said she happened to be driving her daughter to school on the first day of class and saw 20 kids lined up, waiting for the bus — "obviously, they hadn't got the calls."

By Susan Luzzaro, Monday, August 6

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Lewd Circus Acts

Woman says Border Patrol agent "sucker-punched me"

Del Mar/Vista — A woman who identified herself as a lieutenant in the Navy, a psychiatrist, and a mother of two children told a superior court judge today that she was beaten by an off-duty Border Patrol agent while the attacker's male companion egged her on.

The petite woman said she was leav-

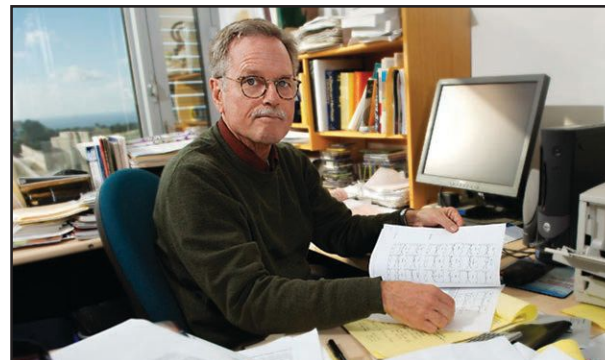


Evidence photos of face and leg of alleged victim

ing a circus performance at the Del Mar Fairgrounds with her husband when she saw a man and woman standing near an exit as they approached. She said she recognized the two as the same couple who had performed "gross" and "inappropriate" sex acts in the seats next to herself and her husband during the Cirque du Soleil show.

She told the judge, "Next thing I

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UCSD professors Gary Jacobson and Keith Poole (emeritus) say that political partisanship is at an all-time high, yet, come spring, the parties will need to cooperate. "There's no choice," Poole posits, "we're broke."

**Over the Cliff? Nope.**

By Don Bauder

Political parties have never been so ideologically divided — and downright nasty about it — since the Reconstruction

that followed the Civil War, say two political scientists who study and track political polarization. But both professors, who are connected with UCSD, say that the Republicans and Democrats will temporarily puff on the peace pipe early next year so that the nation doesn't plunge off the so-called fiscal cliff.

The professors are Gary Jacobson and Keith T. Poole, who is emeritus from UCSD and is now at the University of Georgia.

The nation faces the fiscal cliff at the end of this year unless the warring factions somehow reach a détente, however temporary. Without a compromise, a number of tax increases and deep spending cuts will go into effect next year, hammering the economy. For example, last year's temporary payroll tax cut would be out the window; workers would then be hit with a 2 percent tax increase. Tax cuts for business would expire. Taxes related to the new health-care law would begin taking a bite. At the same time, spending slashes that were part of last year's debt-ceiling deal would go into effect.

Congress's inability to do anything "would create turmoil in the financial markets and, at worst, a serious recession," says Jacobson. "More orthodox Republicans are not going to let that happen. They have an economic stake in not going over the cliff. After the election, Congress will kick the can down the road, probably into 2013." And then the two parties, while continuing their mutual animosity, would be forced to do something.

Today, the so-called Tea Party Republicans have huge sway in their party. Moderate "country club" Republicans don't have the numbers, notes Jacobson. "But they have the money." Wall Street will see that a recession would raise havoc and the capital markets could fall into chaos once again, particularly if the nation teetered close to default. "Cooler heads will prevail." Unlike the Tea Partiers, those cooler heads have the lobbying clout.

Voters of both parties would push Congress, too. If the Republicans won the presidency and got substantial majorities in both houses

of Congress, and adopted the budget offered by vice presidential candidate Paul Ryan — or one very similar to it — "It would devastate a number of popular programs: Medicare, Medicaid, farm programs, highway building, health research," says Jacobson. "People in the business community would realize what the consequences would be." (One of San Diego's most prosperous industries, biotech, depends on government largesse. If Ryan's budget led to a compromise that would slash military spending, San Diego could really be hit.)

Jacobson has recently written articles about President Obama and the Tea Party, the electoral origins of legislative gridlock, and the historical background of polarized presidential politics. His work shows partisanship escalating over recent years. Among the most important reasons are the movement of Southern conservatives into the Republican Party after the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the big chasm on social issues such as abortion and gay marriage.

He notes, for example, that voter ticket splitting (voting for a Republican president and Democratic senator, for example) has fallen sharply since 1972 as the ideological and social breaches widened.

Poole coauthored a seminal 2006 book, *Polarized America: The Dance of Ide-*

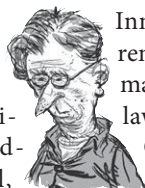
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Attack of the Comics Reposters

By Ian Pike

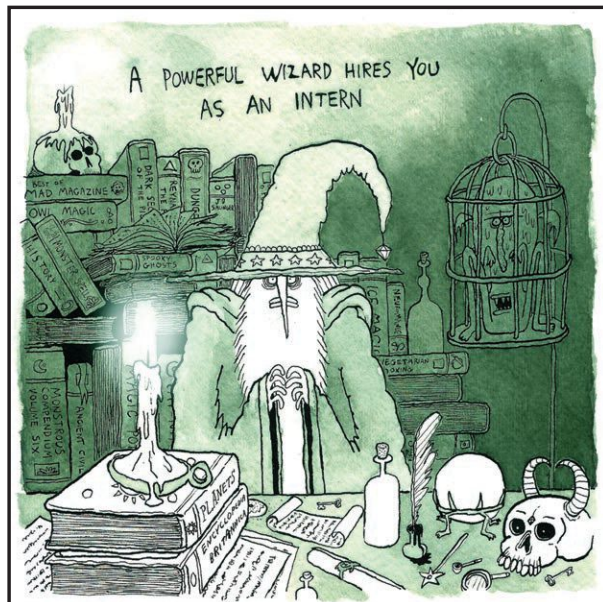
Internet hype exploded around a feud between the Oatmeal — a webcomics and humor site based in Seattle and run by Matthew Inman — and FunnyJunk — a site that has a reputation for reblogging humorous content from other sites without crediting the original artists. According to the Oatmeal,



FunnyJunk stole a bunch of the Oatmeal's comics, and in a critical blog post, Inman asked that they be removed. That action ultimately prompted a bizarre lawsuit threat against the Oatmeal.

Attorney Charles

Carreon, representing FunnyJunk, alleged that the Oatmeal had defamed FunnyJunk by writing the critical blog post. Carreon demanded that all reference to FunnyJunk be removed from the Oatmeal



Local comic Phil McAndrews (self portrait below) received no credit when one of his strips was posted to Funnyjunk.com.

and that \$20,000 in damages be paid. If the money wasn't delivered, Carreon said he would file a federal lawsuit. Inman felt that Carreon and FunnyJunk's claim was groundless. Rather than pay, Inman launched a fundraising campaign on the Oatmeal conducted in its humorous style that raised over \$200,000 for the American Cancer Society and the National Wild-



life Federation. Inman's intent was to prove that "philanthropy trumps douchebaggery and greed" and that there was a better use for \$20,000 than paying off websites that operate under questionable principles. Faced with the spate of negative publicity, Carreon had no choice but to cut his losses and drop the threats against the Oatmeal. All the money still ended up going to the designated charities.

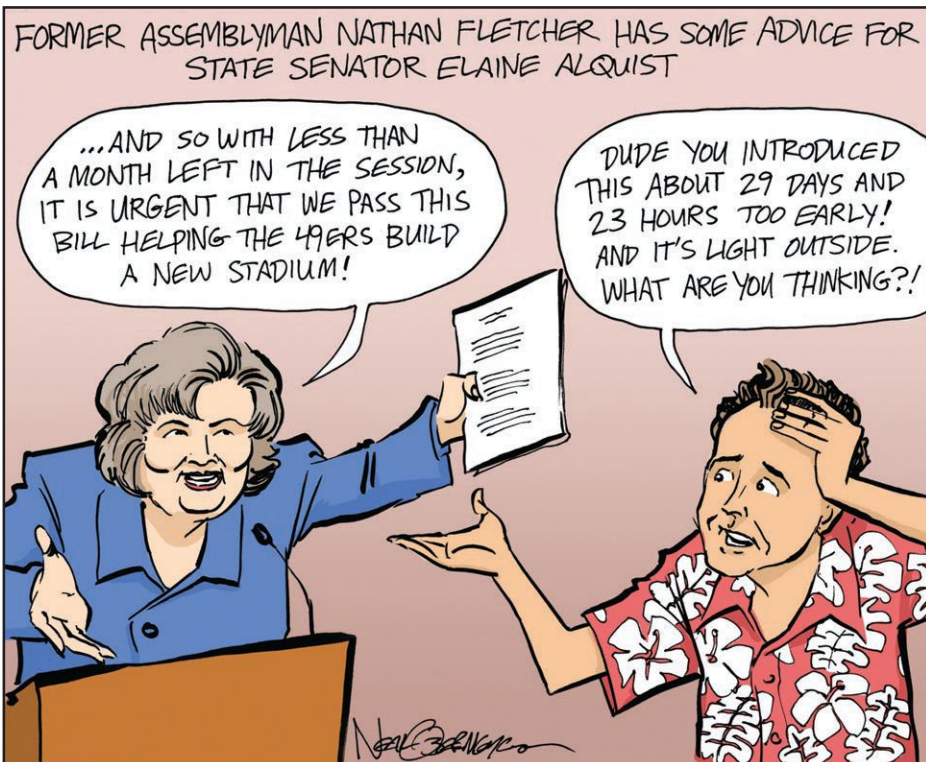
The fact that a webcomic site galvanized national interest and raised as much money as a charity gala puts a spotlight on comics and the level of clout they wield as a form of popular entertainment and art. Webcomic artists Brad Guigar, Dave Keltt, Scott Kurtz, and Kris Straub recently authored a book on creating and maintaining webcomics. It mentions how the rising popularity of comics on the web has shifted control of the medium away from imprints such as Marvel and DC. Scott McCloud has said as much in his seminal works on what he refers to as "sequential art." Because web-based comics have become more popular and easier to produce,

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David King (self portrait above) started creating webcomics to force himself to meet deadlines.

Neal Obermeyer



UNDER THE RADAR

It's all about the money

Tuition is going through the roof, and local community college enrollees have been barred from mid-year transfers, but California taxpayer-supported San Diego State University is spending real money to attract one special category of new student. According to a help-wanted advertisement posted online July 26, the school is looking for a "China Initiatives Coordinator" to be paid between \$3519 and \$5002 per month.

The notice says that the new hire will be responsible for "developing, coordinating and implementing student recruitment efforts designed to attract undergraduate and graduate level students from China to SDSU; facilitating admissions and enrollment of students through the Office of Enrollment Services; [and] assisting with all admissions related issues and [determining] appropriate referrals to campus offices when necessary."

Besides attracting Chinese students, the job also involves "facilitating the development of contracts and agreements with Chinese schools, universities, foundations, agencies, corporations and government offices in China." Part of that work will require "developing and maintaining webpages and other media including social media in Chinese." The successful candi-

date will have "Native fluency in spoken and written Mandarin Chinese" and "Near native fluency in spoken and written English," as well as "Knowledge of and experience working in American and Chinese educational systems."

If Chinese is not your métier, SDSU is also look-

ing for a new "Development Coordinator" to raise cash for its sports operation, the Aztec Club. An online help-wanted advertisement says the position, with a monthly salary range of \$2884 to \$4323, will involve such assignments as "applying for and securing Alcohol Beverage Control license for events held at Qualcomm Stadium," organizing "Football pre-game tailgate events," and "working with media personalities for promotion of Aztec Club events and for master of ceremonies responsibilities."

The Doug and Irwin show

Downtown super-lobbyist **Paul Robinson** had a solid second quarter, according to a disclosure statement filed last week by his law and lobbying firm, H e c h t S o l b e r g R o b i n s o n



Jan Goldsmith, Papa Doug Manchester, Paul Robinson

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It's Dumb, It's Journalism

RE: "Afro Puffs," July 12.
Hey, all of you indignant, letter-to-the-editor-writing black girls: Printing someone's stupid, wrong opinion about nobody liking black girls isn't racism; it's journalism. Probably no one took it seriously except you all. Forget about it, already.

Signed,
Politically incorrect and
proud of it.
via snail mail

Bad Bash

Thank you, Mrs. Salaam, for your article on the little black girls ("Afro Puffs," July 12). I feel the pinch that no one likes us black women or our hair either! Everyone seems to bash you or feel insulted by your truthful statements, but I'm proud of you for your article.

Keep up the great work!
Signed,
Patricia Johnson
via email

Slavery

Rabbi Cain believes in reincarnation (Sheep and Goats, August 9). He also teaches that freedom is the freedom

to choose whom to follow. In other words, what intellectual slavery do you wish to choose? Judaism is a slavery to a mythology of racial supremacy that the rabbi chooses not to face. Therefore, he too is a slave. Jesus came to tell us that freedom is found in rejecting the slavery of Judaic racism. That is why the rabbis had him crucified.

Name Withheld
via voicemail

It's Everywhere

Regarding the News Ticker item "Graffiti, Blotches, Scratches: Eyesore to Become Irish Pub?" (August 9).

There isn't a town or city in the nation – perhaps in the world – that doesn't have the problem. The problem is buildings that have been abandoned, fallen into disrepair, and end up as eyesores. I have seen them everywhere, from abandoned tenements in ghetto neighborhoods of rust-belt cities, to the magnificent old New York Central Terminal train station in Buffalo, New York, to the Red Rest & Red Roost in downtown La Jolla, to any old dilapidated house that attracts transients, homeless, squatters and vagrants. Some turn into drug houses and "shooting galleries." Some are surrounded by ugly chain-link fencing, some are merely overrun with weeds and grass.

Every city and town — almost every neighborhood — has them. Some, like a former tire dealership in downtown San Diego, get cleaned up in only a year or so. Others sit neglected and decaying for years and years. They become an issue for local police and other author-

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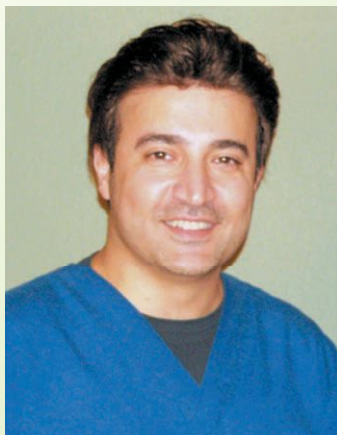
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by Barbarella

The Last Unicorns

Terri looked statuesque in a strapless gown made of glittery, sapphire-blue fabric. Katie was a pixie vixen in her black-and-silver-sequined tunic. One might have thought they were on their way to some fancy fundraiser gala rather than just over to my place for movie night. But then, this wasn't your typical movie night.

"Look, Katie's got a unicorn pendant that matches her unicorn earrings," I said.

Terri was impressed. She pointed to the large shimmering opalescent disc hanging from a silver chain around her neck and said, "This is the closest thing I had to a magic crystal."

With only a smattering of sparkly silver studs, my clothing was drab by comparison. But what I lacked in threads I made up for in refreshments. I presented my friends with a platter of vanilla-frosted cherry-chip cupcakes, bejeweled with glimmering granules of pink and purple sugar. But my enchanted pièce de résistance was the "unicorn cocktail," a frisky pink libation composed of

strawberry lemonade, vodka, Sprite, fresh raspberries, a slice of lemon, and my favorite ingredient — edible glitter in the shape of little silver stars and pink hearts.

What began as a few friends wanting to watch a beloved childhood flick had blossomed into a wonderfully absurd unicorn-centric event. Katie couldn't remember seeing *Legend*, and the only thing Terri remembered about *The Last Unicorn* was that it was dark, or at least darker than all the Disney flicks she'd enjoyed as a child. Both movies had long

been seared into my brain.

Despite her hipster cred, Katie's love for unicorns is not ironic. She'd not only seen *The Last Unicorn* as many times as I had — she also read the book. Until she lent me her tattered copy, I didn't know there was a book. And the unicorn jewelry she was flashing? She didn't go out and buy that bling for the occasion — she'd fished it out of a drawer. She also owns the url *unicornfancy.com*.

Whereas Katie's passion is directed toward the mythical creature itself, Terri and I are slightly more excited about the glitter and glamour associated with unicorns. Originally, the three of us were just going to get together and watch the movies. That was until — in a procrastinatory Google search — I discovered "unicorn poop cookies," a shimmering rainbow confection. (It turns out they were the creation of local baker Kristy Therrien, whose whimsical recipe took second place in the San Diego Cake Club's 2012 Confections for a Cause competition.)

Ovens and I don't get along, so Katie agreed to

bake the cookies if Terri, who is an artist, would be in charge of the decorating. But when the only night we were all available turned out to be a Friday (meaning everyone would be coming straight from work), we scrapped the cookies in favor of easy-bake cupcakes (that David, being the hyper-competent sidekick he is, baked and then let me decorate).

In the week leading up to the big night, we'd whipped ourselves into a rainbow-colored unicorn frenzy. I emailed Katie and Terri a cartoon drawing of three unicorns doing cocaine with the comment, "It'll be a full-on unicorn party. Like in this picture, but instead of cocaine, we'll be high on sugary cookies." Terri answered with a painting of RoboCop riding a unicorn. In response, Katie wrote, "Oh. I didn't realize this was a picture competition," and blew our minds with her attachment: a unicorn in shiny metal armor with a rainbow-colored mane and tail charging from a burst of fire, with a Nyan Cat (a creature with a cat's head, tail, and legs, but a Pop Tart for a body) leaving its rainbow trail as it flew over the spectacle. There was even a fairy with rainbow wings perched on a rock off to the side.

The day of Unicorn Night, I Googled

"unicorn & wtf" and found the perfect photo to post on Facebook and set the mood for the evening — imagine the NASA

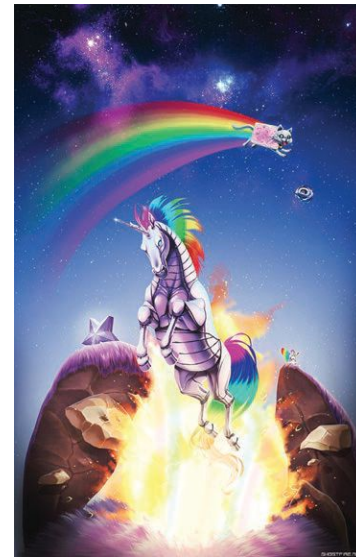
mohawk guy as a scantily clad unicorn on a pink-and-purple backdrop — along with the message, "Are you ready?" Those who weren't in the know questioned where and when this elusive event was taking place and whether or not it was open to the public. They probably thought it was some big bash being held at a club — not three chicks gathering to get their childhood-movie geek on.

When it comes to the movies we grew up watching (over and over on VHS tapes), even the bad is good. In *Legend*, it was Tim Curry's terrible

overacting, Tom Cruise's overly dedicated interpretation of a wild woodland boy, Ridley Scott's tedious close-ups on goblins and elves; this is what we notice and laugh at as grown-ups. But the little girls in us saw only the glitter on the unicorns' horns, the bubbles and feathers floating through the air, the diaphanous wings on the fairy — things that delight us still.

We sipped our unicorn cocktails, heckled the groan-worthy bits, and reveled in the dazzling ones. After watching the director's

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Katie wrote, "Oh. I didn't realize this was a picture competition," and blew our minds with this.

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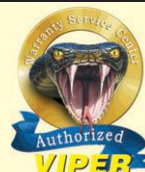
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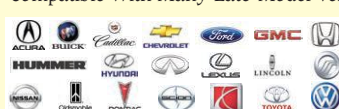
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POST TITLE: **Suicide Trip – 2012**

POST DATE: **July 19, 2012**

I belong to an exclusive group of gentlemen, “The Southern California Regional Organisation of Tough Individuals” (S.C.R.O.T.I.). Every year, we have our sabbatical at a secret location on the Colorado River. While “Lake Mudge” is not a real name, it is a real place, a place of fragile beauty and historic significance.

“Suicide Trip” is so called because we attempt to schedule our arrival on the hottest day of the year, sometime in late July or early August. If the temperature doesn’t reach at least 100°, the trip is considered to be a failure. 110° is good...and 115° is even better! What most city folks don’t realize is that out in the desert with zero humidity, 100° in the shade feels like 80° would feel back home in San Diego. Still, it’s critical to have a little breeze blowing both day and night to make it survivable. Once the wind stops, you start to fry and are pretty much driven into the water. The water in the lake is cool, even cold down deep. It’s a refreshing transition to get out of the lake and shiver in the wind, only to jump in again ten minutes later because you are hot and dry. We drink water constantly, usually rotated with some other beverage like beer or soda...or whiskey and soda.

We usually head out of San Diego early on Friday morning and stop for brunch in El Centro on the way to the river. I highly recommend you eat at Camacho’s Place, 796 West Wahl Road. You must try the Special “Puffy” Quesadillas.

Our days are spent in the lake, up to our necks or splashing about on our regulation flotation devices (inner tubes). It’s too hot to cook meals. Besides, open fires are against the law at the lake (\$700 fine). So all our food is pre-made, things like deli-style fried chicken, pasta salad, chips, cookies...stuff that won’t spoil overnight.

At night, strange lights fill the sky, perhaps due to the military base found nearby. UFO sightings are common. At evening-tide we conduct our most secret rituals, consisting mostly of telling lies, tall tales, and bad jokes.

We also raise a few toasts in honor of those who have gone on before us. We sleep right out on the asphalt jetty under the amazing stars, sheltered by the cattails and palm trees. If the breeze keeps up, we sleep all night till sunrise, when that fat old sun chases us back into the water.



Lake Mudge is not a real name, but it’s a real place on the Colorado River.

POST TITLE: **Night on Ghost Mountain**

POST DATE: **Lake Mudge Chronicle, Spring 2012 issue**

On the far east end of the boulder mass, we found Marshal South’s favorite writing spot. Using homemade cement and native flag-

stone, Marshal had constructed a bench spanning two strategically placed boulders. This private theater seat was his favorite spot for the writings that would appear each month in old issues of *Desert Magazine*. The view to the east was incredible.

Suddenly, the city glow of El Centro seemed to be consumed by a boiling blood-red explosion! Rising above the city was a huge mushroom cloud of untold dimensions. It took us a few minutes to realize that what we were seeing was the rising full moon. It cast an eerie orange-red glow in the sky! When the full moon finally cleared the city lights and agricultural haze of El Centro, we looked on in relief. Apparently, it wasn’t the end of the world after all. I have never seen a full moon so big and bright and right in my face! It was like I was personally meeting Jackie Gleason, or Oliver Hardy, or maybe Charles Laughton!

As we tucked into our sleeping bags, I finally got a really good look at the stars overhead... The stars and planets pressed right down on us like they never do in the city.

And then the strangest thing happened! The full moon had risen to its apex and created a foggy haze that surrounded Ghost Mountain completely in all directions! The only stars visible were straight overhead. Everything else was immersed in a milky fog. Odds bodkins! Marshal South may have been trying to scare visitors off when he named his hill “Ghost Mountain.” It’s easy to see why...

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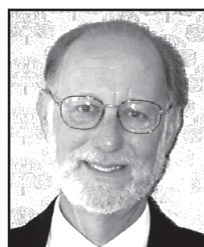


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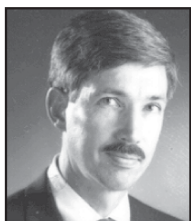
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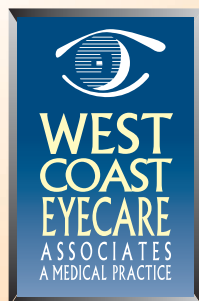
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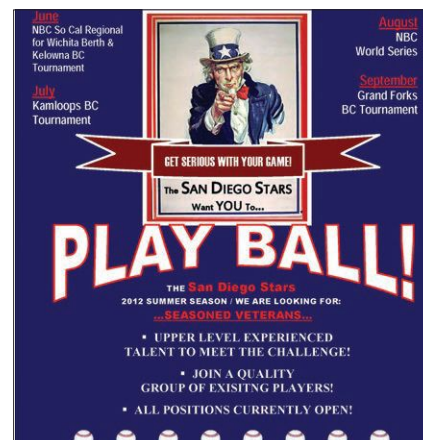


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San Diego-Barona Stars



Recruiting poster for independent ballplayers

Oh, yeah, we're going to have tryouts for a travel team that will fly up to Grand Forks [British Columbia], Canada, over the Labor Day weekend."

Speaking is Mickey Deutschman, 69, 16 years as scout for the Atlanta Braves, 10 years as hitting coach for Grossmont College, and owner/field manager of the San Diego-Barona Stars, a semipro baseball club since 1984. The tournament he's referring to is the Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament (GFI), now in its 32nd year. National teams, teams that have competed in the Olympics when baseball was an Olympic sport, have regularly played in the GIF. It's billed as one of the largest invitational tournaments in North America. Two-time Cy Young Award winner Tim Lincecum is an alumnus, as is World Series MVP and current Boston Red Sox pitcher Brendan Ryan.

Deutschman says, "We've come in second four or five times and made the money round all but a couple times. Tough tournament. We've played Cuba's national team, the one with all the big guys. We played Japan four times. We played Taiwan. We played Korea. We played Australia. We play Team Canada this year."

I'm on the phone with Deutschman because his San Diego-Barona Stars are holding tryouts this Sunday and the following Saturday. Anyone can tryout, and if you're ridiculously good, play ball in an international tournament one week later.

Deutschman says, "Before independent baseball —"

I break in, "When you say 'independent ball,' are you talking about the Newark Bears and —"

"Like the San Diego [Surf Dawgs], in the Golden Baseball League. Those guys were pros, just weren't affiliated with major league

teams. Before independent ball, all these guys were playing in leagues like ours — semipro leagues [made up of] guys who have been in the big leagues and still wanted to play. Guys were released, played for us, and got re-signed to major league ball clubs. Danny Boone, our left-handed pitcher from the Padres, played with me and re-signed with Baltimore. Jacque Jones was playing for the Cubs. Eddie Williams went with the Padres. We got a pretty good history."

I ask, "Who do you expect to show up on Sunday?"

"I expect some of the guys who got released, or maybe some independent players whose season ended and they still want a little exposure. That tournament up there gets scouted."

"Some of the guys — maybe college seniors, four-year guys that never got signed, or three-year guys that never got signed — would like to go with us, but they may have to go to school. Labor Day weekend and school might interfere with our high-caliber selected college guys."

I say, "It seems you have at least two teams. One team goes through the regular season and at its end everybody goes back to college, and then you put together another team for the GIF."

"That's exactly right. The regular season is an opportunity for the younger guys to figure it out, to find out what's going on. We've got veterans on the team, so I don't have to do all the kicking-them-in-the-butt-to-do-right. We play about 60 games in about 60 days. Home and away and tournaments. If we come in first or second, it pays for our summer."

"Older guys who can't put up with the regular season are the ones who come out for this one [GFI], and they're good. I get guys out of Mexico, out of independent leagues, who want to go to Canada, get looked at by an international scout."

"How many players are you taking with you?"

"I would say from 18 to 20, depends on the caliber and the amount of pitching I might need. You're only playing five days."

"And how many of those 18 to 20 do you think you'll find during tryouts?"

"At this point, 12. Our tryouts test all facets. I have pitchers throw against the guys I know can really hit. If they can take care of my hitters, they can take care of the other team's hitters. We hit ground balls to find out what a guy's got as far as arm strength, good footwork. We hit fly balls just to make sure they have good arm strength, they know how to set up under the ball. If it's teaching time, they're not going to make the club. Naturally, we have live pitching for batting practice, and we spend a lot of time on hitting."

"I assume, while you're on the road, travel, lodging, and food is taken care of?"

Deutschman laughs, "No food. All the travel and all the lodging. They buy their own food, and especially their own alcohol."

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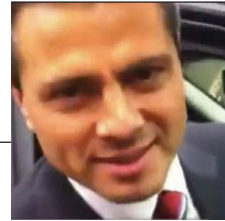
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MESSAGES FROM TIJUANA

Lies It

by Lorena Mancilla

RIGHT AFTER THE IBERO INCIDENT, THE PRI MOCKED THE STUDENTS, INSINUATING THAT THE PROTESTERS WERE JUST A FEW TRAINED INFILTRATORS.



Enrique Peña Nieto, commenting on his hurried departure from Universidad Iberoamericana



One of the 131 students of #yosoy132 declaring her bona fide student identity



Carmen Aristegui began to broadcast a more balanced point of view.

Mexico: Between Dinosaurs and the Power of the

Mariana always wanted to get married at the Metropolitan Cathedral in Mexico City. When the time came, she decided to make her dream come true: her ceremony would be at the historic church in the Zocalo, the central plaza of the entire country. Her other dream was to arrive to the church in a horse-drawn carriage.

Everything to the tiniest detail was planned, but she wasn't counting on her wedding day coinciding with a student movement named #yosoy132 — a monumental street protest against the virtual winner of the Mexican election, Enrique Peña Nieto in the Zocalo. That day the space in front of the church was an ocean of people; it was impossible to walk or move, much less travel in a carriage pulled by horses. But Mariana was

could say it is definitely not a place where civilian movements bloom), for the first time in history all sorts of people joined the national protest: students, mothers and their kids, dogs in strollers, factory workers, young men in suits, old folks in wheelchairs, punk rockers, writers, college girls with flowers, artists, and photographers.

The #yosoy132 movement seed began to germinate on the morning of May, 11, when the ex-governor and then presidential candidate Enrique Peña Nieto was invited to speak in front of students at the Universidad Iberoamericana, a private Jesuit college in Mexico City. At the end of his talk, Peña Nieto gave an unfortunate speech, accepting full responsibility during his term as governor in the repression of the Atenco farmers (where many detainees were tortured, at least 26 women were raped by the police, and two people were killed,

in 12 years.

The Ibero protest might have ended up an isolated event, but thanks to the PRI's arrogance it turned into a national movement. Before I go into details, allow me to say why the Ibero incident was so important: in Mexico there is a tradition of student activism that goes back to the 1960s, but it mainly comes from public universities. Activist students are usually working-class and often they are transparently left-wingers, so whenever there's any sign of political agitation among students they are promptly despised (if not violently repressed, like the student massacre in 1968).

On the other hand, Ibero students have often been stigmatized as wealthy kids from the Mexican upper class who live in a world apart from the rest of Mexico's society (which, by the way, is very classist). There's even a nickname

to the Organización Editorial Mexicana (which is the largest newspaper company in Latin America) had the same headline: Peña Nieto Triumphs at the Ibero Despite an Orchestrated Boycott Attempt.

The good news was YouTube showed a different story. The only place to find information useful to form an independent opinion was its source: the students and their Twitter feeds, Facebook, and YouTube accounts. Soon, a few independent anchors, such as Carmen Aristegui, and some foreign periodicals and independent newspapers began to broadcast a more balanced point of view.

In response to the PRI's allegations, 131 students who were at Peña Nieto's talk at the Ibero made a video in which they stated they were at the protest and were not trained or manipulated by anyone. Each one of them stated their name, their student account number, and showed their Ibero student-identity card. It was a simple but powerful act that showed tremendous courage; they were not hiding in anonymity and were not afraid of political prosecution. The students annihilated the "Chico Ibero" stereotype at once, and they demonstrated that even the privileged class opposed the return of the PRI; perhaps most importantly, they represented a free voice in an overwhelming barrage of pro-Peña Nieto information published on mass media. The 131 Ibero students' video immediately went viral.

In support of those 131 students from Ibero, Twitter users started two hashtags: #masde131 (more than 131) and #yosoy132 (I am 132), the last one became the name of an unprecedented civilian movement that demanded clarity in the elections. Intellectuals, artists, concerned citizens, farmers, students from all sorts of backgrounds joined #yosoy132 and used it as a symbol that showed

they were against the comeback of PRI, they didn't want Peña Nieto, they demanded free media, they wanted voters to be free and informed, they were against electoral fraud, they wanted a real democracy. Civil organization started and there were national street protests before and after the election.

The Perfect Dictatorship

The Mexican political system is chaotic and complex. Both superficially and officially, it appears to be a democracy, but once you scratch the surface, that veneer comes right off.

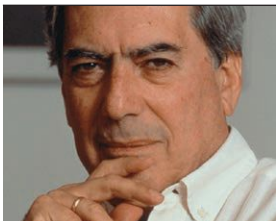
In 1990, Peruvian writer Mario Vargas Llosa called Mexico "the perfect dictatorship." He was giving a talk alongside other intellectuals, and he made a remark on the tradition of military dictatorships throughout Latin America. In contrast, Mexico was never under a military regime but was governed solely by the Partido Revolucionario Institucional (PRI). For almost 80 years it was unimaginable that there could be anyone in office that came from any other political party. During most of that time, all of the presidents, the majority of the congress, and all of the governors came from PRI (though there were rare exceptions: in 1989 the PAN won Baja California, the first Mexican state that had a governor that was not from PRI in 60 years).

The president of Mexico was omnipotent: all the laws he proposed passed automatically; it was he who decided who would be the next PRI presidential candidate and, thus, the next president. Popularly, the candidate was called the "tapado" (the one who's covered) and the procedure by which he chose the next candidate was called the "dedazo" (the pointing of finger). Workers' unions, mass media, and

institutions were nothing but the PRI's instruments of power. It was an oligarchy in disguise. The rest of the political parties were mainly budgetary leeches that provided validation to *democracia à la Mexicana*. The absolute domination of the PRI in Mexico produced a strong system of corruption and nepotism. The government was a huge *máquina de la mordida* (bribery machine) that would not give up political power under any circumstance. Fraud was a common practice and the vote was a mere formality to stay in line with the national constitution.

In 1986 a democratic fraction of the PRI parted and founded the National Democratic Front. In 1988, the FND ran Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas (son of Lázaro Cárdenas, a former president of Mexico) as presidential candidate against Carlos Salinas De Gortari. Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas won, but the PRI changed the results on the night of the election, making Salinas president. (The fraud was ultimately admitted to the *New York Times* by Miguel de la Madrid, who was president at the time.) After the election, the FDN became Partido de la Revolución Democrática (PRD). Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas ran for office two more times but was never able to repeat the 1988 achievement.

In the ensuing years, the PRD grew and gained seats in congress and several states and became the dominant political force in Mexico City. The PAN also grew, up to the point that in 2000, Vicente Fox became the first president of Mexico who did not come from the PRI. Six years after, the PAN's Felipe Calderón ran against Andrés Manuel López Obrador (PRD) and Roberto Madrazo (PRI). Calderón and López Obrador were in a virtual tie but the Instituto Federal Electoral (IFE) declared Calderón



Mario Vargas Llosa called Mexico "the perfect dictatorship."



Angelica Rivero de Peña, aka La Gaviota



Student protest at Glorieta Cuauhtémoc in Tijuana

determined to go through with her plan. She got in the coach and said to the driver, "Let's go." Mariana's driver didn't know what to do. It was impossible to move. He knew it was madness, but he took a deep breath and he yelled, "Make way for the movement's bride!" Mariana stood up, raised her bouquet and shouted, "¡Fuera, Peña Nieto!" ("Get rid of Enrique Peña Nieto!") The multitude responded, "¡Fuera!" and suddenly the sea of people parted to let the bride pass through to the cathedral. In between the anti-Peña Nieto slogans, they shouted, "Long live the Movement's bride."

At the same moment, the most important cities of Mexico were hosting similar scenes, minus the bride, of course. Even in Tijuana, which is not a city for activists (one

one of them a 14-year-old boy).

The response of the students was furious and immediate, as they booed Peña Nieto, calling him a coward and a murderer. When he tried to leave, he was chased all around the campus. The students formed a choir and chanted: "Enrique, listen, Ibero doesn't want you." The candidate's confident image was shattered. Cell phones recorded and photographed him trying to run away. Ultimately, he had to hide for 20 minutes in an underground restroom. As he hid, the videos of the protest were already being uploaded to YouTube; they went viral immediately. At risk was a very long and expensive political campaign sowed by the PRI (Revolutionary Institutional Party) with the objective of regaining political power for the first time

for them: "Chico Ibero," a term coined to identify a student who is rich and clueless. In a society ruled by stereotypes, it was unimaginable that these privileged kids would call Peña Nieto a murderer.

Right after the Ibero incident, the PRI and its paid lackey, the Partido Verde (Green Party), mocked the students by insinuating that the protesters were just a few trained infiltrators and not Ibero students. This became the news, rather than the actual protest because Televisa and TV Azteca (the two national television networks that control most of the TV channels and newscasts of the country) functioned as Peña Nieto's paid spokespeople. Futile attempts to block information were made; for example, the day after the protest, 31 of the newspapers that belong

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winner (even though Calderón was barely 0.58 percent ahead of López Obrador) and no recount of the votes was allowed. Again, the word fraud floated in the air.

After losing two consecutive presidential elections and being relegated to third place in the last one, the PRI gathered all its forces and began to campaign for Enrique Peña Nieto years before the official campaign period started. The ex-governor was groomed and packaged until he became a mass-consumption product with moussed hair and a beautiful soap-opera-actress wife, La Gaviota (the seagull). Peña Nieto popped up in socialite magazines, tabloids; he had a fan club; he was Elvis, minus the talent but with screaming hordes of female fans. At conventions, the PRI gave away Peña Nieto dolls. He was green-washed and promoted as the Partido Verde candidate (the Verde formed an alliance with PRI).

But there were details that didn't quite fit. Peña Nieto's speech was superficial, there was no depth of

thought, he used a teleprompter, and he got in trouble whenever he had to speak without help. There are colorful and infamous anecdotes about his verbal dumsiness, such as when Peña Nieto was at a book fair and he could not name three books he had read; and the time when he could not say how his first wife died.

But the most important and questionable feature of the candidate was that he belonged to the Grupo Atlacomulco, which is a deeply corrupt side of the PRI (the politicians that belong to this group are old-guard *priistas*, and popularly they are called *dinosaurios*). This stirred up suspicions of Peña Nieto being the puppet of the darkest and most retrograde elements of the PRI.

The Aftermath of a Controversial Election

The year 2012 is bringing forth watershed moments in the construction of democracy in Mexico. Before the eruption

ON THE NIGHT OF THE ELECTION, PEÑA NIETO WAS DECLARED WINNER WITH ONLY 5 PERCENT OF THE VOTES COUNTED. THE MEXICAN PUBLIC WAS IN SHOCK.

of the students in the political arena, the presidential election was dull. It was just the same sad story, with its share of intrigue and mass murder, suitcases full of cash, rampant poverty, and behind-the-scenes political warfare.

Thanks to the civilian movement, Mexican citizens observed this election. A huge number of irregularities were found. The PRI went back to its tradition of fraudulent practices. Before the election, two million duplicated ballots were found in Oaxaca. Low-income citizens were paid in food, cash, and store credit if they voted PRI (technology was used to prove how citizens voted: they had to show cell-phone photos of their ballot in order to receive payment). There were voting polls where 110 percent on the population voted. Even the dead voted. In PRI-ruled states, citizens were promised their taxes and fines would be pardoned if they voted PRI. PRI agents purchased voting cards from citizens. Strong-



“Wanted” poster translation: “A vote for Peña Nieto is a vote for sexual torture.”



Tijuana residents protested on July 4, 7, and 22. About 15,000 marched on July 7.



“My president will not be an assassin,” reads a sign held by a #yosoy132 backer.

arm tactics were used so citizens would vote PRI. On the Preliminary Vote Electronic Reporting System (PREP), the votes for López Obrador disappeared or were reported “illegible,” but votes for the rest of the parties were fine. Electoral urns full of votes were stolen.

On the night of the election, Peña Nieto was declared winner with only 5 percent of the votes counted. The rest of the candidates declared him winner; even Calderon declared him winner. Andrés Manuel López Obrador made no comment about the results. The Mexican public was in shock: while international news

declared the election was “too close to call,” in Mexican news, Peña Nieto was declared the absolute winner.

The gravest thing about these elections is that the PRI relied on the extreme poverty of underprivileged Mexican citizens in order to win. History has proven that the PRI only produces more poor and uninformed citizens, who sell off their votes for the tiniest of gifts in exchange for their loyalty. It's an endless cycle that can only be broken with information, education, and a lot of hard work.

#yosoy132 has been a wakeup call for Mexico. As I walked through the sea of

people in Tijuana at the statue of Cuauhtémoc in the middle of Zona Río during a recent #yosoy132 protest, I knew something had changed. When I see the diversity of people involved in this movement — from privileged university students in fancy housing developments to the 60-year-old plumber who lives next door to me — I know something is still changing. Despite the desperate derogatory remarks that come from PRI and official media, there is a new sense of self-awareness and unity within people, and there is something that we all thought was lost: hope. ■

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Man tries to kill wife... twice

Larry Hoagland
never really
believed
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"I was suspicious,"

said Jim Coit. He was suspicious of his partner, Larry Hoagland. They both worked at Professional Photographic Service in San Diego.

In the two years that Jim had spent at PPS, he couldn't help but notice all the travel his partner did. Since 2008, it seemed as if Larry had taken off every four or five months for somewhere, Los Angeles or San Francisco or Philadelphia. Mostly Philadelphia.

Larry told Jim that he had a friend on the East Coast, someone he was helping with his camera and with using Photoshop.

But Jim Coit had found things over the past year that started him thinking.

On their shared website, Larry had posted a photograph titled "Pennsylvania Beauty." It showed a dark-haired woman — Larry Hoagland's wife Connie was blonde. And, of course, there were all those trips Larry was making to Pennsylvania.

The two men shared a desktop computer, used to send and receive emails; each man also had his own laptop computer for working on digital images.

The shared computer was on a desk in the office area they both used. Jim Coit snooped around in this computer. He looked in the email trash and found a message from someone named Lee Ann. There was a photo attached. The picture showed a dark-haired woman on the beach with her kids.

There were more trashed emails, communications to and from prospective employers in Philadelphia. Larry Hoagland was looking for work there. In one email, Larry stated: "I hope to be moved over by mid-October 2010! Exciting indeed!" That email was dated June 2010.

Jim Coit had believed that he

and Larry Hoagland were working hard to make their San Diego photography business a success. So Jim confronted Larry. *When were you going to let me know about this?* Larry replied that times were hard, the economy had changed, and they had lost some clients. He was looking for additional work. Jim Coit came to believe that what his partner was looking for was a way out, "an escape route."

Then Jim got a weird message. It was late in the day, Thursday, September 23, 2010. Jim received

a text message from Larry saying that his wife Connie had been hurt and was in the hospital. Jim texted back, asking what happened. Larry replied that it was on the news — just check the news. Jim thought that was odd, but he did as

Larry suggested.

News reports stated that Connie Hoagland had left her job at a day-care center that afternoon and gone out to her truck, which was parked on the street. There was a terrible explosion. Connie was injured and taken to a hospital. There were unconfirmed rumors that it was a pipe bomb.

Days went by. Jim Coit followed media reports about the explosion.

Somebody noticed the coincidence that a pipe bomb had been found on a street near Connie Hoagland's home on September 8, two weeks prior to the explosion. The connection hadn't been made immediately, because the explosion at the daycare center was ten miles away; a different team of investigators had worked that crime scene. But there was one bomb expert who'd gone to both places, and he recognized the coincidence.

Investigators believed that the first pipe bomb (found September 8) had fallen off the underside of Connie Hoagland's truck. They found remnants of the glue from duct tape beneath the driver's-seat



Larry Hoagland

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area — but only after the September 23 explosion. The first, unexploded bomb had been recovered in a street about three blocks from Connie's home. Duct tape still crisscrossed one side of the bomb, which was recovered intact and still armed. A metal pipe had been loaded with gunpowder, but at least one wire had become disconnected — probably because cars drove over it as it lay in the street. This bomb had been designed to be exploded remotely, using a cell phone as the triggering device. The loose wire prevented detonation.

San Diego police detective Christopher Everett called the cell

phone-triggered bomb a "radio-controlled device." He said it was the first of its kind seen in the United States;

that alligator clips had been used at the end of some wires. This was unusual, he said; typically, people spliced wire

"Suddenly, I find myself staring at 22 videos on how to build and trigger a pipe bomb."

previously, this sort of device had been used in Iraq and Afghanistan. This attracted attention from investigative agencies all over the country. Detective Everett noted

ends by twisting them together.

From the hospital, Larry Hoagland texted Jim to give him updates on Connie's condition. Jim Coit received

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his last text message from Larry the Sunday night after Thursday's bombing: "I'm so sorry for everything that has happened."

First thing Monday morning, Coit had another look around the company's computer.

"I was looking back through the Safari search history, really not wanting to find anything," Jim said later. "Suddenly, I find myself staring at 22 videos on how to build and trigger a pipe bomb. I stopped breathing, and instantly thought, *He did it!* My adrenaline peaked when I realized he could walk into the studio at any moment. I did not want to confront this

crazy man who had just tried to blow up his wife. I quickly took a screen capture, copied it to a thumb drive, and ran out of the studio."

number was for the cell phone attached to the first bomb; the phone was the triggering device. The other number was for a different pre-

"I met him in '78. I was 17. I was at Chula Vista High School. [Larry] was my high-school sweetheart."

Larry Hoagland's Wallet

According to the lead detective on the pipe-bomb investigation, Jim Coit gave him "a big lead." Four days after the bomb blast, sheriff's detective Robert Vaughan obtained search warrants for Larry Hoagland's home and business.

One thing seized was Larry Hoagland's wallet. Investigators found two slips of paper in the wallet with phone numbers written on them. One

paid cell phone, which had dialed the phone attached to the bomb. The unexploded bomb had been called 18 times. All 18 calls bounced off a cell-phone tower near the business's location, between 8:34 and 9:21 p.m., the night of September 7, 2010.

The detective asked Larry if he remembered putting those phone numbers into his wallet. "No, I don't recall having those numbers," he said. "It's automatic for me just to stuff things in my wallet." *You don't know how those numbers got into your wallet?* "But I know where I got them from, yeah." *From where?* "They were given to me by a transient that I call Jerry."

Larry Hoagland explained that transients congregated around his workplace; they lived in RVs and vehicles parked in the area. The San Diego address for the now-defunct Professional Photographic Service was 1011 Buenos Avenue.

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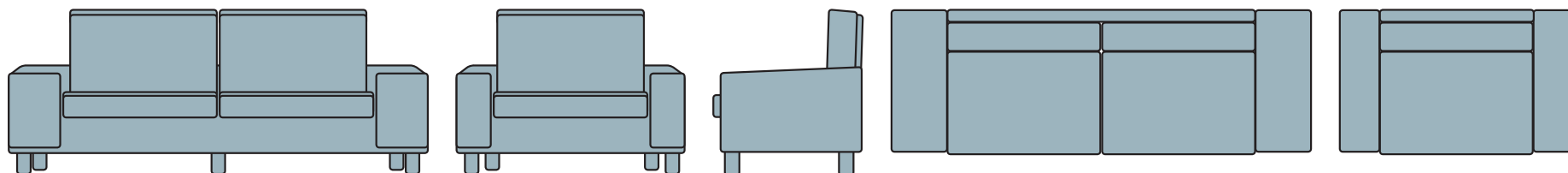
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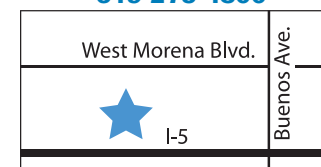
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Larry Hoagland said that Jerry had handed him a piece of paper. “And he said, ‘Here, here’s my phone number.’” Jerry gave Larry his wife’s phone number, as well. He recited that number aloud, so Larry wrote it down on a different slip of paper. “At that point, I must have stuffed the numbers in my wallet.” Larry claimed he’d never dialed those numbers.



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Connie Hoagland's life was saved after 7 surgeries and 35 days in the hospital.

When asked when he’d last seen Jerry, Larry Hoagland said, “End of September sometime.”

Larry denied doing all those searches on the company computer. He said he’d never looked up YouTube videos about bombs. Larry pointed out that his partner, Jim Coit, had been at the business the same morning the searches



Larry's longtime lover Lee Ann wanted to marry him.

were done, September 3, 2010.

Patrick Lim, a computer wizard who worked for Naval Criminal Investigative Services, analyzed the computer. Somebody had gone onto the YouTube website at 8:48 a.m. after searching using the words “cell trigger.” Several YouTube links on the topics of bombs or trigger had been brought



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Larry's business partner, Jim Coit, discovered, on the company computer, 22 videos on how to build and trigger a pipe bomb.

up. Somebody searched through the links for more than an hour, from 8:48 until 10:06 a.m.

More than 20 links were clicked on. The titles of some videos included:

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Another computer analyst found “The Perfect Woman” on Larry’s laptop. It was a mock-up of a magazine cover. At the top of the page, it read, “perfect woman.” A brunette smiled underneath. Another, smaller line on the cover read, “Great Style at Pee Wee Prices.” Larry’s pet name for his secret lover was Pee Wee.

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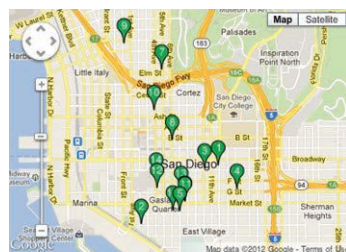
As soon as investigators received the tip from Coit, they made plans to travel to the East Coast. That same night, they took a red-eye flight to Pennsylvania. Two San Diego police homicide detectives arrived in Philadelphia, looking for Lee Ann. In the morning, they went to

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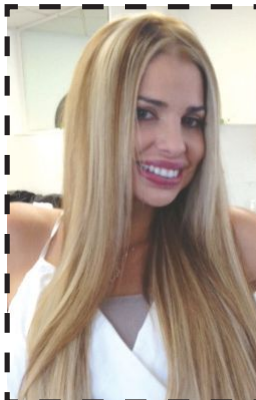
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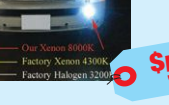
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Lee Ann's workplace, an orthodontist's office, but she wasn't there. Her coworkers told detectives that she'd taken the day off for "stress." Detective Troy DuGal and his partner next went to Lee Ann's home.

"I met him in '78," Lee Ann said. "I was 17. I was at Chula Vista High School. [Larry] was my high-school sweetheart." She said they'd dated for three or four years. "Oh, yeah, he's my first love. Definitely." Then she moved away. Lee Ann went to dental-assistant school. She married and lived on the East Coast with her husband and three kids for 24 years.

In 2006, she contacted her old high-school sweetheart. "I reached out to Larry." She found him through Professional Photographic Service's website.

"My relationship with my husband wasn't good." She communicated that fact to Larry. She knew he was married. Lee Ann said, "There was no intent for any relationship at that point." She and Larry talked. "I think he loved his wife. I think he also loved me."

Lee Ann arranged to meet with Larry. They decided on a hotel in Indianapolis. She drove. Larry took a plane. It was February 2007. "It was

just a day, just to see each other." But "I think it was more of an affair at that point. I was the mistress at the beginning."

"I am exhausted of your whining...I am tired of all your words."

Lee Ann wanted more. By the end of July, she'd decided to divorce her husband. Lee Ann spoke with Larry by phone and texted him "a lot." Larry flew out to the East Coast every few months. Lee Ann wanted to marry

Larry Hoagland. "I think that was our ultimate goal, yes."

Larry talked about divorcing his wife. But

grown to \$75,000.

Still, sometimes Larry sent money to Lee Ann. She admitted to receiving almost \$1000. Lee Ann was working three different jobs, trying to make ends meet. She was a dental assistant, she worked in a restaurant, and she crafted jewelry to sell.

Lee Ann waited and waited for Larry's bankruptcy and divorce to be finalized. "It seems like it was always delayed." Meanwhile, her faraway lover sent her reassuring videos.

Larry sent a video of himself apartment-hunting, to prove that he had separated from his wife. He sent another

video of himself meeting with a divorce attorney, to prove that he had served divorce papers on his wife. But it was all lies. Larry Hoagland, 48, still lived with his wife, and 52-year-old Connie knew nothing about either Lee Ann's or Larry's plan for divorce.

This deception continued for years. But Connie had suspicions. Larry stayed later and later at work. He made all those business trips. He acted secretive when using his cell phone — calling and texting — and he had a password lock on the phone. Finally, Connie flat-out asked him if he was having an affair. She remembers his

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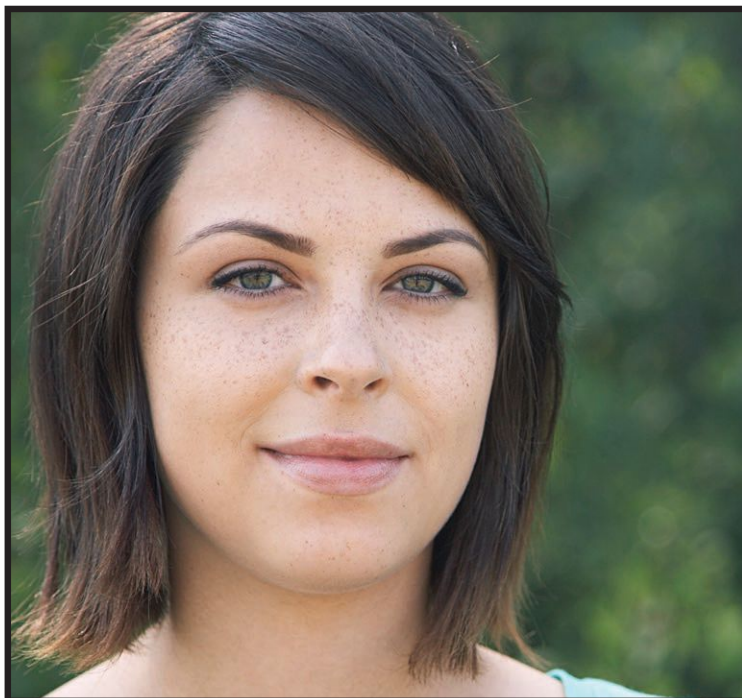
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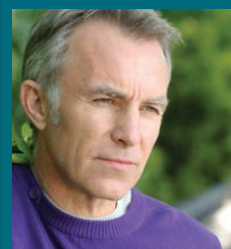
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calm response: “Oh, why would you ask me that?” He denied it.

Longtime lover Lee Ann learned that Larry Hoagland was still living in the house with his wife when San Diego detectives told her. That was on September 28, 2010, five days after Connie Hoagland was injured by a bomb blast.

Not Lady MacBeth

These are excerpts from different text messages that Lee Ann sent to Larry in June 2010: “I am exhausted of your whining...I can’t handle your insecurities...I feel you expect me to be fine with all this and all lovey dovey. I can’t. I have been disappointed too many times...I think sometimes you want me to give up. I am sick of babying you. You have to do what you have to do...I just can’t count on you... You are insecure after all of this...I thought things would be different and I thought you were stronger and more motivated than you are...I love you but you are weak and I need you



After pipebombing his wife, Larry took a picture of himself in the hospital hallway and texted it to his girlfriend, Lee Ann, in Pennsylvania. He was arrested later that night.

to be a strong motivated man.

“I am tired of all your words.”

In July 2010, she texted: “Three years of this I am getting worried and tired of all this” and “I just hate this situation. I don’t know if you are going to leave me hanging here forever.”

By August 2010, Lee

Ann claimed she was trying to break up with Larry. She was embarrassed when friends pointed out that she was “the other woman” to a man cheating on his wife. She wanted Larry properly divorced, and then she wanted him to marry her. “You know, it wasn’t happening, and I was tired of the excuses.”

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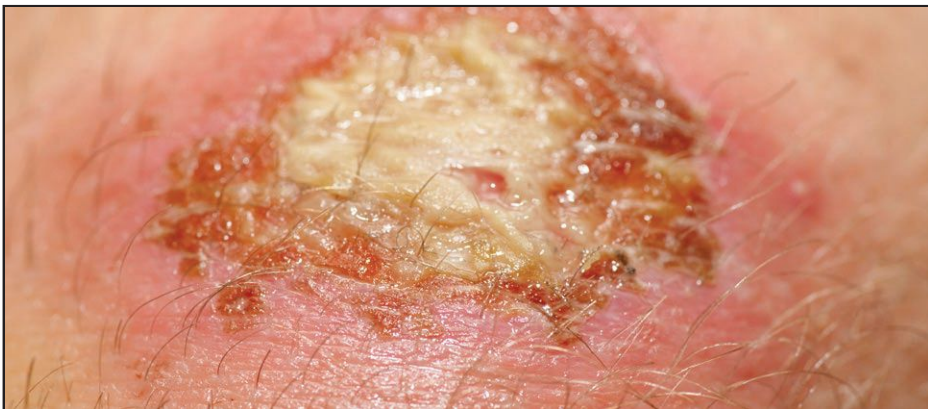
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Her text messages in August 2010 included: "You are not the man I thought you were...I need someone energetic [who] knows what they want in life and goes for it and does not wait till it's too late. I am sorry Larry...I realized this weekend that the 3 years was fun but I was having an affair with a married man and people warned me about that. I thought we were different...I thought about it a lot last night and came to the conclusion that you are just waiting around another month going through the motions. I feel like you are wasting precious time and should be doing something not sure what but trying harder to make us happen..."

On September 1, 2010, Lee Ann sent this: "I can't heal until you do things right by me that is the bottom line. Time not words. I have heard a lot of words over the years it's overdue for change." One week later, the first pipe bomb was found in the street a few blocks from the Hoaglands' home.

Peacekeeper Larry

Larry Hoagland was a steady, devoted sort of man. He first worked at Professional Photographic Services as an apprentice in 1981, when he was 19. Back then, he made photo prints by hand.

Larry and Connie married in 1985. He was 23, and she was 26. They raised three kids. They were active in their church. Larry Hoagland said he considered his 25-year marriage to Connie "very happy."

Larry worked steadily at Professional Photographic Services and became a partner in

2006. Coincidentally, that was the same year Lee Ann contacted him and told him her marriage was failing. "I told her Connie and I were also drifting apart," Larry said.

According to Larry, he and Lee Ann decided to make their relationship "permanent" in 2008.

Throughout 2010, Larry described his marriage to Connie as "very friendly but [full of] tension. We drifted apart." He said he did not hate his wife. "Oh, no. We never argued." They had "discussions" but never a "heated argument."

He said he "never really believed in divorce," but eventually came to the conclusion that he "just wanted to move on." Larry said he wanted to "just leave." He planned to "serve

papers and drive off." He hoped for a "very quiet exit."

Larry confirmed that the plan was for Lee Ann to fly out to California. Then they would drive off together and leave San Diego behind. So, *when were you going to inform Connie that you wanted a divorce?* "It sounds so cold, [but] just about when I was leaving the house. That sounds so cowardly."

Larry admitted that he told a lot of lies, to both Lee Ann and his wife. Connie believed all those trips to Pennsylvania were paid for by a client named "Bob." *Why did you tell all those lies for all those years?* "Just to keep peace, I guess."

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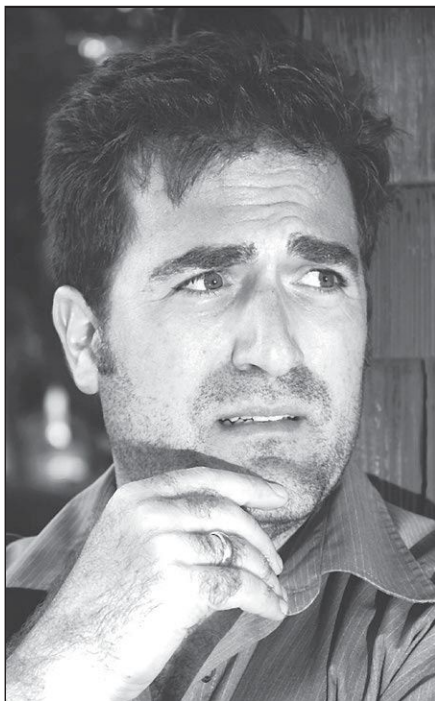
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Larry texted to Lee Ann that he loved her. He said he was going to Fry's, an electronics store. There he bought some alligator clips. He paid cash. Investigators found this interesting, since alligator clips were used in both pipe bombs.

On September 22, Larry texted encouragement to his faraway love. "Things are picking up speed."

On September 23, the day of the bomb blast, Larry texted Lee Ann 25 times. In almost every message, he told her that he loved her. It was a little before 8:00 p.m., California time, when Larry told Lee Ann that his wife had been in some sort of accident and was now in the hospital.

The Day of the Explosion

The Hoagland home became crowded in 2010. Larry and Connie still had their youngest child, a 15-year-old son, at home. And their two adult daughters, 24 and 20, had moved back in after one divorced and the other lost her job. The older daughter brought her three-year-old baby with her.

Connie was in fact relieved that Larry was traveling so much and that he so often worked late. He had become so short with her. Finances were bad. "He kept telling me, 'We have no money, don't spend any money.'" They began to miss their house payments in late 2009 and started bankruptcy proceedings in January 2010.

Connie liked her job at the residential daycare; she'd worked there for 15 years. Usually, she brought her grandson to

work with her, but that Thursday morning, the little boy went to the zoo with his mom.

When Connie drove her teenaged son to high

some days before. She pushed the wire aside with her foot to use the pedals. Connie asked her son to remind her later to have Dad look at it.

Connie saw that annoying black wire hanging down again from under the dash, beneath the steering wheel.

school that morning, she saw that annoying black wire hanging down again from under the dash, beneath the steering wheel. "I remembered it hanging there before." She'd first noticed it

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Larry was at home

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using his phone from 4:55 to 6:35 a.m. He didn't leave the home on Celia Vista Drive until after his wife had already driven off to work. "I was usually the last one leaving the house," he later said.

At 8:05 a.m., Larry and his phone traveled east about nine miles. His calls bounced off a tower that was in the same area where his wife worked. Connie had parked her Ford truck on Via Hacienda as usual, at about 7:00 a.m. Larry said he was "scouting a location" at a nearby park for a possible photo shoot; he said he was "always looking for new back-grounds." While there, Larry phoned his wife and spoke to her for a couple of minutes. "I told her that I was out and about." In a half hour, Larry's cell phone was traveling in the opposite direction, now moving west toward Professional Photographic Services.

During work hours that day, Larry's phone calls bounced off towers near his business.

At about 4:00 p.m., Larry again phoned

Connie. "He said, 'I'll be home at 5:30.'" She thought that was unusual, because he never came home before 6:30. She hurried out to her truck and found it already unlocked. "I thought, 'Oh, that's

ies. The bomb had been placed under the dashboard of her truck, beneath the steering wheel, right above her feet. When she turned the key in the ignition, there was "a big BOOM!"

"Two Sheriff deputies are guarding her room now. The bomb people swept the house and perimeter."

odd."

Larry Hoagland got a call from the owner of the daycare business at about 4:25 p.m., telling him that his wife had been injured.

From 5:22 to 11:00 p.m., September 23, 2010, Larry's cell phone used the towers around the hospital where his wife had been admitted.

In the Hospital

Connie arrived at the hospital with gaping wounds in her feet and legs and severed arter-

Doctors struggled to stop the bleeding. They tried to remove the bomb parts from her body.

"You could see shrapnel in several of the X-rays," said orthopedic surgeon Dr. Richard Allen. "It was considered a contaminated wound." The doctors feared infection.

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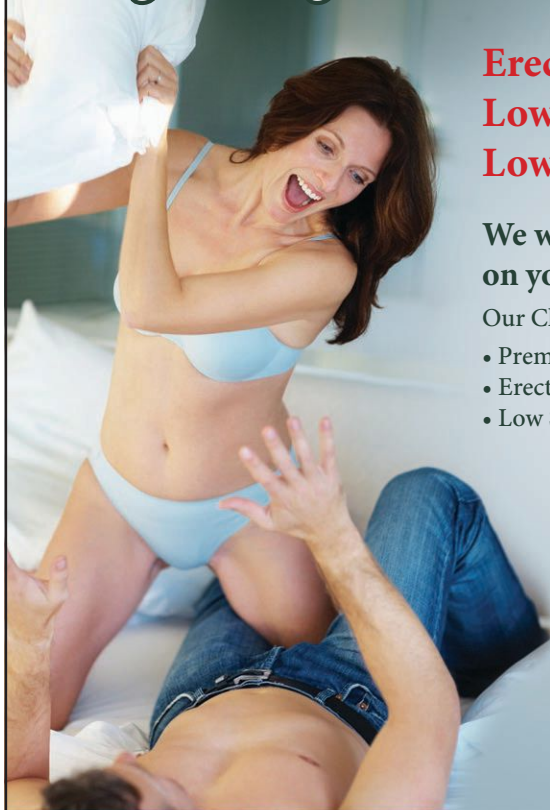
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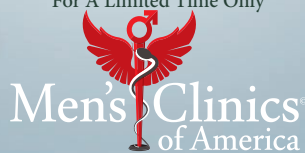
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aged tissue excised as it was discovered, to save the healthy tissue. The gaping holes in Connie's body grew larger.

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One of Connie's lower leg bones, a tibia, was shattered. They inserted a titanium rod for support.

At one point, Connie got a blood clot in her lungs, an "embolism." They saved her from that death threat.

While doctors were trying to put Connie back together, Larry was in the hospital hallway, texting his gal on the East Coast.

Two days after the bombing, at about 3:00 a.m., Larry texted to Lee Ann: "This is a very big mess. Two Sheriff deputies are guarding her room now. The bomb people swept the house and perimeter. Yes this is a mess but yes I will worry about you. I love you and need you and need to be there at my home."

Later that afternoon, he texted: "Got to the hospital at noon and there is still a codename and password for entry and two Sheriff deputies are assigned to guard the room. Supposed to have a meeting later with all the kids and a ATF agent. Love you."

Larry was not allowed access to his wife. He had to phone one of his daughters, who was in the room with Connie. He asked if he could tell his wife "three things."

Connie took the phone. "He said, 'I just want you to know I'm

having an affair.'" Larry wanted to tell Connie before she heard it elsewhere. Then Larry said, "But I've been dedicated to you since Thursday." That was the day of the bomb blast. Lastly, he said, "I didn't do it." Connie said the call did not last a minute. "It

Deputies took him into custody later that night.

Fifty-two-year-old Connie was in the hospital for 35 days. Doctors performed seven surgeries. The tiny woman lost 30 pounds.

When she spoke about it later, she said over and over that it was a

"He said, 'I just want you to know I'm having an affair... But I've been dedicated to you since Thursday.'" That was the day of the bomb blast.

was that short, and I just hung up."

On September 25 and 26, Larry sent more messages to Lee Ann, reassuring her of his love.

Larry later confirmed that he did rededicate himself to his wife the day she was bombed. He said that when he contacted the woman on the East Coast, "it was in the context of a friend consoling another friend." Larry explained: "At that point, I had no idea how long Connie was going to be in the hospital."

Larry Hoagland's last two text messages to Lee Ann were sent the evening of September 27, from the hospital's hallway. He told her: "I miss you too" and "Good night my love." He sent a photo of himself. Larry held his cell-phone camera up to a mirror high on the wall, up near the ceiling. In the photo, he looks forlorn and small. The bright white of the hospital tile floor overwhelmed his silhouette.

"miracle" she survived. "And God protected me." Connie choked up when she later testified at her husband's trial. She wept. "I'm just happy I'm alive."

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Larry Hoagland went on trial more than a year later. The jury found him guilty of premeditated attempted murder and explosion of a destructive device causing great bodily injury. The verdict was announced May 7, 2012.

A probation officer interviewed Larry Hoagland as part of a report to be submitted to the trial judge before sentencing. The officer found Larry "very pleasant and cooperative" and "superficially charming." He told her he was active in his church, where he led Bible studies and prayer groups and taught Sunday school. He said that during his time in jail, he wanted to make a dif-

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ference in other men's lives. "I am trying to do on the inside what I did on the outside. I have compassion for these men. I want to keep doing it, but from the outside. I don't belong in here."

"He quoted scripture and described himself as a godly and honorable man," the officer reported. "He adamantly denied any attempt to, or involvement in, the harming of his now former wife, Connie."

Connie divorced Larry while he was in custody.

The probation officer continued, "He hopes to have his conviction overturned on appeal and be able to reconcile with his wife and children."

Larry told her, "I did not try and kill my wife. I want so bad to recon-

cile with my family. I did not do this. I am still hopeful of the appeal system."

Larry suggested to the officer that it might have been his former business partner who collaborated with one of the transients to hurt Connie in an effort to ultimately hurt him. "He believes his partner felt betrayed when told that he, Hoagland, was looking for a job in Pennsylvania," she wrote.

She quoted Larry as saying to her: "I have come to the conclusion that Jerry [the transient] had something to do with it. Perhaps my former business partner, Jim, felt betrayed and abandoned. I think he would try and hurt me... Who would gain from hurting Connie,

and me being out of the picture? Jim. He wanted to move the business to where his wife was. Nobody looked into that."

The probation officer noted the Hoaglands' \$300,000 life-insurance policy. The benefit would go the surviving spouse, if Connie or Larry died.

The officer's report concluded: "He completely lacks any sense of moral responsibility. He is absolutely a danger to the community and is deserving of the maximum penalty."

In El Cajon's East County Superior Courthouse, on June 5, 2012, Larry Hoagland, 50, was sentenced to 13 years plus life. He will be eligible for parole in 20 years. ■

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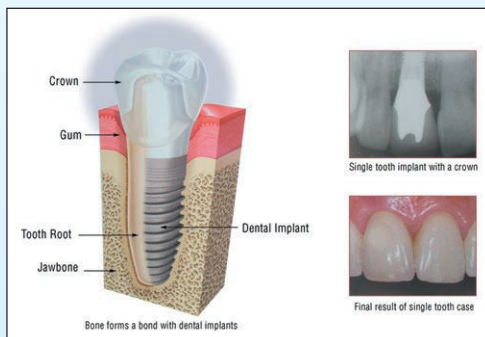
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that the local hummingbirds seem to find irresistible.



Female Anna's hummingbird, the most common hummingbird species found in San Diego County



Name: Leorah Gavidor
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Editor's note: This is the winner of April's \$200 first-place prize for our monthly neighborhood-essay contest.

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After a short trial period, my husband hit on just the right recipe to keep the tiny birds coming back for more.

Almost a year ago, after years of talking about it, we finally bought a hummingbird feeder. It's proven to be a good investment — we paid \$6.99 for it at Ace Hardware and got a \$5 rebate. After my husband hung it under one of the second-floor eaves of the 100-year-old house we live in, it only took about 24 hours for the hummingbirds to home in on it.

At first the birds came and went freely, flitting and zooming to and fro outside

our back door as we had hoped. We watched them with delight and curiosity, grateful to have a chance to observe the fast-flying feathered creatures as they slowed down momentarily to perch on the feeder. My husband hung a pair of binoculars by the back door so that when the hummingbirds came to take a drink we would be ready for a close-up. With the aid of magnification, I could make out the markings and movements of their minute bodies as they sipped the offered elixir. Fleeting glimpses as they

were, my first few observations through the binoculars quickened my heartbeat and gave me a little thrill. We had lured the hummingbirds to our backyard, and there they were, unwittingly participating in our surveillance. But, really, the idea was to give the energy-burning pollinators and voracious insectivores a place to drink and rest. And then spy on them in the process.

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bird species. Prior to putting up the feeder, we had rarely seen the birds in our backyard, and we were always pleased when one would make an occasional visit. After a few weeks, we got accustomed to seeing several every day. With the aid of the Smithsonian encyclopedia *Birds of North America*, we identified our feeder's most frequent visitor to be Anna's hummingbird, which also happens to be the most common species of hummingbird found in San Diego County. The males are easy to spot, with iridescent red throats and crown feathers that reflect light, while the females have green bodies with light gray-brown underbellies and a tiny patch of iridescence at the

throat.

The first time I saw another species in our backyard, I thought I was imagining things. Instead of the usual flash of Anna's ruby red, I thought I caught a very brief glint of shiny copperish gold. It was a Sunday morning, and we were just finishing breakfast at the table, from where we have a view of the feeder.

"What was that?" I exclaimed, knowing my eyesight isn't the greatest and I could have mistaken an unusually bright Anna's hummingbird for an unfamiliar species.

"I saw a flash of gold!" my husband said, getting up to look out the window in case the bird came back. I told him that's what I thought I saw, too,

and we agreed that it was probably a species that we had not previously observed in the environs of our feeder.

As it turned out, a

to Southern Alaska. He must've been visiting San Diego on his "neo-tropical migration," as noted in *Birds of North America*. We knew it was

Initially it was enough for my husband to guard the backyard territory, shooing the possessive "humming-bully" when it got close to the feeder.

Rufous hummingbird had found our feeder en route south from his more northern territories, which range from Oregon

him when we read in our book that Rufous's throat flashes golden brown in the sunlight. Rufous hummingbirds aren't known

to hang around long in this town, but they are known for being able to locate feeders they haven't visited for months. We spotted him only a few times in the summer, accompanied by a distinct whirring of wings, and we're awaiting his return.

In the meantime, other avian visitors have kept us occupied. Only a few days after the birds had established a somewhat predictable pattern of drinking throughout the day, a dominant male Anna's laid claim to the feeder. He made it his business to buzz away other males of his species and would tolerate only a few females. He developed several lookout points around the yard, his favorite of which is

still on the cable wire that cuts across our second-floor porch. He tucks himself right under the eave of the house on the end of the wire, about two feet away from the feeder, hidden from direct view but close enough to discourage any other birds from taking a drink. Just as the thirsty creatures come in for a landing, he bursts forth from his post to chase them away. On his victory lap back to the wire, he stops to perch on the pomegranate tree that grows between our house and the neighbor's. There he lets out a long series of clicks and twitters, a song that we've learned to interpret as "Y'all better watch out; this is my turf!"

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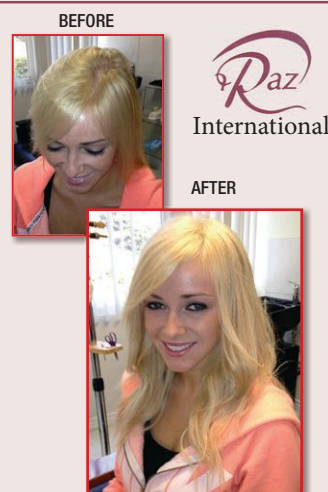
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of comical to see such a dainty animal behaving aggressively, we knew the male's dominance had to be curtailed. The other birds were wasting precious energy trying to get a share of the tasty "milkshake," defeating the purpose of having the feeder in the first place. So it was my husband, a former U.S. Marine and a combat veteran, versus a four-inch, four-ounce flying organism. It was time to show that hummingbird who was boss.

Initially it was enough for my husband to guard the backyard territory, shooing the possessive "humming-bully" when it got close to the feeder. For a while it worked, and even my husband's or my presence in the doorway would discourage the bully, the same way a stern teacher's pointed stare can nip impish behavior in the bud. But soon the determined bird found that he could simply sit just out of harm's way, on a nearby tree, and swoop in when my husband turned his back.

This called for more drastic measures. One morning, I was happily scrubbing the sink when I heard a commotion and saw movement outside the frosted-glass bathroom window. I ran out to see what was happening and found my husband on the back porch waving the broom and shouting up into the trees. Apparently the male hummingbird was no longer daunted by the mere presence of a human, and it had become necessary to enlist reinforcements. Laughing and wielding the broom, my husband explained that the tiny bird had buzzed him, warning him to stay away, while he was sweeping the porch in the vicinity of the feeder. As if he was competition.

That bold move put the tough little hummingbird on the punk list. The next step was to restrict his access to the feeder by

wrapping a cloth around the perches, taking it off in the evening when he was tired and less vigilant. Before sundown, the other birds would come along and get their fill to keep warm for the night. But one day, in broad daylight, when the cloth was in position and the feeder was closed for business, the feisty male found an opportunity to reestablish his dominance. He swooped in close to the feeder, darting between the folds of the rag methodically, looking for a way in. Eventually he discovered the "holes" in our plan, literally, feeding himself right through the tiny tears in the old T-shirt we were using as a barrier.

We were pretty amazed at the little animal's fortitude, and of course we respected the fact that he was running himself ragged trying to keep the other hummingbirds out of his territory. He even began courting the "humming-babes" right out there on our back porch! During courtship, the male Anna's hummingbird performs a high-speed air dive, ending in a distinctively loud "chirp" that comes from the bird breaking the sound barrier at the bottom of the swoop. Our resident male has taken to diving right outside our door, and we hear a series of horny "chirps" every day. If we're lucky, we can catch him in the act, ascending to heights up to 130 feet and then zooming head-first towards the porch in a crazy dive-bomb plunge, only to veer off at the last millisecond and head back up in the air to do it again. The maneuver is estimated to put more than 9 Gs of force on the hummingbird's body, a force that my husband informed me would cause even the most advanced fighter aircraft to break apart. That stunt certainly requires a lot of energy.

With cold winter nights coming, and the prospect

of a young brood of hummingbirds living nearby in the spring, we knew we had to do something to ensure reliable "milkshake" access for the hummingbirds that share our yard. So a couple of months ago, in early winter, we finally had to buy another feeder. It wasn't as thrifty a deal as the first — we paid \$10.99 for it at Home Depot and didn't get a rebate — but it has proven to be an equally sound investment. The dominant male still does his thing out there, but now the other birds pretty much ignore him and take their drinks from whichever feeder he isn't guarding at the time. We've even seen three hummingbirds peacefully sipping all at once on the new feeder!

There are still a few tussles between males, which involve two birds spiraling speedily around each other, red feathers flashing, until one gets too close to the ground and has to fly off in retreat. We had no idea hummingbirds were so scrappy!

Despite the competition for females and food sources, the addition of the second feeder has given the dominant male hummingbird more time to focus on finding a mate and has given the other hummingbirds a chance to hang around the yard a bit more. Maybe we'll catch another glimpse of the blue-throated hummingbird my husband was lucky enough to see once, perhaps drawn north to California from its normal mid-coastal western Mexico range by warming temperatures. Hopefully our San Diego backyard will continue to be inviting to many a hummingbird, a species unique to the American continent and thus on par in importance with its larger and more well-known avian cousins, the wild turkey and the bald eagle. We'll be looking out for the little ones. ■



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Over the cliff? Nope

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ology and Unequal Riches. Income inequality and political partisanship ran on a remarkably similar curve during the days of the robber barons. Then, from 1913 to 1957, income inequality and political partisanship fell in tandem. But, beginning in 1977, as wealth and income disparity soared, so did ideological divisions and legislative stalemates.

There are several reasons for these phenomena: in the 1970s, immigration restrictions loosened. "The foreign born became poorer and poorer relative to the native-born population," says Poole. But so many of the immigrants do not vote. Increasingly, the people voting were those better off financially. These voters favor middle-class entitlements, such as Medicare and Social Security, "but are less sympathetic to redistribution programs, such as welfare, food stamps, and Medicaid." Thus, the partisanship has ballooned. In addition, the pouring of bailout money into the financial sector "reinforces the ideological divide."

There were other factors, such as the South turning Republican. All told, "Moderates of both political parties are being eliminated. The parties are dominated by activists and more intense people," says Poole.

The next book Poole is coauthoring will come out next year: *Political Bubbles*. The thesis is that behind every financial crisis is a political bubble: just as financial bubbles are the result of greed, political bubbles are the product of rigid ideologies, ineffective government, and special interests. The result is legislated leniency, regulatory failure, and more risk-taking — reasons the two phenomena run together.

That describes today. In 2007, the richest 1 percent's share of national income

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peaked at 23 percent — the same as in — er, uh — 1929. When the bubble burst in 2008, the percentage dipped, but it is climbing again. So the gap between the rich and everybody else is exceedingly wide by historical standards — just like the political ideological gap.

So what will happen when America faces the fiscal cliff in late 2012? Like Jacobson, Poole believes that nothing will happen until after the election. "Then they will have to do something about the fiscal cliff," says Poole. "They will kick the can down the road into March, February, January, and then either President Obama or President Romney will work out a deal with Congress. There is no choice. We are broke."

Once the nation dodges that fiscal cliff, the political partisanship will escalate again. Hatred and vituperation will dominate politics, just as they have since the 1970s, only probably worse this time. If one party sweeps into the presidency and takes both houses of Congress with a heavy majority, then some non-partisan, significant legislation might pass, but neither Jacobson nor Poole expects a one-party landslide. ■

Attack of the comics

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independent artists can carve out a digital niche for themselves and their artwork. But how do issues of ownership and artistic rights play out on the internet?

Local comics artist David King, whose work can be found at *reliable-comics.com*, started doing comics on the web as a way to force himself to meet deadlines. For many artists, the possibility of a vast, digital audience hungry for fresh content provides great motivation. That worked for a while for King, but his ability to survive as an artist in small

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press has depended on forming relationships with other artists and finding a publisher who was willing to support him. Despite the cartoonish appearance of his comics, the material is often serious. King hypothesizes that his work isn't subject to theft because his style and sense of humor aren't suited to contemporary internet culture, which thrives on memes and reblogging and which embraces things based on quick jokes, like lolcats and de-motivational posters.

Phil McAndrew, proprietor of *philintheblanks.com*, is another comics artist based in San Diego. He found success on the web when a development executive stumbled on his comics online. Now he has a project in the works at Cartoon Network, and he curated an event at Space 4 Art in East Village as a run-up to Comic-Con. He was surprised to find that one of his comics had been posted to FunnyJunk, naturally without crediting him. McAndrew's stuff tends more toward mustache-related humor, prime material for digital theft.

McAndrew accepts that theft is in keeping with the nature of the internet. "If I were to sit there and try to hunt down all the websites that repost my comics without my name on them," he says, "I wouldn't have any time to draw new stuff. So most of the time I just shrug my shoulders and keep on drawing."

That seems the predominant response among comics artists who put their work out on the web. King, McAndrew, and Matthew Inman — if his response to the lawsuit threat from FunnyJunk is any indication — appear to agree that simply being credited, and having their respective sites linked to, would be sufficient compensation. King said via email that "comics shared online aren't public

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domain material, and they aren't free for the taking."

Unfair use of the sort allegedly practiced by FunnyJunk is hardly limited to webcomics. Bill Watterson famously refused to license *Calvin and Hobbes* for merchandising rights. His assumption was that plastering Calvin's face on T-shirts and coffee mugs would cheapen the value of the comic. But unlicensed reproductions of Calvin and his imaginary magical tiger sidekick have been available for decades. Those ubiquitous window stickers of Calvin urinating on a Ford logo? All are counterfeit.

Calvin and Hobbes knockoffs represent a straightforward case of infringement, whereby parties with no legal right to copyrighted material reproduce and sell that material without the permission of its owner. Webcomics, and the case of their ownership and fair use, exist in a more nebulous space. For webcomic artists, the way to turn art into business is through advertising and merchandising, both of which are dependent on web traffic. For example, if a blogger reposts an artist's comics,

but fully acknowledges the source of that artwork, the net result should be that people who enjoyed the comic would go to the artist's site and buy merchandise, or, at the very least, surf around.

As if to demonstrate this principle, Matthew Inman has created a website titled BearFood (*bearfood.com*) that can be used to share web content without losing reference to the responsible artists. Phil McAndrew's site has gotten a stream of traffic from BearFood, where McAndrew is credited for creating a comic in which a young man demonstrates his machismo to such a degree that he gains control of the mustache formerly worn by his intimidating potential father-in-law.

McAndrew summarizes this link between contemporary internet culture and artistic content: "The internet is just where a lot of things happen now, and the entire world can see or read or experience those things and react. It's just easier to share things. And if you're doing something really terrific, it's going to spread like a wildfire." ■

Under the radar

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paid \$3000 to have Robinson lobby San Diego City Attorney **Jan Goldsmith**; **Danna White Nicholas** of the City's Community Justice Division: Code Enforcement Unit; mayoral planning honcho **David Graham**; and the City's Development Services chief, **Kelly Broughton**. The topic of discussion is listed as "Notices of violation and processing of entitlements to correct and bring legal."

Documents previously released by the City after a request under the state's public records act show that the Manchester resort has been cited for repeatedly violating the City's Resource Protection Ordinance. Alleged transgressions have included "unauthorized grading, including removal of sensitive biological resources." The City has asserted that the hotel project's grading has "impacted wetlands, steep hillsides, open space areas, mitigation areas, and property containing potential historical resources."

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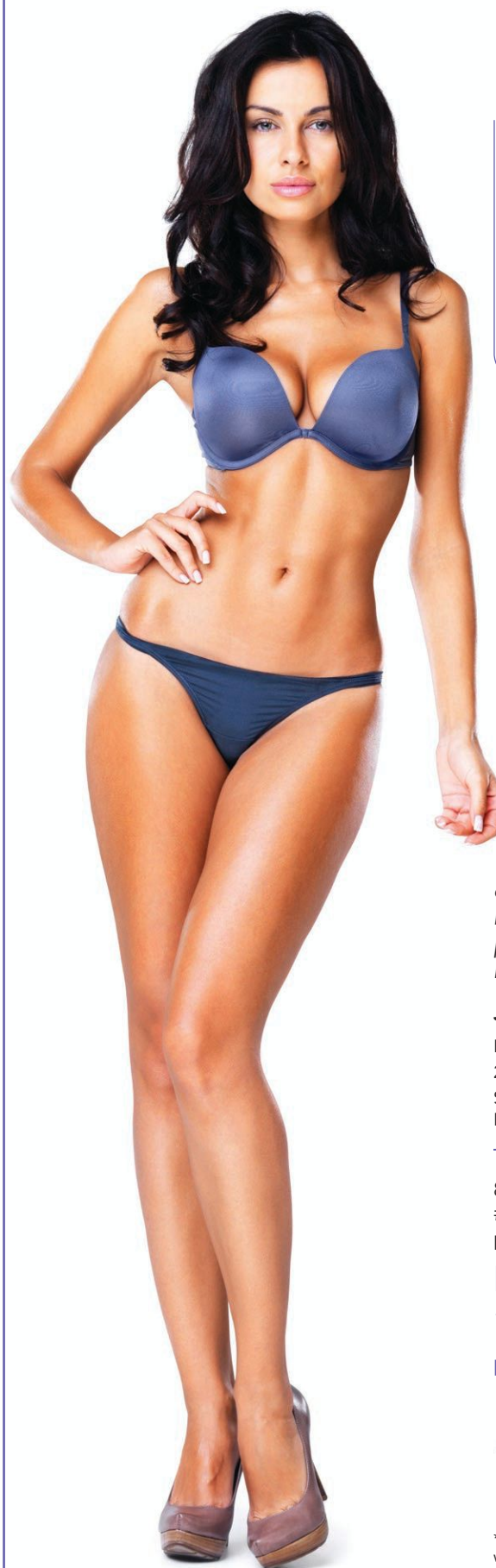
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Molasky, onetime associate of the late mobster **Moe Dalitz**. Molasky's firm ran into trouble developing a new San Diego headquarters for the FBI. Robinson and associate **Neil Hyytinen** called on a bevy of high-ranking city officials for help, including Mayor **Jerry Sanders**; his lieutenant Graham; Development Services chief Broughton; deputy city attorney **Shannon Thomas**; **Job Nelson**, chief of staff to GOP city councilwoman **Lorie Zapf**; and two staffers for Councilman **Carl DeMaio**, **Felipe Monroig** and **John Ly**. Republican DeMaio, now running against Democratic congressman **Bob Filner** for mayor, has long backed the Molasky project and has previously received campaign contributions from the developer and his extended family. Robinson's lobbyist filing revealed he added to that support by giving the DeMaio bid \$250 on June 29.

Lobby lunches San Diego's own Semptra Energy may have had its hands full this spring dealing with the shutdown of the troubled San Onofre nuclear power plant it owns a piece of, but that didn't keep Sacramento lobbyists for the utility giant from handing out their regular round of legislative free-

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bies. Forty-eighth District assemblyman **Mike Davis**, a Democrat and cochairman of the Legislative Black Caucus, got tickets, parking, and food worth \$180 at L.A.'s Staples Center on April 6. **Janine Pairis**, district director for San Diego state senator **Juan Vargas**, presently running for Congress, got \$32.60 in food and beverage at the Fish Market restaurant here on June 13. Up in Lake Elsinore, **Jeff Greene**, chief of staff for GOP assemblyman **Kevin Jeffries**, and two junior staffers received food and beverage worth \$32.25 each at the Diamond Club, the restaurant at the Lake Elsinore Storm baseball team's ballpark, on May 24. On May 5, senators **Ron Calderon**, a Democrat, and **Bill Emmerson**, a Republican, sat down with Semptra for food and drinks worth \$23.66 each at Sacramento's posh Sutter Club. On May 17, field representative **Vickie Tran** of GOP assemblyman **Jeff Miller's** office, and **Sarah Dukett**, a staffer for Assemblyman **Brian Nestande**, also a Republican, each got \$33.62 in food and beverages at the Marriott hotel in Riverside. **Evita Tapia Gonzalez**, Senator Emmerson's district representative, received the same.

— Matt Potter

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know, she sucker-punches me. Three times."

The woman said when she later learned the two attackers were Border Patrol agents, "My heart dropped." She feared "it was going to get swept under the rug" and contacted law enforcement several times over the next couple weeks. When it appeared there was no progress, she said she spoke anonymously to two San Diego news organizations.

Immediately after those organizations published news accounts, the alleged victim said she was contacted by the district attorney's office and told that the case would make progress.

Kallie Helwig, 25, and **Gerald Torello, 35**, have pleaded not guilty to misdemeanor charges of lewd acts in public, battery, and annoying a minor. At least two small children reportedly witnessed various sex acts from neighboring seats during the circus show.

By Eva Knott,
Wednesday, August 8

Utility Futility

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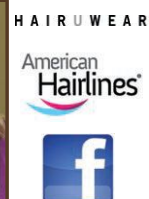
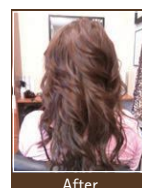
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The division compared SDG&E's request to the median return on equity of 34 utilities. That median is 9.9 percent — well below SDG&E's request.

"It is unwarranted for [SDG&E] to charge its customers a rate of return for its investors that is out of line with current market conditions," says Joe Como, acting director of the Division of Ratepayer Advocates.

By Don Bauder,
Tuesday, August 7

Get a Life

Strong-arm tactics not new for U-T CEO John Lynch

San Diego — John Lynch, CEO of U-T San Diego, is back in the news, this time over his decision to build a vintage auto museum inside the paper's Mission Valley headquarters without the proper permits.

Voice of San Diego reporter Randy Dotinga contacted Lynch via email for a response to the possible code infractions. Lynch's response was short and to the point: "Get a life."

Bypassing permits seems to be the norm for the U-T since Doug Manchester and Lynch took over the paper.

In May of this year, Matt Potter obtained a series of emails between staffers

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from Kevin Faulconer's office and Lynch. In one email, Lynch threatened to publish negative articles focusing on the city's anti-business policies after the paper was fined for hanging illegal banner signs.

Lynch's prickly business style is documented in a court case dating back to the early '90s.

In 1993, while president of Noble Broadcast of San Diego, Lynch wound up in court after accusing another San Diego radio station, formerly known as XHRM, FM 92.5, of stealing trade secrets from Noble and engaging in unfair business competition.

The defendants, Urban Community Radio Incorporated, a subsidiary of Radio Moderna Mexicana (RMM), fired back with accusations that Lynch lobbied Mexican officials to revoke RMM's broad-

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cast license and, according to a deposition from RMM owner Luis Rivas Kaloyan, threatened to do whatever possible to silence the station.

By Dorian Hargrove,
Tuesday, August 7

Cop Versus GOP

Police union, big labor funded PAC attack against DeMaio

San Diego — It's no secret that the San Diego Police Officers Association, the local cops' labor organization, doesn't like GOP city councilman and mayoral candidate Carl DeMaio, and neither does the San Diego and Imperial County Labor Council, the AFL-CIO affiliate that includes approximately 110 local labor unions, according to its website.

Now a newly released campaign-disclosure filing covering the first half of this year has

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revealed that the two San Diego labor superpowers, as well as state police labor groups, were big contributors to the San Diego POA's political action committee, which waged a vigorous but ultimately unsuccessful attempt to knock DeMaio out of the running during the June primary race.

According to the POA PAC's July filing, the committee paid out a total of \$54,129 in "independent expenditures" against DeMaio between May 29 and June 6, which Police Officers Association president Brian Marvel confirmed were largely for production and airing of a TV spot run against DeMaio during the final days of June's primary campaign.

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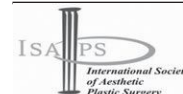
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cut of *Legend* (there's a good reason film editors cut what they do), we took a break to refill our beverages and then returned to the den for *The Last Unicorn*. "We should get the soundtrack," Katie said in a brief pause between verses in the opening credits. "I mean, name one song by America that isn't in this movie. Okay, there's 'A Horse with No Name,' but it was probably meant to be about a unicorn."

When the song reached its crescendo and we belted along, "Look and see her, how she sparkles — it's the last unicorn! I'm alive, I'm alliiiiiaave," a giddiness rose in my belly. Some dormant innocent, carefree core within me was momentarily awakened, and I was suddenly as happy and content as King Haggard gazing upon his sea of unicorns.

Katie and I were horrified when it became clear the Blu-ray version of the movie had edited out the one part that had shocked and titillated us as children: when Molly Grue, upon first seeing the Last Unicorn, says, "Damn you, where have you been?" This was a major disappointment, but it was forgotten by the time we were singing along to the worst off-key duet in cinematic history, performed by Mia Farrow and Jeff Bridges.

When the Red Bull had been chased into the ocean and the unicorns were finally free, I switched off the TV. "That was fun," said Terri. "I have an idea for the next double feature: *Splash* and *The Little Mermaid*!"

"Mermaid Night," I said, my mind already reeling with possibilities for ocean-themed cocktails and under-the-sea inspired treats. "I can't wait to see what you guys wear. ■"

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LETTERS

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ities that are forced to deal with someone else's trash. Recently, even the Catskill Mountains of New York State's Sullivan County has become famous (infamous?) for the wreckage of Borscht Belt hotels like Grossinger's and The Pines.

Let it be decreed and supported by law that anyone, be it an individual or — especially! — a company that erects or owns a structure must be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of that structure, even — especially! — after they no longer use it. This responsibility should be transferred along with ownership so that the last owner of a property would be the responsible party.

The rallying cry for this campaign shall be NO MORE EYESORES!

Michael-Leonard Creditor
via email

Brain Hunt

This is in regard to the August 9 article, "KPBS Confidential." I read in that article that Dr. Amen was after people's brains. See the film 2016, which can be seen at www.2016themovie.com, and then you decide who is after people's brains in this country.

Name Withheld

Check Yourself

I would like to say that the cover of the July 12 *Reader* is offensive, and I took it as racist. I understand you guys do a lot of sarcasm on your covers. This one was not needed, not during the times that we're going through. We just had a young black man killed by a white man. We already know there is a lot of white-on-black crime.

I am a black person, and, trust me, a lot of men love me. I don't have to put myself out there. I don't have to sell my ass. I don't have any attitude, but when I saw this issue, I was very offended. Yes, we know a lot of women like black men, but do we know why those women like black men? It's because

black men have big dicks. I'm just going to be honest. They have bigger dicks than any other race in the world.

I just want to let you guys know that this was offensive. It doesn't really go along with what the writer was talking about. I understand where she was coming from when she wrote her story. But for that to be on the front cover — I'm almost certain a white person wrote it.

You guys should really check yourselves before someone gets hurt behind something so stupid. And you guys just wanted to be sarcastic and were trying to be funny? Well, it wasn't funny and you're offending a lot of people. I'm spreading the word out there. I hope you get a lot more pissed-off letters to the editor.

Name Withheld
via voicemail

No Context

I'm calling about the Reader that is out right now that has "Afro Puffs" on the front (July 12). I'm an African-American female, 53 years old, and I have three daughters between the ages of 20 and 29, all African-American. The statement on the front and the article that it's referencing has no relation to what's on the cover. If you want honest opinions on this particular issue, then you need to have us — African-American females, who have African-American daughters — respond and write about the issue.

Now, the issue is legitimate. The statement is true, but what she said in the article has no bearing on it whatsoever. So, I don't know where you guys were going with this. It's not explained anywhere in the *Reader*. It's exacerbated. It has no context. It's just unbelievable that someone would put that on the cover of the magazine and not be able to elaborate on it extensively. It's very personal and offensive because it's not explained.

This article has flared up a lot of tension in our community, and we are not happy about it. At all.

Maria Reese
Webster

Your Week

AND WELCOME TO IT

Thursday | 16



AUGUST MOON GALA 2012

Take part in a traditional moon-viewing celebration

based on a Japanese folk tale about a queen who saved her people from a cruel king who wanted to live forever. Enjoy food, entertainment, and a silent auction that goes to support the Japanese Friendship Garden's nine-acre expansion. \$75–\$95.

WHEN: 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road, Balboa Park. 619-232-2721; niwa.org

Friday | 17

TIKI OASIS 12: EXOTIC ESPIONAGE AND POLYNESIAN PULP!

This year's convention for tiki lovers will "be occupied by a den of spies, secret agents, and villains" shopping the marketplace and taking in libations and lots of entertainment, including live music, DJs, art, a car show, dancers, and a fire-eating mermaid. This three-day event covers all things tiki, so be sure to check the schedule. \$25–\$85.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. (also Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

WHERE: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle North, Mission Valley. Tikioasis.com

Saturday | 18

OVER THE EDGE FOR KIT

Rappel from the 33rd story of the Manchester Grand Hyatt (no prior climbing experience necessary, training will be provided onsite) to help Kids Included Together raise money for after-school programs. Minors (age limit is 14+) must be accompanied by a parent (but don't worry, Mom and Dad, you won't have to rappel if you don't want to). Must raise \$1000 for the cause to get a spot on the ropes.

WHEN: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: Manchester Grand Hyatt, One Market Place, Downtown. Overtheedgeforkit.com

Sunday | 19

SAN DIEGO MIXTAPE SOCIETY: ADD IT UP!

All your favorite songs with numbers in the title provide this month's theme. "Give a mix, get a mix" by bringing your mix on a CD, flash drive, or any recording device (to give away) and you'll be entered in a raffle to win someone else's mix. Also, prizes for best mixes, and if you don't have a mix to bring, you can go just to listen.

WHEN: 2 to 5 p.m.

WHERE: Blind Lady Ale House, 3416 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-427-6289; sdmixtapesociety.tumblr.com



WHEN: 7 to 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: The Days Hotel, 543 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley. 415-992-5315;

bipolaradvantage.com

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SCHUBERT III: FREUNDE UND FREUDE

The La Jolla Music Society's SummerFest continues with this performance, featuring Schubert's "Violin Sonata in A Major," "Fantasy in F Minor for Piano — Four Hands," "Wind Octet in F Major," and "Piano



FRIDAY, AUGUST 17: TIKI OASIS 12

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BIPOLAR IN ORDER

Tom Wootton presents "cutting edge training for [therapists and sufferers of] bipolar and depression" and signs his book, subtitled *Looking at Depression, Mania, Hallucination, and Delusion from the Other Side*. This talk is free and open to the public.

Trio No. 1 in B-Flat Major." \$45–\$65.

WHEN: 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 700 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-459-3728; ljms.org

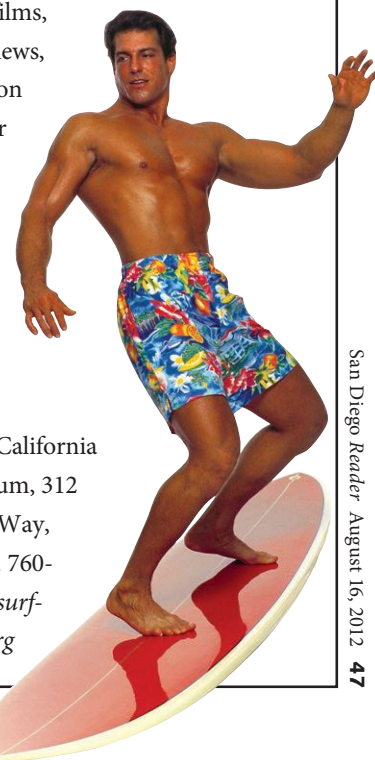
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BIG WEDNESDAYS SURF MOVIES

The California Surf Museum's series concludes with a focus on *Korduroy.TV*, "a website spreading digital aloha." Meet photographers, filmmakers, bloggers, and artists for an evening of video how-tos, short films, and interviews, and question and answer throughout the evening. \$5–\$10.

WHEN: 7 p.m.

WHERE: California Surf Museum, 312 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-721-6876; surf-museum.org



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Summer in Jackson Hole

By Karen Weisjohn

Jackson Hole, Wyoming, has some of the nicest people on this planet. They go above and beyond to help you. If you need to know where the nearest bus stop is and ask someone, they not only tell you, but they'll take you to it. We asked where the nearest ice cream shop was. The guy replies, "Follow me."

Compare that to my first day back in San Diego. I went to Costco for dinner and some old coot with a hot dog in his hand is yelling at people in the food court that there are no "goddamn onions out here." Yep, I'm home.

The best deal in town is the Bar J

Chuckwagon cowboy cookout at \$22. All-you-can-eat barbeque beef, potato, baked beans, cornbread, applesauce, and spice cake, along with one-and-a-half hours of (clean) jokes, banjo- and fiddle-playing, yodeling, a capella singing, and storytelling.

Before the show, you can walk the grounds or take a horse-drawn wagon ride. We saw our first moose and her two babies here. We were also given biscuits made in their Dutch oven with honey. (Oh, and by the way, the cowboy way of making coffee is filling your sock with coffee and putting it in boiling water. Hopefully the socks are new.)

We took a two-hour trail ride at Mill Iron Ranch, up a mountain with an elevation gain of 2000 feet. Our guide gave us some pretty interesting facts about Wyoming: you don't need a permit to carry a concealed weapon, there's no motorcycle-helmet law, and a state law is still on the books that says horse theft is punishable by hanging.

One afternoon we drove to the Grand Tetons. We rented bikes and rode for 16 miles to South Jenny Lake along the bike trail, took a boat across the lake and hiked to Hidden Falls and

Inspiration Point over the lake. The sun doesn't even think about setting in Jackson Hole until after 9 p.m.

Watch out for roaming buffalo crossing the road. They sell bear pepper spray to prevent being mauled by a bear, but no buffalo mace to prevent being gored by a buffalo.

After a grueling day of hiking, horse-back riding, and biking, we had to make a stop at Moo's for our huckleberry ice cream and then over to the Million Dollar Bar to relax in saddle barstools with a drink made with huckleberry vodka. Are you seeing a theme here?

The eight-mile rafting trip down the Snake River was an adventure. Gene, our square-dance-calling bus driver, told us more fun facts about the area. One was that they feed thousands of elk every winter so they don't freeload at the ranches.



We saw our first moose and her two babies.

I'm thinking the Boy Scouts wouldn't do a bad job at running the government, and here's why: every year the elk, deer, and moose shed their antlers. Scouts go through the woods and pick them up, and in October they hold an auction to sell them. They raise over \$100,000, which goes toward feeding the animals and local charities.

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Other Adventures



coraljensen: McWay Falls in Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park



zedagive: Long day at the market, Chichicastenango, Guatemala



JoeEwing: The arch in Cabo San Lucas

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Hiking length: 1.6 miles round trip. Difficulty: Easy to moderate with a steady uphill climb and descent. Elevation change is about 300 feet. Suitable for children. Dogs on leashes welcome. No bicycles.



Many young Torrey pines have taken hold and grown large in the shelter of this bowl-shaped canyon.

Crest Canyon Open Space Park was originally intended to be part of the Torrey Pines State Reserve Extension but was eliminated because of the cost of acquisition. It is now managed by the City of San Diego and is part of the San Dieguito River Park. This open space has southern and northern entrances. The recommended route is the trailhead beginning at the lower (or northern) end of Crest Canyon.

Follow the wide, gently sloping path up from the San Dieguito Lagoon through coastal sage scrub vegetation, including California sage-

brush, buckwheat, black and white sage, goldenbush, toyon, California sunflower, Mexican elderberry, cudweed aster, and telegraph weed. Many young Torrey pines have taken hold in the shelter of this bowl-shaped canyon and have grown as large as those found in the Torrey

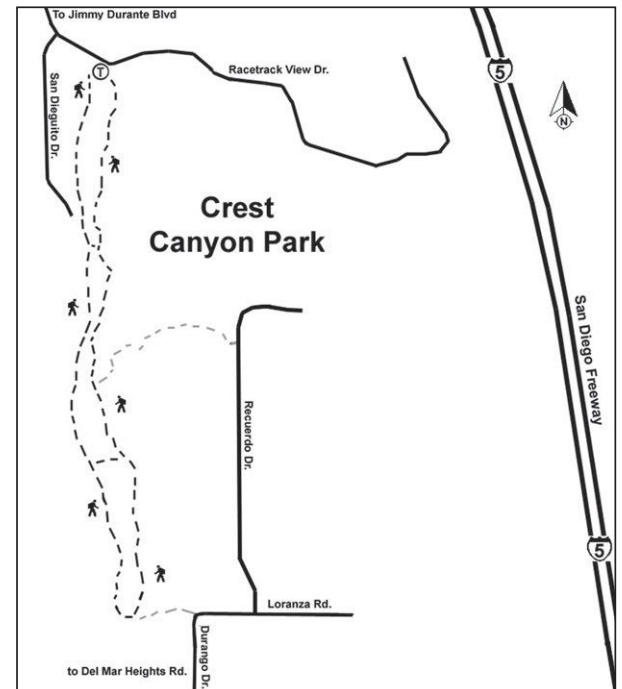
Pines Extension. From the bowl of the canyon, note the Mojave yucca and prickly pear that can be seen on the slope to the right.

Summer is a good time to look for the abundant number of small mustard-yellow flowers of saltbush (*Atriplex lentiformis*) that grow in

large gray-green clumps. Saltbush, a halophyte (salt tolerant) plant, makes itself saltier than the surrounding alkaline soil. This allows the plant to draw in water. Excess salt is then extruded as crystals on the underside of the leaves. These crystals are visible to the naked eye. Another halophyte, alkali heath, has small pink flowers and is also found in the canyon.

In the middle of the canyon, about half way up, a large clump of arroyo willow indicates available water. Further along on the right, amid dense stands of lemonade berry, look for conical piles of sticks. These are wood-rat nests. At a wide open space by a park sign, steep wooden stairs to the left ascend to another entrance to the preserve off Durango Dr.

A little further on, the coast sage scrub transitions to chaparral. Brush becomes denser and the sandy trail is narrow and slippery. Tall tree poppies and mountain mahogany, easily identified in summer by its fruit with a feathery tail, occur here. On the downhill return to the trailhead, take the parallel trail to the right. It is higher up on the east side of the canyon and slightly steeper with a fine view of San Dieguito Lagoon and the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Rust colored Linda Vista sandstone caps the canyon walls. Look for bush mallow with its pink flowers, fuzzy-leaved yerba santa, a huge Torrey pine with a broken limb, and Del Mar



manzanita — an endangered species. About two-thirds of the way back, abundant pickleweed lines the trail. This common salt-tolerant plant makes up most of the salt marsh and rarely occurs at such an elevation.

As you leave Crest Canyon Open Space and head back toward Jimmy Durante Dr., visit the small observation area that overlooks the lagoon.

This is a great spot in winter to see egrets, ducks and other shore birds.

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Canyon Habitat Restoration Help restore critical habitats within Buchanan Canyon. Activities include erosion-control measures and other projects. Tools and gloves

provided. Closed shoes required. Meet at canyon rim (across from 1261 Johnson Avenue). phbb@pacbell.net or 619-297-2957. Saturday, August 18, 9am; **free**. Buchanan Canyon, 1261 Johnson Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Coronado Historic Bicycle Tour Learn about the history of Coronado by bike! Led by docents of the Coronado Historical Association. Leisurely pace for 2.5 hours. Reservations required: 619-435-7242. \$35; \$50 with bicycle rental. Sunday, August 19, 9:30am; \$35-\$50. (CORONADO)

Twilight Summer Walk Experience nocturnal nature as dusk descends on the park and night comes to the open spaces. Bring jacket, flashlight. Saturday, August 18, 6:45pm; **free**. Kumeyaay Lake Campground, Two Father Juñipero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

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"It Came from Pink Boom-Box!" Show uses "elements of burlesque, fetish, circus, theater, dance party, art show, and good old-fashioned rock shows." These self-described performance artists "take a lot of inspiration from the more risqué fetish community as well as high-end fashion." Saturday, August 18, 9pm; \$5. 21 and up. Til-Two, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard. (KENSINGTON)

"Over the Edge for KIT" Rappel from building's 33rd story. No prior climbing experience necessary; training provided on-site. Minors must be accompanied by a parent (parent not required to rappel). Participants must weigh less than 300 pounds. Donations must be received by August 1. Benefit for Kids Included Together. EventPlanner@kitonline.org. Saturday, August 18, 9am; \$1000. 14 and up. Manchester Grand Hyatt, One Market Place. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

"Summer Sol 2012" Young Audiences of San Diego hosts eighth annual fundraiser, with live music and entertainment, silent and live auctions, "an array of edible delights," more. RSVP: 619-282-7599. Saturday, August 18, 6pm; \$50-\$150. 18 and up. Fairbanks

Ranch Association Clubhouse, 17651 Circa Del Norte. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

"The Diving Assassin" Dr. Sketchy's Anti-Art School hits Tiki Oasis, with Marina the Fire-Eating Mermaid as the model. Draw the "finned femme fatale" from Florida, take part in silly contests and win prizes! Bring sketch pads and drawing implements. 858-405-9453. Saturday, August 18, 3pm; \$10. 21 and up. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

Abstract Painting: A Small Series Learn "to develop a single concept over several small paintings" with instructor Reed Cardwell. "Your idea may be purely abstract (using shape or color) or you may use photographs or other reference material for inspiration to pursue your theme." Materials list provided upon registration: 619-223-0058. Thursday, August 16, 10am; \$68-\$78. Bravo School of Art at NTC Promenade, 2690 Decatur Rd., Studio 206. (POINT LOMA)

Art Supply Garage Sale Shop for gently used and unused art supplies such as paper, paint, fabric, gesso, brushes, glitter, tiles, pencils, stamps, wire, beads, ephemera, equipment, canvas, tools. 619-223-0058. Saturday, August 18, 9am; **free**. Bravo School of Art at NTC Promenade, 2690 Decatur Rd., Studio 206. (POINT LOMA)

ArtMix: A Curated Cocktail Party Explore connections between creative cocktails, distinctive fare, and three current exhibitions. Libations and pairing stations will explore aspects of "culture fusion" through culinary interpretations by Campine Catering and Snake Oil Cocktail Company. DJ Juan Rama spins an all-vinyl set. 619-696-1924. Thursday, August 16, 7pm; \$75-\$100. 21 and up. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

ArtStop: William Harnett Enjoy 15-minute tour of one to three works with museum curators and educators. Included in admission (\$12 general). 619-232-7931. Thursday, August 16, 12pm; San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

August Moon Gala 2012 Traditional moon-viewing celebration based on a folk tale about a queen who saved her people from a cruel king who wanted to live forever. Enjoy food, entertainment, silent auction. Proceeds support Japanese Friendship Garden's expansion of an additional nine acres. 619-232-2721. Thursday, August 16, 5:30pm; \$75-\$95. Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

Beautiful and Unusual Ferns San Diego Fern Society presents show in room 104. Ferns available for purchase. Show hosts will provide information on growing ferns. Saturday, August 18, 10am; Sunday, August 19, 10am; **free**. Casa del Prado, 1800 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

CPR and Infant Lifesaving Class Interested in learning CPR/AED and Infant Lifesaving techniques? Class held in St. Bart's Conference Room. CPR/AED class: 8am-noon; infant first aid: 1-4pm. Fee: \$30 per class or \$55 for both. Registration: csfamtree@aol.com or 858-618-5952. Saturday, August 18, 8am; 18 and up. St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 16275 Pomerado Road. (POWAY)

Conversation with Indian Classical Music Maestro Sitar virtuoso Kartik Seshadri plans demonstration, talk, audience question and answer on improvisation and Indian classical music. 760-753-2860. Friday, August 17, 11am; **free**. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 334 14th Street. (DEL MAR)

Haute with Heart Fashion Show St. Madeleine Sophie's Center hosts the 35th anniversary show, including performance by SMSC's Singers and Ringers and SMSC Dance troop. Saturday, August 18, 10am; \$90-\$185. Hilton San Diego Bayfront, 1 Park Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Kill Cancer! Party and art auction with artists and photographers including Jolby, Joshua Krause, Eric Wixon, Tommy McAdams, Joel Nakamura, Scott Saw, Miranda Marks, Gina Moore, Brianne Johnson, others. Benefit for Team in Training and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Saturday, August 18, 5pm; \$10. 21 and up. El Dorado Cocktail Lounge, 1030 Broadway. (EAST VILLAGE)

Knitting Circle Share project and pattern ideas, learn how to knit, improve your skills with Eileen Adler. Bring yarn, needles, a project. 858-581-9934. Saturday, August 18, 10am; **free**. Pacific Beach Library, 4275 Cass Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Lantern Festival — Le Hoi Long Dèn Little Saigon Foundation hosts "food-filled days of water and play." Thousands of lanterns ("from ancient town of Hoi An, Vietnam") on display. Multicultural entertainment including lion dances, martial arts, live music, carnival rides, local art, more. 858-880-7338. Friday, August 17, 3pm; Saturday, August 18, 10am; Sunday, August 19, 10am; \$4-\$5. Hoover High School, 4474 El Cajon Boulevard. (TALMADGE)

Orchid Auction and Fair Ever wanted to grow orchids? During Palomar Orchid Society's 2012 festival, "hundreds of flowering orchids (many rare) and other items" will be auctioned. Learn about orchids and their cultivation from orchid experts. Viewing: 11am; auction: noon. Saturday,

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Jackson Hole continued from page 48.

The Snake River is only a Class 2-3. Nevertheless, the raft behind us completely flipped over on the "lunch table" rapid. Thankfully, I didn't join the Jackson Swim Team. During our trip, we saw a number of osprey and a couple of nests that can weigh 1200 pounds (per our guide).

We celebrated our successful rafting with a bottle of wine. (What kind? Huckleberry, of course.) I refrained from buying Dad a T-shirt that said, "I'm not retired, I was put out to stud."

You can't leave Wyoming without going to see bull-riding at the Saturday-night rodeo. I was not aware that they now wear helmets while riding those snot-slinging packs of dynamite. Other events were bareback and saddle-bucking broncos, team-roping, and barrel-

racing. A guy got knocked unconscious. Maybe they should wear a helmet for the bronco category, too.

The sheep scramble is an event for kids where they tie a ribbon around the sheep's neck and let a mob of screaming kids chase them around the arena trying to get the ribbon for a prize. Here's where I think PETA should be involved.

We met some of the bull-riders after the rodeo. I asked them how old they are and when they started. One's now 19 and started riding bulls at 14. What mother lets their kid board a 2000-pound mass of muscle with anger-management issues?

Funny, an hour later I saw the same kid drinking at the Million Dollar Bar. Maybe the bouncers look the other way and figure if they can ride a beast with a bad attitude, they can have a beer.

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Calendar

LOCAL EVENTS

August 18, 11am; **free**. Lake Pavilion at Lake San Marcos, 1105 La Bonita Drive. (SAN MARCOS)

Rachel Drexler and San Diego's New Voices Drexler presents encore concert with up-and-coming SD singers. Performers are 15-78 years old, "though most are under 20." 619-244-5571. Thursday, August 16, 7pm; \$10-\$15. Vision Center for Spiritual Living, 11260 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (TIERRASANTA)

San Diego Mixtape Society: Add it Up! Favorite songs with numbers in the title provide theme for August (numbers spelled out count too). To participate in the "give a mix, get a mix level" fun, "bring some form of media *you will never see again* (CD, flash drive, etc.), and we'll enter you in a raffle to get someone else's mix." Prizes if the judges pick your mix as the crème de la crème. Or just listen. 619-427-6289. Sunday, August 19, 2pm; **free**. 21 and up. Blind Lady Ale House, 3416 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Tiki Oasis 12: Exotic Espionage and Polynesian Pulp! Convention for tiki lovers promises marketplace, loads of entertainment, libations, activities for kids, more. Multi-day passes available. Friday, August 17, 10am; Saturday, August 18, 9am; Sunday, August 19, 9am; \$25-\$85. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

TwainFest Mid-19th-century-American-style festival celebrating the writing of Mark Twain promises stories, music, professional actors and musicians, puppets, poems, inventive games, performances, plus the new feature entitled "History on the Move." 619-236-5800. Saturday, August 18, 11am; **free**. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

Murder on the Orient Express "Flicks on the Bricks" series continues with the 1974 Hercule Poirot mystery. Cast includes Albert Finney, Ingrid Bergman, Lauren Bacall, Sean Connery, Anthony Perkins, Vanessa Redgrave. Served up "with vino Español." Space availability: 858-454-5872. Thursday, August 16, 7:30pm; \$17-\$22. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

Vintage Cartoons Watch vintage cartoons like *Betty Boop*, *Felix the Cat*, *Superman*, and others, "along with a puppet show or two," in 100-year-old movie theater. "For all ages, not just kids." Saturdays, 10am; through Saturday, August 25, \$5. Victory Theater, 2558 Imperial Avenue. (GRANT HILL)

National Rally for Change Advocating for evidence-based care. Bring the whole family! "When you know better, you do better" — Maya Angelou. ImprovingBirth.org hosts rally "to bring awareness to the alarmingly high rates of medically unnecessary cesarean sections and labor inductions," to educate and empower women with evidence-based information. Admission: **Free**. For information visit www.ImprovingBirth.org. Monday, September 3, 10am to

Rhyme & Verse

To an Athlete Dying Young

A poem by A.E. Housman

The time you won your town the race
We chaired you through the market-place;
Man and boy stood cheering by,
And home we brought you shoulder-high.

To-day, the road all runners come,
Shoulder-high we bring you home,
And set you at your threshold down,
Townsmen of a stiller town.

Smart lad, to slip betimes away
From fields where glory does not stay,
And early though the laurel grows
It withers quicker than the rose.

Eyes the shady night has shut
Cannot see the record cut,
And silence sounds no worse than cheers
After earth has stopped the ears:

Now you will not swell the rout
Of lads that wore their honours out,
Runners whom renown outran
And the name died before the man.

So set, before the echoes fade,
The fleet foot on the sill of shade,
And hold to the low lintel up
The still-defended challenge-cup.

And round that early-laurelled head
Will flock to gaze the strengthless dead,
And find unwithered on its curls
The garland briefer than a girl's.



Alfred Edward Housman (1859–1936) was an English poet and renowned Latin scholar who spent his last decades as Kennedy Professor of Latin at Cambridge and a fellow of Trinity College. "To an Athlete Dying Young" is from his first and most famous collection, *A Shropshire Lad*, which was published in 1896 and became increasingly popular during his lifetime. Because it is perfectly accessible, thoroughly engaging, and exquisitely made, Housman's poetry remains highly popular today. Perhaps because he was homosexual at a time when such an orientation was forbidden, and because of a bitterly disappointing early relationship in which his affections were rejected, Housman opted for a somewhat reclusive life.

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noon. Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla, 9888 Genesee Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Fifteen Minutes Outside: 365 Ways to Get Out of the House and Connect with Your Kids Author, TV personality Rebecca Cohen discusses her new book,

"the importance of children experiencing nature," and leads a seed-planting activity." 858-581-9935. Saturday, August 18, 9am; **free**. Tecolote Nature Center, 5180 Tecolote Road. (CLAIREMONT)

Cocktails and Crafts Former *Oprah* producer turned small-space design blogger and author Janet Lee signs her new book, *Living in a Nutshell*. Enjoy "a glass of bubbly and a group craft project." Gift bags! 858-454-0347. Thursday, August 16, 7:30pm; **free**. 18 and up.

Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSICAL MUSIC

"A Family Affair" Toby, Gary, and Deborah Hoffman collaborate with other artists in an evening of chamber music for La Jolla Music Society's SummerFest series. Program boasts selections by Mozart,

Bruch, Caplet, Saint-Saëns, Fauré. 858-459-3728. Sunday, August 19, 3pm; \$45-\$65. 18 and up. Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

"Beethoven — The Other Masterpieces" La Jolla Music Society SummerFest concert includes the master's "Sextet for Two Horns and String Quartet," "String Quintet in C Major," "Quintet in E-flat for Piano and Winds," "Kakadu Variations for Piano Trio." 858-

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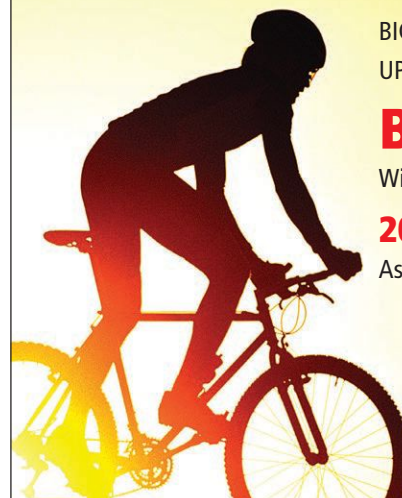
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COMEDY

**"Friday Night Comedy Spe-
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Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

A Force of Nature! Comedienne,
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Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWN-
TOWN SAN DIEGO)

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Belly Dance Showcase
Annamarie, Ina, Magdalena, Nik-
kal Ferouz perform to live music by
Middle-Earth Ensemble. Thursday,
August 16, 8pm; \$8. Tango Del Rey,
3567 Del Rey Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Besos de Coco Dizzy's presents
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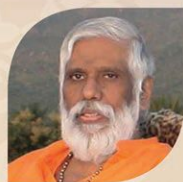
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and dark gets darker, the yin couples with the yang,
Then is the round pattern manifold.
What an achievement that was!
Around turn the cords on the pivot of Heaven.
Eight Pillars are the buttresses;
Spread out are the nine fields of Heaven
with their many angles and edges.
The heavens mesh with the twelve Earth

Branches,
the sun and moon bond, and the stars line up.
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on its journey from bright to dark,
While the Orb of Night flourishes after death
and harbors a rabbit in its gut.
Nu Qu got nine sons without a husband.
Old Qiang is there, and the benevolent nimbus.
Dark as it closes, bright when it opens,
before the Horn rises the Great Light is hidden.
— from “The Heaven Questions” by Ch’u Yuan
(trans. Stephen Field)

Ch’u Yuan (329–299 BC) was a Chinese poet who contributed a number of works to the famous Chinese anthology Ch’u Tz’u, (also known as “Songs of the South” or “Songs of Chu”). A courtier of King Huai of Chu (328–288 BC), Ch’u was exiled due to the maneuvering from jealous rivals for the king’s favors. In exile he collected legends and folk odes and from these produced one of the first substantial bodies of poetry in Chinese literary history. Perhaps his most famous poetic work, his “Heavenly Questions” are a series of 170 queries put into verse about the nature of the universe.

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18, 3pm; \$8-\$111. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Plant Some Seeds! Author, television personality Rebecca Cohen focuses on “the importance of children experiencing nature” and leads a seed-planting activity. 858-573-5007. Saturday, August 18, 1pm; **free.** Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Point Loma Carnival End of summer reading party promises clowns, balloons, face makeup, pony rides, petting zoo, arts and crafts, refreshments. 619-531-1539. Saturday, August 18, 10:30am; **free.** Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire Street. (POINT LOMA)

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LECTURES

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“Border Patrol Partnerships with Your Community” Tijuana Estuary Speaker Series continues with look at the Border Patrol’s Public Land Liaison and Community Liaison Programs, “committed to good environmental stewardship and best management practices when working in sensitive areas along the border.” Saturday, August 18, 10am; **free.** Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center, 301 Caspian Way. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

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"Finding Your Elusive Ancestor" Randy Seaver speaks for Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego. Meeting begins with user groups for Family Tree Maker and "Beginning Computer Genealogy 101." Saturday, August 18, 9am; free. Robinson Auditorium complex at UCSD, off Pangea Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"The Realities of Nuclear Power" Life at MiraCosta senior learning group meets for presentation by Edward Quinn, past president of the American Nuclear Society (1pm). The "Mars Spacecraft Landing" is considered by NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador Lyford Rome, who will describe long-term effort of robotic exploration designed to assess whether Mars ever had an environment able to support small life forms such as microbes (2:30pm). Group meets in room 1068. 760-721-8124. Friday, August 17, 1pm; free. 18 and up. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

"eReader eClinic" Learn step-by-step process to download library "ebooks" to "eReader" devices and computers. Hands-on demonstrations, quick tips and helpful hints to help you get the most out of downloads. Bring your devices. 858-573-1384. Saturday, August 18, 1pm; free. Tierrasanta Library, 4985 La Cuenta Drive. (TIERRASANTA)

Computer Class "Computer whiz" Jerry Goldstein shares Internet basics. Learn to use a mouse, how to search the Internet, previewing and printing web pages, getting and using email. Registration: 858-538-8163. Fridays, 3pm; Saturdays, 10am; through Wednesday, August 29, free. 21 and up. Rancho Bernardo Library, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Dementia and Alzheimer's Care Workshop for SD area families and caregivers with dementia care expert Teepa Snow. Gain "do's and don'ts" of caring for loved one with dementia or Alzheimer's. Thursday, August 16, 9am; \$20-\$35. Marina Village Conference Center, 1936 Quivira Way. (PACIFIC BEACH)

How-To Summer Series Experts divulge ways to make "summer more spectacular" during three-part series. Learn ways to use settings on point-and-shoot cameras from photographer Sarah Albert; get scoop on healthy lifestyles with Lauryn Taylor of Stroller Strides; gain healthy menu ideas from Pampered Chef rep Leyna Butcher. Kids may use playspace while adults attend. RSVP for a single session or all three: Chulavista@mykidville.com or 619-407-7756. Fridays, 10am; through Friday, August 17, free. Kidville - Chula Vista, 2015 Birch Road, Suite 1703. (EASTLAKE)

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Preserving and Dehydration One of the best ways to cut food bills and "eat more soundly is to take advantage of seasonal surplus produce." Learn to select, prepare, set up dehydration systems. Sunday, August 19, 1pm; **free**. City Farmers Nursery, 4832 Home Avenue. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Vineyard Development North San Diego County chapter of California Rare Fruit Growers hosts

viticulture expert Pete Anderson, explaining "aspects of installing a new vineyard such as purpose, site suitability, topography, soil, climate conditions, water availability, cultivar/clone/rootstock selection, trellis and training systems, planting density, irrigation, and fertilization." In Student Center room 3450. Friday, August 17, 7pm; **free**. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

SPORTS

After the Finish Line Thoroughbred Series Horse Show Off the Track thoroughbreds compete in hunter and jumper classes during Del Sol Classic Horse Show. dawn@afterthefinishline.org or 858-945-1371. Thursday, August 16, 8am; Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

Chargers versus Cowboys San Diego Chargers host Dallas Cowboys during final home preseason

football game. Broadcast on CBS. 877-CHARGERS. Saturday, August 18, 6pm; \$54-\$98. Qualcomm Stadium, 9449 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

Free to Breathe 5K Run/Walk Proceeds benefit National Lung Cancer Partnership. free2breathe_sd@hotmail.com. Saturday, August 18, 7am; \$20-\$25. NTC Park at Liberty Station, 2455 Cushing Road. (POINT LOMA)

Midnight Madness Fun Bicycle Ride The 39th annual event promises cycling, contests, prizes, entertainment (10:30pm-2am). Wear a costume! Route is primarily flat, a 10-20 mile loop course along waterfront and historic areas (9-11pm). bike@sandiegohostels.org. Saturday, August 18, 8pm; \$20-\$65. Spanish Landing Park, 4077 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Padres Meet Giants! San Francisco Giants in town for series against San Diego Padres. Games broadcast on radio station XX Sports Radio (1090 AM), XEMO

(860 AM) in Spanish. Tickets: 619-795-5000. Friday, August 17, 7:05pm; Saturday, August 18, 1:05pm; Sunday, August 19, 1:05pm; Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Pick-Up Curling Practice or pick-up games with Curl San Diego for new and experienced curlers. Saturday, August 18; \$25. Iceoplex Escondido, 555 North Tulip Street. (ESCONDIDO)

Professional Bull Riding PBR Pro Touring Division returns with "some of the meanest bulls around." Program includes "bull poker, where four cowboys sit at a poker table in the middle of the arena with a bull on the loose" and cowboy teeter-totter. Sunday, August 19, 8pm; \$26-\$66. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Red Bull King of the Rock Qualifier for the one-on-one basketball tournament with finals held on Alcatraz (September 22). Games last five minutes, subject to

regulation hoops rules and scoring (two and three pointers). Only the first 64 players to register will be accepted into competition, open to amateur and pros alike (though players must be at least 16 years old to participate). Registration: 9am; competition: 10:30pm. Saturday, August 18, 9am; **free**. Embarcadero Marina Park South, 206 Marina Park Way. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Strikeforce Ronda Rousey and Sarah Kaufman battle for Women's Bantamweight Championship. Card includes middleweight bout between Souza and Brunson; Saffiedine versus Bowling in welterweight bout. Saturday, August 18, 7pm; \$75-\$150. Valley View Casino Center, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

WCK Full Rules Muay Thai Boxing World Champion Julie Kitchen fights World Champion Miriam Nakamoto at 63.5 kilos for WCK Champion of Champions world title belt. 877-946-7252. Saturday, August 18, 6pm; \$40-\$100.

21 and up. Pala Casino, 35008 Pala Temecula Road. (PALA)

Where the Turf Meets the Surf Del Mar Thoroughbred Club horse racing meet is underway. Newcomers' seminars offered daily, one hour prior to first race. Beer Fest: August 18, September 1. The \$1 Million TVG Pacific Classic: August 26. Wiener Nationals: September 3. Jockey photo day: September 3. Season concludes with Party in the Paddock: September 5. 858-755-1141. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 2pm; Fridays, 4pm; Saturdays and Sundays, 2pm; through Wednesday, September 5, \$6-\$10. Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Zumba Dance Fitness for Seniors Program fuses Latin rhythms with easy-to-follow moves, featuring interval training sessions. Fridays, 1pm; through Friday, August 31, **free**. 21 and up. Rancho Bernardo Library, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive. (RANCHO BERNARDO)



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Racial Memory

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When I saw Ridley Scott's film *Pro-metheus*, I was reminded that our best filmmakers are now nearly sole proprietors of the visionary mood. Scott's movie, with its spectral holographic conjurings of mythic ancestors spiraling through a dark, granular, mineralized cosmos, leads us through DNA dreamworks and crude materiality and the transformational states in between. The visionary mood was for a very long time the property of painters and sculptors. All those old master pictures we still look at in museums that depict deities and mortals, ancestors and us, the other and the actual — they were doing the work of consciousness that movies, in however pedestrian or trashy a way, have taken over. The last century did produce artists like Odilon Redon, who created hybrid states of the hallucinated and the truly seen, and the surrealists, who interleaved dream and wakefulness. But, for the most part, modern painting had other missions to pursue.

The Southern California painter John Valadez has cultivated his own visionary mood. Consider *Beto's Vacation* (*Water, Land, Fire*), a three-panel painting included in the retrospective *Santa Ana Condition*, currently at the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego. In one panel, a young man and woman bend toward low surf they're wading in but which is also somehow breaking over their heads and shoulders. In another, draped above mysterious sea creatures that hover near a green boat and blue-black sea is one of those garish blankets peddled by roadside vendors. In the third panel, the same couple joins another figure in the same green boat; they're tangled in fishnets that are spawning fishnet-fashioned fishes, while from beneath the boat's prow black smoke rises from invisible fires whose light speckles the smoke. Each episode evokes half-worlds portentously folding into each other. Taken together, they enchant and disturb, and the enchantment, like dangerous magic, is

the disturbance.

But Valadez has brought to his art more than a visionary cast of mind. He was born in East Los Angeles, and into his purview of half-worlds he pulls the daily realities of barrio culture. In the 1970s, after his art-school training, he became one of many L.A. street muralists who covered walls with scenes of Zoot Suit gangs of the 1940s, César Chávez and migrant farm workers, pre-Columbian imagery, and other politically charged material. He was also taking black-and-white photographs that he used as an image hoard for material he would then bring over into his paintings. Though they seem casual and on-the-fly, the photographs are formally rigorous and thrum with visual information — street folk, shop windows, messy signage, and all the rest of a working-class neighborhood's visual noise.

By the late 1970s, Valadez was photographing in color, and the images shed their documentarian character. The subjects in these studio-quality portraits pose with sharp, camera-ready self-awareness. They aren't defined by the cultural information around them; they wear it. A handsome, wiry teen named Clavo sports high-waisted pants, military belt, tank-top, and hairnet, but he looks diffident and wary, not hostile or cool. The wardrobe coding recalls a legendary episode in Chicano history: the Zoot Suit riots of 1943, when servicemen stationed in L.A. randomly attacked Hispanics. The Zoot Suit look is as much a statement of ethni-identity as the low-rider, cholo look.

The faces and physiognomies in one of Valadez's most dramatic paintings, *Getting Them Out of the Car*, derive from his color photographs. Valadez loads a local event, a gang-fight and its aftermath, onto a classical armature. Against a black background, a low-rider spilling over with wounded young men is decked with a blanket to look like an altar — one figure falls from an open door like a dying martyr in some Baroque painting.

ART W.S. DI PIERO



Car Show (2001), by John Valadez, whose imagery possesses more moral curiosity than moral rage, and his style has a visceral, romantic, pumped, and flung energy.

Santa Ana Condition: John Valadez is on view at the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego until September 2. 700 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-3541; mcsad.org.

Beneath the car, an anachronistic, mosaic-tiled floor extends into the second panel, where the ceremonial black background mutates into sunny beach and sky, where more bodies lie, including bloody fish carcasses. Valadez conflates the real with the remembered, the actual with the imagined, and the entire dreadful scene mourns the powerful, irrational feelings that drive violence of all kinds.

The exhibition is named after one of Valadez's big pastel paintings. (He uses pastels, traditionally exploited for their discrete, soft effects, to create unnervingly opaque situations.) *Santa Ana Condition* phases from flinty light to graphite dark. Six figures fill the foreground: a cheery middle-aged Asian male and sensuous 40-something Chicana against a white backdrop; three young males and females getting into love trouble against a blackness; and a threshold figure, a teen girl whose body rides the divide — on the dark side her skin is a scorched red, on the bright side it's flesh-toned. When the Santa Anas are blowing, Raymond Chan-

dler wrote, "every booze party ends in a fight [and] meek little wives feel the edge of the carving knife and study their husbands' necks. Anything can happen." Valadez's picture is about that Santa Ana state of being — clarifying but portentous, sexually menacing and alluring, sullen yet inflammatory.

All these pictures date to the 1980s, when Valadez was also basing pictures on the lurid, satyr-ish iconography of telenovelas and blending icons of his own culture with grand precedents of European painting. In *Serape and Strings*, sketchy lovers out of Fragonard float above an Indian chieftain and a Rubens-esque nude, all constellated around a very contemporary couple: she's a blonded-out Hispanic girl (in the scantiest string swim suit I've ever seen) arm in arm with a (much shorter) guy bundled in a serape. It's a mildly comic, but stately and serious, declension of sacred and profane love, and how those very categories are mediated by cultural types and assumptions.

Since 2001, Valadez has made some of his most

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fearless pictures. His *Car Show* series features scenes from low-rider gatherings, imagery that pops with all sorts of desire — the gaudy ostentatiousness of the cars, male self-display, and the rough-edged coquettishness of girls in hot pants and bikini tops. And he keeps returning to the mysteries of the deep, to the otherworldly dimensions of sea and tide and foam and spindrift. I don't know any contemporary artist who so persuasively reanimates the ancient sense of the sea as a beautiful but terrifying power. In his 2007 picture *Sea Monsters and Freight*, a rust-red oil tanker floats on a horizon line that draws our eye down to the tide line where a toothy, tentacled monster, colored an identical red, tumbles in the surf, chased by a Neanderthal type I think of as Caliban, Prospero's feral slave in *The Tempest*. The picture offers three orders of monstrosity: one indus-



Sea Monsters and Freight (2007) offers three orders of monstrosity — industrial, natural, and existential.

trial, another of the natural order, and the third existential. *Rip Tide* (2004) works a variation on the sea-voracity theme. A glamorous, voluptuous redhead at tide's edge is being pulled away by heavy-muscled waves. It's a picture about being overcome and rendered helpless by oceanic passion of any kind. As in

so much of Valadez's work, the threshold passage is worked out in painterly terms: the woman's dress, which the sea is already stripping from her, is a cerulean blue that folds the foam's soft white into the water's hard indigo.

I haven't said much about Valadez as an identity-politics

artist. He does use incendiary La Raza imagery but doesn't bloat or shellac it with issues. We're aware of his Latino sources and models, but there's no tendentiousness. He's mostly obsessed with how the present is saturated with individual and racial memory. The bold, flat, confrontational spread of his pictures owes something to the New York artist Leon Golub, who died in 2004 and was best known for raw, agonized paintings of mercenaries, interrogators, and torturers. But Valadez's imagery possesses more moral curiosity than moral rage, and his style has a visceral, romantic, pumped, and flung energy. His art essays extreme conditions, sexual and emotional inundation, the helpless self overcome by greater, unspeakable powers. ■

bowls and noodle cups to stunning vases and robust platters." These organic objects "and their clear connection to nature will be enhanced with large-scale photographs of Japanese landscapes and natural elements." Closes Sunday, January 6.

View "Hats and Headdresses" from the museum's permanent collection, with selections "from cultures and countries around the world," through Sunday, September 9. **Free**-\$7. Mingei International Museum, 1439 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Santa Ana Condition" "John Valadez 1976 to 2011" — through Sunday, September 2 — is "the first survey exhibition of this important Mexican-American artist and muralist, who has had profound influence on the Chicano art movement in the United States." Exhibit spans 35 years of Los Angeles-based Valadez's photographs, paintings, pastels, and other works on paper. Valadez "turns the ordinary snapshot into a source for his portrayal of a large, diverse cast of urban inhabitants drawn from his everyday life."

"Selected Works on Paper," also closing Sunday, September 2, includes two prints made by Richard Diebenkorn in 1970, not long after he moved his studio to Santa Monica's Ocean Park neighborhood and returned to abstraction after years of working in a figurative style. The presentation of works on paper from museum's collection features drawings, photographs, paintings on paper, and prints — many of which have rarely been on view — by an array of artists. **Free**-\$10. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

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The focus of "Dynamic: Blue Note After Rivera," featuring 12 paintings by Mexico City-based artist Roberto Cortázar, is a series of recent works inspired by Diego Rivera's *The Hands of Dr. Moore*, one of the museum's "modern masterpieces." Cortázar's paintings approach this intimate subject from a highly personal perspective. Through September.

"The Human Beast: German Expressionism at the San Diego Museum of Art," continuing through Sunday, November 11, highlights recent bequest of 48 German Expressionist paintings, drawings, and prints from estate of Vance E. Kondon and Elisabeth Giesberger. Exhibit explores "the many faces of Expressionism, focusing particularly on the artists' attempt to evoke primal emotion in their depictions of unidealized nudes, the horror of war, or the overstimulation of modern life." New acquisitions from the Kondon-Giesberger bequest displayed with works by Alexej von Jawlensky, Gabriele Münter, Beckmann, George Grosz, others.

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Magic Tacos

"First time I came here, the streets were for sailors and streetwalkers."

Sigh. I'm jumping off the trolley at the Gaslamp stop. Sun shining hard. It ricochets off the shiny metal chairs of the Tin Fish eatery. That's the place with the biggest, sprawlignest patio in town.

I'm coming here for a cod taco because, well, it's been a month. Trying to relive the magic, I guess.

(Cue echo mike, starry music...)

Last time I was here, Comic-Con was in full swing. First night. People in crazy costumes, excited. Tin Fish itself was totally dressed up. Transformed, like Cinderella. Usually, it's kinda, well, clattery. Aluminum chairs and tables and no real colorful umbrellas or awnings.

But a month ago, it was like that big dance scene Renoir painted of gardens under the trees. *Le Moulin de la Galette*.

I was thinking about Renoir that night because Carla had been ramming him down my throat for weeks. Part of her never-ending struggle to "educate" me.

For Comic-Con, the producers of *Grimm*, the TV series, have transformed Tin Fish's patio into a green, forested glade dotted by moss-covered umbrellas with strings of lights under them, and trees and grass and bushes, and, boy, have the people responded. Crowds cram the place, dressed up in everything from Darth Vader gear to cats (like the gal, a really cool cat, named Miaowlissa). Angela, who appears as the Scarlet Witch, says she was "an after-hours Scarlet Witch." She wears a red bathrobe, her hair in curlers.

Couple of sisters chow down on tacos at the rail-counter across from the Hard Rock Hotel and that spaceship that looks like it crash-landed right next to the front door. Carnela and Ronalda. From Lithuania. Turns out, Carnela started waitressing at the Tin Fish and ended up marrying the general manager.

The sisters have two tacos each and large glasses of beer.

"Mine's the fish taco, and this is a

32-ounce beer," Carnela says.

"It cost \$18 altogether, \$10.95 for the double platter of fish."

"Mine is the salmon taco," says Ronalda. "I came out from England to visit my sister, and all I can say is, the fish here is far tastier than in England."

All this talk's giving me a hunger. I take a deep breath and join a long line at the Tin Fish entrance.

Ten minutes later I'm just about at the counter. Better have my choice ready. And I see that, when it comes to fish, they have lots. From single fried oysters (\$1.50 each) to a mixed-seafood grilled plate (with shrimp, fish, and scallops, \$16.95), you can pay a little or a lot. Fish and chips is \$12, garlic-shrimp burrito (sounds dee-lish) is \$13.

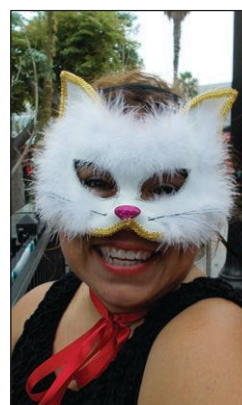
But Carnela tells me the best value is in the tacos. They start off at \$4 for cod, going up to \$6.50 for halibut. That's for one taco. You can upgrade to a platter, which gets you the, say, cod taco, plus fries and slaw, for \$7.50. Add one more taco and it's \$10.95.

The gal behind the counter, Jessica, is waiting. So, okay, I go for the cod-taco platter because Carnela and Ronalda both said the crisscut fries were to die for. That's \$7.50, plus two bucks for a bottle of water, plus tax, and I'm walking away \$10.24 poorer.

"That's the thing," says the lady at the next table, Lori. She's with her friend Estelle. "We love this place. We paid about \$14 for our meal here. The two of us. I mean you could go to the Fish Market, but you'd pay double."

Jessica arrives with my cod taco, fries, and a pot of rough-cut cole slaw. The taco's laid out flat under a slab of fried cod. There's shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, other stuff. A white sauce has been swirled over the top.

I start off with a few of those fries. Delicious is the word. Then I squeeze my wedge



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Jessica brings my cod-taco platter



Patrons Carnela and Ronalda both said the crisscut fries were to die for. They were right.

of lemon, roll up my taco, and — mm mmm. It really is tasty. Must be the white sauce. Fish has a tangy, garlicky, slightly ranch-dressing flavor going on. Wish I'd ordered two.

Lori's wearing a steampunk hat, and, yes, she's into the whole vampire thing. "I grew up with *Dark Shadows*," she says. "Vampires are so seductive, sexy, dark, beautiful. Besides, all girls like bad boys."

"We come here because of the people-watching," Estelle says. "We're from Chicago. That downtown is so full of life. We're looking for that."

"San Diego has perfect weather," Lori says, "but it has been afraid of street life. First time I came here, the streets were for sailors and streetwalkers. But now, tonight, at this place, dressed up like this, it feels more like a European café."

We settle into eating while the Comic-Con pageant ebbs and flows. Five guys with drums are making a great racket, guy and a gal are doing jerky dances ten feet up on stilts, and guys with yellow signs and megaphones warn us to follow God or face His wrath. Someone else holds up a sign: "Backflip for Two Dollars." I even see my friend Hamilton dancing away, whirling his kerchiefs. Audience this size, he's in heaven. Me, too.

Sigh.

So, that was then. This is now. And I'm feeling like I haven't eaten in an entire month.

I put in my order for a cod taco and those crisscut fries, find a seat under a tree, wait for the order to come.

This is still an excellent place for people-watching, but that first night of Comic-Con? It touched café greatness. ■

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The Voice of Dissent

When you cover your front door with praise, you set the bar pretty damn high.

The **Hash House a Go Go** seems to be almost universally loved, in- and outside of San Diego, for the gigantic portions of comfort food that draw lines out the door on a daily basis. Good press has been heaped on the restaurant from every corner. Not all of it is undeserved. The order of corned beef hash that I tried was good. It wasn't greasy and the potatoes were wonderfully crisp and fluffy, although the huge cubes of chewy corned beef were not in keeping with the delicate bites of leftover boiled dinner that I usually associate with a truly *great* hash.

Other details, like the non-functional branch of rosemary stuffed unceremoniously into most of the restaurant's dishes, revealed a lack of refinement that seems atypical of a popular restaurant in an area peopled with discerning guests. Then again, efficient service and consistent plates of food despite relentless crowds indicates an enviable degree of professionalism.

But, I'd rather defer to the countless opinions on Hash House that came before mine and offer, perhaps, a little meta-criticism. I feel as though I am in the minority for holding the opinion that the Hash House would be better if the portions were more reasonably sized. There is something about being handed an entire serving platter or cast-iron skillet filled with food that gives me pause. But, if

the banner on the front of the restaurant is to be believed, I'm pretty much alone in that.

There is something irksome about the *culture* that surrounds the Hash House: the restaurant fills to capacity and people queue up to purchase more food than they could ever eat in one sitting, often wasting considerable portions in the process.

The fare is incredibly rich. "Benedicts," for instance, feature multiple biscuits and heaping piles of mashed potatoes. Much smaller portions would still open up a can of caloric whoop-ass that would level even the most intrepid *gourmand*.

And, I guess I'm really talking about gourmandism here. The line between indulgence and gluttony is exceedingly fine and much of it is violated when things become wasteful. The discerning gourmet would be better served by a portion of food so perfectly sized that every bite brings a new level of satisfaction, but the process is not quite so daunting

that it becomes an exercise in futility. The very idea of Man vs. Food is sort of an effrontery to good taste.

Consider, by way of explanation, an overzealous hot fudge sundae. Perhaps it contains bananas, nine scoops of ice cream, six different toppings, and a Matterhorn of whipped cream. Long before it's eaten, it's become a parody of food. The pleasure is

gone, melted down into a nondescript swirl of flavors and textures. At that point, you've gone too far and it's not fun anymore; it's like a culinary satire of *haute cuisine*.

I don't, strictly speaking, wish to impugn the Hash House a Go Go. I enjoyed the ambiance and cuisine at the restaurant. When I return, I'll bring two friends and split a single entrée up between the three of us. But I still believe that the Hash

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"Chicken Benedict," as seen on the restaurant's website. Probably contains three meals' worth of food. And a few too many elements.



The description reads "diver scallops, uni, white chocolate dashi, coconut."

House would be more entitled to greatness if the food were just a bit humbler. As it is, it's almost like it's compensating for something and I would be more impressed to see the food sell itself in a more dignified manner.

by Ian Pike

McCabe's Second Course

Entrées are great, but a combination of things — the rise of tapas-style dining, the lower risk and greater cost effectiveness of rolling out more out-there ingredients via smaller dishes — has led to the appetizer and small-plate sections of menus garnering much more of my attention these days. It seems these are the playgrounds for creative chefs who have more trouble getting outside the boxy parameters of the mains column, which almost dictates dishes include a protein, starch, veg, and condiment.

The offerings under the headings "medium" (essentially *large* appetizers) and "large" (entrées) at **Delicias** (6106 Paseo Delicias) mostly adhere to that formula, but still incorporate interesting elements in the form of sauces, condiments, and garnishes. This is nothing new for the restaurant's chef/partner, Paul McCabe. He's been turning seasonal ingredients on their heads for years. One dish was so interesting, he brought it over from his old digs at Kitchen 1540. That stunner is foie gras with pop rocks. It's a dish I almost didn't mention because it's no longer avail-

able due to the recent ban on the production of foie gras in California, but it's such a signature plate for him and so exemplary of his style, that it merits mention.

Before being forcibly removed from the menu, the dish would come to the table sizzling loudly over dining-room chatter (and kicking off numerous conversations). McCabe placed the seared foie on a scalding-hot river rock perched atop and smoldering the lemony-green

aroma out of fresh thyme branches. To the right, he placed a baton of orange-flavored French toast topped with Crow's Pass strawberries compressed four times over to pack them with naturally sweet strawberry juice. To the left, a miniature pitcher filled with a sweet and altogether decadent foie-and-orange reduction. It was sensory overload made even more overwhelming and smile-inducing by those explosive pop rocks.

A much more PC dish of black cod was served with artichokes shaved and fried like potato chips. Terra Chips has nothing on those warm, crispy hearts and parts. Further elevating the dish was a lobster emulsion as rich as the Rancho Santa Fe denizens seated in Delicias' dining room. Well, almost as rich. Good fish tastes delicious, but I'll be the first to admit that when it comes to making certain fish dishes as vibrant as beef, duck, lamb, and the like, a powerful accoutrement like this is needed to tastefully help out that solid oceanic product.

Several condiments find their way onto a scallop dish, though I was left wondering how many of them helped and how many of them muddled up what had the potential to be an outstanding dish. The description reads "diver scallops, uni, white chocolate dashi, coconut." I'm always up for a dish that has intriguing, seemingly incongruous flavors on it. I was psyched to feel that rush with this dish, but it never came. The scallops were seared a beautiful golden brown and topped

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with plump filets of sea urchin. That alone was outstanding, but when everything was consumed together, the brininess of the uni defied the dashi and sweet, gooey coconut, both of which were nice as individual components. I tried combination after combination but couldn't make things jibe.

Meat dishes I sampled included beef tenderloin with a ramp kimchi and a Madeira wine reduction that was a refreshing change of pace from the more-expected sticky red vino sauces that typically accompany steaks. The big winner for me, however, was lamb, cooked nice and pink in the middle and served with a tantalizing, unabashedly spicy yogurt flavored with harissa (a Tunisian hot-pepper sauce). Sour pickled shallots, salty dried-olive shrapnel, and palate-cleansing compressed cucumber brought together all of the contrasting and complementing flavors one could desire in a dish. This was easily one of the most complete plates I've enjoyed in the past year.

McCabe's skills and style are at a high and on display but feel a little less at home in his new surroundings than they did at Kitchen 1540. But that's a good thing. Rancho Santa Fe can use — and afford — the shot of gastronomic innovation he's injected into the heart of the community. The funny thing is, people who miss the old-school fare of the original Delicias take a glance at a menu sporting compressed fruit, bacon sabayon, cured egg yolks, and gochujang reductions; shake their heads, wring their

fists, and head to the familiar likes of Mille Fleurs. It's as if they don't see the gift that's landed in their backyard for what it is. To them, I say, take it from a guy living in a community where our Chuck E. Cheeses can legitimately vie for a spot on the top local restaurants list — there are worse things than having one of the county's best chefs move into your 'hood. If you don't want him, we'll take him!

by Brandon Hernández

Stately Breakfast

San Diego State? State of Disrepair, more like. Big hole in the ground where you come out from the Green Line trolley.

It's a mess.

All for a good cause, of course, the new Aztec Student Union. Greener building, they say. In a year or so it'll be done and look beautiful. But you'd never know it now.

I cough my way through the dust to the bridge over College Avenue. Maybe they have places still open there.

Because one way or the other, gotta have breakfast or I'll implode. Been up since seven. Four hours ago. Hollow inside. I'm like a walking Carlsbad cavern.

So I'm heading up College when I see a bunch of white umbrellas in the sky. Three of them. That rings a bell. Oh, yeah. I was here once, eating pizza. Late-night student joint.

Except here I see it says "Breakfast, lunch, dinner."

This is **State Street Grill** (5131 College Avenue, suite F, 619-286-4700).

Inside, it's just the waiter, Jeff, and one other guy with a band

on his head getting sushi ready.

Feels like everybody's just waking up, getting their kit together. Like I usually am at this time of day.

I sit at a nice solid mahogany-looking table, surrounded by chalk blackboards and windows. The Eagles are singing "You can check out anytime you like, but you can never leave."

And, yes! They are still doing breakfast.

Long story short, I go for one of their omelets. Jeff recommends the State Street Omelette Platter, with bacon, sausage, ham, mushroom, bell pepper, onion, and cheddar cheese. It costs \$8.95.

They also have a Western one with ham, onion, bell pepper and American cheese, for \$7.95, a Spanish (\$7.95), and a veggie (\$7.95). Even a steak-and-eggs platter for \$11.95.

"So, how do starving students afford these?" I have to ask Jeff, who's gonna be studying kinesiology (athletic training) here at State next year.

"I guess their parents make it possible," he says. "And we have a lot of specials, like \$2 wings on Wednesdays and happy hour every day, 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. till close. And that means half price on six of our ten appetizers."

He points out how happy hour sweet-potato fries are \$3 instead of \$6, shrimp tempura \$4 instead of \$8, and vegetable egg rolls cost \$3.50 instead of \$7. Drink deals, too.

Whatever, I go for the State Street Omelette platter.

It turns out to be a major slab of eggs and all those good things, 'specially the 'shrooms, onions, and the bacon-sausage-

ham extravaganza inside. Plus, a major lava flow of cheddar over the top.

A hash-brown patty and thick sourdough toast make this a pretty good deal. I'd have asked for a glass of milk (\$2.99) but they didn't have it. So they gave me OJ for the same price (and it's usually \$3.49). And that turns out great as a kinda flavorful grease-cutter.

I come out into the sunshine totally revived. Yes, it's probably a little more than I'd have paid at one of their on-campus feeding stations, but this is going to see me through the whole day.

What I still have a hankering for: to come back with Carla and a few buddies around midnight when for sure, this place is rockin'.

by Ed Bedford

Consortium Holdings Eyes North Park

First came Neighborhood and El Dorado — forward-thinking, alcohol-fueled, fledgling additions to a downtown scene

thirsty for change and in need of an impetus for it. Back then, the owners of those establishments, Arsalun Tafazoli and Nathan Stanton, were independent. It was when their respective businesses took off and they recognized their commonalities that they teamed up to open three other well-received contemporary ventures — Noble Experiment, Craft & Commerce, and Underbelly.

What's next? Nobody knows for sure. Originally, the duo planned to take over an old downtown church and convert it into an ultra-cool watering hole complete with a design

that incorporated the building's religious elements. That plan was nixed by the kibosh put on California redevelopment agencies. But now they have a new plan, albeit it one about which they're being tight-lipped. All that's for sure at this point is that the next Consortium Holdings (the name of Tafazoli and Stanton's company) venue is en route and will land in North Park near the intersection of 30th Street and Adams Avenue. An exact street address is not available, but expect it to occupy a spot across the street from Jayne's Gastropub.

The location is not at all surprising. With the hipster appeal of their previous venues and consistent commitment to upping San Diego's drinking and dining options — something a high percentage of North Park's restaurant and bar owners work hard to do — almost anything CH installs should fit into the neighborhood like a bottle of Julian apple-infused vodka into El Dorado's bar well.

Whatever goes in, the menu will be developed by Jason McLeod, who was recently hired as Consortium Holdings' executive chef. A veteran of kitchens here and abroad, he is mostly known locally as the chef who opened the Grand Del Mar back in 2007 before moving to Chicago, where he earned a pair of Michelin stars after opening Ria Restaurant at the Elysian Hotel. Before taking on his new position, McLeod had been working in a mentor role at La Jolla's La Valencia Hotel and exploring the possibility of establishing his own restaurant. Looks like that will have to wait, as he's sure to have his hands

full overseeing multiple busy kitchens and assisting with the birth of another.

by Brandon Hernández

Later, Abe

From the moment it went in, I had to wonder — *what were they thinking?* There was no denying it was a one-of-a-kind concept: a bar/restaurant outfitted to look like a log cabin. But what gave the owners the impression that San Diegans and Gaslamp-touring visitors were crying out for a log-and-copper-plated homage to Abraham Lincoln?

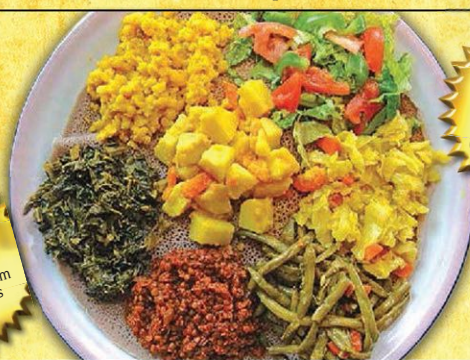
I cannot tell a lie. I thought Lincoln Room was doomed from the start. This, despite the fact the menu of nostalgic American dishes was always decent to good, and available at prices low for anywhere, but especially downtown. It was just too out-there. Even Disneyland can't make a hit out of the Lincoln motif, and they have audio-animatronics, a way larger budget, and more business trying to breathe life into such a concept.

So, just over year after revamping the space on the corner of Fourth Avenue and E Street that housed the equally unsuccessful (also despite having good food, though at pricier rates) Confidential, the Lincoln Room space is bracing for another rebirth, this time as the Commons Bar (901 Fourth Avenue).

The new biz will keep the existing configuration of the 2,800-square-foot room, taking down the log-cabin elements and replacing them with a more modern interior contrasted by retro touches. Among those are a large drive-in theater sign that will run the length off the

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formerly penny-encrusted bar (which will now be topped with a layer of cork, as will the table-tops). A game room will also be installed, featuring shuffleboard, board games, and tables emblazoned with checkers and backgammon patterns.

The goal is to help set an easygoing mood in the new space. Owners Jake Pescatello and Leigh Gibson (the latter is the founder of Pacific Beach's notorious hot-wing emporium Dirty Birds) are aiming for comfort behind the motto: Life is tough enough, your local watering hole shouldn't be.

The food will be simple — hearty portions of American bar fare made with good ingredients (of course, there will be wings — both fried and grilled varieties). On the drinks side, they'll lead with classic cocktails and quality craft beer. When the Commons opens in the fall, it will serve lunch, dinner, late-night eats, and roll out a daily happy hour as well as a "Kegs and Eggs" weekend brunch.

by Brandon Hernández

First Look at Uptown Tavern

Sister to the West Coast Tavern, Uptown is now open for

business where Ono Sushi was. Brandon Hernández labeled the project "ambitious" early on, and the remodel seems to bear that fact out. Gone is the dark, clubby, borderline labyrinthine sushi bar. The new look is much more open and spare. Vintage-looking murals cover the walls and there's a faux worn-in feel about the place that's not overdone.

The scene was interesting; a sort of hodgepodge of Hillcrest gay and North Park hip that ultimately just means the stereo pumps out some pretty sweet jams.

As of yesterday, the menu was only partially available, but there was more than enough food to get a feel for how the complete dining experience will play out. Described as "salty and sweet," the whole menu borrows West Coast's "small plates" method of portioning control and service. Much like at West Coast, it was unclear exactly how much food to order. If the menu has a real failing, it's that it isn't very approachable and it's tough to guess exactly what you're going to get before the food hits the table.

A 3-6 p.m. happy hour offers a selection of appetizers for \$5, well drinks for \$3, and beer and wine for \$4. An order of five-spice wings, normally \$9, contained a solid pound of chicken wings. Curiously petite, some wings were only an inch

and a half long; the unmistakable "spicy licorice" zing of five-spice powder underlined a sweet 'n' sour-style wing sauce that hinted coyly at food court Chinese food without actually descending to those depths.

Something happened at Uptown that happens all too frequently. I ordered a martini and, instead of receiving the \$3 version made with no-name gin, I got a suspiciously delicious cocktail that ended up costing me more than twice as much. I would have been fine with the well liquor; in fact, I wanted to try it out and see how well the bartender could dress up cheesy booze, but it seems like I received expensive alcohol that I didn't request. I should have to ask for good booze to avoid the well liquor, not the other way around.

That was the most major gaffe and far from damning for such a new place. Almost as compensation, the house chardonnay was *great* for just a couple dollars!

Vegetable sliders (\$9.50) featured quinoa patties between chewy bread, almost a brioche. Two little sandwiches for that price isn't exactly a meal, but the South American pseudo-cereal is more filling than it ought to be and the vegetarian croquettes filled the sandwiches admirably.

An order of cornbread (\$6) stole the show. It was covered in

cheese and griddled to a crisp around the edges. Topped with compound butter and served with a small ramekin of apple butter (that could have been given out by the gallon), the bread had just the right amount of embellishment to set it apart from the masses without reeking of excess.

Uptown's Niçoise salad (\$12.50) didn't shatter convention in any way. It was modest in proportion, but the nicely cooked potatoes, sliced eggs, tuna, and crispy green beans gave it plenty of substance, and the welcome zing of twin caper berries put a sharp note on what was an otherwise reserved salad.

For dessert, a peaches-and-cream cup (\$6) was novel. Basically a mason jar filled with sweet, whipped mousse and cooked peaches, the dish was sweet enough to threaten even the most intrepid pancreas. Augmenting it with a waffle, always available as a side dish, was totally worthwhile. It's a bit unusual, but being able to add a waffle to any dinner is a fun touch.

Uptown's full menu should be available soon and a grand-opening event is in the works.

Uptown Tavern, 1236 University Avenue.

by Ian Pike

Best Food Deal Downtown?

We're sitting in the back of the 901 bus, Friday night around five, heading south.

This lady with a stack of yellow plastic bags starts telling her neighbor what a bunch of bargains she's picked up.

"I tell you, these people really are cheap, cheap, cheap! Look at this."

Name's Sharon. She hauls out a bag of shrimp.

"Two pounds, headed and veined, and \$10.99. You'd pay 15, 16 bucks elsewhere. And look at this."

Now she hauls out Mrs. Paul's Crunchy Fish Sticks.

"Dollar ninety-nine! And they're whole fillets, not shredded and stuck together. And, see this: Chewy Bars. Quaker! \$1.99. Only other place you'll find prices like these is the 99-cent store in IB. I'm telling you: downtown needs this."

This store has just opened on Market Street (**Grocery Outlet**, 1002 Market Street, East Village, 619-338-0096.)

Turns out Grocery Outlet is a chain of "extreme-value" retail stores that has been going since the '40s, right after the Second World War. That's when this guy named Jim Read started buying military surplus and selling it at big discounts.

Soon, Jim started moving

into groceries. Ever since, the company (his grandkids run it now) basically has prospered by buying product overruns, when food and beverage makers churn out too much of a food item and need to offload it. Quick, while it's fresh. They say some of the biggest bargains are in wine.

Of course, that means you might be getting a whole lot of stuff other people don't want, but they have all the standard items, too, at more conventional prices.

Today, Grocery Outlet claims to be the country's largest "extreme value" chain. They have over 150 stores in six Western states and say they sell brand-name products at 40-60 percent below mainstream retailers.

Smart business plan. I'm impressed.

I'm Googling all this as we head over the bridge. Some language students from overseas look on, bemused.

By now, Sharon, who works at a technical school downtown, has got the whole back of the bus pretty excited.

"I'm not mean, but I'm a pretty mean bargain-hunter. Heck, these days you have to be!"

by Ed Bedford

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me a pleasant sense of cognitive disconnect. I've been meaning to visit a Japanese-style hotpot restaurant for *years*, but the occasion has never sprung up until just recently. The idea behind shabu shabu is to cook your own vegetables and meat in a boiling pot right at the table. In theory, I understood, but in practice I had no idea about the specifics of eating. The restaurant is organized around a horseshoe-shaped bar, with a few tables at the periphery. Every seat has access to an electric burner, on which the individual pot of broth boils.

I opted for a spicy miso broth instead of just plain water in my hotpot, which was a good idea because the eventual soup at the end was much more flavorful. I also received a little caddy with ground garlic, onion, and chopped scallions to flavor the broth. Finally, *goma* (sesame) and *ponzu* (soy and citrus) sauces for dipping the meat and veggies in. When the girl behind the bar came and offered "hot drops" from a little bottle with a skull and crossbones on the side, I only took the single, proffered drop. That was a good idea, since the stuff was like liquid fire and even a minuscule drop gave significant heat to the otherwise spice-less sauces.

Once the broth began to boil, I got to cooking. I opted for thinly sliced, raw beef as my main ingredient, though lamb, scallops, clams, or shrimp would have been equally deli-

cious. Dinner pricing is based on the size of the plate of meat that's ordered. Small plates start around \$13 and large plates are about \$17.

As I cooked, the order of operations became apparent. First, cook some vegetables because they take longer, then add some meat, then make sure to let the cooked food cool for a second because it will scorch the tongue fresh out of the pot.

The experience was quite satisfying and I was stuffed and happy by the end. Adding the fresh noodles to the broth gave me a light soup to finish off the meal.

A large order of house sake (\$5) was just right for the meal, but there was also beer, wine, and *shoju* cocktails to be had by more enterprising drinkers.

The restaurant does *sukiyaki*, as well, where diners simmer their meats and vegetables in a heavier sauce, but that's a meal for a different day.

Shabu Shabu House, 4646 Convo Street.

by Ian Pike

Huge Mussels

Back in May, I wrote about my pre-open tour of Vintana. At the time, there was no furniture and only preview-sized bites of the dishes that would someday be served there. The eatery, which is interestingly perched atop The Centre at Lexus Escondido (1205 Auto Park Way), has received pretty steady business since opening

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just over a month ago, which prompted me to head back to see how it shaped up.

I have to say, once you get off the dealership's sales floor and up to the third story, it's easy to forget where you are and get into a dining state of mind. The place is absolutely lovely. Angled floor-to-ceiling windows and a two-tiered dining room floor plan create a bit of an airport VIP lounge or glitzy dinner theater look, but a very nice one.

The Cohns put their money into creating a polished, luxurious environment as they have in the past with Island Prime and 333 Pacific, versus one that runs on a recognizable aesthetic theme. It was the right move, and this restaurant will definitely appeal to the clientele both they and their landlords are looking to draw.

Tables are draped in white linens and servers have the friendly yet formal approach one would expect from a fine steak or fish house. When I was there, they were a bit clumsy and awkward, but they're still getting their rhythm and, frankly, their kindness made it worth sitting through prolonged exchanges.

The menu reads well. It was hard to decide what to order, which is always a good sign. Also impressive was the fact that many of the ingredients are locally sourced and brought in from sustainability-focused operations. When we finally made up our minds, my dining companion (a member of the "posse" assembled to review Mission Hills' Brooklyn Girl last month) and I went with crab cakes, mussels, bison ribs, and soft-shell crabs.

The crab cakes are handsomely presented as a spherical trio with each leaning on their

own private slice of pork belly. It was an interesting surf 'n' turf that would have been better if the belly hadn't been a bit tough, but this was still my favorite dish of the evening. It was best when the cakes and pork were consumed in tandem with an accompanying blackberry and watercress salad that brought everything together nicely.

The mussels were huge and juicy, but sadly, some had some funk to them — not enough to be dangerous or indicate long-dead mussel cadavers had accidentally made it into the mix, but enough to mar an otherwise tasty dish. More bread would have also been nice (seems like I've been saying this a lot lately).

Chesapeake soft-shell crabs fried up and served with a chipotle, lime, and cilantro compound butter were straightforward, crispy, golden brown, and so vividly delicious they didn't even need a squeeze from the charred lemon half served as a garnish. Vintana offers a variety of other seafood offerings, including Mano de Leon sea scallops, Skuna Bay salmon, and local line-caught yellowtail; all of which come with diners' choice of one of four compound butters or three sauces.

The biggest disappointment of the evening was the blackberry-glazed bison spareribs. What's that? You read that Vintana hard hat piece where I said the sampler of this dish had "great sweetness and texture and [made] a case for ditching fried chicken for this tender, gamey option." First off, thanks for reading (seriously). Second, what I had at that event was a bite-sized offering that had a better waffle-to-meat ratio.

The actual dish features brilliant meat cookery that's marred by way too much of that cloying, syrupy glaze. It's a sugar bomb that, unless eaten with the slightly bitter greens

What the Chef Eats by Pamela Hunt-Cloyd

BRAISED LAMB SHANKS

RYAN STUDEBAKER

Executive Chef, Gingham

When the opportunity to work at Gingham presented itself I grabbed it. The menu features fun and simple Southern food prepared with classical French techniques and it matches my background perfectly. My grandmother is from Arkansas and I grew up with her homemade biscuits and gravy and a love for the land. My uncle raised cattle for the family, most of our produce came from our garden, and my dad ran a restaurant.

I started washing dishes in my dad's restaurant when I was 13 and moved to San Diego when I was 19. I worked with Stephane Voitzwinkler at Bertrand at Mr. A's, who

took me under his wing and taught me classical French techniques. I credit him and Ryan Johnston of Whisknadle with where I am in my kitchen right now. Instead of braising short ribs with a traditional red wine, I'll do it up with bourbon and pickled onion and breadcrumbs. I roast and sauté food with traditional techniques but I use local beer and tequila and all those great Southern flavors of molasses and peaches and jalapeños.

Some of my favorites are mac and cheese with bourbon and corn with chorizo.

At home, I love to grill; there are fewer dishes to do after dinner that way. I cook all sorts of things on

the grill, but on a special occasion I'll pick lamb shank. It's easy to get but it has that great gamey flavor of the venison I ate when I was growing up. There aren't a lot of meats out there like that. You can serve them with an arugula, peach-and-quinoa salad, cheddar grits, or mashed potatoes

INGREDIENTS

SERVES 8

8 lamb shanks

salt and pepper to season

olive oil to season

1 bunch fresh thyme, leaves only

1 orange — zest only

2 Fresno chilies, sliced (can

substitute with jalapeños)

8 cups mirepoix (2 cups each of

diced carrots, celery, and 4

cups diced onion)



Chef Studebaker likes lamb shanks' "gamey" flavor.

¾ cup peeled garlic cloves

½ cup tomato paste

24 ounces Hefeweizen

6 ounces orange juice

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4 quarts vegetable stock

HOW TO DO IT

Season lamb shanks with salt, pepper, thyme, orange zest, Fresno chilies, and olive oil and let marinate in the refrigerator overnight. After the lamb has marinated, wipe the herbs and orange peel from the meat and reserve. Preheat

that are wisely provided (but not in a large enough proportion to get the job done), tastes more like breakfast. To put it in wine terms (appropriate since Vintana is vino-focused), this dish is the white zinfandel of the entrées. Way too high on the brix.

All that said, the food is, for the most part, quite good. Brussels sprouts glazed in a much softer glaze of pomegranate molasses with bacon and raisin was a delight, and a chocolate pot de crème served in a coffee cup topped with marshmal-

low crème and house-made graham crackers was so good I powered through it despite a stomach ache from the ribs. My big complaint on that one — the crackers should be longer so one can dip all the way to the bottom of the cup to get maximum chocolate and 'mallow.

So, forget the ribs. One dish — good or bad — should not define any restaurant. Especially one that, despite the outcry from my palate, is one of Vintana's top sellers. Mine is certainly not the end-all opinion when it comes to the food world. But if you find

my tastes tend to match your own, skip the bison and get your sweet-meets-savory satisfaction from the crab cake appetizer.

by Brandon Hernández

Flutter Those Baby Bleus

"Pierre says Eat!" says the sign.

Okay, why not?

Pierre could be the guy with the beret and the black apron working away right above us in the white food truck.

Crepes Bonaparte. Truck's only been going a couple of

months down here. They started up in Orange County, but they've been on the Food Network, *Eat Street*, tons of other TV stuff.

Fact is, I've never been totally in love with crepes, but I hear these guys do a mean strawberry, banana, and Nutella crepe they call the HazelBerryAna (\$5.75). And also good savory ones, like the Southwestern Spice, with "grilled peppers and onions, seasoned chicken, cheddar, and chipotle sauce," (\$6.75).

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spoons of olive oil in a large stockpot and add the mirepoix. Sauté until vegetables are caramelized. Add chilies and garlic to the pan and stir until they are cooked through. Add tomato paste and sauté briefly. Add orange juice and beer and cook until

the liquid is reduced by one third. Add stocks and bring to a boil.

Place lamb shanks in a large roasting pan. Pour the liquid over the lamb and cover with parchment paper. Roast the lamb for three hours. Check every 45 minutes and add more

stock if liquid gets too low. Once the lamb is fork-tender, remove some of the braising liquid and reduce by one third, then stir in a bit of butter. This gives the sauce a nice consistency.

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when the food trucks gather at 57 Degrees (1735 Hancock Street, below Mission Hills, at Washington Street, 619-234-5757). The nice deal is you can buy food from the trucks and then go up to the wine shop, buy a \$5 glass of wine or \$4 draft beer, and go onto their cool patio under umbrellas.

Chelsea, the gal taking the orders, says the dessert crepes are way most popular, but I figure savory would go good with a Stone IPA I know they're pouring up there in the wine store.

I end up ordering a Baby Bleu (with bleu cheese crumbles, sea-

soned chicken, baby spinach leaves, and raspberry vinaigrette dressing). It costs me \$6.75.

I take it up and chomp it down in minutes. Have a beer but kinda wish it had been a wine. It would've gone so well with the raspberry vinaigrette.

Have to say, this is a supremo crepe, from what I know.

by Ed Bedford

New Food: Tejuino

A friend and I went to TJ for lunch the other day, partly to prove how quickly we could cross the *linea*. We totally failed

in being swift because leisurely exploration got the best of us, but in wandering about Zona Centro we bumped into a glut of food carts at Third and Constitución.

There were plenty of aguas frescas, tacos, and sweet gorditas, but what drew my attention was a smaller-sized cart made of galvanized steel and almost entirely undecorated.

All it had was a hand-painted sign that said "tejuino" and a big urn covered with a cloth.

The vendor, a venerable, soft-spoken, old Mexican guy, came over and tried to explain the

nature of the beverage. I caught one phrase that sounded like "agrodolce," which is an Italian term for a sweet and sour sauce, and that was enough to pique my curiosity. The vendor explained that the tejuino is a fermented corn drink made from masa and brown sugar, at which point something clicked for me.

I'd heard of this, vaguely, somewhere in the past, but I'll be damned if I can remember where.

Naturally, I ordered a huge cup of the stuff and I watched as the guy half-filled the cup with shaved ice, squeezed in a

lemon, added a huge scoop of coarse salt, and ladled in a thick, brown liquid from the amphora. He mixed it up by decanting it back and forth a few times into a pitcher and that was it.

The first sip was, like, *Whoa, this is something new.*

As I've said before, discovering a new taste, whether I like it or not, is pretty much my favorite thing ever.

And I liked the tejuino. It was a little bit viscous, but not slimy at all, and nice and cold from the shaved ice. The tang of the citrus juice was right up front, but underneath that there was this rich flavor that evoked sourdough bread or Belgian beer. It was a totally intoxicating combination of flavor, texture, temperature, and novelty, and I relished every sip.

And it was only, like, two dollars. Score.

Fact: if some hipster bartender invents a boozy version of this drink with mezcal or something in it, he's going to have fairly unrestricted access to my wallet for a good while.

Looking about the internet later I learned that tejuino is a native of Jalisco, where tequila comes from, but it's making inroads into the other Mexican states and border areas. The premise is pretty simple: a slurry of masa (corn flour), water, and brown sugar gets boiled and allowed to ferment on its own terms. That's the whole process. I hadn't actually seen it until that unobtrusive cart on a Tijuana street corner, but I'll be keeping my eyes wide open in the future for my new (for the moment) favorite beverage.

by Ian Pike

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the former site of Kadan and the adjacent Laundromat, liquor store, and taco shop combined into one big club. Representatives of Neighborhood were unavailable for comment as of this writing. “I was heartbroken to lose it,” Heaney says. “I really enjoyed

blurthe inside track

Heaney, who named the bar after the Eastern European town in which he met his wife, the building’s new property owners declined to extend his lease and are instead leasing the location

that place...the underground atmosphere. It’s just a really nice, non-pigeon-holed venue. I’m devastated, but life goes on. I’ll find something and do it again.” In the meantime, you can



Kadan owner Chris Heaney: “They wanted something higher end.”

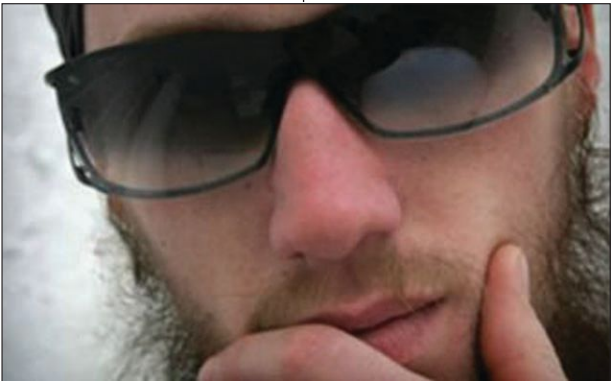
to the owners of Downtown gastropub Neighborhood. “They didn’t want a local bar and club. They wanted something higher end,” Heaney says. “More of a True North.” He says the new club will see

check out Heaney’s newest venture — the Rook — a two-month-old bar in La Mesa at the former location of the Falcon’s Lure (7747 University), which he describes as “a small kind of a sports bar.”

The Rook is currently waiting on entertainment permits before booking acoustic acts and ambient electronic music. Heaney is also looking at other locations to open, which he isn’t able to talk about publicly yet, but hints: “I like the underground places.” “I’ve had more than my fair share of fun at the venue and I’ll be sad to see it go,” says Lee “Dr. Indulgent” Reynolds of the popular future disco and tech-house dance monthly Moonshake. “San Diego needs more Kadans!” Moonshake and Broken Beat (San Diego’s longest-running EDM monthly) plan to continue at as-of-yet unknown venues. — Chad Deal

Hargo Won a Was. “We just won a huge battle of the bands called ‘Gimme the Gig,’” says soulful world-rocker Hargo, whose self-named band scored a music video and recording session with celeb producer Don Was as part of a TV pilot taping. Sponsored by the Ford car company, Gimme the Gig initially taped entrants performing (Hargo’s set was in Del Mar) and solicited online votes to narrow down a dozen contestants, who then competed in front of Was. “We were allowed to play two songs, ‘Forget Everything’ and ‘Regeneration X.’” After being asked to repeat the latter tune (from their full-length *Out of Mankind*), “Don Was came up to us and said, ‘Man, that was

beautiful, the beginning almost has a Krishna Das kind of gospel chant, and then it really rocks!’” After the 12 bands com-



Hargo’s “Regeneration X” got them the “Gimme the Gig” gig.

peted, “We all lined up in front of a Ford Focus, which had been outfitted with a recording console by Mad Mike from *Pimp My Ride*, and Don announced, ‘I’d like Hargo to stick around for the next day to record and shoot the video.’ It took a second to sink in. We were thinking, *Wait, he wants us to come back tomorrow? So, that means we just won?*” Their song “Regeneration X” and the accompanying video were taped on the same day last month, with the audio portion recorded by Was from the Focus dashboard. “The console that was built into the car was really cool, and they outfitted it with a couple of Distressor compressors and some mic preamps, all analog, to give it that real vibe. I have to say I was kind of skeptical at first, but it actually worked very well. We tracked the song

live with the rhythm section, overdubbed some guitars and vocals, and now it’s being mixed [by Grammy-winning engineer Krish Sharma].” The TV-show

tapings are airing this month on KTLA, with plans to market them as a network or cable pilot. Hargo estimates, “To shoot a video like the one we did for Gimme the Gig would have cost \$100,000, and we own a hundred percent of both audio and video. Ford is working with iTunes and some other outlets to really push the track we recorded, and we get all the royalties. “They’re acting almost like a label back in the day, but without stealing your publishing.” — Jay Allen Sanford

Batty in Belize. “On *Surfari Sessions Volume 2* is a compilation of soundtrack songs from the Fuel TV surf and travel show *On Surfari*, featuring pro surfer Shayne McIntyre,” says Chad Farran about his most recent CD release.

Farran is a producer, songwriter, and drummer for local power trio Superunloader. “The show got canceled after several seasons,” explained Farran, “because Fox [the owner of the network] decided Fuel TV should show more agro, fighting shows than action sports and travel. I guess *On Surfari* was too wholesome...” Farran did all the music for the show when it was on location in Africa, the Caribbean, Middle East, and Central America.


“I attempted to create a soundtrack that matched the locale using instruments, samplers, loops,” says Farran. “Shayne would also give me pop tracks he liked, and I would create new music in the same style that he could replace them with. “He would sometimes give me music he wanted to emulate and sometimes he would just say he needed a scary-spider song or a touching-turtle song or an uplifting song for a scene with an amputee soccer team. It varied a lot, and it gave me a chance to explore different genres, tones, instrumentation, and rhythms. “Traveling was by far the best part of the job because I really enjoyed meeting local musicians and learning about their culture and music.” Indeed, traveling is one of Farran’s great loves, but it almost killed him a few years ago (continued on page 72)

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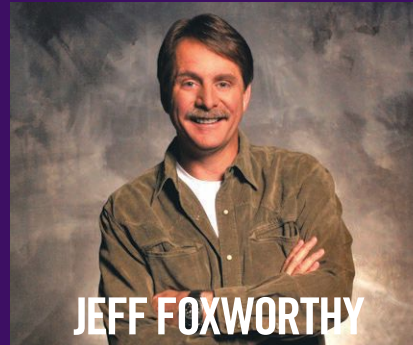



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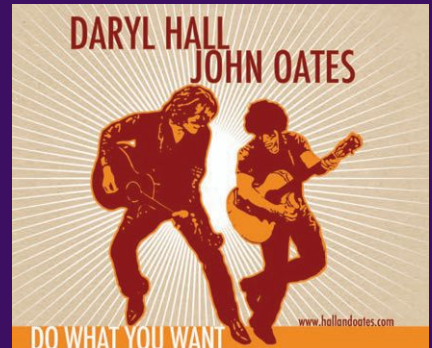
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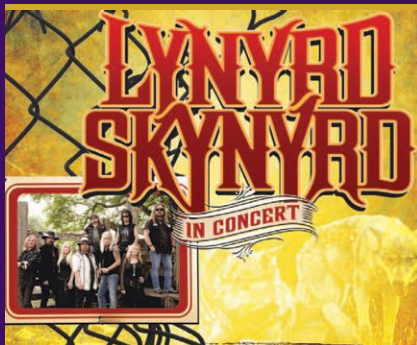
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while exploring caves in Belize.

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gency room after multiple days of severe fever upon returning from Belize," says Farran. "Luckily, as I waited, the doctor recognized my name from watching *On Safari* and gave me special treatment,

which included a cut in line and a private room. I spent four days in the hospital undergoing a barrage of blood tests. They never did figure it out, sent me home, still feverish,



Local songsmith Chad Farran loves to travel, hates bats.

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Groovy, Baby. "Do you know who Terry Callier is?" Steve Kader pulls an album from a stack in a wood produce crate and runs down the list of first-call session players in the credits. "Callier's like Richie Havens, only deeper, but he never really made it." It will go this way for the better part of an hour, Kader digging through his crates and getting enthusiastic about the kinds of details that only a connoisseur of recorded music would notice. "I like eclectic things and turning people on to new stuff."

Six weeks ago, Kader opened a used-record shop on Park Boulevard in a little building that has at different times housed a frozen-yogurt parlor, a florist, a pet shop and, Kader says, the San Diego Gay Men's Chorus. Now, crates filled with vintage vinyl ring the perimeter of Groovy Records on folding tables. Posted behind the cash register is a San Diego police-issued permit. "A

used-record store is a police-regulated business. You buy and sell used stuff. It's along the lines of a pawn shop."

Steve Kader, 43, is something of a musical jack of all trades, having been a talent buyer for

he says. "I've always worked for other people. I've never owned my own business. And, why not have another great record store?" This is said in reference to the fact that at least six more vinyl retailers are within a radius

is marked at \$150. Displayed along the back wall are more rarities by Fela Kuti, the Zombies, Velvet Underground, the Ramones, Chocolate Milk, and Nick Cave. Punk, rock, jazz, blues, country, hip-hop, and dance are represented in the crates. But the discs seem cherry-picked. Are these Kader's own records for sale? Yes, he says, some of them are.

"But friends have records here on consignment, too. And, I also buy collections." Considering that downloads essentially flat-lined point-of-purchase, what hope can Kader pin on the future of retail record sales? "The business is coming full circle," he says. "People still want to pick up a record and look at it. You can't do that on eBay."

— Dave Good

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Groovy Records owner Steve Kader is a musical jack of all trades.

both 4th&B and the Adams Avenue Street Fair, a club and radio deejay, manager of the B-Side Players, and a club events promoter. Why take the risk of launching a brick-and-mortar business in economic hard times?

"It's been kind of a dream,"

of only a few miles. Kader sees what he describes as "synergy between the record stores" in his neighborhood. "Thirsty Moon, for example, specializes in reissues. I wanna have a variety."

A pristine copy of Joe Bataan's *Singin' Some Soul* (from 1972 — not the reissue)

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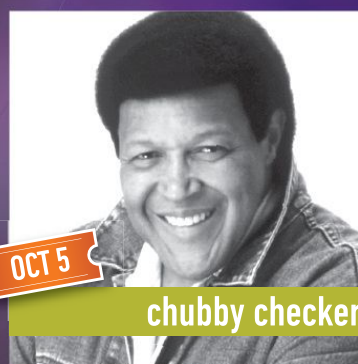
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This Week In Music

Thursday 16

Rough Trade roots rockers **Alabama Shakes** rattles and rolls into House of Blues behind this year's crit hit *Boys & Girls*. The four-piece, based in Athens, Alabama, infuses Southern rock with an honest take on trad blues and soul, coming off a little self-serious at times but self-assured all of the time. Fans of the Americana brand would do well to get this fiber into their diets. From Athens in Georgia, the like-minded **Futurebirds** land first.... Right 'round the bend, '90s industrial-rock radio staples **Filter** ("Hey Man, Nice Shot") and hard-rocking locals **Sledd** shred at 4th&B.... Soda Bar sets up emo-core crew **Braid** with Polyvinyl labelmates **Owen** at the Irenic in North Park. Braid's *Frame and Canvas* (1998) is considered by many rock writers the evil emo template. It's not evil. The caveman-rocking trio **TS & the Past Haunts** will open the show...while at the club Soda proper, British alt-rock trio **Animal Kingdom** takes the stage in support of *The Looking Away*, a



ALABAMA SHAKES AT HOUSE OF BLUES

sophomore set that nods at stadium pals Snow Patrol and the mighty Mercury Rev...Til-Two will host a Johnny Rad Fest pre-party, featuring Elvis Wong's (the Reatards) new joint **Destruction Unit**, with **Stalins of Sound**, the **Lumps**, **Acorn Bcorn**, and the **Last Years**.

Friday 17

Johnny Rad Fest has streamlined this year, its fifth year(!), and taken over the Ken Club for the weekend (as well as the Kings Inn hotel in Mission Valley, apparently — check the web for the poolside parties and shuttle services: brixton.com/JohnnyRadFest/). On Friday night at the Ken, you get that garage-pop 'Zonie **No Bunny** and cool as fuck Canuck **Mark "BBQ" Sultan**, with **Tokyo Electron**, **Tigerfox**, and the **Kabbs**. If you go for the two-day dealio, on Saturday you'll see that "long-on-distortion and short-on-subtlety" scuzz-rockers **King Tuff** and beach-rock revivalists **Shannon & the Clams**, with **Half Rats**, **Night Beats**, and **Audacity**. *Très rad, mes amis, très rad....* Former Zappa backers the **Grandmothers of Invention** will be at Little Italy supper club Anthology Friday



GRANDMOTHERS OF INVENTION AT ANTHOLOGY

night. Since 2002, four former Mothers of Invention (Napoleon Murphy Brock, Roy Estrada, Bunk Gardner, and Don Preston) have been keeping the avant-rock of maestro Zappa alive, performing the classics and deep cuts of our "famous former neighbor".... Portland ensemble **Y La Bamba** play Casbah behind this year's breakthrough *Court the Storm*, a mashup of frontwoman Luzelena Mendoza's Mexican memories and art-folk that had *Bust* magazine boast, "If you pine for the day when Astrud Gilberto records some lounge-inspired Mexican folk music with Devendra Banhart, then Y La Bamba is totally your jam." Totally. **Heavy Guilt** goes first.... Up at Porter's Pub at UCSD, the Harlem-based Afro-Peruvian rapper **Immortal Technique** rocks the mic at the campus beer hall... while across campus, at the Ché Café, local faves **Burning of Rome** and **Tan Sister Radio** take the stage with Oaktown's proggy garage-rock five-piece **Saything**.

Saturday 18

The Grammy-winning alt-rock guitarist **Ben Harper** will be at the track this Saturday for the Del Mar Summer Concert Series. These shows go down at the Seaside Stage and are free if you pay



PRIMA DONNA AT SHAKEDOWN

for the races. Mr. Harper is out to tout his latest Virgin Records release *Give Till It's Gone*, a blues-based collection that found its way to number 15 on *Billboard's* Top 200.... L.A. glam-punk quintet **Prima Donna's** at the Shakedown Saturday night.

Touring in support of this year's *Bless This Mess*, Kevin Preston and company's new one is a well-received collection that's "as good as down and dirty rock 'n' roll gets," according to *Huffington Post*. **Phenomenauts**, **Pass the Axe**, and **Odd-ball** are also on the bill....

Else: Campy SoCal punks the **Dickies** ["Banana Splits (Tra La La Song)"] are back in town to play the Griffin with **F.O.A.** and **Jonny Castle**...SanDago supergroup **Midnight Rivals** (Louis, Lucy's, Convoy, Rocket) play Eleven with **Santos** and the **Pheasants**...Soda Bar sets up **Grand Tarantula** with an **East of Sweden** CD release...Tower Bar stages some ska with **Amalgamated** and the **Longshots**...while Casbah fills an indie-eclectic bill with local up-and-comers **Hyena**, **Jamuel Saxon**, **Hills Like Elephants**, and the **Church Hustlers**.



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tion, a certified summer set for your next skate session. Check out opener "Campaign for a Better Next Weekend" to what some are calling "the *Pet Sounds* of punk." **Grim Luck** and **Auckerman** will open the show.... Tin Can Ale House stages local "ectoplasmic-rock" trio **Joy** with SanFran **Nuggets** band **Pink Films** and like-minded Los Angeles **Residual Echoes**.

Wednesday 22

From NYC, nu-waver George Lewis Jr., aka **Twin Shadow**, plays the first of a two-night stint at Casbah Wednesday night. He is touring in support of his sophomore set, *Confess*, a record compared equally to mid-'80s Peter Gabriel and the soundtrack to *Top Gun*. This recent *Stereogum* album of the week prompted their music scribe to write, "Lewis is an honor student in the Morrissey school of singing." Moz singing "Danger



TWIN SHADOW AT CASBAH

Zone." Awesomer and awesomer. L.A.'s "daytime disco" duo **Poolside** opens both shows.... Speaking of Morrissey, Smiths trib **Still Ill's** at Soda Bar with ex-Eclipse79 **Electric Monk**...while **Taka-hashi** (ex-aMiniature) plays right down the road at Eleven. Grunge-era throwbacks **Kitty Plague** kick that one off.

— Barnaby Monk

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Sunday 19

Ex-Beat Farmers **Manifold** will play the BBQ o'clock (5p) show at Eleven in Normal Heights. From their bio: "Hard-rock meets moments of serenity when Manifold comes on stage." Huh.... Then, that *Hillbilly Joker* **Hank 3** hits House of Blues behind this year's *Long Gone Daddy*, a punk'd-up honky-tonk collection of covers (Haggard, Cash) and reissues.... The daddy of surf guitar, **Dick Dale**, meets surf-jazz siblings **Mattson 2** at Belly Up.

Monday 20

Nawlins hip-hop hit **Nicky Da B** brings "bounce" to Casbah's Anti-Monday thing. According to Mr. Da B, "Bounce is making its way into the wider world through the work of several gay or transgendered rappers who have been dubbed Sissy Rappers." He is best known for his work with Grammy-nominated producer Diplo on club cut "Express Yourself." **Illuminatus** and **Parker and the Numberman** set it up.... Another New Orleans native, **Trombone Shorty**, will be at the Belly Up behind his latest funk-rock 'n' hop collection, *For True*, a record that includes appearances by the Rebirth Brass Band, Jeff Beck, Warren Haynes, Stanton Moore, Kid Rock, and Lenny Kravitz. Dude's connected.... Local "acid-blues" quartet **Requiem for the Rockets** will take the stage at Tin Can Ale House with SanFran band **Tartufi**. Flip or click to Will Crain's "Of Note" on Tartufi for his take on the duo's experimental bent.

Tuesday 21

Pub-punk big band **Bomb the Music Industry!** blows into Ché Café with their latest effort, *Vaca-*



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Homegrown

“Jerry Herrera’s column...it was a big deal if he mentioned you or your band.”

Nobody called it indie rock in the 1980s. You played original rock, and your band either had a record deal or it didn’t. And back in the days before digital technology, the foundation of a San Diego rocker’s plan for success was to get airplay on the *Homegrown Hour* on KGB FM. The host was a known taste-maker named Jim McInnes. He had an ear for talent, and making the cut was seen as a stamp of industry approval. *Homegrown* was also the title of a popular vinyl compilation of local rock, co-produced by McInnes and released by KGB annually for several years.

McInnes, likewise, coproduced records by DFX2, Chuck and the Tigers, and Melting Pot, and he hosted a weekly showcase at an area night club. These elements constituted San Diego’s first original-rock music scene. With JM in the PM (he hosted afternoons at the rock radio station for nearly three decades) as the driver and KGB radio as the vehicle, the emerging scene included such early notables as Rick Elias, the Puppies, Four Eyes, Claude Coma, the Beat Farmers, C.J. Hutton, DFX2, and the Penetrators.

These days, McInnes, who is still on the mend from brain surgery in March to remove a benign

tumor that was threatening his vision, reads mid-day news on 760 KFMB AM. He is also the voice of “Jack’s Club” on Jack FM and the occasional commercial. For fun, he spins discs on Jazz 88.3 at City College on Saturdays. “It’s wide open. I can play whatever I want.” He lives in Kensington with his wife, Sandi Banister.

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DAVE GOOD

It’s funny that, off the air, I can hear your Wisconsin accent. And you’ve been in San Diego, what, 40 years?

“Yes, next summer it will be 40 years. One year from now.”

Your first radio job here was...

“KPRI FM. July 1973. Their studios were at Seventh and Ash. You could sit and be eye level with the sidewalk.”

Just like in the movie Almost Famous?

“Yeah. Well, [former KPRI/KGB deejay] Gabriel Wisdom was a consultant on that flick. They actually shot the scene outdoors right there at Seventh and Ash. But the studio thing was a reproduction on a soundstage.”

Some readers will remember Linda McInnes. You both worked at the same station. But did you two ever work together on air?

“No, we did not do a show together.”

But you were married, right? What ever hap-



PHOTOGRAPH BY JIM MCINNES

Jim McInnes promoted local talent and launched rock careers on his *Homegrown Hour* radio show, and at live shows he hosted.

pened to her?

“She became a star in the mornings. We got divorced in 1976, and she moved to L.A. and KLOS around 1980.”

For a couple of years in the ’80s, you hosted a weekly original-rock showcase at a place called My Rich Uncle’s near San Diego State. Your creation?

“No, it was not my idea. It was [KGB salesman] Bill Degischer’s idea, with Martin Montoya. Marty. His parents owned the place. He managed it. They weren’t doing so well. They had a C restaurant rating.” He laughs. “It was an effort to build business for them and to get exposure for up-and-coming bands. At the time, there was only the Spirit [Club in Bay Park]. That was the main place to play original rock.”

I remember [owner] Jerry Herrera wrote a funny gossip column as the Spirit advert in the Reader.

“I used to look forward to them every week. Jerry Herrera’s column...it was a big deal if he mentioned you or your band.”

The My Rich Uncle’s gig lasted for, what, a couple of years?

“Yeah. And it was a tough sell. It really was. I would bring in Four Eyes — who are still together, by the way — and Darius and the Magnets, and you’d be lucky if 50 people would show. And those guys would jump at playing. I had no budget. All I could give them was 25 bucks, and they’d say, ‘Okay.’”

Twenty-five bucks a man?

“No. For the whole band. The key was they’d get publicity. I’d talk about them on the air for a week prior to the show. Support was pitiful. Nowadays, it’d probably go over great.”

I see you as the unsung hero behind San Diego’s first original-rock music scene back in the days of vinyl. Being included on a KGB Homegrown album was a big deal at the time.

“Yeah. We moved 60,000 copies in our biggest year, which was 1976. I coproduced all of them after the first year.”

The Homegrown Hour, where you played tracks from local artists, started in, what, 1983? It has seen a revival on KPRI.

“And I’ve been on it. [Show host] Catherine Beeks does a great job. I’m proud to have her use the name.”

I recall a story about how you wouldn’t play Eddie Vedder on Homegrown when he lived here.

“His band was called Bad Radio. I used to harp all the time to send in a quality recording; no cassettes, you know? And so then he sends me a cassette. Bad Radio. So I listened to it, and the audio quality wasn’t good. I didn’t give it a second thought until years later.” He makes a funny voice: “Jim McInnes wouldn’t play Eddie Vedder on *Homegrown*. Well, sorry, it didn’t meet my specifications.” ■

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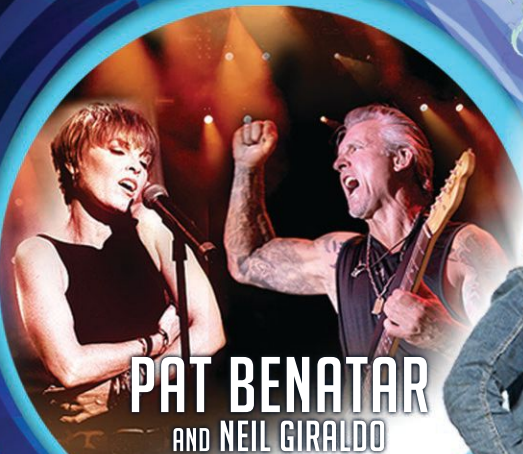
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Friday, 9:30pm — The Manny Cepeda Orchestra. Salsa. \$14.
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Saturday, 9pm — Neon Beat. With Junior and Vaughn.
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Thursday, 9pm — The Be Good Tanays. With Willie Watson. Alt-folk.
Friday, 9pm — Red Not Chili Peppers, Total Distortion, DJ Man Cat. 90s rock.
Saturday, 9pm — The Silent Comedy, Stripes and Lines, Family Wagon.
Sunday, 8pm — Dick Dale and Mattson 2. Surf guitar. 21 and up.
Monday, 8pm — Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue. Brass, soul.
Tuesday, 8pm — Civil Twilight, Voxhaul Broadcast, The Palace Ballroom. 21 and up.

Bird's Surf Shed:

Thursday, 7pm — Live Like Giants. Album release party for *Anchored Down*. \$5.

Brew House at Eastlake:

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Brick by Brick:

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Tuesday — Design the Skyline, Amyst, Silence. With the Messenger. Experimental/death-core.
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Burlap:

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Wednesday, 8:30pm — Twin Shadow and Poolside. New wave.

Ché Café:

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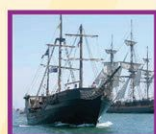
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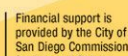
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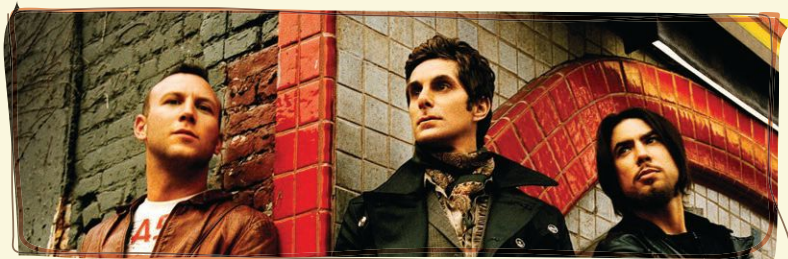
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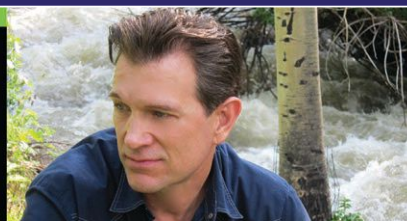
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!NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

"You won't believe all that sound is coming from two people!" People always say that about rock duos — and there are a lot of rock duos these days. But the truth is, you usually can believe it. What those people mean is, "That guitar player sure is loud!"

It's different with Tartufi. The San Francisco Bay Area band released three records as a power trio, starting a decade ago, but their sound actually got bigger when it switched to a duo of Lynne Angel and Brian Gorman. More than a lineup change, Angel and Gorman sought a new musical direction. Beginning with 2006's *Us Upon Buildings Upon*

Us, they dropped their old material from their sets and started playing a moody, highly complicated style of indie rock that often starts out sparse and quiet and builds up to something very loud and dense with harmony and then abruptly switches to quiet again. To pull this off live, they play multiple instruments and looping effects pedals.

Artists such as Tune-Yards' Merrill Garbus have made looping pedals a big part of their acts, but few do it as seamlessly as Tartufi. The duo's music is based around shifts in dynamics and tempo, not in the kind of repetition you find in dance music or hip-hop, so you often may not realize you're hearing a loop at all. It's hard enough to imagine how they remember to play the basic parts to something like the 26-minute-long "The But-terless Man," but it's astounding that they can



TARTUFI

play multiple parts.

Maybe it won't always seem so unusual. Angel and Gorman have started a music school for kids. The future is going to blow our minds.

TARTUFI: Tin Can Alehouse, Monday, August 20, 9 p.m. 619-955-8525. \$5.

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Progressive rock.
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Thursday, 7pm — Ryan Hiller.
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Kensington Club:
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Killarney's Pub & Grill:
Saturday, 9pm — Blasting Idiots. Free.

Lestat's Coffee House:
Thursday, 8pm — Scott Mickelson (Fat Opie). Fat Opie — singer/songwriter joined by drummer Dave Tavel.

Lumbeyard Shopping Center:
Saturday, 6pm — Keith Jacobson. Smooth jazz/funk/standards on the saxophone. Free.

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Office:
Wednesday, 8pm — Lucid Fly.
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Pala Casino:
Saturday, 8pm — Atomic Punks. Van Halen tribute band. **Free.** 21 and up.

Patricks Gaslamp Pub:
Friday, 9pm — Mystique Element of Soul.
Saturday, 9pm — Johnny Vernazza.
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Monday, 9pm — Missy Andersen.
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Pechanga Resort & Casino:
Friday, 8pm — The Gipsy Kings. Flamenco/rumba.

Porter's Pub at UCSD:
Friday, 8pm — Immortal Technique. Afro-Peruvian rapper.
Wednesday, 8pm — Mac Lucci.

Pounders:
Friday, 9pm, Saturday, 9pm — Stone Wolf. Rock/covers. **Free.**

Prescott Promenade:
Friday, 6pm — The Jones Revival. Classic rock/soul.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub:
Friday — L.A. Guns. Hard rock/glam metal.

Rancho Bernardo Inn:
Saturday, 8pm — Cyndi Harvell. Singer-songwriter.

Red Parrot Lounge at Casino Pauma:
Friday, 8pm — MoonDance Band. R&B/soul, Motown hits. **Free.** 21 and up.

Robbie's Roadhouse:
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NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

When punks do folk music: Fat Opie is Scott Mickelson, Robin Hildebrant, and Dave Tavel, and punk-folk, if that's even possible, is how they sound. And by that I mean not just a punk band that went unplugged, but one that actually forged the gap into front-porch Americana and retained attitude. The proof lies in Fat Opie acoustic works such as "Gay in Texas," "Mouth Like a Trucker," and "Bullets in My Briefcase." The latter, by the way, won them a \$15,000 cash prize in a national songwriting contest on MTV. On *Victoryville*, there's a song about living with depression, which is generally a nonstarter in the world of folk singers: "Green teeth, bad breath, one eye/ When all else fails,

blame it on the monster in the room," as sung in Mickelson's Harry Chapin-esque quaver. But, was Fat Opie ever a punk band? No.

Mickelson describes a progression that went from high-energy grunge to him shopping pawn shops in the San Francisco Mission District, near where he lives, for banjos and mandolins. *Hipsters, Freaks, Fags, & Homeboys* came from such instrumentation. "Banjo Tune," from that record, is one of our classic and most requested songs. *Hipsters* is still our best selling record, although, personally, I cringe when I hear it." But don't call it folk. "Just because music may have acoustic guitars in it doesn't make it folksy. I think the chordal progressions, the arrangements, the dynamics of the songs, and the narrative nature of the lyrics is still more inherently rock than folk. In fact, I play a lot of solo acoustic shows along with other artists who are folksy and I stick out



FAT OPIE

like a sore thumb sometimes. I think of Fat Opie as alternative folk or alternative Americana, if I have to generalize. The newer songs since *Victoryville* even have reggae grooves mixed with banjo."

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Saturday, 8:30pm — Grand Tarantula, East of Sweden, Idlehands. With One I Red.
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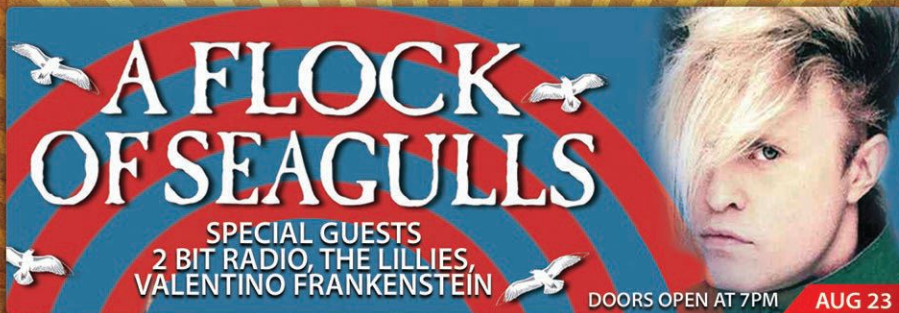
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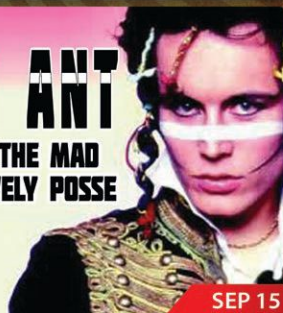
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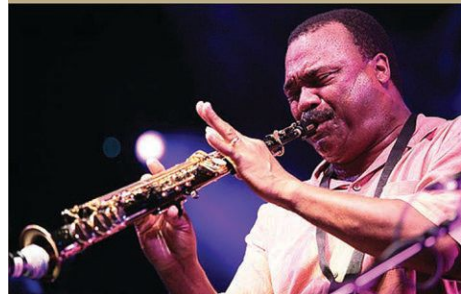
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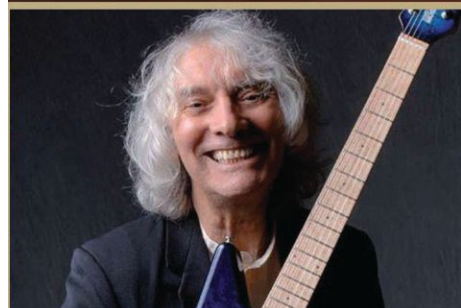
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The Beach Boys
By David Castel De Oro

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Beach Boys. To commemorate this milestone, the group is touring with all five surviving members (Mike Love, Bruce Johnston, Brian Wilson, Al Jardine, and David Marks). They have also released an album, *That’s Why God Made the Radio*, their first to feature all-original material in 20 years.

The 12 songs here

explore the band’s favored themes — California, summertime fun, and the ocean. But there is a twist. This album is a document of a group nearing the end of a long road. We hear about memories of fun times (“Isn’t It Time”), a longing to have it all back again (“Beaches in Mind”), and the ultimate acceptance of life as a finite journey (“Summer’s Gone”).

The success of this album is due to the contributions of chief songwriter and architect of the Beach Boys’ sound, Brian Wilson. Members of Wilson’s touring band and various family members and friends help out with the rich stacks of harmonies and lush instrumentation.

This album, in many ways, feels like a swan song for the Beach Boys. If that turns out to be true, it is a fitting end to an extraordinary career.



Rich stacks of harmonies and lush instrumentation

Surfaris Hit the Beach at Belly Up
By Ken Harrison

The Surfaris celebrated the 50th anniversary of their iconic surf song “Wipe Out” at the Belly Up. Bob Berryhill, the co-writer of “Wipe Out” (at the age of 15!) is the only original member of the group still performing. Berryhill is accompanied by his wife of 42 years, bassist Gene. Their oldest son Deven plays rhythm guitar, with youngest son Joel on drums and lead vocals. Along with covers

of Dick Dale, Eddie Cochran, the Kingsmen, the Trashmen, and the Ventures, two songs were performed from the band’s new CD. The CD contains eight original songs; as Berryhill put it, “It’s what the Surfaris would have sounded like if Decca Records didn’t tell us what to play on our first album.”

With Berryhill’s 65-year-old fingers flying over the frets of a Stratocaster or Jaguar guitar, pumped through tube-powered 1965 Fender amps, the recognizable sound was pure 1960s SoCal surf-dance.

Concert: the Surfaris
Date: July 17
Venue: Belly Up
Seats: General admission



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Saturday, 7pm — Teagan Taylor Trio. Jazz and swing standards.

Vision Center for Spiritual Living:
Thursday, 7pm — Rachel Drexler and San Diego’s New Voices. Drexler presents encore concert with up-and-coming SD singers. Performers are 15-78 years old, “though most are under 20.” 619-244-5571. \$10-\$15.

Winstons:
Thursday, 9:30pm — CH@NG3, Atlantis Rizing, Future Friends.
Friday — Monophonics. Funk/psychedelic/soul.
Saturday, 9:30pm — Tommy Dubs & the Seismic Levelers, Ease Up, KNG MKR. CD release party.
Monday, 9pm — The Electric Waste Band.
Wednesday, 9:30pm — Club Kingston. With Piracy Conspiracy, DJ Carlos Culture, DJ Jester.

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Saturday, 8pm — Sister Carol. Tribute to Marcus Garvey. \$12-\$15.

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August 23 — A Flock of Seagulls.
August 24 — Twista and Do or Die.
August 25 — El Dawg and JReal.
August 26 — Dieselboy.

710 Beach Club: 710 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-483-7844.
August 24 — Shoot Z Pier.
August 25 — Roxauf, Snakebyte, Back 2 Black.
August 31 — Reeform and Brewfish.

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August 24 — Gilbert Castellanos & Friends.
August 25 — Joe Marillo & Friends.
August 28 — Michael Jackson Tribute.

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 877-828-0891.
August 23 — Albert Lee.
August 24, *August 24* — Lalah Hathaway.
August 25 — Eric Johnson.
August 25 — Lalah Hathaway.
August 26, *August 26* — Christopher Cross.
August 28 — Jason Marsalis Vibes Quartet.
August 29 — Eleni Mandell and Charlie Wadhams.

ArtLab: 3536 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-283-1151.
August 24 — Hausmann Quartet.

Bar Pink: 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.
August 23 — Sauced.
August 24 — Bonkers! Dance Party.

August 25 — The Drowning Men.
August 27 — The Fire Eaters.
August 30 — Lord Howler and Phantom Radio.
August 31 — Fam Royal.

Belly Up: 143 South Cedros Ave., Solana Beach, 858-481-8140.
August 24 — Atomic Groove.
August 24 — Livin’ on a Prayer and Dust N Bones.
August 25 — Three Mile Pilot.
August 26 — Orgone.
August 28 — Concrete Blonde.
August 29 — The Old 97’s.
August 30 — Little Hurricane, Dead Feather Moon, Bunny Gang.
August 31 — Atomic Groove. Hips.

Bernardo Winery: 13330 Paseo del Verano Norte, Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-1866.
August 24 — Big Band Jazz Machine.
August 26 — Jimmy & Enrique.

Brick by Brick: 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.
August 24 — Winston Hussey Meets Milton Henry.
August 25 — Tall.
August 30 — Hobotorch.
August 31 — Janes Diction.
August 31 — Motley Crew 2, Black Out, Rattz.

Burlap: 12995 El Camino Real #21, Del Mar, 858-369-5700.
August 24 — Hixxen & Myron Eugene.
August 25 — Jon Wesley.
August 31 — Scott Roberts & Sanjay.

Calavera Hills Park: 2997 Glasgow Dr., Carlsbad.
August 24 — Johnny Polanco Orchestra.

California Center for the Arts, Escondido: 340 North Escondido Bl., Escondido, 760-839-4138.
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Friday, August 24 • 7:00
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Friday, September 7 • 7:30
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Monday, September 10 • 7:30
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Tuesday, September 11 • 8:00
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Thursday, September 13 • 7:30
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Saturday, September 15 • 7:00
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Tuesday, September 18 • 7:30
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Downstairs, at the restaurant bar, the patronage is a mix of hotel guests, passersby, and diners on a wait. Anyone can stroll in, and the downtown location attracts a colorful mix of people. For example, this big guy who sat down at the bar and ordered a martini with four olives in it. He had a body that looked like Rocky Balboa should have been punching him in a meat locker somewhere and a stringy, Fabio haircut. Two thoroughly wasted girls in their early 20s joined him and had a drink before stumbling off into the night.

It's hard to prevent the imagination from

running wild with that scenario. But don't let one creepy apple spoil the bunch; the clientele seemed otherwise wholesome.

Happy hour calls for \$6 specialty cocktails and \$6 bites from the bar menu, which offers mushroom-and-mascarpone ravioli, smoked lamb sausage, and a duck-and-endive salad.

Upstairs, at **LOUNGESix**, it's rooftop drinks by the pool, with private cabanas available for parties that want a killer view and executive service. Seating upstairs is, well, lounge-like. Between chaises and padded benches, it's easy to cozy up somewhere with an inspired cocktail and watch the moon pass overhead.

And those cocktails are fine. JSix is all about doing it the hard way. They infuse their own spirits and reach for the good stuff first



JSix bartenders reach for the good stuff first, rather than the plastic jug.

rather than the cheap booze in the plastic jug. The chili-infused mango margarita was a firecracker of a beverage, while an Aviation, a purple-tinted mix of gin and crème de violette that evoked scenes of barnstorm-

ing and Prohibition, was entirely the opposite. Both drinks, however, didn't skimp on the liquor.

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August 24 — Jimmy Cliff.
August 31 — Ozomatli.

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August 24, August 25 — Serious Guise.
August 31, September 1 — FX5.

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August 24 — Suicide Chords, Marching Mind, Interobang.
August 26 — Deception Past.
August 30 — Coda Reactor, Vena Cava, Black Dots.

Embarcadero Marina Park South: 206 Marina Park Way, Downtown San Diego.
August 23 — The Music of Michael Jackson.
August 24, August 25 — The Music of the Eagles.

Fluxx: 500 Fourth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-232-8100.
August 23 — Drop the Lime.

Gallagher's Pub & Grill: 5046 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-5300.
August 24 — Danny & the Tramp.
August 25 — Dannicus Live.
August 26 — The Hips.
August 31 — Keyser Soze.

The Grand Del Mar: 5300 Grand Del Mar Court, Carmel Valley, 858-314-2000.
August 26 — Patrizio Buanne.

The Griffin: 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-684-1816.
August 23 — Tumbleweed Wanderers and Jesse Lamnaca.
August 24 — Nancarrow, Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash, the Mother Belle.

August 25 — Alejandro Escovedo.
August 26 — Viva Apollo, Puzzled Eyes, Chocolate Revolution.
August 28 — Misc. Ailments, TONS, Olibata.
August 29 — HaleAmano and Ishmael & The Peacekeepers.
August 30 — KNG MKR, Split Finger, Anson.
August 31 — The Dreaming.
September 7 — Gram Rabbit and Tan Sister Radio.
September 15 — The Lions.
September 20 — Mindy Smith and Sara Petite.
September 22 — Zee Avi.
October 11 — Howlin Rain, Tea Leaf Green.
October 27 — Rusted Root and Lauren Mann.

Harrah's Rincon: 777 Harrah's Rincon Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100.
August 26 — REO Speedwagon.

House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-299-2583.

August 24 — Crizzly and Seven Lions.
August 27 — Jeremy Camp.
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August 30 — Ryan Beatty.
August 31 — Kottonmouth Kings.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club: 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Shelter Island, 619-224-3577.
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August 23 — Steve Martin & the Steep Canyon Rangers.
August 24 — Air Supply.

The Irenic: 3090 Polk Ave., North Park, 619-624-9335.
August 23 — Matt Embree.

Jimmy Love's: 672 Fifth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-595-0123.
August 23 — Aaron Durr.

August 24, August 25 — Chris James.
August 28 — Bosen & Suede.
August 30 — Ryan Hiller.

The Kensington Club: 4079 Adams Ave., Kensington, 619-284-2848.
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Kitty Diamond: 3780 Park Bl., Hillcrest, 619-546-4642.
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August 31 — Circle 7 and Psychothermia.

Larry's Beach Club: 1145 S. Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-439-6646.
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Lestat's Coffee House: 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437.
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August 23 — Bill Magee Blues Band.
August 24 — 145th Street.
August 25 — Family Style.
August 26 — Mystique Element of Soul.
August 29 — Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak.
August 30 — Missy Andersen.
August 31 — Funk's Most Wanted.

Point Loma Nazarene University: 3900 Lomaland Dr., Point Loma, 619-849-2433.
September 21 — John Reynolds' Jazz Quintet.
October 5 — "A Hot Night of Cool."
October 26 — "Cantate."

Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier: 1000 North Harbor Dr., Downtown San Diego.
September 2 — Summersplash Reggae on the Bay.

Porter's Pub at UCSD: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-587-4828.
September 13 — Hopsin.
September 14 — Brother Ali.
September 15 — Roach Gigz.
October 11 — Grimes.

Pounders: 125 W. Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-739-1288.
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Poway Center for the Performing Arts: 15498 Espola Rd., Poway, 858-748-0505.
September 22 — "O Berkeley, Where Hart Thou?"
October 12 — Jake Shimabukuro.
October 27 — Natalie MacMaster.

Prescott Promenade: 211 1/2 E. Main St., El Cajon.
August 24 — Mar Dels.
August 31 — Hot Rod Lincoln.
September 7 — Back to the Garden.
September 21 — Caliber.
September 28 — Sue Palmer & Her Motel Swing Orchestra.
October 10 — Tom Hyatt & the Sundown Riders.

Quality Social: 789 Sixth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-501-7675.
August 29 — DJ Dick Grayson and Maleko.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub: 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008.
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Roots Factory: 1878 Main St., Barrio Logan, 619-791-4234.
August 25 — Outernational.

Ruby Room: 1271 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-7372.
August 24 — Implants, Eken Is Dead, Prosthetic Arms.
August 25 — Sadistic Intent, Creptus, Demolition.
August 31 — Beneath Lanston,

Latex Grenade, Zone of the Interior.
September 1 — Interrobang and Capital Grey.

Salk Institute for Biological Studies: 10010 North Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolla, 858-453-4100.
August 25 — LeAnn Rimes.

San Diego Civic Theatre: 1100 Third Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-570-1100.
October 5 — Rain — A Tribute To The Beatles.
November 24 — Straight No Chaser.
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San Diego Woman's Club: 2557 Third Ave., Bankers Hill.
September 21 — Saul Williams.

Sapphire 18+ Lounge & Hookah: 4076 Bonita Rd., Bonita, 619-470-8000.
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August 26 — Sue Palmer and Her Motel Swing Orchestra.
September 2 — The Heroes.

Second Wind (Santee): 8528 Magnolia Ave., Santee, 619-596-8350.
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August 24 — Revenge Death Ball, Chiefs, Brass Knuckle Voodoo.
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Out first year at Supergirl Pro but a great year it was! A lovely evening out of the office up at Oceanside Pier SS. The event was sponsored well by Paul Mitchell so thanks to them as well. Great action and honestly, I can say with 100% confidence: women's surfing is more fun to watch than men's. Next week we're all up in the Identity Festival, scan the Qr and come join us!

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DEETS

Clairemont, 858-274-7269.
September 29 — Bone Yard.

Soda Bar: 3615 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-255-7224.
August 25 — Burning of Rome, Judgement Day, Silian Ray.

Solana Beach Presbyterian Church: 120 Stevens Ave., Solana Beach.
December 8 — Masterpiece Messiah.

Soma: 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.
August 24 — At Tide We Sail, Focus in Frame, Latex Grenade.
August 25 — Slugfest, Cycero.

Space 4 Art: 325 15th St., East Village, 619-269-7230.
August 25 — "The Art of Sound in San Diego."
September 5 — Fresh Sound Returns!
October 2 — Fresh Sound Music: Crossovers.

Spreckels Theatre: 121 Broadway, Downtown San Diego, 619-235-9500.
October 3 — The Head and the Heart.
October 13 — Patti Smith.

St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church: 743 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-459-3421.
December 10 — Masterpiece Messiah.

The Stage Rock Bar & Grill: 762 Fifth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-696-9436.
August 23 — Van Roth.
August 24 — Skool Knights.
August 25 — Pass the Dutchie.
August 25 — Reggae Party, DJ Miss Dust.

August 30 — Van Roth.
August 31 — Jester's Fate.

Sunshine Brooks Theatre: 217 N. Coast Hwy., Oceanside, 760-529-9140.
September 21 — Southern Stue.

Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre: 5469 Casino Way, El Cajon, 619-445-6002.
August 25 — David Cassidy.
August 30 — Jerrod Niemann.
September 30 — Mark Chesnutt.

Tango Del Rey: 3567 Del Rey St., Pacific Beach, 858-794-9044.
August 31 — "Wes Bound."

Tin Can Ale House: 1863 Fifth Ave., Bankers Hill, 619-955-8525.
September 8 — The Podunk Poets.

Town and Country Village Shopping Center: 350 North Second St., El Cajon.
August 23, August 30 — Summer Rodeo.

The Turquoise Café-Bar Europa: 873 Turquoise St., Pacific Beach, 858-488-4200.
September 8, September 22, October 6, October 20 — Peligroso Caramelo.

U-31: 3112 University Ave., North Park, 619-584-4188.
September 7 — Smoov-E.

USS Midway Museum: 910 North Harbor Dr., Downtown San Diego, 619-544-9600.
September 8 — The Family Stone.

Valley View Casino Center: 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171.
September 23 — Red Hot Chili Peppers.
October 4 — The Black Keys.

October 24 — Bob Dylan & His Band and Mark Knopfler.
February 5 — The Who: Quadrophonia and More.

Veranda at Rancho Bernardo Inn: 17550 Bernardo Oaks Dr., Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8555.
September 20 — Steven Ybarra.

Viejas Arena: 5500 Canyon Crest Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.
September 21 — Yuri.

Wine Steals: 1953 San Elijo Ave., Cardiff, 760-230-2657.
August 28 — Robin Henkel.

Winstons: 1921 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-6822.
August 24 — Agua Dulce.
August 25 — Elev8.
August 27 — The Electric Waste Band.
August 28 — Dazed and Confused.
August 29 — Club Kingston.
September 3 — The Electric Waste Band.
September 7 — Jet West.

Woodland Park: Woodland Parkway at Rock Springs Rd., San Marcos, 760-735-8589.
August 25 — Sue Palmer.
September 7 — Clay Colton Band.

WorldBeat Cultural Center: 2100 Park Bl., Balboa Park, 619-230-1190.
August 25 — Roots Reggae Dub Expo 2012.
September 22 — The Abyssinians.

Zel's Del Mar: 1247 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-0076.
August 25 — Robin Henkel.
August 31 — Cadillac Wreckers Duo.

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Thursday, August 16
8:30pm • Rock & Blues
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Friday, August 17
9:30pm • Classic Rock
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Saturday, August 18
9:30pm • Rock
Caliber

Sunday, August 19
8pm • Smooth Jazz
Reggie Smith w/ DJ John Phillips

Monday, August 20
7pm • Blues
Backwater Blues Band

Tuesday, August 21
8:30pm • Latin Rock
Todo Mundo

Wednesday, August 22
8pm • Jazz Vocalist
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ALLIED GARDENS

Emilianos Mexican Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 2-6pm: \$2 off flavored and Cadillac margaritas. \$2 off all appetizers.

ALPINE

Donato's Italian Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 glass Bud Light, \$6 pitcher; \$3.50 house wine.

BALBOA PARK

The Prado: Tuesday-Saturday, 4-6pm, 8-10pm: \$4.50 wells, wine, draft ale, margaritas, mixed drinks.

BANKERS HILL

Avenue 5: Monday, 4-7pm: three-course prix fixe dinner: \$25. Tuesday, 4-7pm: 1/2-off second purchased appetizer. Wednesday, 4-7pm: no corkage. Thursday, 4-7pm: \$3 select beer. Friday, 4-7pm; \$7 infused cocktails all night. Saturday, All night happy

hour starts at 4pm. Sunday, 4-7pm: no corkage. All day: \$5 bloody marys.

Bertrand at Mister A's: Monday-Friday, 2:30-6pm: \$5 wells, \$6 wine, \$13.50 cocktails, \$6 nonalcoholic drinks, \$7 appetizers. Bar or patio only. No Happy Hour in December.

BAY PARK

The High Dive: Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 9-11pm: \$3 wells, \$2 off local drafts, \$1 off wine, \$4 off bottles of wine, \$1 off specialty-drink menu.

BONITA

Sapphire 18+ Lounge & Hookah: Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm: \$1 off wine and bottled beer, \$2 off wells and drafts.

CARDIFF

Chart House: Monday-Friday, 3-6:30pm: \$4 wells, drafts. \$5 cocktails, wine. \$6 martinis. \$4 spinach & artichoke dip, \$5 firecracker shrimp, \$6 wood-fired pizzas.

CARLSBAD

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.

On the Tracks Brewery and Tasting Room: Thursday, 5-7pm: Ladies, pints of all beers \$2.

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Conway's Irish Pub: Daily, 10am-8pm: \$2.75 domestic drafts and bottles; \$2.75 and \$3.75 wells.

CARMEL VALLEY

Arterra: Monday, 3-6pm: \$5 Kanon vodka you-call-its, \$7 Kanon vodka martinis. Tuesday, 3-6pm: \$4 Trumer

Pilsner, \$7 margaritas. Wednesday, 3-6pm: \$8 Grey Goose you-call-its, \$10 Grey Goose martinis. Thursday, 3-6pm: \$4 off Japanese whiskey. Friday, 3-6pm: \$4 primo drafts and big cans, \$6 Skyy you-call-its, \$8 Skyy martinis. Saturday, 3-6pm: \$5 draft beer, \$6 well liquors, \$8 select cocktails.

CHULA VISTA

Achiote Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$1 beer, \$3.99 margaritas.

Veni Vidi Vici: Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$1 off all draft and well liquors. 1/2-price appetizers.

CITY HEIGHTS

The Tower Bar: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 wells and import drafts.

CLAIREMONT

Blarney Stone Pub: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$.50 off all drinks.

Fat Tony's Pizza: Monday-Thursday, 4-8pm: \$2 glass/\$8 pitcher Yellowtail, Blue Moon, Big Eye, Coors Light. \$5 pizza, wings, salad.

COLLEGE AREA

Pal Joey's: Daily, all day: \$3 personal pitchers.

CORONADO

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.

Village Pizzeria: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm, 9pm-close: \$3.50 drafts, \$5 wine by the glass. \$2 off artichoke hearts and mozzarella sticks.

Yummy Sushi: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3 pints, \$4 large hot sake. 20-50% off appetizers.

DEL MAR

Brigantine: Daily, 4-6pm: \$4 Brig brew, \$4.75 margarita, \$5.50 chardonnay, \$1 off featured wine. Discounted fish tacos.

Zel's Del Mar: Daily, 4-6:30pm: \$1 off drafts & premium drinks, \$2 off wines by glass, \$3.50 wells. \$4 fried calamari, \$5 fish tacos, \$10 burger & beer.

DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

Anthony's Fish Grotto: Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm: \$3 draft, Anthony's white wine; \$4 wells, \$5 calls. \$2.75 fish tacos, \$3 lettuce wraps, \$4.50 tostado.

Downtown Johnny Brown's: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$1 off wine; 40% off bar menu.

Dussini Loft Bar: Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 9-10pm: \$1 off wells, drafts. 1/2-off sliders, onion rings, calamari. Friday-Saturday, 10-11pm: \$1 off wells, drafts. 1/2-off sliders, onion rings, calamari.

The Fish Market: Monday-Thursday, 3-6pm: \$2.95 bottled domestics, \$4.25 drafts. \$1.25 oyster 1/2 shell; \$5.95 mahi sliders, prawns, calamari.

Funky Garcia's Mexican Restaurant: Monday, Wednesday, All day: \$3.50 drafts, bottles; \$4 wells; \$5 Patrón & Don Julio shots. Friday-Sunday, 9-11pm: \$3.50 drafts, bottles; \$4 wells; \$5 Patrón & Don Julio shots.

La Gran Tapa: Daily, 5-6:30pm: \$3 artisan drafts, \$4 wines. \$3 marinated mushrooms, bread/dipping sauces; \$4 salad, frittata.

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The Local: *Tuesday*, 4pm-close: \$3 Mexican beers, margaritas; \$2.50 tacos. *Wednesday*, 4-10pm: \$10 pitchers; \$1 sliders. *Thursday*, 4pm-close: \$3 wells, select drafts/bottles; \$3 fish tacos. *Friday*, 3-7pm: \$3 wells, \$1 off local drafts; \$2 off nachos, quesadillas. *Saturday*, noon-9pm: \$6 Dos Equis draft & whiskey or tequila shot.

Patrick's Gaslamp Pub: *Daily*, 10am-8pm; 11pm-close: domestics from \$2.50, wells from \$3.25.

The Stage Rock Bar & Grill: *Daily*, 5-8pm: 1/2-off all wells, beer, wine.

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EAST VILLAGE

Hive Sushi Lounge: *Daily*, 5-7pm: \$2 domestic, \$4 micro, \$2.50 sake, \$3.50 well, \$4 house wine. Miso, edamame, \$99.

Monkey Paw: *Monday-Friday*, 5-8pm: \$1 off drafts and cocktails.

EL CAJON

Blarney Stone Pub: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$1-\$2 off liquor.

Main Tap Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$1 off 16-oz. pints, \$2 off pitchers, \$3.50 wells.

ENCINITAS

Blue Fin Sushi Bar: *Tuesday-Thursday*, 5-6pm: 1/2-off wine, beer, select sake, gyozas, stuffed mushrooms, sushi rolls.

Union Kitchen & Tap: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$2 off craft cocktails; \$4 drafts, \$6 select wine glasses. \$9 flatbreads.

ESCONDIDO

Vinz Wine Bar & Tasting Room: *Monday-Thursday*, 3-6pm: \$6 wine, tapas, premium and eclectic beer; \$4.50 wells. *Saturday*, noon-5pm: \$6 wine, tapas, premium and eclectic beer; \$4.50 wells.

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Set 'Em Up, Joe!

BY JOSEPH O'BRIEN



SCOTT WATKINS
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The late barroom balladeer Jim Crocé penned "Lover's Cross" as a bittersweet break-up song, and perhaps there's a bit of that to the drink which the song inspired at Crocé's Jazz Bar and Grill, the establishment his wife Ingrid Crocé opened 12 years after his death in 1973.

But according to Crocé's general manager Scott Watkins, who developed the drink, the Lover's Cross brings personalities together that don't (at first glance, anyway) easily lend themselves to the idea of a work-

able relationship.

Watkins tells me he developed the Lover's Cross after introducing fruit and vegetable, vinegar and herb to a couple shots of vodka.

"I like to use products that we use in our kitchen to pair our drinks to our food," he says. I'm crossing all kinds of boundaries here with tomatoes and grapes — and adding a white balsamic reduction, as well."

The drink, Watkins says, hits the taste buds with bitter and sweet and salty and sour.

"The first flavor you taste is going to be the balsamic reduction," he says. "It's very pronounced throughout the entire drink — it's the one flavor profile that carries through. Once that hits your palate, the tomatoes take over, and as that subsides, it goes right to the grapes — the last thing you really taste is the vodka, which washes everything clean."

CROCE'S LOVERS CROSS



In a cocktail shaker, muddle:
• 3 pear or grape tomatoes
• 9 red grapes
Fill with ice and add:
• 1 oz. white balsamic reduction*
• 2 oz. Ketel One vodka
Shake, strain into a martini glass, top with a leaf of fresh basil.

*White Balsamic Reduction
Reduce at low to medium heat:
• 8 oz. white balsamic vinegar
• ½ teaspoons sugar
Reduce ingredients in saucepan over low to medium heat for 8–10 minutes.

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 beer/wine/spirits. \$5 burger, chicken sandwich, hot links + chips.

GRANTVILLE

Tio Leo's: *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$3 domestic & Mexican pints; \$4 house margaritas, wells; \$5 quesadillas, hot dogs, tacos.

HARBOR ISLAND

The Boathouse: *Daily*, 2:30-5pm: \$1.99 margaritas, \$3 Cuervo margaritas and Karl Strauss, \$4 mojitos.

HILLCREST

Busalacchi's A Modo Mio: *Monday*, 4pm-6:30pm. 1/2 off Wine Bottles. *Tuesday*, 4pm-6:30pm. *Wednesday*, 4pm-6:30pm. All martinis 1/2 off. Live Music. *Thursday-Friday*, 4pm-6:30pm. Live Music. *Saturday*, Brunch 9am-2pm; \$2 Mimosas. Live Music. 4pm-6:30pm. *Sunday*, Brunch 9am-2pm; \$2 Mimosas. 4pm-6:30pm.

Wine Steals: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$4 for 8 different glasses of wine. \$2 select pizza slices. *Saturday*, 4-6pm: \$10 wine tasting of 10 wines. *Sunday*, 11am-run out: 1/2-off red & white wine flights, \$10 for 6 half glasses wine.

IMPERIAL BEACH

The Salty Frog: *Tuesday*, 6-10pm: "Toss it Tuesday" — each drink has 50/50 chance of costing a quarter. *Thursday-Saturday*, 9pm-close: \$5 Jäger bombs and Fireball shots. *Sun-*

day, 1-9pm: \$4 bloody mary bar; \$3 Smirnoff flavors.

KEARNY MESA

94th Aero Squadron: *Monday-Friday*, 3:30-6:30pm: \$2.75 glass wine, draft beer; \$3.25 most domestic bottled beer; \$3.50 margaritas. Free buffet: pizza, quesadillas, veggies.

KENSINGTON

Til-Two: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$3 wells and imported drafts.

LA JOLLA

Bird Rock Pizza & Sports: *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: \$3 pint, \$12 pitcher; \$7.50 pint with appetizer, \$15 pitcher with appetizer. *Saturday-Sunday*, all day: \$3 pint, \$12 pitcher; \$7.50 pint with appetizer, \$15 pitcher with appetizer.

La Jolla Brew House: *Friday-Saturday*, 10pm-1am: \$2 Off Pints; \$3 Wells & Wines; Buy Any Pizza Get One Free.

Su Casa: *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: 1/2-off wells and appetizers (excludes seafood & guacamole).

Sushi on the Rock: *Daily*, 5-6:30pm: \$2 sake, Coors Light; \$3 sake; \$4 Soju spritz; \$5 house wine.

\$1.75 vegetarian roll, \$2.75 spicy tuna roll, \$4 potstickers.

LA MESA

Centifonti's Restaurant: *Monday-Saturday*, 3-7pm: \$3 drafts, wells. All day Tuesday and Friday: \$2 Mexican bottled beer.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill: *Tuesday-Thursday, Sunday*, 3-7pm & 9pm-close: \$1 off drafts, glasses of wine, mixed drinks; \$3 off bottles of wine. *Friday-Saturday*, 3-7pm: \$1 off drafts, glasses of wine, mixed drinks; \$3 off bottles of wine.

Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room: *Monday-Thursday, Sunday*, 4-6pm & 9pm-close: \$1 off cocktails, drafts. 1/2-off onion/cheese garlic bread, tater tots, onion rings. *Friday-Saturday*, 4-6pm: \$1 off cocktails, drafts. 1/2-off onion/cheese garlic bread, tater tots, onion rings.

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.

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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

Padre Gold: *Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2 domestic bottles, \$2.75 wells, \$3.50 small domestic pitchers, \$6.50 large. Thursday, 4-9pm: \$10 bucket of five domestic beers.*

Tio Leo's: *Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 domestic & Mexican pints; \$4 house margaritas, wells; \$5 quesadillas, hot dogs, tacos.*

LITTLE ITALY

The Glass Door Restaurant & Lounge: *Daily, 3-7pm: \$5 specialty cocktails (Mojitron, Ginger Pear Smash, mint-tea juleps, margaritas, & Cuba Libres). \$3 French dipper sliders, \$10 charcuterie platter & artisan cheese plate.*

Puerto la Boca: *Daily, 4:30-7:30pm: \$3 house wine, \$3.50 drafts, wells, \$6 house martini. 30% off appetizers.*

MIDWAY DISTRICT

The 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.*

Wine Steals: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$4 for 8 different glasses of wine. \$2 select pizza slices. Saturday, 4-6pm: \$10 wine tasting of 10 wines. Sunday, 11am-run out: 1/2-off red*

& white wine flights, \$10 for 6 half glasses wine.

MIRA MESA

Callahan's Pub & Brewery: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 select house beer, select domestic drafts, well drinks, house wine. \$1 off Irish nachos, pub chips, herb/garlic/cheese bread.*

MIRAMAR

Brewski's Bar: *Monday, 2pm-2am: \$2 PBR and Bud tall cans. Tuesday, 2pm-2am: \$2 Dos Equis and Coronas. Wednesday, 2pm-2am: 1/2-off all food. Thursday, 2pm-2am: \$3 Jäger bombs. Friday, 2pm-2am: \$3 Fireball shots. Saturday, 2pm-2am: \$4 Long Islands. Sunday, 2pm-2am: \$2 well drinks.*

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

Sandbar Sports Grill: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 wells, domestic bottles/drafts; \$4 premium & import bottles/drafts. \$3.50 mahi taco, discounted nachos, calamari.*

MISSION HILLS

The Aero Club: *Daily, 2pm-2am: \$.50 off beer and wells.*

Starlite: *Monday-Saturday, 5-7pm: \$3 drafts, wells, \$1 off other. Sunday, all night: \$5 mules. \$15 off wine bottles.*

MISSION VALLEY

The Amigo Spot at Kings Inn: *Daily, 4-7pm: Margaritas.*

Randy Jones All American Sports Grill: *Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3.75 selected craft beers, \$5 specialty drinks, \$2 off wine by the glass and grazing menu.*

NATIONAL CITY

Pier 32 Waterfront Grill: *Friday, 3pm-sunset: \$2 domestic beer, \$3 import and local beer, \$5 house wine, mimosas, 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

The Air Conditioned Lounge: *Monday-Friday, 4-8pm: \$3 draft, bloody marys; \$5 you-call-it; \$6 Jayne's Gastropub fare.*

Triple Crown Pub: *Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off pitchers. Saturday, noon-7pm: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off pitchers.*

NORTH PARK

Bar Pink: *Monday-Friday, 4-8pm: \$1 off drafts and calls.*

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 Smoking Goat: *Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm: 1/2-off select bottles of wine.*

Splash: *Tuesday, all day: 1/2-price wine. Wednesday, Sunday, all day: \$3 select wine and beer. Thursday-Saturday, 4-6pm: \$3 select wine and beer.*

Toronado: *Daily, 11:30am-5pm: \$1 off drafts.*

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Aryana at Holiday Inn: *Daily*, 5-7pm: \$2 domestics, wells; \$3 premiums, glass of wine. Appetizer specials.

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The Flying Bridge: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$3 beer, \$4 wine. 20% off appetizers.

Rockin' Baja Lobster: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$3 pints, wells, \$4 wines, margaritas, \$5 Long Islands, 25-oz. drafts. 1/2-off starters. *Saturday-Sunday*, 9pm-close: \$3 pints, wells, \$4

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Tremont Street Bar & Grill: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$4 wells, house wine. \$1 off all beer.

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Acapulco Mexican Restaurant: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: 1/2-price appetizers, \$1 soft taco, \$3 draft beer, \$3.50 well, house wine, \$3.95 house margarita.

Cosmopolitan Hotel and Restaurant: *Daily*, 3-6pm: House wines and drafts, \$4. House drinks, \$4.50.

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.

Wine Cabana: *Monday*, till close: \$5 off Malbec. *Tuesday*, till 7pm: 1/2-price appetizers. *Wednesday*, Girl's Night Out: complimentary chocolate fondue. *Thursday*, till 7pm: \$3 beers, 1/2-price appetizers. *Saturday*, till 7pm: \$3 beers, disco with DJ & Pj. *Sunday*, till close: \$4 Sangria; live jazz at 5pm.

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Sinbad Café: *Daily*, 4-8pm: \$1.50 drafts, \$2 wells, shots, \$2.50 imports. 11am-8pm: \$12-\$15 hookahs.

Tiki House: *Monday*, all day: \$1 off microbrews. *Tuesday*, all day: \$3 all pints. *Wednesday*, all day: \$3.75 "Tiki Coors" (22 oz). *Thursday*, all day: \$3-\$10 Wine of the Month. *Friday-Saturday*, all day: \$3 Miller High Life bottles. *Sunday*, all day: \$3 Coors pints.

Tony Roma's: *Daily*, 1-4pm: \$3 wells, drafts. \$3 off appetizers.

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Jimmy's Famous American Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: 1/2-off all appetizers, drafts, wells, and select house wine.

Riley's Music Lounge: *Monday*, 4pm-1am: \$2 domestic drafts & wells. *Tuesday*, 4pm-1am: \$3 Hyns. *Wednesday*, 4pm-1am: \$3 Jacks. *Thursday*, 4pm-1am: \$2 kamikazes. *Friday*, 8pm-10pm: \$3 you-call-its (up to premium). *Saturday*, 4pm-1am: \$3 all flavors Smirnoff. *Sunday*, 4pm-1am: \$3 vodka cranberry.

POWAY

Phileas Fogg's Bar & Restaurant: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic pints/\$7.95 pitcher, \$3.50 import pints/\$11.95 pitcher. \$2.95 cheese quesadilla, \$3.95 chicken wings.

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Boll Weevil Restaurant: *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: \$2 off all pitchers.

RANCHO BERNARDO

Bernard'O Restaurant: *Monday-Saturday*, 4:30-7pm: \$4 wells, \$2.75 domestic, \$3.50 imported/specialty, \$4.75 house margarita, \$5 house wine.

Kelly's Public House: *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$8 pitchers, \$3.50 wells, house wines.

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Deli Stop Sports Pub: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$1 off all beer; \$3 Corona or glass of wine. \$1 off all appetizers.

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Da Boyz Pizza & Pasta: *Monday-Thursday, Sunday*, 2-6pm, 9pm-close: \$2 draft, \$3 glass select wine.

Press Box Sports Lounge: *Monday*, 4-7pm, 10pm-midnight: \$1 off wells, all drafts. \$4 martinis. *Tuesday*, 4-7pm, 10pm-midnight: \$1 off wells, all drafts. \$3 you-call-its. *Wednesday*, 4-7pm, 10pm-midnight: \$1 off wells, all drafts. 1/2-off wine bottles. *Thursday-Friday*, 4-7pm, 10pm-midnight: \$1 off wells, all drafts. *Saturday*, all day: \$3 mimosas & bloody marys.

RANCHO SANTA FE

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The Jumping Turtle: *Monday*, 11am-close: PBR \$2.75/pint, \$6.75/pitcher. *Tuesday*, 11am-close: \$2 Corona, Pacifico, margaritas. *Wednesday*, 11am-close: \$4 drop drinks. *Thursday*, 7pm-close: \$3 Jäger, \$2.50 Bud Lime. *Friday*, 5pm-midnight: \$5 Long Islands. *Saturday*, 11am-close: \$3 Orange Patrón, Tanqueray. *Sunday*, 11am-close: \$2.50 bloody marys.

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Hamilton's Tavern: *Daily*, 5-8pm: \$1 off local drafts.

Whistle Stop Bar: *Monday-Friday*, 5-8pm: \$1 off all cocktails, pints. *Saturday-Sunday*, 2-8pm: \$1 off all cocktails, pints.

SPRING VALLEY

California Comfort: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, wells, house wine.

Fannie's Nightclub: *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$.50 off all drinks.

TIERRASANTA

Bellagio Ristorante & Bakery: *Monday*, 4-7pm: 10% off for military. \$2 drafts. *Wednesday*, 4-7pm: 1/2-off select wine bottles. *Friday*, 4-7pm: \$10 wine flights.

JP's Pub: *Monday-Friday*, 4:30-6:30pm: \$2.50 wells, domestic drafts, \$3.25 house wine.

UCSD

Porter's Pub at UCSD: *Daily*, 11am-7pm \$3 Menu; 4pm-7pm \$1 off all beer.

UNIVERSITY CITY

Apollonia Greek Bistro: *Daily*, 3:30-6:30pm: \$3 ouzo apéritif, \$2 bottled beers, \$3 wine by the glass.

Cozymel's Mexican Grill: *Monday-Saturday*, 4pm-close: \$2.25 Coors Light draft, \$3.25 Dos Equis draft; discounted appetizers. (All day Sunday.)

Donovan's Steak and Chop House: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$8 martinis (complimentary steak sandwiches and burritos 4-6pm).

Michael's Lounge in the Hyatt Regency: *Daily*, 5-7pm: \$4 drafts and well cocktails.

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Babbo's Bar and Grille: *Daily*, 4:30-6:30pm: \$3.95 wells, drafts, wine.

Cheers: *Monday-Friday*, 11am-7pm: \$2.50 domestic bottles. \$3 single wells. \$3.50 domestic drafts.

Small Bar: *Monday-Friday*, 5-8pm: \$1 off drafts and cocktails.

VALLEY CENTER

Casa Reveles Mexican & Seafood Restaurant: *Monday-Friday*, 2-6pm: \$2 domestic. \$3 imports, wells. Discounted appetizers.

VISTA

Chili Coast Burgers: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$.50-.75 off tap beer.

Jumping Bean Cafe & Mexican Grill: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$2 domestic, imports, \$2.75 margaritas, \$3 wells, microbrews, \$4 Leaping Horse wine. 3-5pm: \$1.50 chicken or carnitas street tacos.

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Altar Boyz

Noah Longton presents the musical comedy about a fictitious Christian boy-band on the last night of their national "Raise the Praise" tour. Songs include "Rhythm In Me," "The Calling," and "I Believe." DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BL., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-220-0097. 8PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY, 7PM SATURDAY, 10PM SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY.

An Iliad

La Jolla Playhouse presents Denis O'Hare's one-man adaptation of Homer's epic about the Trojan War. Lisa Peterson directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9.

Anything Goes

Moonlight Stage Productions presents Cole Porter's classic musical. On an ocean liner bound from New York to London, "two unlikely

pairs set off on a course to true love." Jon Engstrom directed and choreographed.

MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE IN BRENLE TERRACE PARK, 1200 VALE TERRACE, VISTA. 760-724-2110. 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 8.

As You Like It

Run to it! Dana Green's doing a spectacular Rosalind, one of Shakespeare's smartest women, and the Adrian Noble-directed production's a wall-to-wall charmer. Banished gentry flee to a wintry Forest of Arden (Deidre Clancy's costumes sport a modern dress, Nordic look), where they rebalance themselves and, in the case of swoony Orlando, learn to fall in love. The ensemble work is tops, as are individual efforts by Jacques C. Smith as the melancholy Jacques, Dan Amboyer as Orlando, Vivian Font as Ceilia, and, of course, Green's conjuring Rosalind [runs in repertory with *Inherit the Wind* and *Richard III*]. **Critic's Pick.**

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM TUESDAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30.

David Steinberg: Still Disguised as a Normal Person

La Jolla Playhouse presents a workshop production by David Steinberg: a look back at his career. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 7:30PM FRIDAYS, 7:30PM SATURDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 25.

God of Carnage

Yasmina Reza's Darwinian farce

reverses what Hamlet tells Horatio: there may be less to heaven and earth than is dreamt of in our philosophy. Two couples try to arbitrate an attack on a playground. They are civil. Then things fall apart. In inevitable, hilarious stages, they regress from restraint to blithering lunatics. Reza writes plays for actors. Her characters don't have traditional arcs, moving from A to B; they're more like precipitous falls from grace. Under Richard Seer's expert direction, Caitlin Muelder, Lucas Caleb Rooney, Erika Rolfsrud, and T. Ryder Smith get a workout at the White Theatre.

Critic's Pick.

SHERYL AND HARVEY WHITE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2.

Inherit the Wind

The play, based on the famous Scopes "Monkey Trial" of 1925, puts the "right to think" on trial as well. Director Adrian Noble's production unfolds, physically, like a musical: 25 actors fill the stage with life. Willy Robert Foxworth (Drummond) and a rhetorical Adrian Sparks (Brady) debate evolution vs. creationism. The closed- vs. open-minded attitudes behind the debate are as current as the clock on the wall. [runs in repertory with *Richard III* and *As You Like It*]. **Critic's Pick**

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM TUESDAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH

SEPTEMBER 25.

Man of La Mancha

Sean Murray, who also directed, has played Cervantes/Quixote twice before. Now he's the right age, and his excellent voice resonates with the great Spanish writer and his saintly goofball man of La Mancha. The production has a swift, improvisational feel, though the performances are a mite uneven. Brian Barbarin (Sancho), Kurt Norby, David Kirk Grant (who also plays flamenco guitar), eye-patched Linda Libby, and vibrant Katie Whalley support throughout and, when called upon, shine. Sean Fanning's dank dungeon and ominously descending stairs, along with Jeanne Reith's brown, battered costumes, capture what's at stake.

Worth a try.

CYGNET THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 26.

miXtape

Jon Lorenz and Colleen Kollar Smith, creators of this revue of 1980s music, say that favorite songs "mark your memories." *miXtape* is performed with rampant energy and polish by an eight-person cast. Memory-triggers zip past: Pet Rocks, Pac-Man, Nelson Mandela, AIDS. Most of the songs are actually song-bites. But backed by Andy Ingersoll's versatile band and under Kerry Meads's feisty direction, *miXtape* is always entertaining — and memory-provoking. (Note: Lamb's Players has extended the run several times.) 619-437-0600. **Worth a try.**

HORTON GRAND HOTEL, 311 ISLAND

AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 800-542-1886. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 4PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 25.

My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish, & I'm Still In Therapy!

Steve Solomon returns to town with a sequel to his "in Therapy," including bits about his twin sister ("the Smoker") and "mixed marriages, growing up, dogs, cats..." LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-544-1000. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 2PM WEDNESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9.

National Comedy Theatre

The National Comedy Theatre presents a 100-minute improv comedy show based completely on audience suggestions. The show is "appropriate for all audiences." NATIONAL COMEDY THEATRE, 3717 INDIA ST., MISSION HILLS. 619-295-4999. 7:30PM FRIDAYS, 9:45PM FRIDAYS, 7:30PM SATURDAYS, 9:45PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, OPEN-ENDED RUN.

Night Stage to Big Shaft

Peggy Sue Productions presents a dinner-theater show set in 1853. "When a new mine and a dead lawyer are discovered, everyone becomes a suspect." MIKKI'S CAFE, 1639 EAST VALLEY PARKWAY, ESCONDIDO. 7:30PM FRIDAYS, 7:30PM SATURDAYS, OPEN-ENDED RUN.

Richard III

This Richard's an acquired taste: Jay Whittaker's a manic gargoyle

ripped from the facade of a Gothic cathedral. He cackles, does a one-legged goose-step — half a Hitler? — and deforms all in his path. Most characters are set-ups for Richard's schemes. The able cast fleshes them out as best they can (all are well-spoken and honor the lengthy text). Directed by Lindsay Posner, the modern dress production includes concrete slabs covered with graffiti [note: runs in repertory with *Inherit the Wind* and *As You Like It*]. **Worth a try.**

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM TUESDAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9.

See How They Run

Lamb's Players Stages Philip King's "caper" set in war-time Britain with mistaken identities and unexpected visitors. Robert Smyth directed. LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 4PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23.

The Dixie Swim Club

Different Stages presents four weekends in the lives of former swim team members who meet at a beach cottage "and meddle in each other's lives." Jerry Pilato directed. ELECTRIC LADYLAND, 4944 NEWPORT AVE., OCEAN BEACH. 619-523-5239. 8PM FRIDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 24.

The Lion in Winter

OnStage Playhouse presents James Goldman's comedy-drama about King Henry II, his wife Eleanor of Aquitaine, and one of history's most dysfunctional



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(3) A date with a Gap model ends in disaster when the couple returns home to seal the deal only to find his ex inside a dumpster digging through the trash.

Skits likely to air during the last ten minutes of SNL or three of about a dozen sketches that amount to *Celeste and Jesse Forever*? (Please don't let on if you think the title of this sinking ship is in any way a tribute to Jacques Rivette's *Celine and Julie Go Boating*.)

What with *Take This Waltz*, *Dark Horse*, and now *Celeste and Jesse*, it's been *Arrested Development* August at local art houses. Directed by relative unknown Lee Toland Krieger and cowritten by Will McCormack and star Rashida Jones, what had

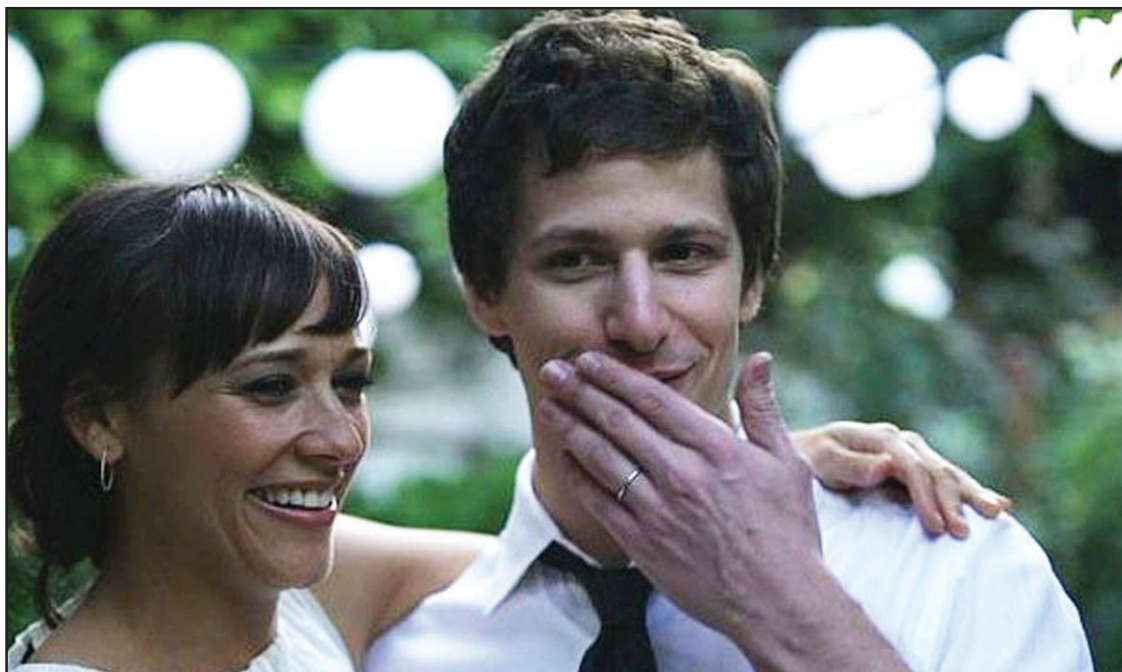
the makings of a tuned-in romcom quickly evolves into a hipster's *Annie Hall*.

Celeste (Jones) and Jesse (Andy Samberg) are happily separated. She runs a successful media consulting firm while he enjoys the fruits of unemployment. In spite of their pending divorce, Jesse still occupies the studio behind Celeste's home and the couple spends a good deal of their non-working hours together.

Adam Sandler isn't given an "Additional Baby Talk by" credit, but his influence is felt in every one of his protege's eye-rolls and winking horse-toothed grins. Not unlike his mentor, Samberg does his best work between commercials, and while the film is much more about Celeste than Jesse, the infantile skit-comic brings so little to the table it's a wonder Celeste can bear to occupy a frame of film with him, let alone a six-year marriage.

Jones is a charming and very tal-

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Celeste and Jesse Forever: more Celeste than Jesse

ented presence, but you can't tell by this shrill performance. If Samberg exudes a sort of sedated inner child, Jones is all about melancholy lightly sprinkled with flecks of neurotic ardor. There's nothing here that we haven't already experienced in dozens of similar comedies on the art of postmodern putzdom.

As a co-scenarist, Jones quickly

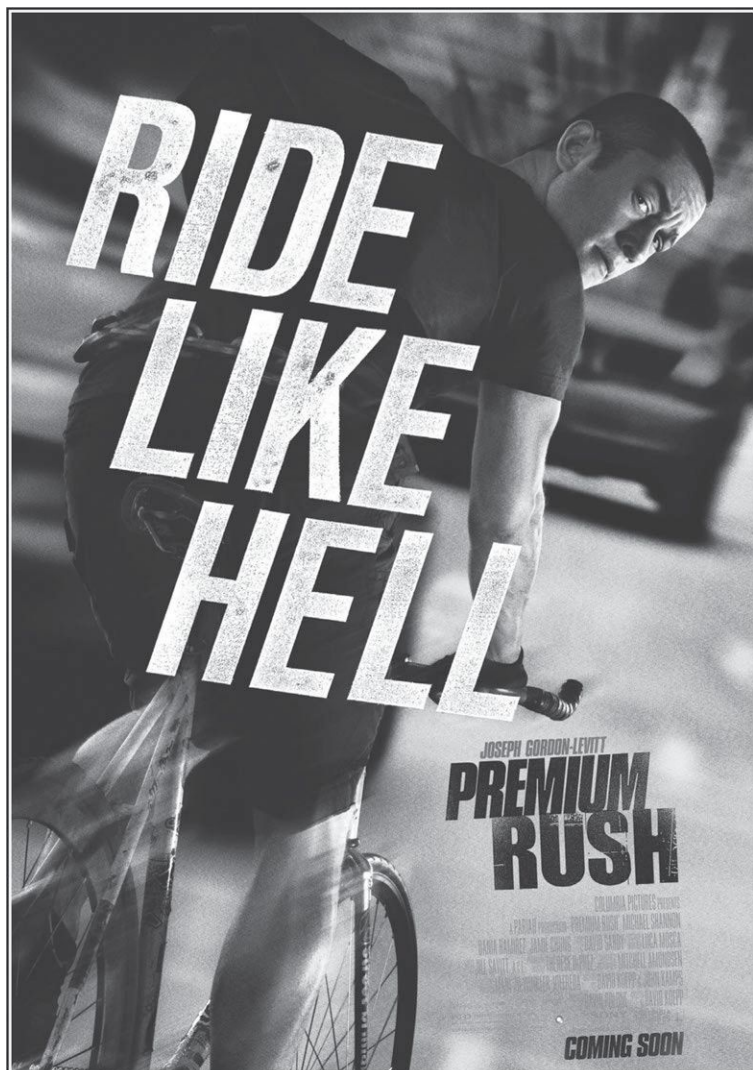
proves capable of writing a film about characters audiences won't like. If only Jones knew it and played it as a strength instead of wasting our time trying to pass these lip balm-masturbating miscreants off as anything but disagreeable.

No spoilers here other than to say what happens to their two leads is Jones and McCormack's bid for

cutting-edge irreverence. The punishment fits the crimes these two committed in the name of love, but if you gambled on *Dark Horse* and accepted Sarah Polley's invitation to *Waltz*, *Forever* will feel like an eternity.

Reader rating: zero stars.

— Scott Marks



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Where Aren't They Now: Darlene Cates, Star of *What Isn't Gilbert Grape's Mother Eating*

Comeback kid Darlene Cates recently threw a deck chair off the *Titanic* by shedding 240 pounds, and now the star of *What's Eating Gilbert Grape* wants to get back into acting.

Cates told *The Dallas News*, "I'm not opposed to doing science fiction or comedy, but there has to be respect. I refuse to be the joke — the fat woman joke — in any movie. I've turned down roles."

Don't think for one second that if Spielberg dangled a job offer that I wouldn't spread my legs faster and wider than a Tijuana hooker hooked on Spanish Fly. Let Hollywood call you all the names they want. There's gold in them thar hills of flab just waiting to be mined and it wouldn't take much to turn your unsightly rolls into mirth-filled roles!

"Four surgeries and three near-

death experiences" prohibit her from walking. Do you know how many operations those studio paychecks would finance? How much more humiliating or exploitative can a few fat jokes be when compared to using a recent weight loss to get your name back in the newspapers?

Currently tipping the scales at 331 lbs., Cates is around the same size Edith Massey was when she appeared in John Waters's *Pink Flamingos*. Is there a playpen, a crate of eggies, and a musical remake in Cates's future? How about the voice of a purple water bed with a head for one of those DreamWorks cartoons?

— Scott Marks

Moment of Truth: *ALF* Edition

So, they're going to make a big-screen version of *ALF*. Who knows, it could be great. Maybe make him a son-of-a-bitch one-percenter FOX-news dittohead living with some Upper East Side limousine liberals and watch the sparks fly. But the real test of creator/puppeteer Paul Fusco's integrity will be this: will they keep the puppet? Or

will the Great Beast CGI continue its monstrous, magic-eating rampage?

— Matthew Lickona

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Ai Weiwei: Never Sorry — Documentary chronicles the experiences of Chinese artist and activist Ai Weiwei. 2012.

The Amazing Spider-Man — Generation Y gets its web-slinger, and as cash-grab reboots go, it's not bad. This time, high-school dweeb Peter Parker isn't such a nice guy at the outset: he's a New Yorker, after all, and on top of that, he's an orphan with a dad-shaped chip on his shoulder. And he's not such a hero by the end: though he eventually accepts this film's version of his Uncle Ben's dictum ("With great power comes great responsibility"), he's still gotta keep a little something for himself, you know? The story works hard to integrate various elements from Spidey's history, and the score works even harder to let you know what you should be feeling at any given moment. Star Andrew Garfield is all grins and grimaces, Emma Stone is reliably

adorable as love interest Gwen Stacy, and Denis Leary is reliably testy as her police captain dad. 2012. — M.L.

★★

Ball of Fire — A retelling of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* starring Gary Cooper, Barbara Stanwyck, and Oskar Homolka. 1941.

Beasts of the Southern Wild — Outstanding location work and a knockout performance by young newcomer Quvenzhané Wallis are almost enough to recommend this Sundance favorite. A six-year-old scrapper lives with her father (Dwight Henry) in a post-Katrina New Orleans community called the Bathtub. With dad's health failing, the girl is forced to set out in search of her mother and an even more mythical creature known as the auroch. Freshman director Benh Zeitlin tries hard, but the film takes on one cause too many and ultimately collapses under the weight of its own aspirations. 2012. — S.M.

★

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel — Or, *Grand Hotel* meets *Downton Abbey* in the old Merchant & Ivory curry kitchen. An aging bunch of swell Brits (though Penelope Wilton is a sour pickle) gather at a pretty, decaying hotel in Udaipur, India, for sunset lessons in living. It is very tidy and quaintly picturesque but humanly engaging. Ace work (directed by John Madden) from Maggie Smith, Judi Dench, Ronald Pickup, Bill Nighy, Tena Desae, terrific Tom Wilkinson, and the cute hotel manager, Dev Patel. 2012. — D.E.

The Bourne Legacy — Jeremy Renner takes the baton from Matt Damon for the next installment of the Bourne series, sans Jason Bourne. Rachel Weisz and Edward Norton. 2012.

Brave — With another wild-haired royal at the helm (and only one-tenth of *Tangled's* wit, charm, and stereoscopic invention), Pixar's latest amounts to little more than Rapunzel redux. What begins as a standard Disney fairy princess outing takes a turn for the better halfway through, when a magic spell converts one of the film's characters into an creature whose plush representation should be a big seller at Toys "R" Us. Sadly, it's too little, too late as directors Mark Andrews and Brenda Chapman do nothing to exploit the Freudian possibilities inherent within the metamorphosis. Fans of classic Disney will rejoice in a dancing broom reminiscent of *Fantasia* and a woodcarving witch who functions as Grandma Geppetto, but imitation has never before been Pixar's stock-in-trade. We are spared the usual glut of excruciating songs — and Kelly Macdonald is the only actress alive capable of doing Merida's voice justice — but this marks Pixar's second clinker in a row. Featuring the vocal talents of Billy Connolly, Emma Thompson, Julie Walters, and Robbie Coltrane. 2012. — S.M.

★

The Campaign — A pair of CEOs (Zach Galifianakis and Jason Sudeikis) see an opportunity to oust a long-seated North Carolina congressman (Will Ferrell) when he commits a major public gaffe before an upcoming election. 2012.

Celeste and Jesse Forever — Reviewed this issue.

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The Dark Knight Rises — The final installment of director Christopher Nolan's Batman trilogy is long and loud and chock-full of his great love for plotting and abstraction. Sometimes, it works, but often, it doesn't, and the honest interaction of characters is ground under the wheels of storytelling necessity. The film might feel like an elaborate and intricate chess strategem — seemingly scattered movements gradually converging on a final, concentrated masterstroke — except for a few plot points that not even the grandest of masters could predict. The baddie this time is Bane (Tom Hardy), a brutal and brutalized soul — born in prison, exiled from the same League of Shadows that trained Bruce Wayne in *Batman Begins*, but still bent on completing the League's mission to destroy a corrupt Gotham, schoolchildren and orphans included. Oh, and Catwoman (Anne Hathaway), a pretty thief who can't seem to outrun her past. Philosophy abounds: Bane is fond of the soul-body dichotomy, Batman has to learn a few new things about his old friend fear, and there is insightful talk of real despair requiring a modicum of hope. But some of it gets mangled in Bane's mask-hindered speech, and some of it is just mangled to begin with. All that said, there is plenty of Bat-goodness here. Bane is genuinely scary, Batman's fall (and rise) are convincing, and the whole thing draws from the first and second installments in satisfying ways. Plus, you know: cool weapons/modes of transport. And Batman. 2012. — M.L.

★

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days — The adventures of Greg continue. Starring Zachary Gordon as Greg. 2012.

Easy Money (Snabba Cash) — Not a remake of the Rodney Dangerfield rollick but a Swedish crime thriller brought to American shores under the aegis "Martin

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Scorsese Presents.” A coke dealer who looks more like a tennis coach (Joel Kinnaman) is forced to draw allegiance with an ex-con (Matias Varela), hunted by criminal and law-man alike, and a mafia enforcer (Dragomir Mrsic), for whom every hit is Take Your Eight-Year-Old Daughter to Work Day. As per the obsequious bows inherent in William Monahan’s screenplay for *The Departed*, images of a boxing gym and a quick insert shot of a taxi driver wiping human filth out of the back seat must have been tribute enough for Marty to offer His dispensation. Some of it works, but retooling the Steven Prince gun purchase in *Taxi Driver* to include a toddler on the bed belongs on HBO, not in a Scorsese-backed theatrical release. The opening action set pieces are expertly handled and there is at least one fresh cut-throat spin — sewing drugs inside the pelts of live dogs and using them as mules. It’s a fun four reels or so (especially if you’re in the mood for a Scorsese suck-up job), but while every film is entitled to one coincidence, said happenstance should not occur in the third act. — S.M.

★★

The Expendables 2 — The Expendables are minus one when they see one of their own slain on a mission. Featuring Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sylvester Stallone, Liam Hemsworth, Randy Couture, Jet Li, and many more macho movie men. 2012.

Farewell, My Queen (Les adieux a la reine) — Or *Marie Antoinette: The Last Four Days*. The storming of the Bastille and the final days before the French Revolution as seen from inside the walls of the Palace of Versailles form the basis for the latest feature from French director Benoît Jacquot (*A Single Girl, The School of Flesh*). Léa Seydoux stars as Marie’s (Diane Kruger) lady-in-waiting, a seeming innocent who aspires to be more than just her Queen’s personal reader. As taken as the Queen is by her servant, Marie has her heart set on her BFF, the Duchess Gabrielle de Polignac (Virginie Ledoyen). (The latter couple barely appear onscreen together long enough to give the film its poster image.) Not bad as historical claptrap goes. Based on Chantal Thomas’s novel, *Farewell, My Queen* isn’t as juvenile as Sofia Coppola’s Valley Girlization of the ill-fated Queen’s life. (Nor is it as eager as *Mozart’s Sister* was to tamper with the truth just enough to put a feminist slant on the retelling.) Sumptuous to behold and as fine as the performances are, the *Upstairs, Downstairs* approach has been done to death and nothing here comes close to giving it a new lease on life. — S.M.

★★

Hit & Run — Road-trip flick written and directed by Dax Shepard. Also stars him, along with Kristen Bell and Bradley Cooper. 2012.

Hope Springs — A couple (Meryl Streep and Tommy Lee Jones) seeks counseling after 30 years of marriage. Steve Carell plays the counselor. 2012.

Ice Age: Continental Drift — There are three good things about this film. One, Scrat’s relentless pursuit of acorn pleasure. Two, Sid the Sloth’s venture into physical comedy when he eats a berry that leaves him a paralyzed bag of jelly. Three, the adorable army of hyraxes, never mind the silly blue facepaint indicating battle-ready ferocity. Everything else is an exercise in crass commercialism and simple-minded storytelling. No plot point goes unexplicated, no character dynamic goes undeclared, and it’s a rare joke that lands with anything but a dull thud. Plus there are pirates, because kids love pirates, right? Maybe next time, they’ll send Manny & Co. into space! 2012.

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Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom — The note of campiness, carried over from the previous Spielberg-Lucas collaboration, is sounded here first thing, and with full Bette Midleresque force: the Paramount logo fades into a bas-relief design on a Chinese gong (joke), and the camera moves over from that to the smoking mouth of a papier-mâché dragon out of which emerges a blond nightclub singer (joke), doing “Anything Goes” (joke) in Chinese (joke) and, at the same time, blocking out a couple of letters of the movie title (joke), as though it were situated behind her on stage instead of superimposed on the screen. This little song-and-dance expands into one of those Busby Berkeleyan production numbers (have we wandered into a Mel Brooks movie by mistake?) that shows

no respect for the realistic boundaries of the stage nor for the point of view of the live audience. But that’s all part of the joke, too. The nightclub brawl and car chase that soon follow are in the outright slapstick vein of Spielberg’s *1941*, and indeed much of the action to come is built on the chain-reaction principles in force there. The Kate Capshaw character, spoiled, pampered, a constant complainer and frequent screamer, very much in contrast to the Karen Allen character in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, sees to it that the tone of facetiousness never flags. In that sense, she seems much more the on-screen stand-in for the filmmakers than does the likable (thanks only to Harrison Ford) hero. Indeed, there’s a strong temptation to see her as their official proxy, again, in her cupidity and in her xenophobia, or at

least parochialism, as regards any lifestyle (read “filmmaking style”) that sinks below the comfort-level of the Shanghai Hilton. 1984. — D.S.

★

The Intouchables — Francois Cluzet’s resemblance to Dustin Hoffman continues, so does his subtle talent. As a rich, French quadriplegic, he is all sharp, suave nuances as a cocky new caregiver (Omar Sy) injects his limited existence with fun and warmth. Sy overplays dude-ness, but the two are

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Calendar

MOVIES

amusing and touching together, and the story is not too sappy. There is a priceless moustache joke near the end. 2012. — D.E. ★★

Katy Perry: Part of Me — The perky pop princess enters the concert film derby, with a failing marriage to provide personal pathos. 2012.

Killer Joe — After a contract killing goes wrong, a hitman hired on spec takes a 14-year-old virgin as his “retainer.” This is director William Friedkin’s second film with playwright Tracy Letts; their first pairing, *Bug*, turned out to be an effective gut-wrencher that never once felt like canned-theater. You’ll need a Rival® electric opener to get through this stagebound potboiler. When it comes to upping the stimuli, cutting edge provocateurs Friedkin and Letts hit us with an inaugural close-up of Gina Gershon’s pubic mound. Stage nudity may still pack a wallop, but full-frontal on

film? Surprising? Really? More innovation: Juno Temple is introduced by cribbing Elia Kazan’s signature image — a child bride sucking her thumb in a crib — from the 56-year-old *Baby Doll*. The rest is nonen-dearing unseemliness buffeted by endless profanity unimaginatively strung together. Mitigating circumstance: a fearless performance in *Magic Mike* followed by a charming, Zippo-flicking sociopath named Joe makes 2012 the year of the McConaughey. With Thomas Haden Church and Emile Hirsch, the latter once again doing a dead-on Sean Penn impersonation. — S.M. ★

The Lost Boys — If we *must* have a vampire youth movie (something of a contradiction in terms, isn’t it?), then a leather-jacketed motorcycle gang, with a leader fashioned after Billy Idol, seems an all-right idea for the vampires. And a couple of earnest comic-book buffs seem an all-right idea for the vampire hunters. But *must* we? With Corey Haim, Jason Patric, Jami Gertz, Corey Feldman, Kiefer Sutherland, Dianne Wiest; directed by Joel Schumacher. 1987. — D.S. ★

Moonrise Kingdom — Bookended by Benjamin Britten’s stirring “Young Person’s Guide to the Orchestra,” this is the most subtle, supple, deftly stylized fantasy from Wes Anderson. It happens on an island where scouting sets the tone of life. Brainy, dreamy kids (Jared Gilman, Kara Hayward) flee camp and home to share a wee romance and adventures as they trek an old trail. It feels like James Thurber in a canoe looking for Huck Finn, or Groucho Marx chasing Tinkerbell. A terrific score and sly, softly whimsical design help the ’30s-to-’60s ambience. Bored, jaded, or fussy adults are no match for bright kids, finding growth and liberation while still in the wonder spell of childhood, and the funny weirdness works. With Bill Murray, Ed Norton, Frances McDormand, Harvey Keitel, Bob Balaban. 2012. — D.E. ★★★★★

The Odd Life of Timothy Green — Be careful what you wish for, you just might get it. Especially in the way of children. Starring Jennifer Garner, Joel Edgerton, and CJ Adams. 2012.

ParaNorman — Norman talks to dead people. And saves the day for his town.

Animated, with voices by the likes of Kodi Smit-McPhee, Anna Kendrick, and Christopher Mintz-Plasse. 2012.

The Queen of Versailles — If F. Scott Fitzgerald’s Gatsby had married Daisy — if the middle-class Midwestern boy’s dreams of achieving happiness through wealth had all come true — you might have wound up with something very close to the story told in this fascinating and intimate documentary about what does and does not change in the gaining (and loss) of outrageous fortunes. Again and again, director Lauren Greenfield will tempt you to join with Fitzgerald in proclaiming that the rich are different, if by “different,” you mean “worse” or “grotesque.” The titular queen is Jackie Siegel, and her comically oversize breast implants seem of a piece with her claim that her (admittedly large) family is bursting out of its 26,000-square-foot house. But for every titter and gasp that she inspires, Siegel offers a reason to pause in the heaping of scorn. *Oh, wait, she’s a person?* The main truth is this: she really does love her husband and children more than she loves money. Siegel’s a superconsumer, but somehow,

she’s not spoiled. It’s this mysterious and wonderful fact that keeps the story of her family’s economic freefall out of the realm of *schadenfreude* and somewhere in the neighborhood of American tragedy. 2012. — M.L. ★★ ★

Ruby Sparks — Paul Dano plays Calvin, a writer struggling with his latest novel — and his love life. In creating the character of his ideal woman, he also wills her (Zoe Kazan) into existence. 2012.

Savages — Oliver Stone’s latest “just say yes” endeavor is reminiscent of his work on *Scarface*. The only shock here is that 30 years later, the brutal killing and graphic dismemberment is being performed in the name of blowing weed, not snorting coke. Aaron Johnson and Taylor Kitsch star as a pair of cutting-edge Laguna Beach pot farmers whose shared gal-pal, Blake Lively, is kidnapped by ruthless drug enforcer Benicio Del Toro, the only actor in Hollywood who appears to be wearing a toupee even when he’s not. John Travolta (forsaking his rug for a change) adds amusing support as a crooked DEA agent, and Salma Hayek steals the show in the Connie



MOVIE SHOWTIMES

Bargain showtimes are in parentheses.

CENTRAL

San Diego Natural History Museum

Flying Monsters 3D (Not Rated) Fri.,-Sun. 11:00, 2:00, 4:00; **Ocean Oasis** (Not Rated) Fri.,-Sun. 12:00p.m.; **Such is the Real Nature of Horses** (Not Rated) Fri.,-Sun. 5:00p.m.; **The Last Reef 3D: Cities Beneath the Sea** (Not Rated) Fri.,-Sun. 1:00, 3:00

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Reading Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (800-326-3264 #2704) **Brave** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:55, 1:20); **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:25, 12:50, 3:05) 5:15, 7:25, 9:40; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:40, 12:55, 3:15) 5:35, 7:50, 10:00; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 1:10, 3:25) 5:30, 7:50, 9:55; **Moonrise Kingdom** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (3:50) 6:00, 8:10, 10:30; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:30, 12:45, 2:55) 5:05, 7:15, 9:30; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:15, 2:00) 4:40, 7:30, 10:05; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:50, 1:35) 4:30, 7:25, 10:25; **The Campaign** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:35, 11:30, 12:40, 1:40, 2:45, 3:45) 4:50, 5:45, 7:10, 8:05, 9:15, 10:10; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:50, 3:35) 7:00, 10:15; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:45, 1:05, 3:30) 5:50, 8:15, 10:35; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:35, 1:00, 3:20) 5:40, 8:00, 10:20

CLAIREMONT

Reading Town Square

4665 Clairemont Drive (800-326-3264 #2722) **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:40, 12:55, 3:15) 5:35, 7:55, 10:15; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:45, 1:10, 3:35) 5:55, 8:20, 10:45; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:15, 12:15, 2:15) 4:15, 6:15; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:30, 12:50) 5:45, 8:10; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (3:10) 10:30; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:15, 2:10) 4:45, 7:35, 10:20; **Ted** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 8:30, 10:45; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:25, 11:25, 1:20, 2:20) 4:20, 5:20, 7:20, 8:25, 10:10; **The Campaign** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:55, 11:55, 1:15, 2:15, 3:20) 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:05, 10:05; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:10, 3:40) 7:05, 10:25; **The Expendables**

2 (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:35, 11:35, 1:00, 2:00, 3:25) 4:25, 5:50, 7:15, 8:15, 9:40, 10:40; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:05, 1:35) 4:15, 7:10, 9:50; **Total Recall** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (11:20, 2:05) 5:05, 7:50, 10:35

CORONADO

Vintage Village Theatre

820 Orange Avenue (619-437-6161) **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (1:00) 3:30, 6:00, 8:30; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (1:00) 3:30, 6:00, 8:30; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (1:30) 5:00, 8:30

DOWNTOWN

Reading Gaslamp

701 Fifth Avenue (800-326-3264 #2709) **Bernie** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:55, 1:10, 3:35) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; **The Breakfast Club** (R) Sat. 7:00p.m.; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:40, 1:00, 3:15) 5:35, 8:05, 10:20; **Moonrise Kingdom** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:30, 12:40, 2:50) 5:10, 7:20, 9:40; **Take This Waltz** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 5:25, 10:10; **Ted** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (10:35, 11:55, 12:55, 2:25, 3:25) 4:50, 5:50, 7:15, 8:10, 9:45, 10:35 Sun. (10:35, 11:55, 12:55, 2:25, 3:25) 4:50, 5:50, 7:15, 8:10, 9:45, 10:30; **The Amazing Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:25) 4:10, 10:00; **The Amazing Spider-Man 3D** (PG-13) Fri. (1:15) 7:05 Sat. (1:15p.m.) Sun. (1:15) 7:05; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (11:00, 12:00, 12:45, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30) 4:15, 5:00, 5:55, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 Sun. (11:00, 12:00, 12:45, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30) 4:15, 5:00, 5:55, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:30, 10:25; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (10:20, 11:05, 11:50, 12:40, 1:35, 2:20, 3:05, 3:55) 4:45, 5:30, 6:20, 7:10, 7:55, 8:40, 9:35, 10:25, 11:00 Sun. (10:20, 11:05, 11:50, 12:40, 1:35, 2:20, 3:05, 3:55) 4:45, 5:30, 6:20, 7:10, 7:55, 8:40, 9:35, 10:25; **The Watch** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:35, 2:55) 5:15, 7:35, 9:55; **Your Sister's Sister** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:50, 1:05, 3:20) 8:00

Regal Horton Plaza

Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)
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KENSINGTON

Landmark Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236) **Easy Money** (R) Fri. (2:00), 5:00, 8:00, Sat & Sun: (2:00), 5:00, 8:00, Mon - Thu: (5:00), 8:00; **The Lost Boys** (R) Fri: 12:00 Midnight; **Rocky Horror Picture Show** (R) Sat: 12:00 Midnight, Discount Shows at Landmark’s Ken Cinema Indicated in Brackets “ () ”; **Bolvel** (NR) Opens Friday, August 24; **Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade** (PG13) Plays Friday, August 24

LA JOLLA

AMC La Jolla

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (888-262-4386) **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:20, 10:50; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

Landmark La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236) **Beasts of the Southern Wild** (PG-13) Fri. (2:00, 4:40) 7:20, 9:50 Sat.,-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; **Farewell, My Queen (Les adieux a la reine)** (R) Fri. (1:50, 4:30) 7:10, 9:45 Sat.,-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; **Searching for Sugar Man** (PG-13) Fri. (2:10, 4:50) 7:30, 9:55 Sat.,-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 9:55; **To Rome With Love** (R) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40 Sat.,-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

MIRA MESA

Regal Mira Mesa

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

MISSION VALLEY

AMC Fashion Valley

7037 Friars Road (888-262-4386) **Brave** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:05, 12:45, 3:30; **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:10, 12:40, 3:10, 5:45, 8:10, 10:40; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri. 10:15, 12:50, 1:50, 3:25, 4:25, 6:05, 7:05, 8:40, 9:40 Sat. 10:15, 11:15, 12:50, 1:50, 3:25, 4:25, 6:05, 7:05, 8:40, 9:40; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 9:55, 12:20, 2:45, 5:10, 7:35; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 9:50, 3:05, 8:15; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 12:30, 5:40, 10:50; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 9:45, 12:20, 2:55, 5:30, 8:05, 10:40; **Ted** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 11:10, 2:00, 5:00, 7:40, 10:25; **The Amazing Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 6:20, 9:35; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 9:45, 10:30, 12:55, 1:40, 4:05, 4:50, 7:20, 8:00, 10:30, 11:15; **The Campaign** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00, 11:00, 12:25, 1:25, 2:50, 4:00, 5:25, 6:30, 7:50, 8:55, 10:15, 11:15; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 10:25, 11:25, 2:15, 3:15, 6:00, 7:00, 9:45, 10:45; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:45, 11:45, 1:30, 2:30, 4:15, 5:15, 7:10, 8:10, 9:55, 11:00; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:55, 1:45, 4:35, 7:25, 10:10; **The Watch** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00p.m.; **Total Recall** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:20, 1:20, 4:30, 7:30, 10:35

AMC Mission Valley

1640 Camino Del Rio North (888-262-4386)
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Ultrastar Mission Valley Hazard Center

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)

The Expendables 2 (R) Fri - Tue: (10:00 AM), (12:30), (3:00), 5:30, 8:00, 10: 45; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri - Tue: (10:15 AM), (2:45), 7:30, 10:00; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri - Tue: (12:30), 5:00; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri - Tue: (10:15 AM), (1:15), 4:15, 7:15, 9:45; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri - Tue: (10:00 AM), (1:00), (4:00), 7:15, 10:30; **The Campaign** (R) Fri - Tue: (10:30 AM), (12:45), (3 :15), 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri: (10:45 AM), (1:30), 4:15, 7:00, 9:30, Sat & Sun: (1:30), 4:15, 7:00, 9:30, Mon & Tue: (10:45 AM), (1:30), 4:15, 7:00, 9:30; **Kidtoons: Thomas and Friends: Blue Mountain Mystery** (G) Sat & Sun: (10:30 AM); **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri - Tue: (11:00 AM), (3:00), 7:00, 10:30

UPTOWN

Landmark Hillcrest

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) **Killer Joe** (NC17) Fri, Mon - Thu: (1:45), (4:25), 7:00, 9:30, Sat & Sun: (11:10), 1:45, 4:25, 7:00, 9:30; **Celeste And Jesse Forever** (R) Fri, Mon - Thu: (2:15), (4:55), 7:30, 9:45, Sat & Sun: (11:40), 2:15, 4:55, 7:30, 9:45; **Ruby Sparks** (R) Fri, Mon - Thu: (1:55), (4:35), 7:10, 9:40, Sat & Sun: (11:20), 1:55, 4:35, 7:10, 9:40; **Beasts Of The Southern Wild** (PG-13) Fri, Mon - Thu: (2:05), (4:45), 7:20, 9:35, Sat & Sun: (11:30), 2:05, 4:45, 7:20, 9:35; **The Intouchables** (R) Fri, Mon - Thu: (1:35), (4:15), 6:50, 9:25, Sat & Sun: (11:00), 1:35, 4:15, 6:50, 9:25, Discount Shows at Landmark’s Hillcrest Cinemas Indicated in Brackets “ () ”; **2 Days In New York** (R) Opens Friday, August 24

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
Call theater for program information.

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Regal Parkway Plaza

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
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LA MESA

Reading Grossmont

5500 Grossmont Center Drive (800-326-3264 #2710) **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:30, 12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:35, 9:50; **ParaNorman**

(PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 1:15) 5:40, 7:50; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (3:30) 10:05; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:30, 2:05) 4:40, 7:15, 9:45; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (10:40, 11:40, 1:30, 2:30) 4:20, 5:20, 7:10, 8:10, 10:00, 11:00; **The Campaign** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (11:35, 1:45, 3:55) 6:10, 8:20, 10:30; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:50, 3:25) 7:00, 10:20; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:55, 11:55, 1:20, 2:25, 3:45) 4:55, 6:05, 7:25, 8:30, 9:55, 10:55; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:35, 12:55, 3:15) 5:35, 8:00, 10:25

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Regal Rancho San Diego

2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264)
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SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)
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SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

AMC Palm Promenade

770 Dennery Road (888-262-4386) **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** (PG) Fri. 10:40, 1:20, 3:50, 6:15, 8:35, 10:55; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri. 11:25, 2:00, 4:40, 7:40, 10:15; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri. 11:05, 1:25, 4:00, 6:20, 8:40, 11:00; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri. 10:30, 8:25; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri. 11:10, 1:10, 6:05, 10:50; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri. 10:55, 1:50, 4:50, 8:00, 11:05; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri. 11:55, 1:00, 3:10, 4:20, 6:40, 7:30, 9:55, 10:35; **The Campaign** (R) Fri. 10:45, 1:35, 4:10, 6:30, 8:55, 11:20; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri. 11:45, 3:35, 7:10, 10:05; **The Dark Knight Rises: The IMAX Experience** (PG-13) Fri. 11:20, 3:00, 7:00, 10:30; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri. 10:35, 11:30, 12:50, 2:15, 3:25, 5:00, 6:00, 7:50, 8:50, 10:40, 11:30 Sat: 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:50, 10:40; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri. 11:00, 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:45; **Total Recall** (R) Fri. 11:35, 2:25, 5:15, 8:10, 11:10

Regal Rancho Del Rey

1025 Tierra del Rey (off East H Street) (619-216-4707)
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UltraStar Chula Vista

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)

Kidtoons: Thomas and Friends: Blue Mountain Mystery (G) Sat & Sun: (10:30

Corleone role of a cold-hearted Mexican Baja Cartel leader who authorizes hits via Skype. Stone’s scare tactics have worsened with age, particularly when he wants to devote equal time to enticing the audience with three attractive leads and their hedonistic lifestyle. This should impact Mexican tourism much in the same way Stone’s screenplay for *Midnight Express* put the kibosh on romantic Turkish getaways. With Demian Bichir and Emile Hirsch. 2012. — S.M.

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Searching for Sugar Man — Documentary about two South Africans who go searching for Rodriguez, a ’70s rocker who fell off the map. 2012.

Snow White and the Huntsman — Digitalized but not dim-witted fairy tale, with a heavy dose of gothic gloom and hard action. A few lumbering stretches in Rupert Sanders’s fantasy are not a burden, effects (notably dwarves partly inhabited by famous, funny British actors) are good, and the atmosphere is intense. As chief hunk, Chris Hemsworth is like a slightly obtuse Sean Connery. Best of all, Kristen Stewart’s lovely, humane Snow White and Charlize

Theron’s vicious Queen Ravenna are dueling feminist icons. Not for wee kids, more for not-easily-scared ones eight or nine and up. 2012. — D.E.

★★★★

The Sound of Music — The reprise of. If you have resisted seeing it all this time, there is no compelling reason to knuckle under now, although you might be surprised how well Robert Wise’s restrained and graceful direction compensates for all the kids and the Oscar Hammerstein optimism. Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer. 1965. — D.S.

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Sparkle — Sparkle (Jordin Sparks) and her two sisters (Carmen Ejogo and Tika Sumpter) form a girl group in 1960’s Detroit. Whitney Houston plays their single mother. 2012.

Step Up Revolution — It is actually impossible to improve upon this studio summary: “Emily arrives in Miami with aspirations to become a professional dancer. She sparks with Sean, the leader of a dance crew whose neighborhood is

threatened by Emily’s father’s development plans.” The leader of a dance crew!

Take This Waltz — A window fan blows the heat out of a sweltering Toronto kitchen as Michelle Williams kneels on the floor, her cheek pressed against the glowing oven door, her heart burning with desire. Happily married doesn’t always mean happily ever after, and the tension between the two sets the tone for an extraordinary journey through the summer of a young, even childlike bride who is suddenly confronted with the prospect of infidelity. Williams floats between her five-year marriage to cookbook author Seth Rogen and her attraction to new neighbor Luke Kirby, the man ultimately responsible for consummating the most memorable zipless fuck of her life. And while Kirby might make Williams regret her decision to marry young, he’s no heavy homewrecker. The only villain in this piece is human emotion. The unpredictability of love (and its consequences) drives writer-director Sarah Polley’s story, and Williams continues her unbroken string of flawless performances. As for Rogen, if Hollywood can keep him away from Judd Apatow and comic books, he

just might have the makings of a leading man. 2012. — S.M.

★★★★

Ted — Once his 15 minutes of fame pass, an animatronic plush toy named Ted matures into a scruffy Boston bear who parties harder than his Kennedy namesake. His handler is the confident and overly charming Mark Wahlberg (in a role better suited for Paul Dano or even Jonah Hill). After the novelty of watching a computer generated toy work blue wears off, Ted contains about 10 minutes’ worth of laughs. That’s a pretty good ratio for a half-hour sitcom, but not a 105-minute feature. Writer/director Seth MacFarlane may talk a convincing game, but when it comes to showing his hand, the small screen bad boy goes “all in” with a pair of Hollywood conventions: an unnecessary romantic subplot involving Mila Kunis, and a sociopathic stalker (Giovanni Ribisi). A first-reel logjam of references to *E.T.*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, and *Jurassic Park* suggested that MacFarlane was about to score major points by taking a dump in Spielbergia. But instead, he waters Steve’s lawn with a urine-scented drizzle of indebtedness. Ted isn’t patterned after an invisible bunny named Harvey. He’s Dirty E.T., a cursing

CG sock-puppet that MacFarlane (like his idol) ultimately employs as a pathetic means of eliciting pathos. 2012. — S.M.

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That’s My Boy — For years Adam Sandler has been threatening to remake several Jerry Lewis pictures. The closest he’s come is borrowing the title of a 1951 Martin & Lewis picture for this insipid, deeply misogynistic excuse for a comedy. Doing a gravelly voiced, baby-talking variation on Al Pacino (complete with fright wig), Sandler stars as Donny, a beer-guzzling vulgarian whose major claim to fame is that his 8th grade science teacher went to prison for having their child. Years later, he tries to mend fences with his estranged son, Han Solo (Sandler heir apparent Andy Samberg), by crashing his wedding and hoping to borrow \$43,000 to pay off the IRS. Expect the usual broad attempts at lampooning the rich, sudden bursts of physical violence one has grown tired of since first Sandler sucker-punched Bob Barker in *Happy Gilmore*, and old ladies telling “dick” jokes. Newcomer Sean Anders’s “direction” leaves one pinning for the Dennis Dugan touch. Is there anything even remotely amusing about *That’s My*

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

AM); **Step Up Revolution** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (11:30 AM), (2:00), 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, Sun: (11:30 AM), (2:00), 4:30, 7:00, Mon - Thu: (2:00), 4:30, 7:00; **Savages** (R) Fri & Sat: (11:45 AM), (3:00), 6:15, 9:30, Sun: (11:45 AM), (3:00), 6:15, Mon - Thu: (3:00), 6:15; **Katy Perry: Part of Me** (PG) Fri & Sat: (11:45 AM), 5:15, 10:45, Sun: (11:45 AM), 5:15, Mon - Thu: 5:15 PM; **Tyler Perry’s Madea’s Witness Protection** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (11:30 AM), (2:15), 5:00, 7:45, 10:30, Sun: (11:30 AM), (2:15), 5:00, 7:45, Mon - Thu: (2:15), 5:00, 7:45; **Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter** (R) Fri & Sat: (11:15 AM), (1:45), 4:15, 6:45, 9:15, Sun: (11:15 AM), (1:45), 4:15, 6:45, Mon - Thu: (1:45), 4:15, 6:45; **That’s My Boy** (R) Fri & Sat: (11:00 AM), (1:45), 4:30, 7:15, 10:00, Sun: (11:00 AM), (1:45), 4:30, 7:15, Mon - Thu: (1:45), 4:30, 7:15; **Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted** (PG) Fri - Sun: (11:00 AM), (1:30), (4:00), 6:30, 9:00, Mon - Wed: (1:30), (4:00), 6:30, 9:00, Thu: (1:30), 9:00; **Prometheus** (R) Fri - Thu: (2:15), 7:45; **Snow White and the Huntsman** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (11:15 AM), (2:00), 4:45, 7:30, 10:15, Sun: (11:15 AM), (2:00), 4:45, 7:30, Mon - Thu: (2:00), 4:45, 7:30; **Men in Black 3** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (12:30), (3:00), 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, Sun: (12:30), (3:00), 5:30, 8:00, Mon - Thu: (3:00), 5:30, 8:00; **Battleship** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (3:30), 10:00, Sun - Thu: (3:30 PM); **The Hunger Games** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: (12:15), 6:45, Mon - Thu: 6:45 PM

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AMC Otay Ranch
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Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (PG) Fri,-Sun. 11:50, 2:10, 4:40, 7:05, 9:35; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. 11:40, 2:15, 4:45, 7:20, 9:50; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri,-Sun. 10:55, 1:20, 3:45, 6:10, 8:30; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri,-Sun. 11:25, 1:55; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri,-Sun. 4:30, 7:10, 9:35; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. 11:00, 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. 10:30, 12:40, 1:40, 3:50, 4:50, 7:00, 10:10; **The Campaign** (R) Fri,-Sun. 10:15, 12:30, 2:50, 5:15, 7:40, 9:55; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. 10:45, 2:25, 6:05, 9:40; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri,-Sun. 10:10, 12:05, 2:40, 5:20, 8:00, 10:40; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri,-Sun. 10:50, 1:30, 4:10, 6:50, 9:25; **Total Recall** (R) Fri,-Sun. 10:25, 1:10, 3:55, 6:40, 9:30

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The Expendables 2 (R) Fri - Tue: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri - Tue: 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri - Tue: 11:15 AM, 1:45, 4:30, 7:00, 10:00; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri - Tue: 10:15 AM, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; **The Campaign** (R) Fri - Tue: 10:45 AM, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 11:00; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri - Tue: 11:00 AM, 1:30, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; **Kidtoons: Thomas and Friends: Blue Mountain Mystery** (G) Sat & Sun: 10:30 AM

POWAY

UltraStar Poway
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
The Expendables 2 (R) Fri & Sat: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, Sun - Tue: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri & Sat: 10:00 AM , 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, Sun - Tue: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri & Sat: 12:45, 3:00, 9:30, Sun - Tue: 12:45, 3:00; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri - Tue: 10:30 AM, 5:15, 7:15; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 11:15 AM, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15, Sun - Tue: 11:15 AM, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:15 AM , 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Sun - Tue: 10:15 AM, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 10:45 AM, 1:30, 4:15, 7:45, 10:40, Sun - Tue: 10:45 AM, 1:30, 4:15, 7:45; **The Campaign** (R) Fri & Sat: 10:40 AM, 1:10, 3:30, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20 , Sun - Tue: 10:40 AM, 1:10, 3:30, 5:40, 8:00;

Hope Springs (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 11:00 AM, 1:40, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50, Mon & Tue: 11:00 AM, 1:40, 4:00, 7:00; **Kidtoons: Thomas and Friends: Blue Mountain Mystery** (G) Sat & Sun: 10:30 AM; **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:20 AM, 12:35, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:45, Sun - Tue: 10:20 AM, 12:35, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri - Tue: 10:10 AM, 1:35, 5:00, 8:25; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri - Sun: 1:45, 4:10, 6:30, Mon & Tue: 10:50 AM, 1:45, 4:10, 6:30; **The Amazing Spider-Man** (PG-13) Sun - Tue: 8:45 PM; **Summer Series** (NR) Fri: 10:00 AM

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The Expendables 2 (R) Fri - Sun: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, Mon & Tue: 10:00 AM, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri - Sun: 10:00 AM, 4:00, 10:00, Mon & Tue: 10:00 AM, 4:00; **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri - Tue: 1:00, 7:00; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 10:45 AM, 1:45, 4:45, 8:15, 10:45, Mon & Tue: 10:45 AM, 1:45, 4:45, 8:15; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri - Sun: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 5:00, 8:00, 10:45, Mon & Tue: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 5:00, 8:00; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, Mon & Tue: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **The Campaign** (R) Fri: 10:45 AM, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, Sat & Sun: 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, Mon & Tue: 10:45 AM, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30; **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 10:15 AM, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15, Mon & Tue: 10:15 AM, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **Nitro Circus: The Movie 3D** (PG-13) Fri - Sun: 11:00 AM, 2:00, 5:00, 8:00, 10:40, Mon & Tue: 11:00 AM, 2:00, 5:00, 8:00; **Kidtoons: Thomas and Friends: Blue Mountain Mystery** (G) Sat & Sun: 10:30 AM; **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** (PG) Fri - Sun: 11:00 AM, 1:20, 4:00, 7:10, 10:00, Mon & Tue: 11:00 AM, 1:20, 4:00, 7:10; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri - Tue: 10:00 AM, 1:30, 5:00, 8:30

VISTA

Krikorian Vista Village
Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (PG) Fri,-Sun. (11:50, 2:35, 5:00) 7:25, 9:50; **Hope**

Springs (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:30, 2:10, 4:40) 7:10, 9:45; **Ice Age: Continental Drift** (PG) Fri,-Sun. (12:00, 2:20, 4:40) 7:05; **ParaNorman** (PG) Fri,-Sun. (12:20, 5:05); **ParaNorman 3D** (PG) Fri,-Sun. (10:30, 2:40) 7:30, 9:50; **Sparkle** (PG-13) Fri,-Sun. (11:35, 2:15, 5:00) 7:45, 10:30; **The Bourne Legacy** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (10:55, 1:05, 1:50, 4:05, 4:45) 7:00, 7:40, 10:00, 10:40 Sun. (10:55, 1:05, 1:50, 4:05, 4:45) 7:00, 7:40, 10:00; **The Campaign** (R) Fri,-Sun. (10:35, 11:15, 12:50, 1:30, 3:00, 3:40, 5:15, 5:50) 7:25, 8:00, 9:40, 10:15; **The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13) Fri,-Sat. (12:00, 3:35) 7:15, 9:30, 10:40 Sun. (12:00, 3:35) 7:15, 9:30; **The Expendables 2** (R) Fri,-Sat. (11:35, 12:30, 2:20, 3:00, 4:50, 5:35) 7:35, 8:10, 9:15, 10:05; **The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (PG) Fri,-Sun. (10:45, 11:30, 1:30, 2:10, 4:10, 4:50) 6:40, 7:20, 10:05; **Total Recall** (R) Fri,-Sun. (11:40, 2:30, 5:15) 7:50, 10:20

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OCEANSIDE

Regal Oceanside
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UltraStar Oceanside Mission Marketplace
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Calendar MOVIES

Boy? As is the custom, the biggest laughs in an Adam Sandler film come from cheap attempts at heartfelt pathos. 2012. — S.M.

To Rome with Love — At first blush, Woody Allen's latest entry into his grand European tour bears a close resemblance to Monica, the character played by Ellen Page in the film: very pretty to look at and just smart enough to suggest hidden depths, but ultimately a trifle shallow and self-centered. Unlike Monica, however, it's not necessarily a bad thing, especially if you know what you're getting into and why. When Allen first appears — as a father flying into Rome to meet the family of his daughter's fiancé — he's got death on his mind. It stays there throughout the movie, evanescent life set against the backdrop of the Eternal City. Mortal thoughts tend to make a body look back and take stock of what will get left behind, and Allen's certainly earned the right to do so onscreen. So, yes, we've seen and heard a lot of this before. The gorgeous prostitute dispensing wisdom (Penelope Cruz)? *Mighty Aphrodite*. The quasi-character who serves as a kind of Greek chorus (Alec Baldwin)? Ditto. Freud jokes? Oy! And yes, the pop-culture references creak right alongside the overlong ruminations on celebrity and the emptiness of fame. But there is a point here, however modest: an artist considering his reasons for making art, and for continuing to do so as the twilight deepens. The plot, such as it is, gathers rather than weaves a number of threads that all trace back to Allen himself, if not to his character in the film. The most interesting of these centers on a man who sings opera, but only in the shower — who makes art for himself, but can't help wondering what the world might think. 2012. — M.L.

★

Total Recall — Starring Colin Farrell, Bokeem Woodbine, Jessica Biel, and Bryan Cranston. 2012.

Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection — In their heyday, Eugene Levy and the rest of the satirically contemptuous gang at SCTV would have had a field day gutting a formulaic mixed-message trafficker like Tyler Perry. Now? I know that standout comedic supporting players gotta eat, but does Perry own compromising Polaroids of Levy with barnyard animals? Admittedly, the stalwart Levy is the "Screech" of the *American Pie* franchise, but even that can't justify his participation in this subcompact sitcom. Levy plays a New York CFO unwittingly duped into participating in a Ponzi scheme that launders money for the mob. He and his lily-white family are then relocated to the deep South to hide out in the home of a giant, ad-libbing drag queen. (You thought Goodfella Henry Hill had it bad?) This is obviously Perry's bid at a crossover picture, but since his idea of humor is Denise Rich-

ards jive-talking and Levy hiding beneath a mustache, oversize beret, and Pepe LePew accent, you may as well stay home and watch reruns of *The Carol Burnett Show*. All that's missing is a laugh track. And for a filmmaker who prides himself on Christian values, what's with Perry making actress Doris Roberts wring laughs out of Alzheimer's Disease? 2012. — S.M.

Unforgivable (Impardonnables) — A successful author of neo-gothic thrillers (André Dussollier) looking for a place to write meets model-turned-realtor Carole Bouquet and proposes on the spot. He confesses to his daughter (Mélanie Thierry) an inability to write when he's in love, so the spiteful lass promptly decides to reward her old man with a guaranteed bestseller by taking a powder. André Téchiné, a writer-director known for his emotionally volatile, ever-fluctuating characters, this time delivers more canned melodrama than plausibility. The stunning Ms. Bouquet — whose nose possesses the uncanny ability to bleed on cue — appears to have slept with virtually the entire cast: at one point a former lover hits her with, "You turn everybody on, but no one turns you on." Dussollier's son-in-law falls victim to a gay-bashing ex-con. Not only does the writer ignore the fact that his daughter's husband is trolling the canals of Venice for male meat, he hires the young thug to tail his wife. The cast is good, but there's not much here that elevates it above the ranks of a sexy, Euro version of *Murder, She Wrote*. Cowritten by the director and Mehdi Ben Attia. 2012. — S.M.

★★

The Watch — Ben Stiller stars as the standard "citizen who's into community issues because he can't deal with the trouble he's got at home," but he wisely steps aside and gives ownership of the film to Vince Vaughn's "suburban Dad looking for bro-bonding." *The Watch* is about an overzealous neighborhood watch that stumbles upon the nefarious doings of literal, nonmetaphorical aliens in our midst, but of course, it's really about four guys havin' some laffs and inviting you along, and Vaughn's version of goodhearted Ohio crude makes it a tolerable ride. The humor is dirty-sweet; there's no edge, just cheerful raunch. (Vaughn's narration of his efforts to urinate into a beer can while riding in Stiller's car is as good an example as any, and while it's more motif than theme, it's probably worth noting that penises and their various emissions are prominent, and even integral to the goings-on.) If there's a moral here, it's this: sometimes, saving your daughter's virginity and saving the world are one and the same thing. With Jonah Hill, Richard Ayoade. 2012. — M.L.

★

The Wizard of Oz — If the screen version of Frank L. Baum's sanitary children's story is indelibly stamped, scene by scene, in more Americans' memories than any other movie, it's just because of the pounding into our brains that this movie has been allowed year after year on TV, and

SEEN ON DVD



Faster, Pussycat! Kill! Kill!

KEVIN LEAP

President, board of directors, San Diego Film Foundation

Faster, Pussycat! Kill! Kill!:

Can't get enough of this so-wonderfully-bad-it's-good black-and-white 1965 Russ Meyer film about three race-car-driving go-go-clad vixens tearing across the desert and leaving a trail of bodies in their wake. Talk about a B-movie... The dialogue alone is worth the watch. Not for the kiddies or visiting grandmothers.

The Furies: Awesome

1950s western starring Barbara Stanwyck in her most butch role ever. Walter Huston plays her father and they fight it out over the family ranch called the Furies. Still can't get over the scene where Stanwyck chucks a pair of scissors and catches her stepmother square in the noggin. No blood or gore, but a heck of a good scar a few scenes later. A soap opera, drama, and financial thriller, all on the open range.

FASTER, PUSSYCAT!

KILL! KILL! (USA) 1965, Eve Productions
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THE FURIES (USA) 1950, Criterion Collection
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Friday Night Lights

BEKAH VAN BRUGGEN

Festival director, San Diego Film Festival, sandiegofilm-fest.com

Friday Night Lights TV series was an unexpected favorite of mine. I've no interest in football, yet the show's character development kept me cheering, "Clear eyes, full hearts, can't loose!" I've never been so emotionally drawn into a story and left feeling like I missed the characters of this small town in Texas. I recommend this DVD series more than any other show I've seen.

Forks Over Knives is an incredible documentary that's managed to affect my day-to-day life like no other. I've seen my fair share of documentaries on why not to eat meat and where our food comes from, but I had yet to see a documentary that uses case studies to prove that most degenerative diseases come from our all-American meat-filled diet. I've been an aspiring vegetarian ever since and will never look at my plate of food in the same way again.

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The Muppets

RACHEL MARKS

Festival producer, San Diego Film Festival

I AM is a documentary that truly impacted my life. Tom Shadyac (director of *Ace Venutra* and *Bruce Almighty*) explores what's wrong with our world and what we can do about it. It shows how as human beings we're all scientifically and fundamentally connected to each other and the world around us. If you're looking for a documentary that'll really make you question and think about your impact on our world, then this documentary is for you.

The Muppets brought my childhood back to me. It's one of those movies that no matter how old you are you can't help but fall in love with the Muppets all over again. The plot is a great satire about how no one cares about the Muppets anymore. Writers Nicholas Stoller and Jason Segel bring the Muppet franchise back to life, and I hope there are more films to come.

I AM (USA) 2010, Gaia Entertainment
List price: \$14.98

THE MUPPETS (USA) 2011, Walt Disney
List price: \$29.99

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not because, because, because, because, because of the wonderful things it does. The trip from Kansas to Oz, from Dust Bowl to Dreamland, from black-and-white to somewhere over the rainbow, doesn't really get off the ground on imagination's wings but is held down on the MGM backlot, beneath tons of costumes and cosmetics and paint. Judy Garland, Bert Lahr, Ray Bolger, Frank Morgan; directed by Victor Fleming. 1939. — D.S.

★

Your Sister's Sister — At first, *Your Sister's Sister* plays like a comedy of very modern manners, everything so up to date that antique notions of "good" and "bad" can be replaced safely by "gratifying" and "weird." Jack (a bearish Mark Duplass) is a sweet, modern guy, but he's sad, because his brother died a year ago. So Iris (Emily Blunt), Jack's friend and his brother's ex, sends him to her family's cabin for a little alone time. But the cabin is already occupied by Hannah (Rosemarie DeWitt), Iris's lesbian sister, who's there to get over a failed relationship.

Jack and Hannah indulge in a drunken hookup, only to awake and find Iris paying a visit. After that, things get complicated — they even venture a little past manners and into morals. When someone says, "I'm a very bad person" here, it's an entirely sincere statement. Director Lynn Shelton's best trick is providing a picturesque space for some very fine performances; it's a real pleasure to watch the angular DeWitt and the cherubic Blunt conjure the shared history of siblings. 2011. — M.L.

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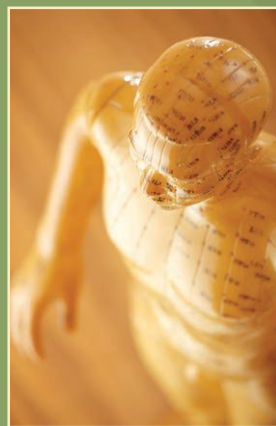


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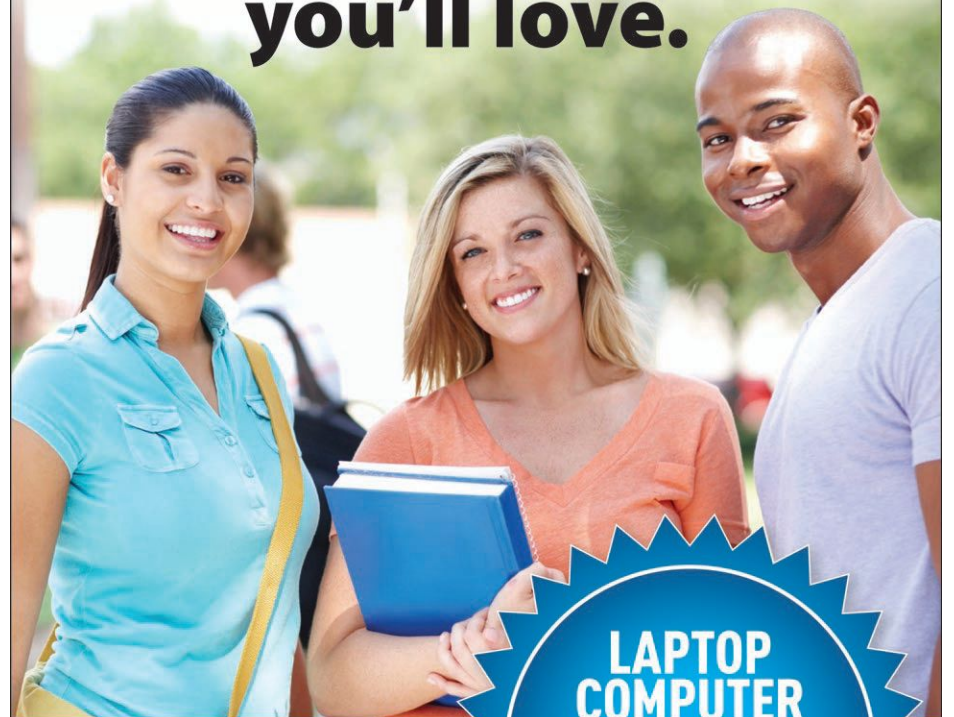
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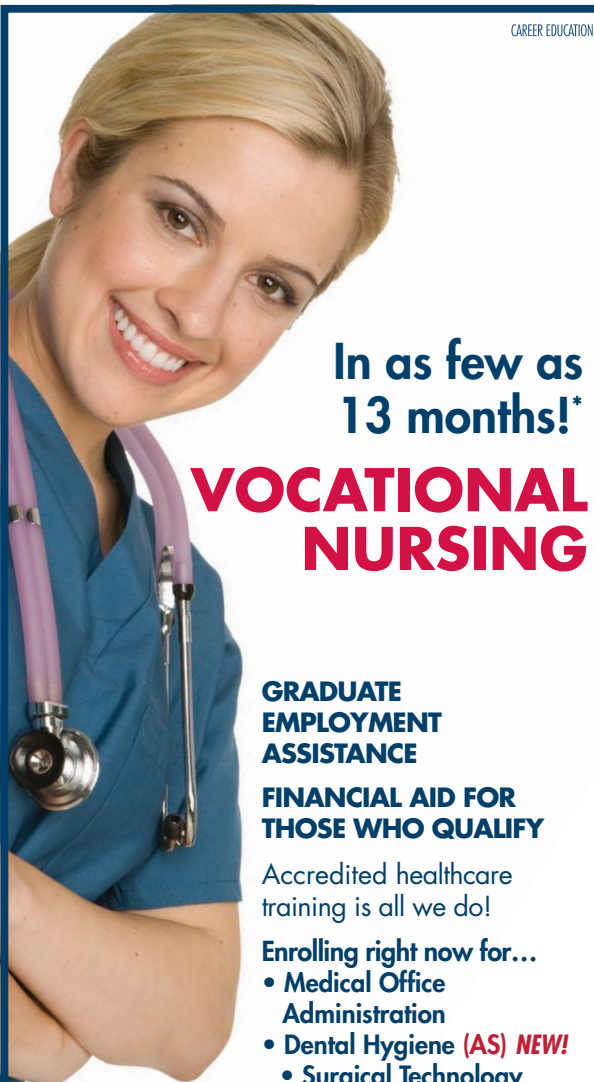


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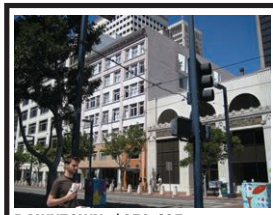
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MISSION BEACH, \$1295.

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OCEAN BEACH, \$1095.

1BD+1BA, large upstairs end apartment. Stove, refrigerator. Coin laundry. Cat OK with extra deposit. Parking. Very near the cliffs. Available 9/17/12. 4853 Orchard Avenue. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

OCEAN BEACH, \$1145.

1BD+1BA, downstairs large remodeled apartment. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave. Shared patio. Cat OK with extra deposit. Half block to cliffs. Available 8/28/12. 4784 Bermuda. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

OCEAN BEACH, \$1195.

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OCEAN BEACH, \$1395.

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1BD+1BA. Large, gated apartment. Close to beach! Parking, laundry and courtyard. No pets. 1537 Missouri Street #7. 619-224-0306 or 858-270-4674.

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1BD+1BA, downstairs apartment in North Pacific Beach. Stove, refrigerator, microwave, coin laundry, private balcony, parking. No pets. 1-1/2 block to Tourmaline Surf Park. Available 9/20/12. 830 Sapphire Street. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

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1BD+1BA downstairs remodeled apartment. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, pool, coin laundry, garage space. No pets. Available 9/15/12. 1433 Oliver. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

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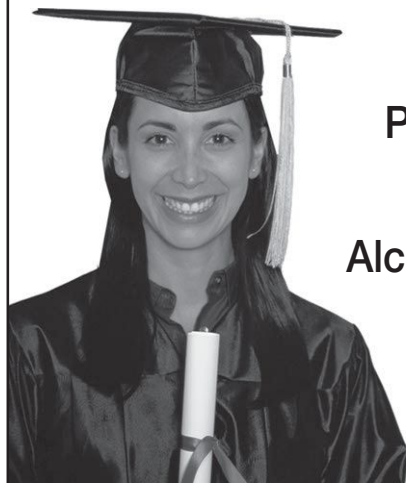
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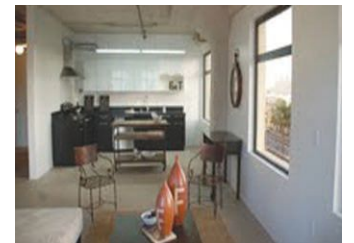
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2) Submit the correct answers to the puzzle along with your name and a clean limerick. This is a great way to express yourself. You may submit a new limerick weekly. We reserve the right to edit or reject inappropriate text.

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. 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.

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) We will award writers of the best limericks, among those who correctly solve the puzzle, one of the famous *Reader* baseball caps or T-shirts. And we will print the winning limericks—screened for plagiarism—in the paper and online.

4) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.

5) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

Across

- “Weekend Update” show, for short
- Apt rhyme with “aahs”
- ____ Pointe, Mich.
- Cattle call?
- Go bad
- S’pose
- Spongy cake made by a boxing legend?
- Suzuki who said “I think there’s sexiness in infield hits”
- Chocolate substitute
- Rap’s Salt-N-____
- Take home
- Had more than a feeling
- Potato pancake meant as a cure for insomnia?

28. Palo _____, Calif.

30. _____ scale

31. CPR expert

34. Unpaid sitter, perhaps

36. Sits in a wine cellar

38. Like the consumables in 17-, 25-, 52- and 63-Across

43. Radiance

44. Take it easy

45. Agcy. with employees at over 450 airports

46. Costumes

50. Synonym for “jeans” in Roget’s thesaurus

52. Leafy green that’s reddish-brown?

54. Unfirm

58. Jackson 5 hit that bumped “Let It Be” from the #1 spot

59. Speaker of Cooperstown

60. Where Emirates Airlines is headquartered

61. Comfortable with

63. Dairy product that’s just been in the fridge?

66. More gruesome

67. “Dedicated to the _____ Love”

68. One of two in every puzzle

69. Follows

70. Singer Amos

71. Fool

Down

- Audible kiss
- Ryan with 5,714 strikeouts
- France’s longest river
- Blind guess
- Dartboard site
- Biblical refuge
- He says “I’m the Half-Blood Prince” in “Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince”
- Old name for the flu
- Automaker’s bane
- “Gee,” in Glasgow
- Like leotards
- Marathoner’s woe, perhaps
- Cybermemo
- Larry who was the N.L.’s Manager of the Year in 2001

22. “Yikes!”

25. Double _____ Oreos

26. Actress Anderson

27. Gardner and others

29. My _____, Vietnam

31. Heart meas.

32. People magazine’s first “Sexiest Man Alive”

33. Clobberers

35. No. on a business card

37. Miguel’s Mrs.

39. Bit of kindling

40. Bratz product

41. Swiss artist Paul

42. Repeated cry in Buster Poindexter’s “Hot Hot Hot”

47. Part of a living room set

48. Problems in the field

49. Word with run or jump

51. Target of urban renewal

52. Get a sense for

53. Red wear for Speedy Gonzales

55. Resort island near Majorca

56. All U.S. presidents, to date

57. Slender game fishes

60. 552, on a cornerstone

62. Island off India’s coast

64. Notable 1969 bride

65. “_____ the ramparts ...”

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK’S PUZZLE:

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We cannot accept your entry without the following:

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THIS WEEK’S WINNERS: (All winning entries will be screened for plagiarism.) Prizes will be available for pickup at the Reader offices front desk from the Thursday your name appears in print to the following Thursday at 5 p.m.

☛ **L. Barling, El Cajon, 12.**

*Thought I left hot 'n' humid back East.
Soggy boiling high heat I like least.*

*Since a lobster I'm not,
(Sitting in the cook-pot),*

Can't wait till muggy summer has ceased!

☛ **Carolyn Clark, Lakeside, 12.**

*The best friend I loved in my childhood
Was beautiful, charming, and so good.*

*On his back I'd repose,
Daily kiss his soft nose.*

And if any horse could, my George would.

☛ **Larry Johnsgard, Escondido, 12.**

*I look forward to my new Reader,
Cannot conceive anything neater.*

*To be able to compete
With the super elite*

But a new T-shirt would make it much sweeter!

☛ **Burr Passenheim, Linda Vista, 12.**

*There is an old man from La Jolla,
With a habit that's sure to annoy ya.*

*Before telling a joke
He will give you a poke,*

And laugh, "This is sure to destroy ya!"

☛ **Bobby Nunez, San Diego, 1.**

*This puzzle of words made me cross.
I often was left at a loss.*

*But a limerick you ask,
For my entry to pass.*

For a T-shirt it seems quite a fuss.

PACIFIC BEACH, \$1695.

2BD+1BA luxury remodeled- new granite counters, classy, tiled bath. Large apartment in small complex. 4 blocks to beach! Laundry. No pets. Must see! 1153 Felspar. 858-945-1909.

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2BD+1BA, delightful, secluded upstairs home. Patio. Yard. Gardener. 4 blocks to beach/ bay. No pets. See to appreciate, 1132 Thomas. Drive by, then call 858-945-1909.

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PACIFIC BEACH, \$2400.

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deposit. Available 9/17/12. 5049 Cass Street. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

PACIFIC BEACH, \$950.

Studio with full kitchen, upstairs apartment in North Pacific Beach. Stove, refrigerator, parking. Cat OK with extra deposit. 1-1/2 blocks to ocean. Available 9/15/12. 852 Chalcedony Street. Del Sol Property Management, broker. www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

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RULES OF THE GAME

1) Submit completed puzzle of any difficulty level (Easy, Medium, Hard or Evil) to the *Reader* each week for our ongoing contest! We keep track of each puzzle you successfully complete, and the results and ranking are posted online at SDReader.com/puzzle. 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 the puzzle along with your name and a clean limerick.

Clearly mark the puzzle that you want to enter this week by crossing off the other completed puzzles. All puzzles that are cut into pieces will be disqualified. You may submit a new limerick weekly. This is a great way to express yourself. We reserve the right to edit or reject inappropriate text.

3) We will award writers of the best limericks, among those who correctly solve the puzzle, one of the famous *Reader* baseball caps or T-shirts. And we will print the winning limericks – screened for plagiarism – in the paper and online.

4) The puzzle-contest ranking, shown online and in the paper, will begin anew every three months. Complete the journey four times a year!

5) 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 Sudoku@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.

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

7) Late entries will not be considered.

8) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.

9) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

EASY:

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6				7			3	9
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6	7	9	3	2	4	5	8	1
4	1	2	6	8	5	7	9	3
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SEE YOUR RANKING ONLINE!

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THIS WEEK'S WINNERS: (All winning entries will be screened for plagiarism.) Prizes will be available for pickup at the Reader offices front desk from the Thursday your name appears in print to the following Thursday at 5 p.m.

Willie McGee, San Diego, 5.

*While wearing the shirt of your size,
We've often been given the eyes.
It matters not how many tries,
The ultimate goal is the prize.*

Henry Romero, San Diego, 2.

*There once was a young man named Brad,
Whose large beak of a nose made him sad.
But his visage is now neater,
Thanks to the Reader.
And its ample supply of doc ads.*

Carl Baltrunas, Milpitas, 12.

*Limericks, they are such a bore
At time they can be a chore
For a cap or a shirt
Making rhymes 'til they hurt
I wonder what it's all for.*

Larry Clark, Clairemont, 12.

*The London Olympics are over,
They were near the white cliffs of Dover.
For the winners it's fun,
If you fall down you're done.
They should rest in a big bed of clover.*

Paula Henderson, La Jolla, 11.

*It was so hot I almost died,
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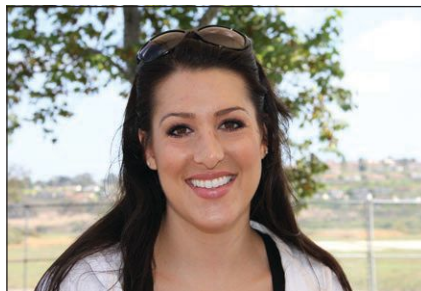
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Normal Heights

Fitness Manager

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Sara Wilcox
Escondido

Customer Service

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Jason Torres
Los Angeles

Editor

Jason passed in June of 2082 in a freak flying-monkey-cloning incident and is survived by his eight gay grandchildren.



Brian Wagner
San Diego

Boys and Girls Club Board Member

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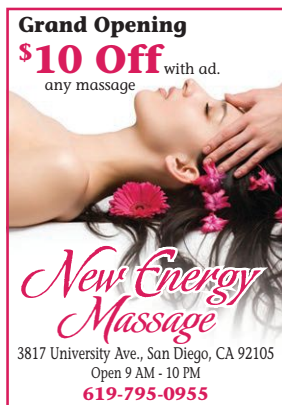
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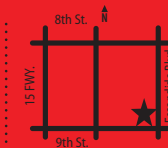


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— No insect is in greater need of a public-relations boost than the cockroach, and Dr. Mathieu Lihoreau of Rennes, France, provided it in a recent issue of the journal *Insectes Sociaux*. Roaches are highly social, suffer when isolated, recognize members of their own families, and appear to make “collective decisions for the greater good” of their community, according to a review of the research in May by BBC Nature. They act in “emergent forms of cooperation” — “swarm intelligence.” Functioning mostly through chemical cues, they advise their homeboys where to find food and water, where the good crawl-into cracks are for sleeping, and how to stay attached to their social networks.

Science on the Cutting Edge

— Surely the world’s longest-running science experiment is the 85-year-old continuing project to visually ascertain whether “pitch” (a tar) is liquid. Begun at England’s Cambridge University, the project is now housed at the University of Queensland in Australia, where the custodian believes the next drop (the ninth ever) will fall in 2013. The previous teardrop-shaped bead descended in 2000.

— Dung beetles are known to researchers to roll perfectly made balls with their back legs and to

periodically mount the balls, pirouette, and climb down to be on their way. Emily Baird of Lund University in Sweden explained why in a January issue of the journal *PLoS One*: The beetles are gathering celestial readings to help shepherd their balls home, away from predators. Baird’s specialty is learning how animals with tiny brains perform complex tasks, and to test the dung beetle, she watched 22 of them guide their balls through an obstacle course her team created.

Challenging Business Models

— Dr. Jason Burke rolled out his “Hangover Heaven” medical bus fleet in Las Vegas in April, offering revelers a faster, clinically proper recovery from their night of excess drinking for a \$90 to \$150 fee. After giving their medical history, “patients” receive intravenous saline, with B and C vitamins and whatever prescription or over-the-counter drugs are appropriate, says Burke (a licensed anesthesiologist). No drunks are served; the patient must be in the “hangover” stage. One M.D., who hosts a radio show, told CBS News, “I think many doctors are kicking themselves because they didn’t think of this first.”

— A restaurant set to open in April in West Palm Beach, Fla., named with a Japanese word suggesting “good fortune, wealth, and prosperity,” was de-

nied a trademark by the Florida Division of Corporations. The name in question: the Fuku.

— In April, Alabama’s alcoholic beverage control agency rejected Founders Brewing Co’s request to sell its Dirty Bastard beer in the state, even though Founders pointed out that the state already permits another company to sell Fat Bastard wine. The agency acknowledged the similarity, but said Fat Bastard was approved years ago and that no one at the agency now recalls why.

— In April, the Taiwan tabloid *Apple Daily* profiled a 27-year-old man who said he has tripled his previous salary by becoming a public snitch, turning in videos of litterers and spitters violating Taipei laws that reward informants a fee of one-fourth the amount of any fines. In the past two years, the man (“Chou”) said he has had 5000 cases result in fines, for which he has been paid the equivalent of \$50,000. He said he now teaches classes in snitching.

Leading Economic Indicators

— Only about 16 percent of stock-market transactions consist of what most people think of as buying or selling of company or mutual fund shares (“real” investors, interacting with actual brokers). The rest, according to analysis by Morgan Stanley’s Quantitative and Derivative Strate-

gies group and covering October to December 2011, were performed by computers acting automatically, at staggeringly high frequency, using software algorithms, buying or selling mindlessly, based on what trading firms needed to fill out their portfolios’ profitably on a second-by-second basis.

— Two homeless, penniless men in Fresno, Calif., are setting a high bar for frequency, and expense, of ambulance trips to the hospital. A 41-year-old who says he has “a major problem with my liver” and a 51-year-old allegedly seizure-prone man called for a combined 1,363 trips in 2011, which at the market rate would have cost them \$545,000 (apart from evaluations by the hospital, which would have cost more than \$500,000), according to a February investigation by the *Fresno Bee*. Taxpayers and the insured foot the bills (reduced somewhat because the ambulance company and the hospital take lower fees). Neither the ambulance company nor the hospital can refuse to serve the men, and attempts to talk the men out of the trips are either futile or too laborious for the emergency technicians to attempt.

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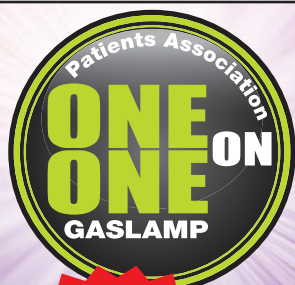
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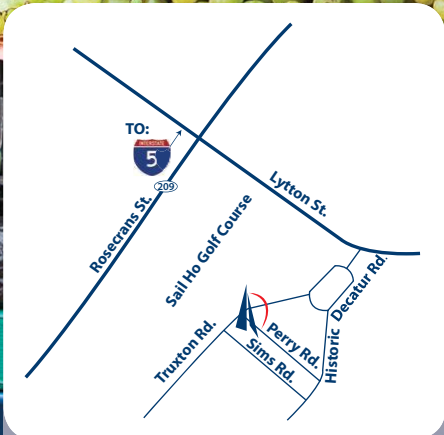
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