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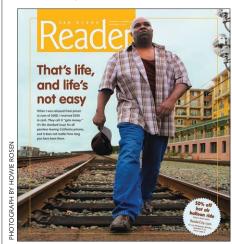


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NEWS TICKER

By Reader staff writers

In cold blood

Man accused of killing mom may have benefited from sale of her home

Solana Beach/Vista — Bryan C. Chang was the owner of a Solana Beach home that sold for \$875,000 last August, according to public records. He's been held in custody since 2010, accused of killing his mother in that same home.



Defender Kathleen Cannon and Bryan Chang in court.

A reliable source has stated that Chang, 31, was the beneficiary of the sale of the home. His mother, Sherry Chu Chang, 60, had lived in that home for at least four years before her death, according to published reports.

Public tax records show the home was valued at more than \$1 million at the time of Sherry Chang's death, January 25, 2010.

Sherry Chang and her son Bryan had a disagreement about his financial support, according to a San Diego County deputy district attorney.

The prosecutor said Bryan Chang attempted to use his mother's credit cards around the same time as her death, but he was unsuccessful because he did not have the correct access PIN.

Sherry Chu Chang was found face-down in a downstairs bathroom of the home, according to authorities. Parts of her body were in plastic bags in the refrigerator, according to a San Diego County medical examiner's report.

Bryan Chang was taken into custody two days later at his apartment in Los Angeles.

He has been charged with murder for financial gain, a special circumstance that could mean the death penalty or life in prison without parole.

By Eva Knott, November 3

Caught with their pants down

New strip-club regulations hastily passed Chula Vista — The Chula Vista City Council yesterday moved to enact several local law changes, mostly concerning the operation of strip clubs within city limits.

The Reader reported last month on the controversial opening of EyeCandy Showgirls along Chula Vista's section of San Diego Bay, which appeared to catch local legisla-

tors largely by surprise. Proprietors Jake and Waldon Welty had originally submitted plans to the city describing the operation as a "comedy club."

The new regulations passed by the council now require a separate permitting process necessary to operate as a strip club, a separate process for permitting dancers, a code of conduct prohibiting touching of patrons by dancers, and a six-foot buffer between performers and audience members.

City attorney Glen Googins says the changes in law, though taken up shortly after the opening of EyeCandy, are not directed at any business in particular.

By Dave Rice, November 2

Sorry, we use iFones down here

No iPhone trademark for Apple in Mexico $Baja/Beyond\ SD$ — Apple was set to release the iPhone 5 in Mexico today, November 2, but a Mexican court has ruled against Apple in a trademark dispute that will not allow the company to market its popular phone under the name iPhone.

A Mexico-based communications company named iFone trademarked their name in 2003. Apple attempted to trademark the name iPhone in 2009 and to stop iFone from using its own name. The dispute led to a lengthy court battle that Apple lost.

iFone has now in return successfully halted the use of the name iPhone in Mexico and is asking for up to 40 percent of profits from previous sales.

By K. Mennem, November 2

Got anything, I.B.?

FBI and SD Sheriff's Department seek help to identify bank robber

Imperial Beach — The San Diego County Sheriff's Department says a man robbed the Imperial Beach Chase Bank branch at 1100 Palm Avenue on October 30 shortly after 11:00 a.m. A sheriff's spokesperson



The man in this photo is wanted in connection with a bank robbery in Imperial Beach.

said the robber presented a demand note for cash to a teller and claimed to have a weapon. After receiving an unknown amount of money, the suspect reportedly fled on foot. Witnesses described the man as a Hispanic

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Where did the news junkies go?

By Don Bauder

ncreasingly, American newspapers are trying to deliver the news electronically: online and by smartphone, tablet, Twitter,

e-reader, you name it. But newspapers — particularly large metro dailies — are still having a rough time. Profits diminish or vanish, stocks plunge, bankruptcies abound. Other conventional media, such as television, radio, and magazines, are suffering, too.

Maybe the old media are trying to shove Beethoven down the throats of hiphop fanatics. That is, young adults most heavily use the electronic forms of communication, but studies show they are less interested in news than older folks. Actually, all age groups are less enthusiastic about news than they once were. Instead of concentrating on the platforms by which news is disseminated, media should perhaps reconsider the concept of news itself.

"In spite of an expanding variety of ways to get news, a sizable minority of young people continues to go newsless on a typical day," says a study released September 27 by Pew Research Center. In a poll, 29 percent of adults younger than 25 got no news the previous day, either by traditional means (newspapers, TV, radio) or by the digital platforms (online, Twitter, social networking, podcast, etc.). Only 6 percent of those 18 to 24 got news from newspapers; it was a mere 12 percent for those 30 to 39. By contrast, almost half of those above 65 got news via newspapers.

The trend of young people eschewing news has been evident for many years — one reason why newspaper,

TV, and radio executives should have foreseen the coming crumbling of their Valhalla. In 1994, the average person age 18 to 29 spent 56 minutes a day on news. This year, that is down to 45 minutes. In 1994, people age

true. And that could be happening in the news business. As younger folks get gray, they are *not* becoming more interested in news. So how can newspapers' profitability return to halcyon days?

Whether today's news is too shallow, too titillating, too boring, too sensationalized, too slanted, too objective, too whatever, is a mystery. I get different stories from everyone I speak with. I have long suspected that the conventional journalistic writing style is out of date. In any case, too much executive time is spent pondering the platform and too little time

News Faces Tough Competition for Young People's Attention

	Total	18-24	25-29	30-49	50-64	65+
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Got any news	83	71	81	83	86	89
Other activities						
Visited with family or friends	68	74	72	66	69	63
Called friend or relative just to talk	63	64	75	62	64	56
Emailed/texted friend or relative	61	86	87	71	48	27
Watched non-news TV	57	40	42	55	64	71
Got vigorous exercise	43	58	54	44	36	30
Used Facebook/other social networking site	41	76	61	49	24	14
Read a book	36	36	34	35	35	38
Played game: video, computer, mobile	33	48	45	35	27	22
Read a magazine	19	12	12	19	20	29
Wrote/received letter	12	15	13	11	12	15

PEW RESEARCH CENTER 2012 News Consumption Survey.

30 to 39 spent 69 minutes a day absorbing news. This year, that's down to 62.

Significantly, even we older folks are spending less time on the news, according to Pew. In 1994, those 65 and older spent 90 minutes a day on news. That's down to 83. For those age 50 to 64, daily minutes spent on news dropped from 83 to 76.

It's possible that the news business has the same problem that...well...Beethoven has. Fifty or a hundred years ago, when classical music impresarios faced a graying audience, they were comforted knowing that as people grew older, they would come to appreciate finer music. That's no longer

is devoted to studying why people are less interested in news.

The latest Pew survey shows that people care the most, by far, about weather news, followed by crime, community, and sports news. "Papa Doug" Manchester, the new owner of U-T San Diego, and the paper's chief executive, John Lynch, are stressing the new platforms more than predecessor owners did and going full bore for community and sports news. But as they use their organ as a propaganda vehicle, they may be slashing their own wrists: Pew data show that, overwhelmingly, those getting news by Twitter and

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Transit plan includes more air pollution

By Dave Rice

n October 2011, the San Diego Association of Governments adopted the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan, a document

intended to guide development of transportation infrastructure — from freeways to bike paths to road construction to bus routes — throughout San Diego County over the next 40 years.

The plan has drawn fire from critics ever since. Within weeks, the Cleveland National Forest Foundation and Center for Biological Diversity had filed a lawsuit, later joined by Sierra Club California. The suit alleges



access to public transit. Opponents of the plan say it will result in more car traffic.



Jack Shu, president of the Cleveland National Forest Foundation, says his group filed suit to stop the plan after their suggestions to SANDAG were ignored.

that the plan violates the California Environmental Quality Act, which requires state and local agencies to analyze and publicly disclose the potential environmental impacts of a project, as well as take measures to mitigate them. By January 2012, California attorney general Kamala Harris had come to the groups' aid, filing on behalf of the state as an intervenor.

In the transportation plan's executive summary, a vision of "environmentally sustainable communities" that are "more conducive to walking and bicycling" and

"have more access to public transit" seems to depict the plan's goal.

Not so, say the plan's detractors, who cite the association's admission that, if the plan is followed, total vehicle-miles traveled will increase by 50 percent in coming decades. This will cause an expected net increase in air pollution, which violates the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006. The act calls for the state's greenhouse gas emissions to decrease by 2020 to the levels recorded in 1990. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's Executive Order S-03-05 targets an 80 percent decrease from 1990 levels by 2050.

The transportation plan's final environmental impact report violates the environmental quality act in several ways, according to the attorney general's amended opening brief: it "fails to disclose the [plan's] serious air pollution impacts" and does not adopt mitigation measures; it "fails to fully analyze and disclose potential harm to populations that it recognizes are sensitive receptors to air pollution," including children, the elderly, and people living in predominantly low-income areas that already experience high levels of pollution from existing transportation development; and it "violates [the environmental quality

UNDER THE RADAR

Let them eat Chargers tickets It's Chargers football season, time once again for San Diego mayor Jerry Sanders to quietly give close friends and political allies free tickets to premier seats at Qualcomm Stadium. For the October 15 game with Denver, the Republican mayor coughed up eight tickets said to be worth \$98 each for use by the San Diego Sports Commission. The purpose of the gift, made possible by city taxpayers, was "prohas been handing out free Chargers tickets to friends motion of local &

regional business, econ. development, and tourism, including conventions and conferences," said Sanders's office.

The sports commission is a nonprofit booster group whose board comprises some of the city's best-connected locals, including car dealer Steve Cushman, beer salesman Kurt Martin, San Diego Magazine publisher Iim Fitzpatrick, Donovan's Steakhouse owner Dan Shea, La Jolla financier Ted Roth, beer distributor Steve Sourapas, basketball legend Bill Walton, and Padres coowner and beer magnate Ron Fowler. Reached earlier this week by phone, sports commission sales chief Steve **Schell** explained that tickets from the mayor's office are regularly used to entertain potential sponsors of future sports-themed events here-including football, basketball and golf tournaments--that contribute to local economic activity.... The

controver

sial Walmart retail chain has done some charitable giving on behalf of Republican city councilwoman Lorie Zapf.

> On August 22, the corporation gave \$1000 to Leez PJ's 4 Kids in San Marcos to provide "clothing for foster children," according to

a behesting disclosure posted online by the city clerk. The same day, Walmart kicked in \$6775 for a City-owned "portable swimming pool" in Linda Vista. The Republican city counciland political allies woman has long

been a sure council vote for Walmart and has often been featured in the firm's promotional material. "As elected officials, we should do our part to promote business growth — not deter it," she was quoted as saying in a Walmart news release in January of last year regarding the company's ultimately victorious battle with labor unions over repeal of a law that would have limited the firm's expansion in the city. "I look forward to helping these efforts get underway by voting to repeal the big box ordinance."

\$7.6 million city parking contract, not priceless Money may be tight, but San Diego's mayor and city council have no shortage of ways to spend tax dollars, according to a list of top contracts posted online by the City's purchasing department. The biggest-grossing San Diego City contractor is far and away the Turner Construction Com-

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Burned by Bensoussan

Re "The View of the Lake," (Neighborhood News, November 1).

I regret the time I spent campaigning for Pamela Bensoussan, and for voting for her in 2008. As soon as she was elected she announced wanting to raise the sales tax to 10%. I am barely able to keep up with the payments on my house now. Paying 2.5% more for what I buy just to please her donors with pet projects is an insult to those who thought they were getting a person who cared about the community.

My daughter attends Olympic View Elementary and my son is at Eastlake High. The schools here are at 98% capacity, and Pamela voted to approve the rezoning of the Lake Pointe project for dense apartments to please her donors when she promised us a business district in the master plan. This is a slap in the face to us residents and will certainly lead to traffic congestion, pollution, and a glut of housing when the value of our homes has already tanked.

Ten hours ago I sent off my mail ballot marked for her opponent Larry Breitfelder Navas. Pamela Bensoussan is a mistake that I am not repeating.

> Teresita Tejada via email

Correction

In a September 4, 2012 blog posting by Don Bauder titled "Fellmeth joins UCAN board," the following clause appears: "\$1 million for a China-bashing movie was routed by steel producer Nucor through UCAN in a deal that smacked of tax avoidance or money laundering."

Nucor attorneys and executives in correspondence with *Reader* staff insist that the "funding for the Death by China film by Peter Navarro was completely above board. The funding was provided as a grant to UCAN by Nucor Corporation."

According to Nucor, they "were not in it for tax purposes... Nucor requested Navarro work with a reputable organization to receive the grant so the money was not given personally to Navarro. Navarro wanted UCAN to be the grant recipient because he believed that it was the premier consumer organization in the State and brought consumer credibility to his film. Nucor being a large energy consumer found UCAN's mission complimentary and agreed to make the grant. A stated goal of the film, narrated by Martin Sheen, is to help consumers connect the dots between buying illegally subsidized Made in China products and the loss of American jobs and threats to consumer safety.... UCAN released the remaining funds to Navarro in August so he could finish and distribute the film, and the film has now played in more than 20 cities nationwide."

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By Reader stringers

CHULA VISTA

New player in the game Former Charger seeks seat on **Sweetwater School Board**

Though many people want to see corruption and mismanagement cleaned up in the Sweetwater Union High School District, few people stepped into the November 6 election. One interesting candidate who wants to



Burt Grossman made the cover of Sports Illustrated in 1990 — "Big Mouth: The Rantings and Ravings of San Diego's Burt Grossman."

try his hand at the task is a former Chargers player, Burt Grossman.

In Grossman's October 21 campaign disclosure filing, the last filing before the election, only two people had contributed to his campaign. His ballot statement says he is currently an assistant program director for Able-Disabled Advocacy.

A half-page ad in the October 26 Star News featured pictures of Grossman in his Chargers uniform, of him sitting beside Arne Duncan (secretary of education), and of Grossman beside his wife, two children, and three dogs.

Another side of Grossman can be found in a book he wrote ("with Bill Kushner") in 1996, titled The Way Things Ought to Be.

On education: "I got good grades because if I didn't, I'd get my knuckles cracked.... I know that the liberal way of educating the young people today differs from the good old-fashioned education I received. Today we can't discipline the kids and we have got to make everything fair and even...but I understand. Liberal politicians are dependent on the dope vote to keep them in office."

BY SUSAN LUZZARO, NOVEMBER 3

GOLDEN HILL

Trash block

Garbage truck spills load in Golden Hill

Sometime between morning trash pick-up and 9 a.m. on Thursday, November 1, a loaded city trash truck malfunctioned and spilled most of its contents onto the street on the corner of 26th and A streets, near the Golden Hill Recreation Center and the southwestern edge of Balboa Park.

The northbound lane of 26th Street was closed to traffic, blocked by a trash-collection truck, a dump truck, and another truck. While a worker with a Bobcat pushed the spillage into a pile, another used a front loader to put the refuse into the waiting dump truck.

BY LEORAH GAVIDOR, NOVEMBER 3

NORTH COUNTY — ENCINITAS

Earning their keep?

U-T asks to renegotiate street hawker

With the *U-T*'s purchase of the *North County* Times, the firing of 80 staff employees and writers, and the merging of the publications on October 15, one aspect of the transition has so far remained unchanged — North County's street newspaper vendors.

Daily around North County, the Alpha Project drops off 36 street hawkers, including three at the busy intersection of El Camino Real and Encinitas Boulevard, in Encinitas. The hawkers are part of the Alpha Project's 140-bed, drug-and-alcohol treatment program. Most vendors are early-release state



Alpha Project drops off 36 street vendors daily.

prisoners who were incarcerated for nonviolent felonies.

"The street-hawker program is a vital part of their recovery," points out Amy Gonyeau, COO of the Alpha Project.

The vendors will continue to be seen at least until the end of the year, when, according to Gonyeau, the agreement between the now-combined North County Times/U-T and the Alpha Project will be renegotiated, at the request of the U-T.

BY KEN HARRISON, NOVEMBER 2

OCEAN BEACH

O.B. hall-o-wacked

Holiday-related violence on Newport

Halloween on Ocean Beach's Newport Avenue produced a woman getting her cheek bitten and a man lying unconscious on the sidewalk.

In the cheek incident, Steve Perez said he and his girlfriend were enjoying the night out at Cheswick's on Newport Avenue when a stranger came up and bit her on the cheek before running off. They called 911 and the

suspect was apprehended and arrested.

The victim didn't seem to have a serious injury and declined medical attention. She opted to press charges against the assailant.

In another incident, a man dressed in a bikini, knee-high socks, and high heels was pushed to the ground and lost consciousness in front of Newport Pizza. A patron at the pizza joint told police and emergency medical personnel that she saw the scuffle and heard the victim's head hit the ground. She did not see who pushed him.

The swimsuited man was seen earlier in the day at the OB Farmers' Market walking around in his costume. He was wheeled away to an ambulance while still unconscious.

BY MERCY BARON, NOVEMBER 1

CARLSBAD

Take your home on wheels elsewhere

Carlsbad considers ordinance to limit **RV** parking

Richard Shapiro is fighting a campaign on behalf of recreational vehicle owners against the City of Carlsbad.

Effective January 1, 2013, the city intends to ban RVs on Carlsbad city streets due to complaints of overnight parking and camping, among other reasons.

In a mid-October meeting, Bryan Jones, the city's deputy transportation director, indicated RVs have become a concern due to "quality-of-life, health, and safety issues," in part due to increased homelessness in the city.

In July, homeowners in the Avenida Encinas area reported increased numbers of RV campers and had complaints associated with them. More than one resident stated their concern about a transient occupying one of the vehicles who is allegedly a regis-

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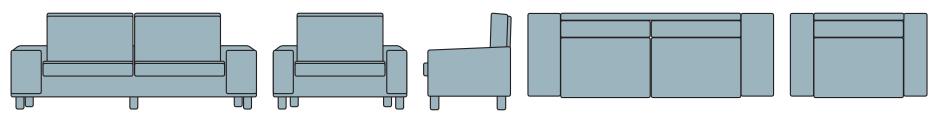
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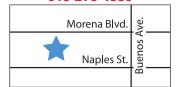
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ou'd think I'd remember the layout better," I said to the top of David's smoothly shaven

head, which was hovering over a small map of San Diego State University's campus. "Then again, I was only enrolled for, like, three minutes, and that was over ten years ago. Wow, that makes me sound old. Am I old?"

David lifted his head and gazed at me with his ice-blue eyes just long enough to quash my line of thinking. He pointed to the map. "We're here," he said. He moved his finger two buildings over. "This is where we want to be. It's that building right there. What time are we supposed to be there?"

I smiled sheepishly. "In about an hour." Before David could balk, I added, "Give me a break. I didn't

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know where the parking lot was or how far it would be from the building, and there was a good chance we'd have to trek across half the campus. This place is huge. That would have taken tons of time, and I'm not about to be late to a class I was invited to speak at; that would be just totally unacceptable. This way, we can sit and relax for a bit. I wanted a coffee, anyway, and, look, there's a café. We can get a drink and sit and chill and then we'll be all relaxed when we arrive, instead of lost and stressed or panting because we had to run to make it."

David nodded and followed me to the counter in

Back to School

the middle of what looked like a 7-Eleven with no walls. The outdoor mart even had hot dogs and a line of convenience-store drink coolers. I bought a Starbucks Doubleshot for me and a Naked Juice "Blue Machine" fruit smoothie for David.

We found seats nearby, across from the University Art Gallery. I recognized the building because I'd seen a handful of exhibitions there featuring MFA students' thesis work, some of which David and I had ended up taking home. But those visits had always been at night, when the campus was mostly abandoned. Now the road and walking paths were busy with students, some studying alone or chatting with each other at tables around us, most treading this way and that, presumably on their way to various classes.

"When I dropped out after a few semesters, I never would have imagined that someday I'd be invited back to this same school to speak to a class as an expert in my field," I mused. "I'm a teacher for a day, and I never even got a degree. Isn't that weird?"

"It's kind of cool," David said. I nodded, because he was right.

I watched as a girl wearing argyle knee-high socks and shorts trotted by. "She's probably late for class," I said. "Oh, I hated that feeling — having to rush, worried you might not get a good seat, or, worse, that you would enter the room after the professor had begun lecturing. The stress of it...I don't miss it, that's for sure."

"I enjoyed college," David said.

"Maybe too much — I don't remember liking any specific classes; maybe that's why I flunked that one class. You know, they sent me a letter suggesting, in no uncertain terms, that perhaps I might want to take a semester off to consider whether or not I really wanted to be a student at their university."

"That's Ivy League for you," I said. "I doubt anyone here would have noticed. I flunked every class that didn't interest me, but I did really well in those that did. Biology, Cultural Anthropology — I got an A in that one." I took a swig of my canned espresso. "I was also working full time, mostly nights. I couldn't help but doze in more boring classes, like Economics. God, I still cringe at the memory of that professor calling me on it in class — I fell asleep and he made an example out of me, said if I couldn't be bothered to keep my eyes open, why show up? He was right, but I was still

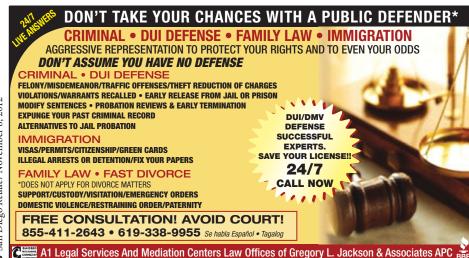
mortified. Hell, I still am."

David told me about his dorm life, an experience I'd skipped. Because I was working, I could afford an apartment a few miles away; I had little crossover between classmates and friends. My work — at a call center populated largely by recent college grads — served as a surrogate for my "college experience." I traded in frat parties for house parties and raves. I smiled as it occurred to me I'd stayed at the call center for four years — working my way up from freshman on the phones to supervisor on the floor, to a senior role in the training department.

"There was one thing I always loved about school," I said, my eyes following a student with an impressive beard. "I loved taking notes." David cocked his head, an invitation for me to elaborate. "That feeling of the pen on the page, the sense of accomplishment I got from seeing all the pages filled with notes. The smell of ink, and writing as a means of recording the experience, giving my attendance at what was often a boring lecture in a poorly ventilated room some tangible sense of purpose."

I straightened in my chair and looked around with a new awareness. David asked what was wrong. "I just had a visceral memory from grade school accompanied by the smell of pencil shavings," I said. "And then I realized I couldn't remember the last time I've held a real pencil. I bet no one's even using pens — I type much faster than I

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That curiously anachronistic

phrase caught the attention of Matthew "Math" Emfatameem, ESPN.com's chief investigative reporter on the (sadly) hot topic of drug use in sports. "Usually, when a PR flack tries to sound cool, he pulls a phrase he's read on a hip-hop message board," explained Emfatameem. "Often, it's only a year or two out of date. But 'chill pill' hasn't been used among cool people for something like 20 years. It made me wonder if there was more to the story than just a cranky old white guy. And it turned out I was right."

Emfatameem's story, available at ESPN.com, uncovers a huge market for "blues" and "golds," mood-altering pills that are produced in Mexico and

shipped to San Diego in specially marked bags of Tropical Skittles candies. "The golds are basically uppers," said Emfatameem. "Something to help fire up a fan of a mediocre football franchise that seems eager to leave town to the point where he is willing to paint himself blue and yellow, pay hundreds of dollars to buy a ticket and stage a tailgate party in the parking lot beforehand, and scream his support through countless TV timeouts and numerous on-field flubs. The blues, of course, are antidepressants, designed to help that same fan cope with the shame of having wasted so much effort in a losing cause. I'm pretty sure those are the 'chill pills' that Johnston was talking about."

Besides the illegality of these pills, said Emfatameem, "there are also safety concerns. They aren't exactly produced under strict government oversight. In some cases, we've heard about disappointed die-hards taking so many blues that they can't bring themselves to care anymore. They become despondent; they stop buying tickets. In some cases, blackouts ensue."

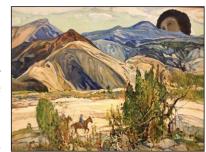
Reached for comment, Johnston replied, "GO, CHARGERS!"

San Diego History Center Expresses Regret Over Hiring Cecilia Gimenez to Restore Depression-Era Paintings

Infamous Octogenarian Behind Monkeyface Jesus Brings Expertise to Charles Reiffel's "Mountains and Desert," Other Works

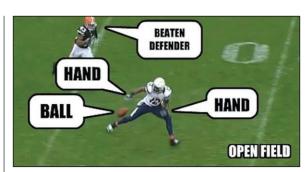
"Google would have been helpful here."

n hindsight, we probably should have checked her portfolio," says San Diego History Center director Dusty Webb. "But she was European! Those people practi-



Well, hello there, Monkeyface Jesus! So nice to see you again!

cally invented fancy painting! Look, if a woman came to you and told you that she had been commissioned to restore a fresco painted by Elias Garcia Martinez in Borja's Santuario de Misericordia and part of the collection owned by Spain's Centro de Estudios Borjano, would you expect her to do something like this?"



Robert "Stickum" Meachem Misses Stickum, Pass

Local Troop Leader for Catholic Boy Scouts Seeks to Start Youth Football Program

Joseph Paternal, Longtime Leader of St. James Parish Scout Troop #384, Garners \$500,000 Grant From Philanthropist Gerald Sandusi to Start Urban Flag Football League

"I can't understand the lack of response so far," said Paternal. "There are lots of Catholic boys in San Diego, and many of them are members of parishes affiliated with San Diego's Catholic Committee on Scouting. And boys love football. I just don't see why they should shy away from an opportunity like this. Sandusi has been so generous; you'd think the kids would be touched by his gesture and respond."

Chula Vista's Tourism Marketing Director Responds

On October 24, the Chula Vista City Council voted to dissolve the Chula Vista Tourism Marketing District, citing possible misuse of funds and definite failure to bring tourists to Chula Vista.

Today, Chula Vista TMD director Wanda Werdois responded to what she characterized as "a short-sighted move that reflects a gross misunderstanding of the modern tourist market."

"For instance," says Werdois, "the council cites a grand-jury finding that, 'although a representative from the Hotel Motel Association said Chula Vista's primary tourist markets are Los Angeles, Arizona, and Nevada, the hotels and motels had been promoted in two local publications — *The Star News* and *My*



Artist's rendering of what Chula Vista's bayfront does not look like right now

Hometown Chula Vista.'

"Oooh, damning," continues Werdois, rolling her eyes. "But consider the source! Of course a paid shill for the hotel/motel industry is going to complain if we promote Chula Vista to Chula Vistans — they already live here, they don't need a hotel room, the

hotels don't make any money. But look at the reality: because of the slumping economy and the spike in gas prices, home-based 'staycations' are up 60 percent from last year. Spending marketing dollars in Chula Vista to keep Chula Vistans in Chula Vista just makes sense. We don't want them traipsing off to National City or Imperial Beach, now do we? We're reaching people where they are to keep them

spending where they are, and that's good business.

"Plus, until EyeCandy fires up the waterfront nightlife, what was I supposed to sell to all those people in Arizona and Nevada? The Olympic Training Center? The water park? Please..."

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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP BY MATTHEW ALICE

Heymatt:

Why do we say "God bless you" when people sneeze? Last I heard, it's because our hearts stop for a second when we sneeze and it's an act of God that our hearts continue to beat.

— "Holdin' it in," via email

The "heart stopping" explanation for blessing someone's sneeze is popular, but it's a latecomer to the sneezing game. Pliny the Elder mentions "saluting" a sneeze during the glory days of Rome, at which point in history medical science wasn't advanced enough to link a fictitious heart murmur with an explosive gust of wind to dust out the nasal cavity. It's likely that blessing the sneeze started as a precautionary measure designed to ward off evil spirits that might accompany an event which was poorly understood at the time. Since nobody really knew what a sneeze was, there was no harm in putting a small blessing on the sneezer just in case some sneaky little devils were hanging around waiting to cause mischief. Over the years, it's become nothing more than a routine gesture of politeness.

"Bless," is itself an interesting word. It comes from the Old English *bloédsian*, which implied sanctification by anointing a thing in blood. For much of pre-Christian Europe, bathing something in sacrificial blood was the best and only way to render it sacrosanct in the eyes of whatever pagan god (small "g") happened to be watching. The "civilized," Latin word *benedicere* implies a benediction, or more of a verbal blessing, but we like the bloody version better. The Latin use gives us the ability to simply speak a blessing, but saying "bless you" when someone sneezes carries echoes of "may you be bathed in blood!"

Hevmatt:

Why in the world does 30th Street morph into Fern Street between Juniper and Ash streets? Not only that, 30th doesn't disappear during its run as Fern but actually continues as an entirely separate and parallel street one block to the west of Fern. I can understand that it would be a huge hassle to fix it, i.e. rename Fern as 30th and then rename the western section of 30th as Fern, but why did this happen in the first place?

— Neil Allen

If you look at USGS maps ca. 1900, South Park has about 30 houses. By 1930, the entire neighborhood as you know it was planned and developed, so it looks like you have turn-of-the-century city developers to blame for your annoyance. The biggest difference is that there were fewer trees

then. One of the big factors shaping early development in the neighborhood was the streetcar system that made its way up from Golden Hill and, eventually, over Switzer Canyon and into North Park. The trolley's route was up 30th Street and 30th was made broader and wider

to accommodate the higher traffic. Even today, 30th is ten feet wider. My understanding is that 30th was planned as the streetcar route, despite not being a perfectly straight shot. The idea that the main thoroughfare should be contiguous, even if a bit wandering, smacks of early city planning. Flappers en route to speakeasies had less choice in travel since not everybody had a car, so it made sense for the street to follow the trolley rather than the other way around. The topography of the land would have had something to do with it as well, since the grade there is fairly aggressive.

Sadly, the planners didn't plan for us all having our own cars. Now, it seems natural to go straight on Fern when driving through South Park. Planning reports from the 1980s indicate that Fern Street saw three times as much vehicle traffic as the corresponding section of 30th and not much has been done to change that.

Heymatt:

Why are car engines measured in horsepower? What does horsepower mean and how much horsepower does one horse generate?

– Motorhead, Escondido

Engines have been measured in horsepower since James Watt, who refined early steam engines, coined the term in the late 18th Century so that Josiah Q. Public IV, esq. could relate to the power of new-fangled machinery. His estimate that one horse could move 550 pounds of weight one foot in one second has proven to be pretty accurate, though horses can do ten times that much in short bursts of effort. The average human can usually generate a bit more than 1HP for a second or two. An elite athlete can make three times that much power.

Horsepower has never been a popular term. People were calling it "fallacious" in the early 19th Century and 90 years later predicting it had "seen its best days" since "as a scientific term it [had] been much abused." Apparently, the neigh-sayers (ha!) were wrong, since we still use HP to measure a car's power output. The watt, named after James Watt, would be a more useful term to use since it incorporates into SI units of measurement, but as long as auto manufacturers keep using the term, horsepower will stick around.

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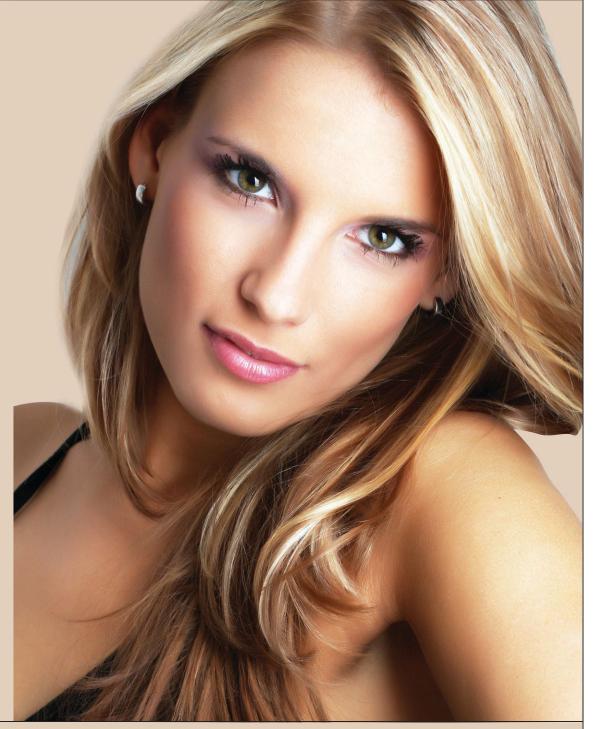
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POST TITLE: Make Moves Monday POST DATE: October 29, 2012

Looks like the end of October is turning out to be quite the shining beacon for turducken shit storms. You know, when life sucker-punches you from all sides.

And, you find yourself feeling very...humbled. And, by "humbled," I mean "crazy, lost, overwhelmed, livid, crazy, sad, crazy, uncharacteristically violent, short tempered...did I say CRAZY?"

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But, guess what? Life goes on & things work

...which I realize is, like, the lamest advice in the history of mankind & provides virtually no solace...but hear me out.

Shit happens & we can allow it to bring us down because it's so much easier to just surrender...or, we can have our emo cray time, fight through it, grow from it. It's your decision. But, I promise you, worrying's not going to do a single thing to help you move forward.

Stop asking WHY this is happening to you. It doesn't matter. You can't change anything you've done in the past, so don't waste another bit of energy wondering, worrying.

Ask yourself WHAT can you learn from this?

Quiet your mind. Let go of the worry. Refocus that mental energy on bettering yourself.

Believe with all your heart that things are working themselves out exactly as they should.

And...breathe. You'll get through it.

POST TITLE: Like This: Metallic Hot Skinnies POST DATE: October 2, 2012

Guys, I want to share something with you. I have this dream, this not-so-secret desire, that I just can't keep to myself anymore. I want to live in a world where I can...wear metallic skinny pants. This dream is proving to be a challenge for primarily one reason: It's supposed to be, like, 98 degrees today. Three words: Sweaty. Hot. Mess. It's just...too hot. But, once it cools down, best believe I'm gonna do what I can to make this dream of mine come true. You, too, can rock the metallic skinnys. Do it. We can have a metallic skinny pants party. It'll be fun. And shiny.

POST TITLE: Transitional Devices: The Maxi Skirt

POST DATE: September 25, 2012 It's, technically, OFFICIALLY Fall. Yaaay!

...which means crisp, cool air, nostalgic holidays, and pumpkin...everything.

But just because temperatures are starting to drop-it-drop-it-low, it doesn't mean you have to pack away your favorite summer wardrobe staples. Guess what? With the magic of smart layering, summer pieces, like that maxi skirt, can actually stay in rotation...all. year. round. Exciting, I know.

The key to transitioning maxi skirts throughout the seasons is to be mindful of PROPOR-TION. Bag lady chic is NOT "in" this season or ever. Balance out a voluminous skirt with fitted tops and cropped jackets. Lightweight sweaters in natural fibers will keep you warm without adding a lot of bulk.

POST TITLE: Make Moves Monday POST DATE: **July 16, 2012**

For at least a decade and a half now, I've had the same dream...and, for whatever reason, FEAR! I keep brushing my dream aside, convincing myself that, although it's the only thing in my heart I've ever wanted that bad for that long, it's just...a silly, little dream.

But it's not. It's a big dream. And it scares the shit out of me because it's so freakin' big, and my heart wants it so much.

After all these years of trying to downplay it, I still want it. And I never want ANYTHING for this long. If anything, I only want it more. Nothing's ever felt more right or more sure...so, what the fuck am I doing?

I'm making it happen. Finally. THAT'S what I'm doing. I'm listening solely to my heart. It actually knows what it wants. It's fearless, persistent.

I'm hitting mute on the incessant, fear-driven chatter in my head.

...can you hear that? No shrill ringing of fear or loud clanging of doubt...just the gentle, constant beating of a heart with purpose.

Let's do this.

POST TITLE: Sexy G-Ma Florals POST DATE: **July 10, 2012**

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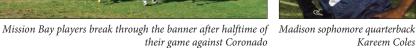
Just like these mixed G-ma prints...or, I don't know, life?

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By Anthony Gentile







Kareem Coles

Game of the Week: Point Loma at No. 9 Madison

Clairemont Mesa — With the Western League title on the line Friday night, November 2, Madison captured the crown by delivering a complete performance. The ninth-ranked Warhawks beat visiting Point Loma 28-14 in a winner-take-all regular-season finale.

"It's become a tradition at Madison, and every year we want to be league champs," said Madison junior defensive lineman Tiasamo Savusa. "It felt great to come out and dominate this game."

Defense controlled play early, and Madison (9-1, 4-0 Western) broke through for the first score with 1:08 left in the first quarter — an 11-yard run by senior running back Pierre Cormier. Cormier's run capped a drive that Madison started on its own 34-yard line after Warhawks junior defensive end Sam Vermillion recovered a Point Loma fumble.

Just before halftime, Madison extended its lead to 14-0 on a 33-yard touchdown pass from sophomore quarterback Kareem Coles to junior receiver Michael Garner. On the score, Coles scrambled to his left and appeared to run out of room near the sideline when he found Garner

"It was very big — that got all the momentum on our side," Coles said. "I scrambled, saw the receiver come back to the ball, and I just gave it to him."

Madison stopped Point Loma (7-3, 3-1) on the opening drive of the second half and quickly increased its lead after getting the ball back. The Warhawks drove 74 yards in less than two minutes, taking a 21-0 lead on a 47-yard touchdown pass from Coles to senior receiver Lee Walker with 6:50 left in the third quarter.

Point Loma got on the board on the ensuing possession by driving 80 yards for a score — a four-yard touchdown run by junior running back Sydney Rush — that made it 21-7. But Madison answered with a touchdown drive to put the game away, taking a 21-point lead on a one-yard run by Coles with 1:31.

Midway through the fourth quarter, Point

Loma cut Madison's lead to 14 points when senior quarterback Branden Martin connected with senior receiver Zach Eischen for a five-yard score. But the Pointers couldn't get closer than that the rest of the way, as Madison rolled to the league title after sharing it with Point Loma last

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- 2. Cathedral Catholic (8-2) Dons seeking sixth straight section title
- 3. Helix (8-1) Highlanders won Grossmont Hills League with ease
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- 6. Olympian (10-0) Capped perfect regular season with Metro Mesa title
- 7. St. Augustine (8-2) will drop to Division IV end with championship?
- 8. Madison (9-1) took winner-take-all showdown to win Western League
- 9. Eastlake (7-3) Titans have speed, talent to contend in Division I
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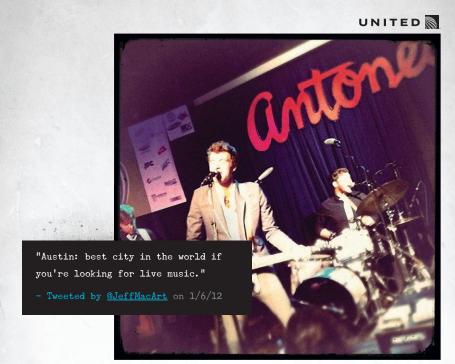


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-EVE KELLY

"m starting with my gold standard: All Natural Laura Scudder's Nutty Old-Fashioned Peanut Butter," my hubby Patrick announced (\$3.59 for 16 ounces at Ralphs). Before him on the kitchen table stood a whole gang of peanut butter jars we had bought in a quest to find the perfect peanut butter. "Tastes like roasted peanuts, none of that phony peanut butter taste. And I like that you have to stir it before you eat it."

"That's what I don't like," I argued, "the stirring is messy, and the eating is drippy."

"The stirring is a labor of love; it makes it personal," waxed Patrick. "It's like peanut butter foreplay...you've got to stir until conditions are perfect. Only then do you receive true peanut butter fulfillment."

I pretended to not hear his analogy and moved on.

Simple Truth Organic Crunchy Peanut Butter had a sandy texture that was displeasing (\$3.79 for 18 ounces at Ralphs).

Ralphs Natural Crunchy Peanut Butter (\$2.69 for 16 ounces) was too salty, and Organics No Stir Crunchy Peanut Butter (\$4.49 for 18 ounces at Vons) was too sweet.

"This has a significantly less salt taste than the Scudder's," announced Patrick, holding a spoonful of Organics Old Fashioned Crunchy Peanut Butter (\$4.49 for 18 ounces at Vons). "You have to lick it off the roof of your mouth, but I like that. It's the oral experience that is peanut butter fulfillment."

The next one we popped open claimed to be "America's Oldest Brand — Krema Peanut Butter Natural Crunchy (\$3.99 for 16 ounces at Ralphs).

"Really hard to stir," griped Patrick, "the stuff on the bottom will not yield. My old girl Laura Scudder is not so high maintenance. But a man needs to be persistent in these matters," he laughed. "Some peanut butters need more stirring before they yield up their delights."

"Needs a pinch of salt to bring out the flavor," I added.

We dug into the Earth Balance Natural Peanut Butter and Flaxseed (\$5.79 for 16 ounces at Sprouts). "This is the consistency of modeling clay, and it's too chunky," remarked Patrick. "Ironic its name is Earth Balance."

Organic Once Again American Classic Crunchy Peanut Butter (\$6.99 for 16 ounces

"It's like peanut butter foreplay...you've got to stir until conditions are perfect."

at People's Organic Food Market) suffered from sandy grit texture; Peanut Butter & Co. No-Stir Natural Crunch Time (\$3.99 for 16 ounces at Sprouts) was so dry it cracked away from the sides of the jar. Extra Crunchy Skippy Natural (\$4.99 for 15 ounces at Albertsons) featured an unpleasant glue-like texture.

> We hit a winner with Raw Wild Jungle Peanut Butter (\$13.65 for 12 ounces at People's Organic).

"Sometimes you like to get raw and wild with your peanut butter," announced Patrick. "Almost a fruity flavor in

the middle," I added, bringing my man back to the topic at hand, "but the texture is of runny Cream of Wheat. Sort of a different experience." The jar claimed that profits support the native Achuar and Shuar peoples of Ecuador.

The saltiness in the 365 Peanut Butter Crunchy (\$2.99 for 18 ounces at Whole Foods) overwhelmed the peanut flavor, and the Arrowhead Mills Crunchy Peanut Butter (\$7.99 for 26 ounces at Whole Foods) lacked a hefty peanut flavor. But the MaraNatha Organic Roasted Peanut Butter (\$6.49 for 16 ounces at Sprouts) harkened us back to

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the Raw Wild Jungle peanut butter.

"Very creamy for a crunchy peanut butter," added Patrick,

> "with that raw acidic hint to the flavor."

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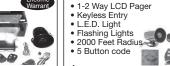
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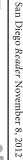
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you need to at least ditch the pants and shoes, and I did get rid of the pants and shoes, but it cost all the money I had left to replace them.

I do have a family, and they had been through this "welcome home" reunion with me before. But after so many times visiting, writing letters, and sending money, they got burned out.

I joined the Crips in 1977 at 14 years of age. From then on, I was in and out of trouble so much that I was forced to bear my own burdens. The first time I was charged with a crime, I was in the eighth grade. It was for strong-arm robbery. I had taken a wristwatch from a fellow student at O'Farrell Junior High, in exchange for letting him "pass go" on the way home from school. I looked at the

watch and threw it away. This happened shortly before I joined the Crips. My mom retained a criminal defense attorney for me named George Leibers, and he got me a reduced charge of theft and probation.

Probation was given to me at the onset of my gang career, and I suffered more run-ins with the system as a result of that supervision. More criminal laws did not have to be broken for me to face incarceration, just rules. Staying out past curfew and not going to school were common violations. I started out smoking weed and joy-riding in hot models (stolen cars), and then I escalated to robberies and weapons.

My gang life catapulted as a result of going to juvenile hall and the youth authority for those

crimes. Everyone there was gang-affiliated and hell-bent on proving themselves.

The Neighborhood Crips gang is located on 47th and Market Street

today were once called the 5/9 (Five-Nine) Brims: this was their title when I first became a Crip. Those same 5/9 Brims were themselves the product of a mid-1970s gang known as the Central City

My gang life catapulted as a result of going to juvenile hall and the youth authority.

in the Chollas View area of Southeast San Diego. When I joined in 1977, there were hardly any other Crips or Bloods in San Diego, but over the years I've watched the ones that are around now come into play or transform. For example, the Southside Bloods of

Gangsters, located near 40th and Ocean View Boulevard.

The Lincoln Park Piru of today were once called Paul Lowe's Control (PLC), a short-lived title named for their hangout, a popular liquor store that was owned by a former San Diego

Chargers running back who lived in the general area of Euclid and Logan Avenue. It was rumored that Paul Lowe expressed disapproval of his name being used as a gang title. Out of respect for him, PLC became the Lincoln Park Players or the Lincoln Park Boys — I can't recall the exact order, but I certainly recall the titles.

The Skyline area was once occupied by the Eastside Hanging Gang (EHG), but they reemerged in 1979 as the Skyline Piru. I was at a house party in Encanto when Skyline made their debut as the first Piru gang in San Diego. I remember warning my homeboys at the party that night about their potential to expand. Skyline was such a big area that Piru could eventually outnumber all of us. It was me (Curt Dog),

Ken Wood, Tve Stick, Boss Man, and Will Kill. Also, Alvin "Al Capone" Smith, who was eventually killed by that same gang four years later. The Blood that was rumored to have caused his death was then killed by the West Coast Crips the following year.

The West Coast Crips have got to be the longest-standing Crip or Blood gang in San Diego. I recall them being active as the West Coast Mafia Crips as far back as 1972, when I was just a kid. This was the same time period during which the Crips and Bloods were originating in Los Angeles, making San Diego the next major city to host them after L.A. Incidentally, the Neighborhood Crips, the West Coast Crips, and the 5/9 Brims were all founded by original L.A. gang





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In 1979, the new gangs started doing more driveby shootings. This caught us off guard, because the established gangs had built their reputations through fighting only. The new gangs were not the first to carry guns or use them. At least a couple of guys from each gang had been shot, but not killed. These were isolated and/or personal incidents where firearms had been used as a last

I started carrying a gun because the new gangs raised the bar. I had always felt that drive-by



shootings were cowardly, so the first time I shot someone I did it face-to-

This was in 1983. I was the youngest inmate there, and all the black prison organizations

face. Instead of stealing, I started robbing faceto-face, as well. This life inevitably led to trouble with the law. I did time in the youth authority, and at 18 years of age, I was charged with Possession of a Concealed Weapon and committed to the California Rehabilitation Center (CRC) state prison in Norco, California.

tried to recruit me. They

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targeted young guys with career-criminal potential, so that they would always have members in prison to carry on their legacy. I was first approached by the Vanguards, a semimilitant black-awareness

They routinely engaged in wars.

I eventually became the sergeant-at-arms for the newly founded Consolidated Crip Organization (CCO). It was an organization where all the

Crips in California united

as one. The Bloods had

It's rule-breaking, not law-breaking, that gets you back into trouble.

group that aimed to educate and organize black inmates.

ranking members of the notorious Black Guerrilla Family (BGF), a militant and politically motivated black-power prison organization. They were founded in 1966 by incarcerated members of the Black Panther Party, and they were arch-rivals of both the Mexican Mafia and the Aryan Brotherhood white-supremacy gang.



a similar organization I also spoke with called the United Blood Nation (UBN). They operated under the same general rules and guidelines that we did. I was released in December of 1985 but suffered major adjust-

ment problems with supervised parole. It's rule-breaking, not lawbreaking, that gets you back into trouble. The rules were so easy to break, eventually I gave up on conforming. There were violation charges for things like failure to report, drinking beer, and smoking weed. My first violation charge was for moving in with my new girlfriend (changing address without approval). I got 90 days.

I later realized that parole violations were my responsibility. But at the time, I didn't want to be held accountable, and I minimized my failings by complaining about how petty it was every time I got busted for not doing what I was supposed to do. As a result, for the next few years, I was in and out of jail, serving small terms for petty violations.

This cycle continued until my parole ended in 1988. By then, I had lost a few fellow Crip gang members to drive-by



shootings and felt a personal responsibility to make up for it. On one occasion, I went across town on foot with a twopiece assembled shotgun and fired upon a large gathering. The crowd frantically dispersed, and I heard screams and screeching tires, people hauling ass. As I hid behind a small truck to disassemble the gauge, the vehicle's owner ran straight toward it. He was ducking and looking in all directions in an effort to avoid more potential gunfire. "Get me outta here! They're shooting!" I yelled. "Where you headed?" he asked, fumbling to unlock the passenger door. "I'm going to 47th and Market Street!" I said. The location I gave him was the heart of our gang's territory. I would be safe there.

We had a few words on the way, but not much. When we arrived, I had to readjust the shotgun while climbing out, and he saw it. His eyes got big, as if he'd sighted a UFO. "Thanks for the ride, cuz," I said, casually walking off into the night.

* * * My first trip to prison made me tougher. All I did was gain more weight and muscle. My attitude stayed the same because I was still around the same crowd. It was all I knew. As a result, it only took me a year to be recommitted for another weaponspossession charge. But this time, things had changed.

In 1989, when I returned to prison, the order of the black-inmate structure had been lost. I was at Chuckwalla Valley Prison this time, and there were no more

Vanguards, no more Consolidated Crips. The Black Guerrilla Family now operated more as a private sector. This was a result of the new-generation gang members who refused to follow orders. Even

the Mexican Mafia and Aryan Brotherhood took hits by their new generation, but not as bad as the blacks did. As a result, black inmates became the target of unprovoked racial attacks, which were previously unheard of.

Race riots were previously declared by council, but now they were random, and they always involved the blacks versus others. I eagerly took part in every war that I could. On one occasion, Lattacked five Southern

Mexicans alone. It wasn't intended to happen that way, but the controltower guard failed to electronically open the cell door of the Black Guerrilla Family member from Oakland, California, who was going to

help me. I was shot three times with a riot gun and drenched with pepper spray by guards who ran in to break it up, but I felt good that I had made a statement.

After an early-1990s race riot, I was deemed

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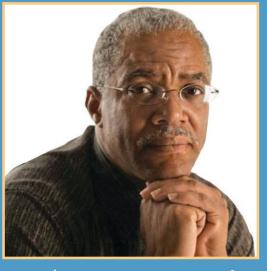
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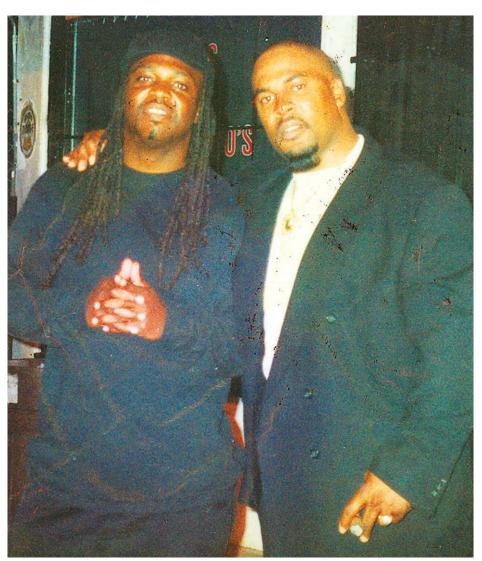
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One month out of prison, the author (right) hangs out with his best friend and fellow former 47th Street Neighborhood Crips member Kenny Davis. Five months later, Davis was killed in a dispute.

unsuitable for general population and sent to open the new Pelican Bay maximum-security prison for incorrigibles. I spent my time in isolation, working out to maintain my sanity and reflecting on my past. This prison trip ended my gang life.

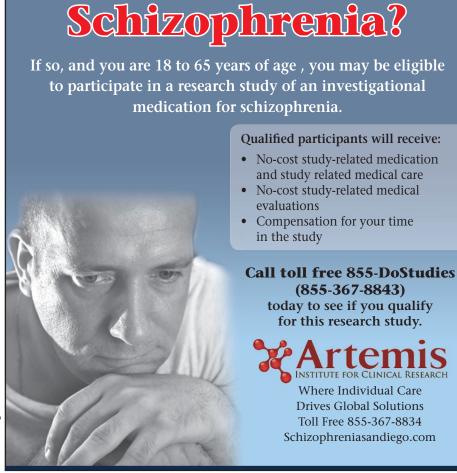
The race wars had given me a stronger sense of black awareness. Whether Crip or Blood, I would always be judged first as a black man. At this point, I knew I could never return to the community as a Crip fighting my own people. So I never committed another gang act. I would like to give special thanks to the Aryan Brotherhood and the Mexican Mafia for enlightening me.

When I was released

from Pelican Bay in 1992, I returned to San Diego homeless. I didn't go back to my old neighborhood because my business was done there. Instead, I remained in downtown San Diego among the street hustlers. I didn't have long-term plans because my homeless situation didn't allow me to think past the day. I started smoking crushed crack cocaine in cigarettes, to numb my reality. They call these "primos."

These drugs made me approach my situation more aggressively, with no regard for anyone. I tried selling drugs, but the users annoyed me. They never had enough money to buy, so I sold everything below cost and then smoked the rest after realizing I couldn't meet the quota necessary to re-up (buy more).

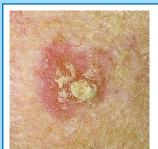
One night, I was approached by a smoker (crack user) who had only six dollars. He insisted that I sell to him, but I didn't have anything. He became agitated and went to a guy who was waiting in a car. The guy handed him something rolled up inside of a pulled-off jacket. As the smoker re-approached me, I studied his hands to see what he was going to pull out. He never got the chance. Once he was within arm's reach, I stabbed him with the full length of my pocket knife, and he collapsed. He didn't know my real name, but he knew my gang name, and that





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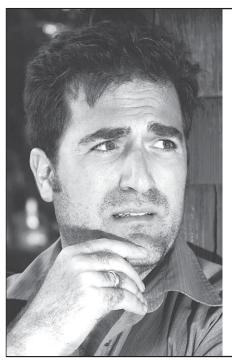
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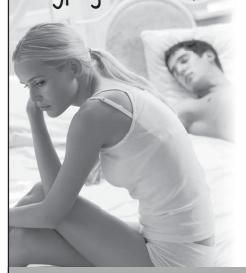
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was enough for police. Every officer from the San Diego Police Department's Gang Detail Unit was familiar with Curt Dog. I was arrested a week later and charged with attempted murder. I was sentenced to 15 years in state prison. When the judge struck the gavel, my entire body went numb.

In 1993, I returned to prison a loner. The new generation had taken over, and it was a madhouse. I stayed clear of prison politics and stopped volunteering in racial conflicts. It was all a bunch of bullshit. I realized that I didn't really have any racial issues. It wasn't the Mexicans and whites that I disliked. I stayed clear of my own people, as well. It wasn't about race. It was about ignorance. Ninety

percent of inmates that are locked up for murder are there for killing one of their own. There are many Mexican, black, and white families in the community that less shit they did on the streets — to their own people — instead of taking it out on others.

All these things frustrated me, and after my first year, I refused to

Whether Crip or Blood, I would always be judged first as a black man.

have been victimized by the same ignorance that I was dealing with. Suddenly, when they get behind bars, they all want to show off their so-called "unity"? Crips or Bloods, Mexicans or Skinheads: they should all be here trying to better themselves. They should all pay for the senseaccept a cellmate. After being in isolation for so long, I couldn't imagine having to share a small space for 15 years with another man. It made me paranoid. I couldn't adjust. So I stopped trying altogether. I began a military workout regimen, and once I had gained all the muscle

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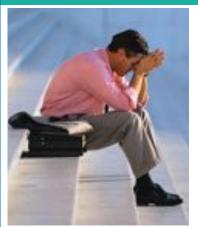
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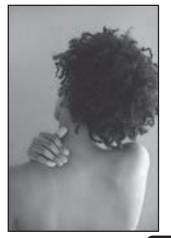
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2010 reunion. Both are paralyzed as a result of gun wounds.

mass and stamina necessary to fight anyone, I took a stand: no more cellmates.

The prison administration refused to give in, sometimes sending me three to five cellmates a day. As soon as I got rid of one, they would send in another. It became an arena event to the prison guards. They made bets with one another as to how long the new guy would last in the cell with me. I was six feet, 225 pounds, and they were sending in fools who were six-five, 280 pounds.

Once, they sent in a founding member of the Los Angeles Bloods. Originally serving a five-year term for armed robbery, he was now doing life for killing an

inmate at another prison. I tensed for battle. I knew it wasn't going to be an easy one. However, after he realized what the guards were doing, he left on his own.

I spent a year standing guard at my cell door, after which the prison psychiatrist diagnosed me with anxiety disorder and officially documented me as a single-cell inmate. I went through hundreds of cellmates. Most of the encounters did not involve physical confrontations — it was mainly warnings and them being uncomfortable with my unwelcoming behavior that caused them to vacate. But if the message was not received well enough for them to exit on their own, it became

I started to write about my past and associated with only a few inmates. One was a guy named Ghost, a former captain of the Consolidated Crips Organization. On the streets, he'd been a founding member of the Venice Shoreline Crips in Venice, California. We talked about how the prison structure had changed. We pitied the new generation.

I was a maximumsecurity inmate and served time in places like Salinas Valley, Tehachapi, and Lancaster Max. At Lancaster, I had only one regular associate, Michael "Harry O" Harris. He was a former drug kingpin and the original founder of Death Row Records. From

prison, he signed over \$1.5 million to his partner Suge Knight, to run the company. Harry O gave me lots of literature to read regarding the history of his record label, as well as other educational materials. We worked out together at least three days a week on the pull-up bars in the prison yard. He also reviewed my manuscripts, and I made changes based upon his advice. Although Michael Harris was "approachable," he was discreet with his associations and spared little time for outsiders. Sometimes inmates would interrupt our workout to audition rap songs. It was hilarious. We were eventually separated when Harris transferred to San Quentin.

I received letters from family members, letters and pictures from my homeboys, Roc Miller and Bull, and even from long-lost ex-girlfriends. When I first got that time, I thought that it would never go by, but after the same day-in and day-out regimen, my release date finally came. In November of 2001, I was released after serving roughly ten years of my sentence with good-behavior credits. I did a lot better this time and held down jobs in construction. I even helped build Petco Park. I got a car, an apartment, and before you know it, I was off parole. I changed many bad habits and views of my past. I truly felt that I would never go back to jail again. However, this is when I learned the biggest lesson about giving up my past. Many people who get out of this life try to

please both sides when transitioning. They please the law by not breaking it, and then they please their friends and homeboys with random visits or invitations. I learned about

the risk of doing that.

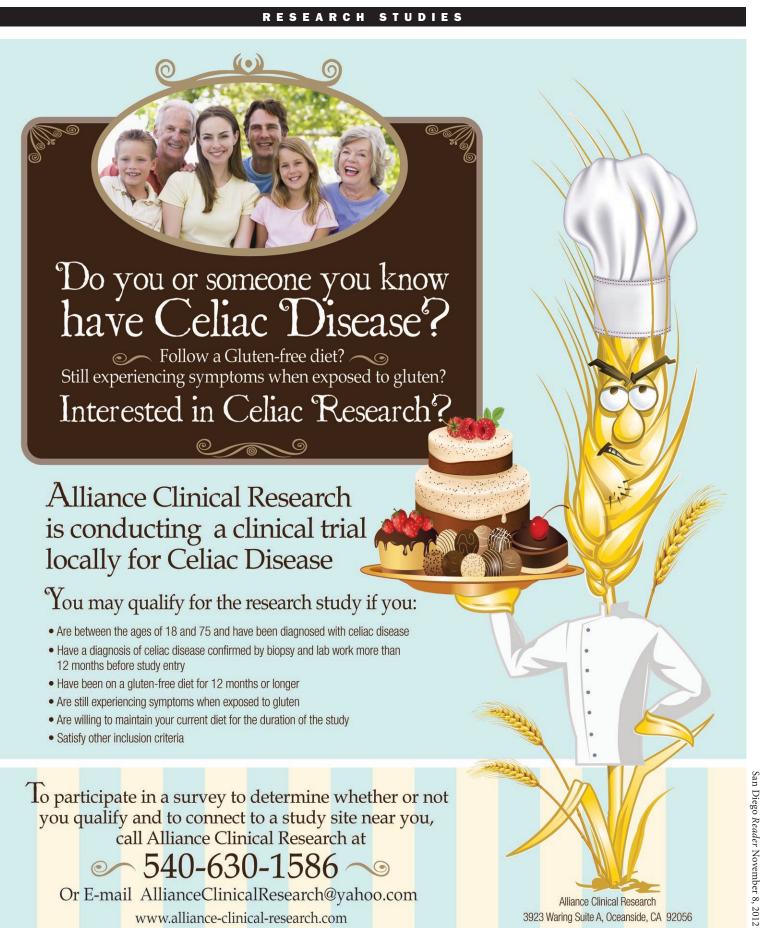
One night in October 2005, I was returning from Horton Plaza in downtown San Diego. I saw one of my old friends, Big T, who was a known crack dealer. He

was standing on the corner of 13th and G Street with several guys. He called my name after seeing me walk toward my car, so I stopped to shake hands. A few more guys noticed me and joined

in on the reunion. I was hanging out with them.

Once I became aware of how much time had passed, I bid everyone farewell and took off. However, on my way out, I was approached

by Mike, who was in the reunion crowd. He wanted me to "cop" from Big T for him. "Curt Dog, I know that you and Big T are cool. For this 50 dollars, he will give you double what he will give



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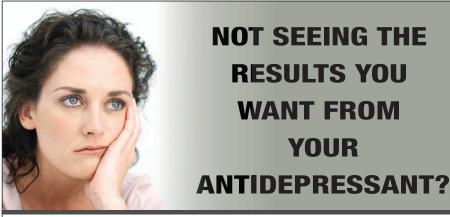
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to me. I need for you to get it for me."

I looked Mike in the eye and snatched the money from his hand. I didn't want to think about it too long, so I headed back toward Big T. Big T was hesitant, because he knew that I no longer used. "Who are you getting this for?" he asked. He looked around, smiling suspiciously, trying to figure out who. It was common for people to use go-betweens in better standings with the dealers in order to get larger quantities. Big T was used to this, so he didn't argue with me. He handed me the dope, and I headed back over to Mike, who was waiting across the street. Just then a police cruiser came by. They looked right at me, and I knew they were going to turn around, so I threw the dope down and walked quickly away from it. They pulled up on me hard and fast. "Hey, you!"

The cop said that he was looking at me because I wasn't a familiar face in the area. He also said that he saw me throw something down. The police back-tracked my steps and found the drugs. I was devastated. I was charged with possession of a controlled substance and faced 25 years to life under the three-strikes law. If it weren't for the fact that I had been crime-free for the past five years, I wouldn't be here to talk about it today.

After doing my time, I took a bus to San Diego from Pelican Bay. Once in town, I had to report to my parole agent within 24 hours or a warrant would be issued for my arrest. Since I did not have a stable address that I could be supervised from, I was placed into

a residential reentry program. It's considered a "savings program." The residents are required to obtain employment and then to turn in 75 percent of their earnings (per paycheck), until they feel that they have saved enough to make it on their own. They can stay

the C Street Inn. It was an old building occupied by roaches and SSI recipients with medical issues, but it was mine. If you had a job, curfew at the program had been 8:00 or 10:00 p.m., so I walked around downtown until midnight, just to feel what it was

Sometimes inmates would interrupt our workout to audition rap songs. It was hilarious.

for up to a year.

There are two of these programs in downtown San Diego. One, the Volunteers of America (VOA), is located at 11th and G Street. The other is located in Barrio Logan on 17th and National Avenue. It's called Module X, but the parolees call it Bachelor Flats, which, many years ago, before the state took over, was the name of a popular nightclub.

Arriving at Bachelor Flats, I faced the same people and living situation that I had in prison, but worse. There were four guys to a room instead of two. I had to follow many rules. Few people appeared to be taking the program for what it was worth. Guys drank, did drugs, broke curfew, and got kicked out for everything in the book.

I did get a job as a telemarketer, but I didn't turn in my first three paychecks, and when they kicked me out for that, I was happy. In late July of 2008, I left the program with about \$600 and rented a room in downtown San Diego at like to stay out that late. I stayed up until 4:00 a.m. and took the next day off work, spending money to eat out, and enjoying my freedom.

Before the next month was up, however, the cost of living kicked in. Because I'd left the program, I now had to pay for my own food, laundry, rent, bus pass, and clothes. I rented my room by the week for \$180, and my weekly paycheck was \$280. Besides my cigarettesmoking habit, I had to eat out every day. I eventually got backed up on rent, and that's when the reality of my bad decision to leave the program set in. The hotel management started calling me every day at work to inquire about past-due weekly payments. To get caught up, I would have to give up my entire next five paychecks. Confronted with this dilemma, I was forced to make a choice, immediately.

I could turn back to the streets as a drug dealer or return to the program and stay. I knew I could never make it selling

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drugs because I'm too paranoid. Drug addicts are unpredictable; plus, I think everybody is police nowadays. Besides that, I might be tempted to use again. I had to go back to the program.

It had been almost five months since I left Bachelor Flats. I thought about how much money I would have saved by now, and that motivated me, so I called my parole officer, Agent Lopez, to see if he could help. He told me that the program was priority for new releases, and that he might have to pull some strings to make it happen. But he was glad I wanted to try again. I was really hoping he could pull that off for me, because my back-up plan was self-destructive. A few days went by, and just as I began to worry,

Agent Lopez contacted me with the good news: "Whenever you're ready!" he said.

I set a date with him for the following week, so that I had time to mentally prepare for it. My biggest challenge would be sharing a room with three other men. There was only one two-man room at Bachelor Flats, and the chance of landing there was slim to none. It was a privilege, offered to the employed resident with the longest stay, once the room became vacant. On average, a resident might be in the program for up to nine months before getting a shot at it.

That following week, on October 6, 2008, I took a day off work to move back into Bachelor Flats. Once again, the program was filled

with newcomers who were not focused. Guys were getting kicked out for dirty drug tests on a regular basis. The other big problem was females. Guys would meet a girl and go AWOL to spend the night with her. Some would even discharge

was the "White Power" tattoo proudly displayed on his back. I was used to seeing these tattoos in prison, but not in the same room with me. Being roommates with a member of the Aryan Brotherhood was more than I could fathom.

My new roommate's shirt was off, so the first thing I saw was the "White Power" tattoo.

from the program with their savings and move in with a girl, but then the girl would kick them out once the money was spent.

The unemployment rate was also high when I returned, and because of that, there was an opening in the two-man room. The other guys who had been in the program before me were content where they were, so I was offered a spot in the upper bunk in that two-man room. I was elated. Until I made it upstairs.

The door to the room was open, and my new roommate had his back to me. His shirt was off, so the first thing I saw

My thoughts started to scramble but were abruptly cut short when he spun around without warning and looked at me straight on.

To my surprise, he broke out with a smile and reached out to shake hands. "Benny," he introduced himself, as he waved me in. He headed toward the closet.

"You can use this side to hang your clothes." He took inventory of my bags. "I've been here about four months," he said, "and have saved roughly \$2800 so far. I'm working at the shipyard. I leave at six, get back about three, shower, watch a li'l TV, and talk on the phone with my girlfriend. You can watch the tube whenever you want. And, oh, yeah; here's the coffee pot. Let me show you how to use it." He showed me where he kept the coffee and offered it whenever I wanted.

Benny was cool. He didn't have the typical appearance of most white-power prison-gang members. Most of those guys had long hair or bald heads. Their entire bodies were saturated

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with race-related ink.

In contrast, Benny was clean-cut. He had only a couple of tattoos and a barber haircut. With a shirt on, he looked like your average white guy. Most drug dealers might even suspect him of being an undercover police officer. I would.

Benny and I talked every day after work and then we did our own thing, him on the phone with his girlfriend, and me reading or writing. Neither of us ever talked about prison. It was what it was. As long as we got along now, that's all that mattered.

I came into the program on a Tuesday. That next Friday, when I returned from work, Benny was ecstatic. He told me that he'd landed a job making \$25 an hour. It was some type of

skilled construction that he was experienced with, and he was happy as a lark.

Benny was scheduled to start on Monday, so I took off on Sunday morning to spend the day out. I wanted to let him collect his thoughts and get ready for his big day in peace. However, when I returned to sign in before the 8:00 p.m. curfew, a staff worker at the front desk stopped me.

"What room are you in?" he asked.

I could sense that something was wrong. "Room 12," I said.

"Okay, so, you're Benny's roommate, right?"

"Yeah, what's up?"

"The medical examiner just took your roommate out. He was found deceased up there a few hours ago. I need for you

to go upstairs and pack his property for his family. They should be here soon. We don't know what is yours or his, so we were waiting for you."

Benny had overdosed and died right there on the floor. I guess it was his last hurrah before starting work, which to me was even more reason not to use. I was very upset and disappointed. I was disappointed with Benny, but I was also disturbed by the fact that other guys in the house were in on the drugs with him when the accident happened. Maybe they chose not to get help because it would have implicated them?

I also don't believe that Benny was a regular user at the time. He may have been in the past, but his system was not accustomed to it at the time.

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That's why it was so easy for him to overdose. He probably died quickly.

Later that night, I received a call from the program director, Ms. Turner. She asked me if I wanted to relocate, but I was afraid that I might lose my two-man room status, so I stayed. I had taken Benny's television and radio downstairs, and after the mandatory lights-out rule at 10:00, I spent the night alone in a dark and quiet room. I slept in the top bunk, and after Benny's death, I remained there, leaving his bed empty for three days before I moved down to the lower bunk. I exchanged mattresses, as well.

Most residents thought that I was weird for staying in the room, but I was thinking the same thing about them for not moving in. I wondered why hardcore convicted felons and gang members would have a problem with staying in a room that someone died in, but not have a conscience about all the people they have hurt or killed in their pasts.

Ms. Turner told me that it was the first death ever in either of the programs, which have existed since the early

This particularly caught my attention, because in June of 1981, I carried the casket of the first gang-related death between the Crips and Bloods in San Diego. It was a guy named Tony Mikell, who I grew up with. He wasn't officially a Neighborhood Crip, but he was shot by the Bloods while attending a house party where Crips were present. Plus, I was one of the first inmates to open Pelican Bay prison. More than half of their cells were

still unoccupied when I arrived. I found it odd to be involved in so many "firsts."

Benny's death motivated me even more to complete the program. I attended the Narcotics Anonymous meetings held there twice a week, always made curfew, and broke few rules. Incidentally, Benny's death also kept people from wanting to move into the room with me

, and I used that to my advantage. I made sure to let all newcomers know that a guy had died in the room, and out of the nine months that I was there, I spent at least six and a half of them alone.

I watched my savings grow by monitoring the receipts they gave me with my balance after turning in paychecks: \$1475, \$2840, \$3750, \$4665, \$5900, \$6830. When I reached nine

months, I start looking online for a place to rent. I thought that it would take awhile, but I found something sooner than expected. They charged me double the deposit, plus first and last months'

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rent, due to poor credit, but I had it. I even paid a couple of more months' rent in advance, to build a cushion.

I have now been living here for over three years, and if it weren't for the savings program, I don't know where I would be at this point. I'm no longer on parole, and since I have a place to stay, I no longer hang out on the streets. Of course, the savings program didn't "set me for life." I still struggle to keep a job and pay bills, but at least the program gave me a fighting chance to survive.

In October of 2011, while passing through downtown, I ran into a fellow inmate who served time with me at Tehachapi maximum-security prison. He was serving 34 years for armed robbery, but now he was out, after doing only 17 of it on good behavior.

I've known him for about 20 years. I met him in 1993, in a county jail courthouse holding cell, and I have to say that he is fairly intelligent. Even in prison, he held the most trusted job, a position as personal clerk for the lieutenant of the prison guards. He documented and filed disciplinary reports that inmates received for fighting, stabbings, drug possessions, and numerous other rule violations. He prepared the paperwork for upcoming hearings, in which the accused oftentimes received extended sentences.

He is gay, but he was discreet about it. He knew that there was a stigma attached to associating with gays, one that prevented guys from being cool with him. So he always stayed within



Between jail stints in 2003, the author worked a construction job at Lake Elsinore High School.

his boundaries. Most convicts in prison are not homophobic. We come from a world that accepts people who "keep it real"; therefore, undercover gays are ostracized in prison, but openly gay people are not.

Standing on the corner of Ninth and Broadway, he told me that he was in the VOA savings program at 11th and G Street. He'd just gotten a job a few days ago but didn't expect a check for another couple of weeks. He said that he was doing really badly. I knew that he was in need of toiletries and pocket change for cigarettes, like I had needed when I went into the program, but at the same time, I knew that he wouldn't dare ask.

"I get paid Friday," I said. "Call me after work, and I'll hit you with a few dollars."

That Friday, he called, and we met at the McDonald's several blocks from my apartment, on the corner of El Cajon Boulevard and Texas Street. I still didn't want anyone from my past prison and gang life knowing where I lived. He was there when I walked in, so I handed him \$30. He did call a few times to update me

on his progress, and then he fell off the radar.

I don't know at what point he lost focus, but one day after returning home from work in March of 2012, I saw his profile on the evening news. There was a mug shot of him, and then the details: "Harvey Henry Duson; Wanted for the home-invasion robbery, beating, and kidnapping of former San Diego City Councilman Harry Mathis."

The cops had his car surrounded on the free-way, but he had eluded capture. I looked at his cell-phone number in my contacts. I started to press send, but then thought otherwise. For one, he had two accomplices who had not been apprehended yet. Anyone who called his number would automatically become a suspect, and with my criminal record? No way.

A few days later, I saw that he'd been captured after a high-speed chase in Arizona.

He's now facing 115 years in prison, and if found guilty, he will most likely receive every bit of it. But what's even more amazing is that "one-fifteen" is the code name for the bad-behavior reports he documented

as a clerk for the lieutenant in prison.

I'm still doing phone sales. I'm a great closer, but I have yet to find a company that will pay me fairly. It's either minimum wage or commission only. What a rip-off. I've worked for telemarketing companies a few times, and all of them strongly encouraged me to "overcharge" every client as much as possible. They said that whatever I overcharge, they would split it with me 50-50. On the streets, we call this "setting someone up to get robbed." And all throughout my life, I was thinking that these people were better than me because they didn't have criminal records?

It's okay, though, because God is great and blesses people like me who continue to strive for good. He gives me confidence to look any man straight in the eyes, despite my past. I am a better man. I pray for us all

Times are hard for me right now, and I'm late on bills again this month. But that's life, and life's not easy, but freedom and wisdom? They're priceless. ■

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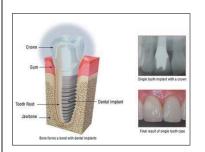


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One Single Ticket

Ticket scalpers! Besides Ticketmaster, they are enemy number one to any concertgoer. The other night I at-



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tended the Alabama Shakes concert at the House of Blues.

Luckily, I was able to get in, but trying to find one single ticket was a battle, right up until show time. I turned up about an hour and a half before the band was to come on, hoping that somebody would have just one extra. I was hoping not to pay too much, but willing to pay a fair price.

It had been a while since I'd showed up to a sold-out show without a ticket, and there was one major variable I had forgotten about: those no-good, scumsucking ticket scalpers (who will from here on out be referred to as vultures).



Alahama Shakes

They were spread out on every street corner within a couple of blocks of the venue. Up Fifth Avenue, down C Street, across Broadway — they were everywhere.

"Got any tickets...any extra tickets...who's selling tickets?" It's nonstop with these jokers, and when trying to score a single ticket to a sold-out show, it's you versus a whole flock of them.

"That jerk just ran in front of me, bought two tickets, and isn't even going to the show," I said (just voicing my frustrations).

"What?" replied vulture #1. "You think you're more entitled to those tickets than he is?"

Okay, here we go...this is America, we believe in capitalism, supply and demand, blah blah blah. I've heard this story about 100 times, and I'm sure I'll have the pleasure of hearing it again.

"Only the strongest survive," the vulture said.

What is this...Vietnam? The ghetto? The animal kingdom? Give me

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a break. Only the strong survive? Please.

When buying concert tickets, you're left with two choices: bend over and take it from Ticketmaster or bend over and take it from the vultures. But not me, not this time. I'm not giving in. And there's no way I'm paying \$50 above face value.

principle. Sell the ticket to someone who will actually go into the concert. Come on, people.

I continued this charade and dance until 9:00 p.m., then decided to take a walk down to the corner and try my luck there. Vulture #3 was working this corner, but he'd run back to "Big Papa" — vulture #1 —

"Got any tickets...any extra tickets...who's selling tickets?"

Over and over, I went up and down the line of people asking for "just one extra ticket," with no luck. I nearly lost my damn hot-dog dinner when I turned around and saw some concert-goer selling his ticket to vulture #2 for *under* face value.

"Way to go, man — support the scalper," I said. The guy chuckled. I grinned back, clenching my teeth.

At this point, I'm probably starting to sound like a whiny crybaby, like a toddler stomping his feet because he's just lost his pacifier (or binky, or whatever it is people call those suckers), but it's

so for a few minutes I owned the block.

"One extra. Anybody got one extra ticket?" I asked.

Just as I was about to give up, two women came around the corner. "Hi, ladies. Would you happen to have one extra ticket for the show?"

"Actually, we do."
Yes! Score! I'm in!
Fifteen minutes before
the show was to begin,
I'd secured a ticket. As
I stood in line, I eyed
the vultures — gazed at
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write. If I'd had a laptop in school, typing would have been a much more practical way to take notes. Do they even have books anymore? Or are all those texts available on iPads or Kindles?"

"Yeah, you're old," David joked. He smiled but subtly scooted his chair back beyond my reach.

I shot him a playful glare and said, "Watch it, you. I have a riding crop in the car." I finished the last sip of my cold coffee and stood. "Come on. Class starts in 20 minutes." To his credit, David refrained from commenting that it probably wouldn't take us 20 minutes to walk the 100 feet from our table to the classroom door.

As we walked among the students through hallways lined with announcement-covered bulletin boards, I reached out and held David's hand, pretending that I was in school again and that he was my college boyfriend.

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social networks don't want biased coverage.

These days, it's fashionable for conventional media executives to stress community coverage. After oracle Warren Buffett took a stake in Lee Enterprises, which recently sold the North County Times to Manchester, the community movement intensified. Example: the *North County* Times was bought for \$12 million in September. The next month, the Tampa Tribune was sold for only \$9.5 million. Lee is a collection of small papers that got into deep debt and doo-doo trying to buy a big metro daily. Lee emerged from bankruptcy early this year and continues to lose money as revenues decline. (Besides, Buffett isn't always right. One of his biggest mistakes was putting money into San Diego's long-gone PS Group.)

A company that completely specializes in community newspapers is beleaguered GateHouse Media. Five years ago, it paid more than \$380 million for the money-losing Midwest papers of Copley Press. In the interim, Gate-House stock has plummeted from \$18 to below 10 cents as waves of huge losses rolled in.

Still, bullishness on community papers, and community coverage by metro papers, continues. Gordon Borrell, digital advertising analyst, predicts that print ad revenue will grow through 2017. But small and midsize papers will get the gains; advertising in metro papers will still be dropping.

Last year, newspaper print advertising declined for the sixth straight year, according to Pew's "State of the News Media 2012" report. According to Newspaper Association of America statistics, online adverCITY LIGHTS

tising rose \$207 million last year from 2010. But print advertising was down \$2.1 billion. Thus, print losses were more than digital gains by 10 to 1 — worse than the 7-to-1 ratio of 2010.

The picture is not bright this year. On October 25, the New York Times reported that its third quarter advertising revenue was down 9 percent from a year earlier. Digital advertising was down 2.2 percent. Profits plummeted 85 percent, and the stock dropped 22.6 percent on the news.

Advertising sales for McClatchy fell 5.4 percent in the third quarter; online ad revenue rose 2.7 percent. Third quarter profits were cut almost in half. Gannett, the largest newspaper chain in circulation, did better: advertising revenue dropped 6.6 percent in the third quarter, but digital volume rose 5 percent.

Could print ad revenue turn up and digital revenue fulfill its promise? Now that would be news. ■

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Under the radar

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pany, paid \$245,715,522 to build the new downtown library. And with gas prices the way they are, it's no surprise that the SoCo Group comes in second with \$39 million worth of "fuel, gas & diesel." (SoCo also has another contract for \$16 million further down the list.) Next comes police and fire radio provider Motorola Solutions, paid \$25 million for "parts, equipment, software and supplies." Fourth is Wall Street's JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, getting \$22 million for an "equip & vehicle financing program."

Other big-ticket items for the City include \$10.5 million worth of dentistry from United Concordia Companies, Inc.; \$10.49 million paid to Archer Western Contractors, Ltd., for work at the Point Loma sewage plant; and \$7.6 million to Ace Parking Management. Ace has various deals to run the City's

parking lots and garages; the company's owners, the Jones family, and its employees give often to campaign funds of various elected officials, including GOP mayoral candidate Carl DeMaio and failed GOPturned-independent mayoral candidate Assemblyman Nathan Fletcher. Further down the City's contractor list, \$6.6 million was paid to CDM, Inc., for "Indirect Potable Reuse/Reservoir" (part of the mayor's "toilet to tap" sewage treatment effort). And \$5 million went to San Diego Sports Medicine and Family Health Center for "participant — med-

ical and fitness evals."

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Singing for their supper Commercial local media outlets are increasingly forced by the economy and the disruptive impact of the internet on reading, viewing, and listening habits to cut staff, but San Diego State's taxpayerbacked KPBS public broadcasting operation continues to hire. Latest availability: science and technology reporter, to be paid between \$19.51 and \$24.04 an hour. "Reporting on the science and technology beat will involve taking complex concepts and rendering them into accessible and compelling stories," according to the job notice. "These stories will be carefully grounded in fact, but still be playful or moving as the subject matter requires." But with statetaxpayer and private-contributor cash growing ever scarcer for the operation — overseen by promotion-oriented SDSU president **Elliot Hirshman** journalism isn't the only activity in which the new hire will partake. Says the advertisement: "The Science & Technology Reporter is expected to participate in station onair fundraising activities, and make appearances for KPBS community-building events and other public relations activities."

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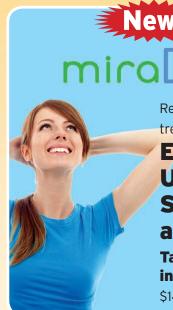
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Transit plan

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act's] mandate that agencies not approve projects with significant environmental impacts without proposing and adopting all feasible mitigation," among other claims.

"We mainly have a lawsuit that says [the San Diego Association of Governments] did not do their job in complying with [the California Environmental Quality Act], in providing information to the public with regards to the impacts of their plan," says Jack Shu, president of the Cleveland National Forest Foundation, during an interview in early August.

Shu points out that increased air pollution leads to a higher incidence of cancer deaths, particularly in urban areas close to freeways, where residents are exposed to greater particulate matter. The lawsuit says that impacts on air quality and public health were not disclosed in the final environmental impact report.

The environmental organizations' opening brief filed with the court calls the information regarding air pollution that the association provided "plainly inadequate." Further, the suit claims, the association "ignores that it already has gathered, or could gather" data about the health risk posed by widening freeways.

The plaintiffs lament that the plan's spending on public transit is back-loaded, with 75 percent of projects scheduled for after 2030. Further, they say, many of the public transit projects are actually freeway expansions, where roads are widened to add "managed lanes" for "rapid bus routes" that would also be open not only to carpools but to single-occupant car commuters willing to pay a premium. (The San Diego Association of Governments denied that such highway funding was labeled as "transit" spending in the plan.)

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In the plan's early years, nearly all of San Diego's freeways would be expanded. Environmentalists argue that adding freeway capacity encourages further suburban sprawl and increased reliance on single-occupancy automobiles, instead of encouraging new high-density construction in areas accessible by a beefed up bus and light rail system.

The groups involved in the lawsuit say they would like the association to consider an alternative called the 50-10 Transit Plan, a name adapted from a similar measure enacted in Los Angeles. Under 50-10, no new transit improvements would be added to the existing plan, but all transit-oriented proposals planned through 2050 would be pushed forward to be adopted in the first ten years of the plan. A particular emphasis, proponents of the alternative say, should be placed on improving transit in San Diego's urban core (as far east as City Heights) and on making public-transit trip times competitive with trip times by car.

"In order for transit to work, we need a complete network, meaning the transit system needs to be served with feeder lines, including bus routes, bicycle access, etc., so that major transit destinations are serviced thoroughly," Shu says.

This, Shu and others hope, would negate the need for extensive freeway expansion.

"We want transit first for a variety of reasons," Shu says, pointing not only to health benefits but also to an economic argument.

nomic argument.

"For each dollar one spends on gasoline, 85 cents leaves the community because we don't produce gasoline in the community. But for each dollar spent on transit, 85 cents stays in the community because it pays for the bus driver or the operator of the train or maintenance. For economic reasons, it just doesn't make sense to

continue exporting transportation funding away from the San Diego region."

Charles "Muggs" Stoll, the San Diego Association of Governments' director of land use and transportation planning, says that the Global Warming Solutions Act is "not a legal requirement." He admits that under the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan the total miles traveled and air pollution will increase.

But San Diego's population will also increase. Stoll explains that state guidelines establish emissions-reduction targets that are per capita. "Our plan does achieve those targets," he says.

"The plan and its environmental impact report under [the environmental quality act] included exhaustive analysis of air-quality impacts of the plan," Stoll continues. "Impacts were fully disclosed in that [environmental impact report]. That's our belief."

Stoll says that spending on public transit comes in later years because that's when revenues are projected to rise. He admits that during the first decade the plan allocates only 36 percent of its spending to public transit projects and that the allocation rises to 57 percent after 2040, but he says it's not feasible to complete all of the proposed public-transit projects in the first decade.

"It's absolutely unreasonable to assume that 50 years' worth of funding would be available in 10 years," says Stoll.

Although the parties bringing the lawsuit hope for an amicable resolution, Shu says they are prepared for a protracted legal battle. "I don't think any of us wanted to sue [the San Diego Association of Governments]. Nor do we want any slowdown in progress. We did everything we could — the attorney general's office wrote several briefs prior to the adoption of this plan." He adds, "There's nothing to prevent [the association] from changing the path that they've chosen." ■

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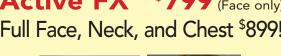
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male about 20 years old who is six feet tall, weighs about 175 pounds, and has closecropped hair. He was wearing a white T-shirt, a gray hooded jacket, white tennis shoes, a black baseball cap, and plastic-framed sunglasses with dark-brown lenses.

The FBI was called to the scene, and the sheriff's department ASTRA helicopter was used to assist in the search of the neighborhood.

Anyone with information regarding the identity of the suspect or who has any additional information regarding the robbery is requested to contact Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477.

> By Peter Salisbury, November 1

Shady investing? Couldn't be Romney

Ex-U-T owner was "good guy" in Romney's alleged auto-bailout profiteering Beyond SD - A coalition of good-government and labor groups called today (November 1) for the United **States Office of Government** Ethics to investigate presidential candidate Mitt Romney's alleged failure to disclose the massive profits he raked in from the auto bailout, which he opposed. Shortly, there will be a press conference in Toledo seeking to get the government to compel Romney to disclose his investments or divest them.

The charges are based in large part on an article in the Nation magazine last month stating that the Romney family profited by at least \$15.3 million — and possibly more than \$100 million — from the 2009 government auto loans through his investment in private funds, putting money into the Delphi Corp. auto parts company, which was bailed out by the federal government as a necessary part of the General Motors and Chrysler rescues.

Beverly Hills-based Platinum Equity, which recently

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sold the U-T to "Papa Doug" Manchester, had a plan for a Delphi takeover that would have retained many Delphi jobs in the U.S. However, hedge funds in which Romney (in his wife's name) had invested outbid Platinum and got the prize.

According to the groups making the charges today, Romney's June 1, 2012, public financial disclosure report to the Office of Government Ethics did not reveal his alleged windfall because he didn't report underlying holdings of his private equity and limited partnership funds.

Santa Fe.

A neighbor reportedly saw a news broadcast about the fatal crash after he had noticed damage to Byun's truck parked next door and then phoned authorities. Jin Hyuk Byun was arrested that same afternoon.

CITY LIGHTS

By Eva Knott, November 1

More from Mex's wild west

Baja state police officer wounded in Zona Norte strip-club shootout

Tijuana — A shootout occurred Tuesday evening, October 30th, in a popular



A shootout outside Tijuana's Hong Kong club resulted in three people injured.

The candidate's refusal to reveal his 2009 income taxes precludes getting to the bottom of these transactions, according to those who have looked into the Delphi/hedge-fund deal.

By Don Bauder, November 1

Can't run from the evidence

Man admits fatal

hit-and-run Carmel Vallev/Rancho Santa

Fe — Jin Hyuk Byun, 19, admitted he was the driver who killed a teenager walking his bicycle alongside a road last July.

Byun signed a felony plea agreement vesterday. October 31. in which he admitted a single count of hit-and-run causing death. He could get up to four years in prison, but there is no minimum, so Byun could be sentenced to time already served and then released the same day as sentencing.

Byun was taken into custody July 8, two days after the body of 18-year-old Angel Bojorquez was found in the shrubbery alongside Via de la Valle in Rancho

Tijuana strip club parking lot that left a state police officer injured. The shootout occurred just outside of the Hong Kong Gentlemen's Club around 9 p.m., which is in the **Zona Norte tolerance zone** popular for prostitution.

Two civilians were also injured in the incident; one who was an armed security guard for a businessman in the establishment and the other a citizen walking by on the street.

By K. Mennem, October 31

Spreading the wealth

Chamber of commerce **PAC** gets money from supervisor Cox

Bonita/Chula Vista — The Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee has entered the local election with bigleague support. According to a recent filing, county supervisor Greg Cox, through Friends of Greg Cox for Supervisor 2012, gave the chamber PAC \$7500.

The committee has collected a total of \$22,300.

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NEWS TICKER

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As of October 21, the PAC had spent \$9610.86 to support city council candidate Pamela Bensoussan and \$4819.86 to oppose Proposition B.

Bensoussan, a Democrat who was elected to city council in 2008, recently voted in favor of continuing a controversial Tourism Market District tax, although the majority of local hoteliers opposed it. A 2011-2012 grand jury report found that the most of the money collected had gone to chamber of commerce salaries.

County supervisor Cox, through his discretionary neighborhood reinvestment funds, gave \$25,000 in start-up funds to the chamber to establish the tourism market in 2008.

In Cox's 2012-2013 neighborhood allocation budget, he dispensed \$20,000 to the chamber for operating expenses. The chamber has endorsed Bensoussan. as have supervisor Cox and mayor Cheryl Cox

> By Susan Luzzaro, October 31

Drink and dive

Woman rescued after falling from precipice

Ocean Beach — A small crowd of Ocean Beach residents gathered at the foot of Santa Cruz Avenue around 7:30 Tuesday evening, attracted by several emergency vehicles, including

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police cruisers, fire trucks, an ambulance, city lifeguards, and a police helicopter focusing its searchlights on the small cove beaches at the base of the cliffs in southern O.B.

Paramedics could be seen below attending to a woman, apparently in her 20s, who was carried off the beach and up a staircase to a waiting ambulance.

"She just got drunk and fell off a cliff," commented a police officer assigned to crowd control as two dozen or so onlookers gathered at the scene.

The consensus story among the bystanders was that the woman, who had been alone atop the cliff shortly after sunset, slipped and tumbled to the beach about 20 feet below. The area in question is a popular, yet illegal, spot to jump into the ocean during summer months.

By Dave Rice, October 30

Serve and protect (don't start fires)

Police confirm responsibility for brush blaze

 $El\ Cajon$ — A brush fire that burned four acres in El Cajon on Saturday has been linked to training exercises conducted by the city's Special Weapons and **Tactics team, El Cajon police** chief Jim Redman announced yesterday.

Several homes on Hacienda Drive and Cuyamaca Street were briefly threat-

ened before the fire was brought under control with no resulting property damage.

A smoke canister deployed by the SWAT team was responsible for igniting the blaze. Police say proper safety precautions were exercised, though officers "underestimated the weather conditions."

The department is currently reevaluating its safety procedures and says it will receive additional training from the public/private **Heartland Fire Department** to prevent such occurrences in the future.

By Dave Rice, October 30

How do we slant this one?

Most U-T circulation numbers decline

San Diego — According to **Audit Bureau of Circulations** (ABC) data released this morning (October 30), U-T circulation declined for all but its Saturday edition between September 30, 2011, and September 30, 2012.

The North County Times, which the U-T has purchased, also recorded declines from the period ended September 30 last year to the same period this year.

The Los Angeles Times recorded gains on Sunday. Monday-Friday, and Saturday editions. The Orange County Register had a gain Monday-Friday but declines on Sunday and Saturday.

By Don Bauder, October 30

HEALTH AND BEAUTY



AND WELCOME TO IT

Thursday | 8

HOPS 'N' HEELS

Celebrate San Diego Beer Week at this event that pairs brews from Stone Brewing with dessert treats from Azúcar bakery. Tickets get you four pairings. Stone small-batch brewer Laura Ulrich will be around to share tasting insights. \$20.

WHEN: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Pearl Hotel, 1410 Rosecrans Street, Point Loma. dmunn@thepearlsd. com; thepearlsd.com

Friday | 9

WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL

Experience traditional Indian dance performed by Nupur Dance Academy, enjoy

a multimedia laser show, and hear Vishal Vaid sing traditional Indian and Afghani music, "converging with

the Western mantras and acoustic worldbeat of singer-songwriter Karl Anthony." Accompaniment by Rahis Ahmed Khan (playing the tabla, an Indian percussion instrument). \$10-\$40.

WHEN: 7:30 to 10 p.m.

WHERE: Unity Center, 8999 Activity Road, Mira Mesa. 858-689-6500; theunitycenter.net

Saturday | 10

HORRIBLE IMAGININGS FILM FESTIVAL

Dedicated to macabre art and film, this festival unleashes "over 40 short

and feature horrors." Featured documentary is Zero Killed (Germany); other features include The Black Dahlia Haunting, Blood for Irina, The Eschatrilogy, Gut by Elias; local spotlights Sanguijuelas, The Body Bag, Haven in the Hills, and Aim for the Heart. \$15-\$25.

WHEN: 1 p.m. to midnight (also on November 11)

WHERE: Tenth Avenue Theatre, 930 Tenth Avenue, East Village. 443-834-3742; hifilmfest.com

Sunday | 11

WHEN LAST WE FLEW

After stealing his local library's only (and unread) copy of Angels in America, misfit teenager Paul locks himself in the bathroom and begins reading the landmark play. He soon finds that his life and the lives of those around him in his small Kansas suburb are about to take flight. \$25-\$51.

WHEN: 2 p.m. (ongoing through December 9, check for dates and times)

WHERE: Diversionary Theatre, 4545 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-220-0097; diversionary.org



GIRLS' NIGHT OUT WITH A NOVELIST!

Adventures by the Book hosts a happy hour with debut novelist and parttime San Diegan Teresa Link, who will discuss and sign her book, Denting the Bosch. Tickets include a glass of wine, appetiz-

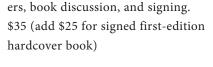


25, check for dates and times)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 - CAVALIA: A MAGICAL ENCOUNTER BETWEEN HUMAN AND HORSE

WHERE: Cavalia big top, 1081 Imperial Avenue, East Village. 866-

999-8111; cavalia.net



WHEN: 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Mosaic Wine Bar and Gallery, 3422 30th Street, North Park. 619-300-2532; adventuresbythebook.com

Tuesday | 13

CAVALIA: A MAGICAL ENCOUNTER BETWEEN HUMAN AND HORSE

Enjoy the "lavish production involving 49 magnificent horses," 39 riders, aerialists, acrobats, dancers, and musicians from all over the world. "Horses cavort with the many artists in front of

> a constantly changing digital background projected onto a 200-footwide screen." \$39.50-\$154.50.

WHEN:

8 p.m. (through November

Wednesday | 14

JOHN DOE, THE ULTIMATE MIDLIFE CRISIS

John Doe Productions and A Culture of Peace stage the new musical comedy, by Emmy Award-winning TV producer Robert Moutal, about a middle-aged

man and "mystery patient suffering from a traumatic brain injury that has fractured his



mind." He must wake up and find his identity before the hospital disconnects him. \$20-\$30.

WHEN: 7:30 p.m. (ongoing through November 25, check for dates and times)

WHERE: Lyceum Theatre, 79 Horton Plaza, Downtown. 619-544-1000; sdrep.org



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TRAVEL STORIES AND TIPS FROM OUR READERS





In Greenland, thousands of glaciers funnel icebergs of all shapes and sizes into the sea.

GreenlandBy Richard Cuthbertson

I looked out the window of the plane as it approached the southeast end of Greenland at 20-odd thousand feet and was happy to see the clouds clearing. I could see the coastline as we crossed the country heading to Kangerlussuaq and the formerly American airfield where I was to meet my small cruise ship for two weeks of Arctic scenery and wildlife.

In the past, I've seen glaciers in Alaska, Canada, Montana, Chile, and New Zealand, but, looking down, I could see that this place was different. The entire land mass was covered by ice cap, with glacier pouring over the sides like icing on a cake. The cap itself was dotted with lakes of various sizes in incredible shades of blue where the surface melting took place. The surrounding sea was filled with icebergs, which could be seen from so high up.

Imagine the largest island in the world, three times the size of Texas, with a population a little less than the city of Encinitas. About 80 percent of the people are native Inuit making a subsistence living, with the rest mostly Danes working in other areas of the economy.

The other inhabitants of Greenland are the ones you see on *Animal Planet* and PBS's *Nature*: the polar bears, foxes, birds, and musk oxen. Also the whales, dolphin, and seals that live in the surrounding sea. We saw them all in two weeks, the most memorable being the dozen or so polar bears roaming their natural habitat.

But the most striking impression I took away was of the ice, thousands of glaciers funneling icebergs in all shapes and sizes into the sea. Some were the size of ships, some the size of skyscrapers floating on their sides. Some were small and scattered across the surface of the sea

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like crumbs on a plate.

So, while some continue to debate man's connection with climate change, most acknowledge that temperatures are rising, and it's most evident here in Greenland. As to whether or not it applies to us, the Inuit have a saying: "Only the weather and ice will decide." If you go, you'll see what they mean.

Nusa Lembongan, Indonesia

By Andres Bautista

Indonesia, just north of Australia, is all it's cracked up to be. Picturesque stretches of sand, a haven for yoga enthusiasts, a truly peaceful and laid-



Nusa Lembongan fulfilled my craving to score perfect, uncrowded waves and indulge in deliciously cheap eats.

back culture, world-class shopping, and, of course, pumping surf.

But what if you wanted to "rough it" for a while and experience the side of Indonesia that isn't shown in all the brochures? Surely you'd have to embark on a trek to an inaccessible island far

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Other Adventures



rorin593: Blythe, CA: "A community with a charming past, compelling present, and dynamic future!"



happienswt: Peru



anapceballos: A woman in Florence, Italy, draws a portrait of a nun with chalk on a busy street. The fast-paced citizens flash past her as she contemplates her work.





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DALEY RANCH - POND VIEW TRAILS

The cooling, welcoming sight of a pond while hiking in the chaparral on a hot day

Distance from downtown San Diego: About 40 miles. Allow 1 hour's driving time. Go north on I-15 to Escondido and exit at El Norte Parkway. Drive east 3 miles to La Honda Drive and turn left on La Honda. Drive about 1 mile to the dirt parking lot on your left. There are no facilities on the ranch, but immediately adjacent to the parking area on the right is the entrance to Dixon Lake, a developed Escondido park with facilities and picnic tables. There is a \$5 car-entrance fee for Dixon Lake.

Hiking length: Less than 4 miles in a loop. • Difficulty: Moderate with an elevation gain/loss of 600 feet. Short stretches where trail is steep and eroded. Dogs on leashes allowed



Twenty-five miles of trails wind through the Daley Ranch nature preserve in Escondido. The Sage Trail offers views of

he Dalev Ranch is a nature preserve of over 3000 acres owned and managed by the City of Escondido. The ranch is open for hiking, equestrians, and mountain biking every day from dawn to sunset. Over 25 miles of trails wind through the ranch over chaparral-covered hills and through tree-shaded valleys. It

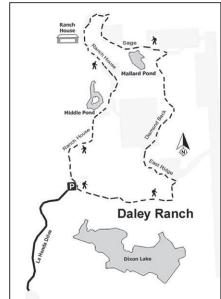
also has six ponds. The larger ponds have water year-around but several of the smaller ones usually dry up in the summer. The ponds were all man-made to

provide water for livestock and now are a haven for waterfowl and other wild animals. The best time to visit is in winter or spring. Remember to bring drinking water.

This hike goes by the two largest ponds as well some of the ephemeral ponds. Start the hike by walking down the Dixon Lake entrance road, east of the ranch parking lot. Shortly after passing the entrance kiosk, a nature trail begins on the left. Take it through a shady oak-and-willow riparian corridor with interpretative signs naming some of the common native plants. The nature trail continues .4 mile to the Dixon Lake

Trail. A right turn leads to the lake. Go left and in a short distance is the intersection of the Sage, East Ridge, and Dixon Lake trails. A small seasonal pond is just a few vards northwest of this junction and, if it has water, the heavy vegetation surrounding it will be filled with noisy red-wing blackbirds.

Turn left at the triple junction and hike up the rather steep East Ridge Trail. In about .25 mile is the iunction with the single track Coyote Run Trail on the right. Take it and in .3 mile is another junction with the Diamond Back Trail on the left. This trail goes up a low



ridge from which the Mallard Pond comes into view to the north. Continue on the Diamond Back Trail until it intersects with the Sage Trail. Going left down the Sage Trail leads past the Mallard Pond, and in .25 mile is the intersection with the Mallard Trail. The Mallard Trail traverses the top of the dam that created the pond and is a good place to watch for migratory waterfowl as well as some year-around water birds.

Leaving the pond, continue north on the Sage Trail to its junction with the Jack Creek Meadow Loop Trail. From this point the historic Dalev Ranch House and outbuildings are visible under magnificent old coast live oaks. The Ranch House is a good place to rest awhile or for a picnic lunch, but the buildings are not open to visitors at this time.

To continue the hike, walk south down the Ranch House Trail a short distance to its junction with the East Ridge Trail on the left. In .4 mile it will take vou to the Middle Pond Trail junction. The Middle Pond is a second perennial body of water and another good place to view waterfowl. The Middle Pond Trail continues beyond the pond

leading back to the recently paved Ranch House Trail with interpretative signs identifying common native plants. Follow the Ranch House Trail south back to your vehicle

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OUTDOORS

Kumeyaay Feast What's on the menu for the Native American harvest celebration? Learn how the first San Diegans celebrated the bounty of nature on trail guide-led walk. 619-688-3281. Saturday, November 10, 8:30am; free. Kumeyaay Lake Campground, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

Mission Valley Preserve Stewardship and Community Engagement Event Did you know there is a nature preserve and a hidden river in the heart of Mission Valley? Open house and preserve tours (10:15 and 11:15am) showcase this open space and efforts to restore and care for the endangered habitat. Indicate tour time in reservations: Richard@ sandiegoriver.org or 619-297-7380. Sunday, November 11, 9am; free. Mission Valley Preserve, 5505 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

Penasquitos Canyon Hike Join naturalist Linda King on this moderately paced loop walk to the waterfall, Sycamore Crossing and Carson's Crossing. Meet at the kiosk near 7107 Park Village Road at Celome Way. 858-484-3219 or penasquitos.org. Saturday, November 10, 8am; free. Del Mar Mesa trailhead, 7107 Park Village Road. (RANCHO PEÑASOUITOS)

SPECIAL EVENTS



"Vettes for Veterans" North Coast Vettes host Corvette car show honoring and supporting veterans. Show promises more than 100 Corvettes, music, vendors, silent auction. lalbertoni@cox.net or 760-967-0652. Saturday, November 10, 10am; free. T.G.I. Friday's - Carlsbad, 890 Palomar Airport Road. (CARLSBAD)

Aftermath: JFK and September 11, 2001 Presented by Citizens for Justice and Honesty in Government and San Diegans for

9/11 Truth. In the wake of both the John F. Kennedy assassination and the attacks of September 11, 2001, came a national mourning through the medium of TV, a convoluted and incredible official narrative, a shoddy government cover-up, an ascent of the security state and the military industrial complex, and the forwarding of a treacherous and deadly agenda. Was the assassination of John F. Kennedy the shadow government's precedent for the events of September 11, 2001, and its aftermath? Short film followed by a discussion. Free, donations appreciated. Uptown Shopping Center across from Trader Joe's. www.sd911truth.org. 619-222-2120. Sunday, November 11, 6:30 p.m. Joyce Beers Uptown Community Center, 3900 Vermont Street.

Dwell Home Tour Join Dwell magazine for one night and two days of interesting architecture during San Diego home tour. A portion of ticket proceeds will go to Architecture for Humanity non-profit. Meet the Architects cocktail reception on November 9 (\$25). \$75 single-day pass; \$150 weekend pass (includes Meet the Architects night). http://dht.dwell.com/about-san-diego-home-tours. Saturday, November 10, 10am; \$25-\$150. (AROUND SAN DIEGO)

Breathe: A Fundraising Night for Anna Young Thirty-one-yearold Cardifflocal Anna Young needs a double lung transplant. Evening promises live music from surf commentator and former pro-surfer Peter King and Davia Matson of Dakoda Motor Company. Food, drink, raffle prizes from over 60 local businesses. Requested donation: \$5. RSVP: *info@bliss101.com*. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; Bliss 101, 687 South Coast Hwy 101. (ENCINITAS)

Diamond Ball 2012 Tri-City Hospital Foundation's annual Baile Diamond. 760-940-3370. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; \$350. Park Hyatt Aviara Resort, 7100 Aviara Resort Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Horrible Imaginings Film Festival Festival Festival dedicated to macabre art and film unleashes "over 40 short and feature horrors." Featured documentary Zero Killed (Germany). Other features: The Black Dahlia Haunting, Blood for Irina, The Eschatrilogy, Gut by Elias. Local spotlights Sanguijuelas, The Body Bag, Haven in the Hills, Aim for the Heart. 443-834-3742. Saturday, November 10, 1pm to midnight. Sunday, November 11, 1 pm to midnight. Tenth Avenue.

Kidney Health Screening Join us if you have diabetes, high blood pressure, or a family history of these conditions or kidney disease. Walk-ins are welcome, but prior registration is encouraged. Must be 18 years of age or over. To register, contact Natalie Kanooni at 800-747-5527 or email natalie.kanooni. Presented by the National Kidney Foundation. Saturday, November 10, 9am to 1pm; Jackie Robinson YMCA, 151 YMCA Way. (LINCOLN

MS Dinner Auction Organizers promise "over 900 packages in the silent and live auction, four-course

dinner, entertainment, dancing," more. Saturday, November 10, 4pm; \$150-\$400. Loews Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road. (CORONADO)

Market Day @ The Duck Sixteen vendors offer vintage and handmade goods in traditional flea market setting. 760-632-0488. Sunday, November 11, 10am; free. Ducky Waddle's Emporium, 414 N. Coast Hwy. 101. (LEUCADIA)

Mission Hills Artists Holiday Sale Shop original, local handcrafted art by Mission Hills Artists and Friends. Saturday, November 10, 10am; free. Mission Hills United Church of Christ, 4070 Jackdaw Street. (MISSION HILLS)

North Park Vaudeville Show Enjoy nine acts of family-friendly variety entertainment. Program includes singers, dancers, comedy, and theatrical entertainment. Reservations: 619-647-4958. Saturday, November 10, 8pm; \$7-\$14. North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe, 2031 El Cajon Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

Urban Emporium Back Room becomes a pop-up marketplace for local artisans to showcase and sell their wares, in conjunction with Kettner Nights' "Arts After Dark." 619-255-7885. Friday, November 9, 6pm; **free**. 21 and up. 98 Bottles, 2400 Kettner Boulevard. (LITTLE

"Find Your Holiday Date" Dance/Mixer Simply The Best Singles, an upscale singles organization for singles age 40-60ish seeking relationships, marriage and more, invites you to "Find Your Holiday Date" Dance/Mixer. DJ, icebreaker game, complimentary photos and more! \$15 door, \$3 valet parking, casual dress, www.

SimplyThe Best Singles.com, 818-577-6877. Saturday, November 17, 7:30pm to 11:30pm. Hilton Garden Inn Carlsbad Beach, 6450 Carlsbad Boulevard. (CARLSBAD)

NYE 2013 Concert Join over 2000 people as they ring in the New Year in style at the Broadway pier "the Pavilion," the finest venue in San Diego. Purchase your tickets early; the price goes up as we sell more tickets. This party will sell out!! 3 ballrooms of entertainment. DJs Spinning Retro/Disco Music during and in between live event to keep the party going nonstop. Live bands Cameo, Angela, Winbush, Jay Lamont Benefit Concert to support Lulu's Hands of Hope. Price: \$100 — General Admission; \$150 — Premier Seating. Lulushandsofhope.org/events. Monday, December 31, 8 pm. Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier, 1000 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

ART

"Art Riot" Tim Lueker from Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Kira Corser, Lauren Carerra present "Natural Beauty of the Oceans and Threats to Ocean Life" (3pm). Opening receptions for "Art Riot," "The Magic of Water," "At the Edge of the Desert," and "Wounded Hearts: A Journey Through Grief" (5:30pm). 760-480-4101. Saturday, November 10, 3pm and 5:30pm; free. Escondido Arts Partnership Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

"Art for a Cause" Ray at Night reception for exhibition of art created during UCSD Extension adult art class taught by Susan E. Roden. Work will be auctioned to benefit



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away from Bali, right? With backpack and surfboard in hand, I found a nearby island that fulfilled my craving to score perfect, uncrowded waves, indulge in deliciously cheap eats, and discover a fascinating people.

From afar, it looked like a tiny wrinkle of water rising from the ocean's horizon. But as I approached land in the small single-engine boat loaded with large sacks of rice and colorful vegetables, I was awed by the size of that wrinkle, which turned out to be a massive, flawless wave.

The 30-minute boat ride from Bali to tiny neighboring Nusa Lembongan is a painless one that allows travelers to spend a day or two away from busy Bali. In the ten days I spent there, however, I discovered much more than just world-class diving and serene beaches, two of Lembongan's main attractions.

Secret roads leading to empty waves

and a culture of seaweed farming that's more art than actual labor were a couple of the main attractions for me.

That aforementioned wrinkle of water became a daily surfing playground of crystal-clear ocean that I could easily see from my modest, bugfriendly bungalow. In fact, the water was so clear and the reef so bustling with life that more often than not, while waiting for the next wave, I'd be pleasantly startled by little fish exploring my surfboard in a brave attempt to stow away in my shorts!

Another jaw-dropping wave was accessible only via a snake-like dirt road. No paddling was required to enter the water, just a little bit of courage as you jumped ten meters from the makeshift platform into the wave of your choice. The reward: another liquid ramp of perfection, a few smiling faces to share waves with, and a cold Bintang beer waiting for you afterward.

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Monarch School. On view through Saturday, December 1. 619-702-7007. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; **free**. Ray Street Custom Framing and Gallery, 3807 Ray Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Form + Function = One"
Opening for show featuring more than 200 objects whose everyday use dictates their inherent design and usability. Inspired by architect Frank Lloyd Wright, who once said, "Form and function should be one, joined in spiritual union." 858-454-9983. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; free. Africa and Beyond, 1250 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

"In the Blues" Rick Hunt's new collection of paintings opens with reception for the artist. Enjoy the "fluid storytelling" through November. 760-633-1644. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; Santos Fine Art Galleries, 978 N. Coast Hwy. (LEUCADIA)

"In the Fold" Opening reception for new exhibit featuring the art of illustrator and fine artist Casey Weldon, whose "work aims to awaken a feeling of nostalgia within the viewer, though often along with a sense of humor, melancholy, and longing for times lost," and Andrew Shondrick, who is "constantly in fear of animals higher than him on the food chain." Exhibition will run through December 1. 760-781-5779. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; free. ArtHatch, 317 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

"Lois and Clark — Explorers of Light" Opening reception for exhibition "investigating familiar and exotic locales" by photographers Lisa Vella and John Thurston. 619-203-3325 or 619-248-5941. Saturday, November 10, 6pm; free. San Diego LGBT Pride, 3620 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Organic Colonies" Exhibition curated by San Diego Mesa College's museum studies class featuring artists Jenny Armer, Renetta Happe, Therese Herron, Socrates M. Medina, Josie Rodriguez. Show "explores the complex interconnectedness between the individual and society in our globalized world." 619-869-5693. Saturday, November 10, 5pm; free. Garage Gallery, 4141 Alabama Street. (NORTH PARK)

"Quality Control" Opening reception for exhibit of new works by Jack Stricker. View these "multi-layered environments that leave the viewer slightly detached from reality" through Sunday, December 2. Saturday, November 10, 5pm; free. Thumbprint Gallery, 920 Kline St., Suite #104. (LA JOLLA)

"Small Works" Opening reception for exhibition of work by in a range of media by seven artists. Closing reception: December 14. *info@EighteenoFiveSD.com.* Friday, November 9, 6pm; **free**. Eighteen o Five, 1805 Columbia Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

"Strange Beauty" Explore the world of Ruud van Empel in the artist's first solo exhibition in an American museum. The artist "builds vibrant photomontages of fascinatingly fabricated realities."

View more than 40 of van Empel's digitally enhanced pieces through Saturday, February 3. Van Empel constructs his works through staged photography, digital enhancement, and collage.

Explore the power of photography to communicate important ideas about the environment and sustainability in "Photo|Synthesis: 7th Annual Youth Exhibition," a juried selection of artwork showcasing creativity and artistic expres-

sion of SD's youth. Closes Sunday, January 27.

"Soapbox! The Audience Speaks" is the museum's "first crowd-sourced exhibition that uses engaging new technology and interactive processes to allow visitors the opportunity to rate images both online and in the gallery." Visitors selected pieces from a random selection of 120 images from museum's permanent collection. Through Sunday, September 22, 2013. Free-\$8. Museum of Pho-

tographic Arts, 1649 El Prado. (BAL-BOA PARK)

"The Artist: Augustus" Reception for artist Courtney Augustus. During reception, "buy a \$20 tasting card you get \$5 free." 619-296-0714. Thursday, November 8, 6pm; free. 21 and up. Splash, 3043 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

"Wide Open" Inaugural event promises "an evolving evening of live art." Live models will become "pigmented canvases as elements

to be integrated into a large canvas being created as a backdrop for the evening finale." Other artists will "contribute elements to the final scene." Models will "perform specially composed music and dance in preparation for inclusion in the canvas, culminating in a spectacular photo shoot projected live, capturing the finale for posterity." Music by DJ Ditidank. 619-341-2444. Saturday, November 10, 6:30pm; free. 18 and up. Abridged Gallery, 1991 Main Street. (BARRIO LOGAN)

Art Showcase Local artists will occupy nine of the bar's booths to share their artwork in variety of media during community art sale. Entertainment by DJ Diamond Dan Carlos. 858-483-6334. Thursday, November 8, 6pm; Thrusters Lounge, 4633 Mission Boulevard. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Fine Arts Exhibit Art in four media created by Boys & Girls Club of San Marcos members aged 6-18 on display; "winners will go



Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

on to compete at a regional level." Face painting and family activities. 760-703-3889. Friday, November 9, 6pm; free. Twin Oaks Gallery, 757 North Twin Oaks Valley Road #3. (SAN MARCOS)

San Diego Potters' Guild Fall Sale Watch ceramic artists demonstrate how to throw a pot on the wheel during biannual sale of "thousands of pieces of handmade ceramics." The artists will be on hand to answer questions. 619-239-0507. Saturday, November 10, 10am; Sunday, November 11, 10am; free. Spanish Village Art Center, 1770 Village Place. (BALBOA PARK)

BOOK

18th Annual San Diego Jewish Book Fair During the fair, meet about 40 authors presenting their books. Festival gets underway on Thursday with Lisa Levine (*Yoga Shalom*, 9am); "Confronting Life's Challenges — A Conversation with Ken Druck and Edie Lutnick" (10am); lunch and talk with Jonathan Tropper (*One Last Thing Before I Go*, noon); Racelle Rosett (*Moving Waters*, 2pm). Tea and talk with Matti Friedman (*The Aleppo Codex*, 4pm); and Rich Cohen (*The*

Fish That Ate the Whale: The Life and Times of America's Banana King, 7:30pm). 858-362-1348. Thursday, November 8, 10am; \$6-\$17. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (IA JOLLA)

Quest for Flight Local aviation historian Gary Fogel signs copies of his co-authored book, subtitled *John J. Montgomery and the Dawn of Aviation in the West.* Books available for purchase. Sunday, November 11, 1pm; Torrey Pines Gliderport, 2800 Torrey Pines Scenic Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Downtown with David Sedaris Sedaris returns with fresh writings and the biting social critiques that make him a master of satire. The author of *Barrel Fever* and *Holidays on Ice* will stick around after the show for a book-signing session. Join ArtPower! for a preperformance dinner at Zanzibar Café. Dinner includes choice of appetizer, entrée, and dessert, and

a signed copy of David Sedaris's

latest book. Thursday, November 8, 8pm; \$42-\$63. Balboa Theatre,

868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN

SAN DIEGO)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

"Unleashing Your Calling: Create the Work and Life You Love" Tama Kieves — former Harvard-trained attorney turned career coach and author — shares

Rhyme & Verse

Recuerdo

A poem by Edna St. Vincent Millay

We were very tired, we were very merry — We had gone back and forth all night on the ferry. It was bare and bright, and smelled like a stable — But we looked into a fire, we leaned across a table, We lay on a hill-top underneath the moon; And the whistles kept blowing, and the dawn came soon.

We were very tired, we were very merry — We had gone back and forth all night on the ferry; And you ate an apple, and I ate a pear, From a dozen of each we had bought somewhere; And the sky went wan, and the wind came cold, And the sun rose dripping, a bucketful of gold.

We were very tired, we were very merry,
We had gone back and forth all night on the ferry.
We hailed, "Good morrow, mother!" to a shawl-covered head,
And bought a morning paper, which neither of us read;
And she wept, "God bless you!" for the apples and pears,
And we gave her all our money but our subway fares.



Edna St. Vincent Millay (1892–1950) was born in Rockland, Maine, attended Vassar College, and upon graduation moved to Greenwich Village. In 1917, she published *Renascence and Other Poems* and in 1920 she published *A Few Figs from Thistles*, in which her poem "Recuerdo" appeared. The poem had originally appeared in the May, 1919, issue of *Poetry* magazine. In

1923, when Millay was 31 years old, she published *The Harp Weaver and Other Poems*, which won the Pulitzer Prize. A master of rhymed, metrical forms and a superb sonneteer, Millay wrote a poetry that was at once witty, perceptive, passionate, and exquisitely wrought. Beautiful and bisexual, she had many lovers both before and during her marriage to Eugen Jan Boissevain. Millay's brilliant achievements in strict form place her in the first ranks of 20th-century American poets and today, when many of the high modernists are studied only in university classrooms, Millay's poetry remains widely read and admired by a literate general audience.

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methods "to get past fears and thrive in the work you're meant to do," utilizing "breakthrough exercises." 619-291-4728. Sunday, November 11, 1:30pm; \$25. 18 and up. Universal Spirit Center, 3858 Front Street. (HILLCREST)

Alan Munde — Banjoist Extraordinaire! Bluegrass musician Alan Munde leads banjo workshops for beginning and intermediate players (1:30pm) and advanced musicians (3:30pm). Fee: \$65 per class. 619-280-9035. Sunday, November 11, 1:30pm and 3:30pm; \$18-\$20. New Expression Music, 4434 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Iris Planting and Care Dave Ross of Walter Andersen Nursery addresses San Diego Iris Society. Sunday, November 11, 1pm; **free**. Lakeside Historical Society, 9906 Maine Avenue. (LAKESIDE)

Learn to Make Hypertufa Hypertufa, an artificial stone, is fun to make and an attractive planting container. During this workshop participants will make a hypertufa container to take home. Saturday, November 10, 10am and 1pm; \$45. 18 and up. South Bay Botanic Garden at Southwestern College, 900 Otay Lakes Road. (CHULA VISTA)

Learn to Waltz JoAnn Koppany and Dave Coughlin lead class with live music by Martha Wild. Learn basic waltz step, how to rotate around the room, why partner connection is so important. No partner needed. Saturday, November 10, 5pm; \$5. Trinity United Methodist





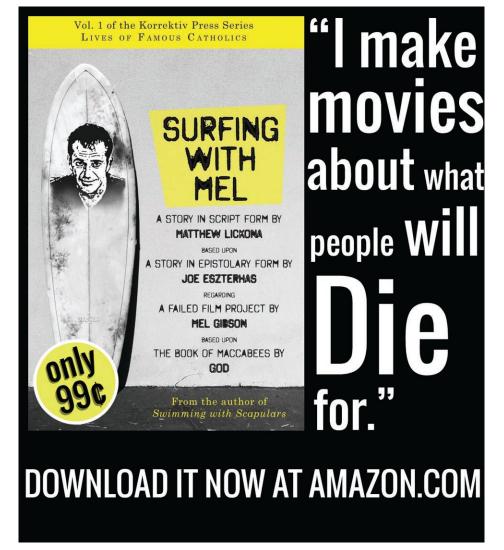
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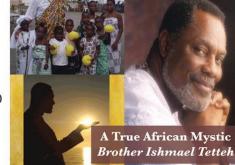
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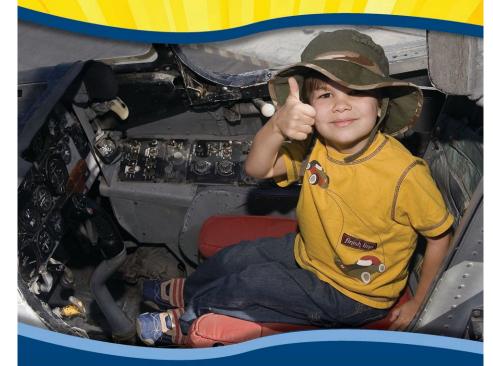


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San Diego Esoteric Seminar 2012 Class series with Jungian and transpersonal clinical psychologist Dr. David Shoemaker explores "various topics of interest to pagans, occultists, and others interested in esotericism and Western spirituality," for new students and advanced practitioners alike. Saturday, November 10, 1pm; \$20. Marina Village Conference Center, 1936 Quivira Way. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Savor Handel's "Messiah" Choruses Practice "And the glory of the Lord" and "O thou that tellest good tidings" choruses during class led by Angela Yeung in preparation for USD "Messiah Sing-Along" concerts (December 14 and 15). Registration: ayeung@sandiego.edu. Donations help pay the accompanist. Friday, November 9, 7pm; free. Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, 16889 Espola Road. (POWAY)

Second Saturday Workshop: Assemblage Create a mixed-media, found object sculpture work of art with the same sense of duality, mysterious imagery, and frank approach to mundane aspects of daily life as found in the themes in "Marianela de la Hoz" exhibition. Workshop begins with exhibition tour for inspiration. Designed for beginners, but all levels welcome. Fee includes all supplies. 619-232-7931. Saturday, November 10, 1pm; \$40-\$50. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

COMEDY

"Comedy/Mission Mayhem — The Los Gives Back to the Troops" Former U.S. Marine Corps Captain and comedian Carlos Kremer plans "a salute to the Marines on the weekend of their 237th birthday and for all service members past and present." 619-795-3858. Sunday, November 11, 8pm; free-\$10. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Joe Rogan Performance by the comedian and actor, best known as host on *Fear Factor*. 619-570-1100. Saturday, November 10, 8pm; \$42. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Mixxnutts Comedy Relief Showcase Rick Izquieta, Candice Thompson, Ahmed Bahroocha, Brenda Colonna, PMAN perform. Host: Duke Michaels. Two-item minimum. 619-786-3136. Saturday, November 10, 9:30pm; \$20-\$25. 21 and up. Comedy Palace, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Stand-Up Comedy by Chris Franjola Comic has performed on *Chelsea Lately, E!*, and *After Lately*, 619-795-3858. Thursday, November 8, 8pm; Friday, November 9, 7pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, November 10, 7pm and 9:30pm; \$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

DANCE

"The Great Russian Nutcracker" Moscow Ballet performs the classic. 800-745-3000. Saturday, November 10, 8pm; \$40-\$60. 21 and up. Harrah's Rincon, 777 Harrah's Rincon Way. (VALLEY CENTER)

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Contra Dance Calling by JoAnn Koppany, with music by the More the Merrier during contra dancing hosted by San Diego Folk Heritage. Beginners' dance workshop 7:30pm; dances taught and called to live music 8-11pm. Wear soft-soled shoes. No partners or experience needed. 619-283-8550. Saturday, November 10, 7:30pm; \$8. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

Emerald Jubilee City Ballet's 20th anniversary season begins with SD premiere of George Balanchine's *Emeralds*, his *Tarantella* and *Paquita*, and premiere of a

new work. Tickets: 858-272-8663. Friday, November 9, 8pm; Saturday, November 10, 8pm; Sunday, November 11, 2pm; \$29-\$69. Spreckels Theatre, 121 Broadway. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

In All the World, No Event Like This The most beautiful ballroom in the world in your backyard and you can be there. Dance classes available or join us for the Saturday Night Special for \$99, which includes the dance, dinner, and round-trip boat. Details at www.CatalinaSwingDanceFestival. com. Friday, November 9, through Sunday, November 11. Catalina Island. (AVALON)

Light Rain, Dark Fire Enjoy "night a wild beats by Danyavaad, sensual sounds by Light Rain," dance performances by the Shimmy Sisters, Madame Raine, Jayna, Laura Dasi, Jay7. Sunday, November 11, 5pm; \$17-\$20. Tango Del Rey, 3567 Del Rey Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Royal Drummers and Dancers of Burundi Performances are ceremonial, representing births, deaths, and coronations. Using drums made from hollowed tree trunks, performers demonstrate a centuries-old technique and tradition. Sunday, November 11, 7:30pm; \$20-\$85. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. (DOWN-TOWN SAN DIEGO)

Tango Dinner Show Tango dinner show with live dancers. Recommended reservations: *pampasgrill@gmail.com* or 858-278-5971.

Fridays, 6:30pm and 8:30pm; **free**. Pampas Argentine Grill, 8690 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

World Music Festival Evening begins with traditional Indian dance by Nupur Dance Academy. Vishal Vaid sings traditional Indian and Afghani music, "converging with the Western mantras and acoustic worldbeat of singer-songwriter Karl Anthony." Accompaniment by Rahis Ahmed Khan (tabla). 858-689-6500. Friday, November 9, 7:30pm; \$10-\$40. Unity Center, 8999 Activity Road. (MIRA MESA)

FOOD & DRINK

BYOB: Bring Your Own Bowl Bring a bowl, receive a "free bowl of soup." Bread provided by Con Pane Bakery. Canned food donations requested to benefit Mama's Kitchen. Required RSVP: RSVP@ thepearlsd.com. Sunday, November 11, 4pm; free. Pearl Hotel, 1410 Rosecrans Street. (POINT LOMA)

Celebrity Chef Tour Celebrity chefs join executive chef Kevin Harry in the kitchen to prepare a dinner to serve SD foodies during benefit James Beard Foundation benefit. 619-398-3082. Friday, November 9, 7pm; \$150. 21 and up. W San Diego, 421 West B Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Get to Know Cheese Sample "all the best cheese from all over the world while sipping on complimentary wine" during signature cheese 101 class. Learn everything about fermented curd! 858-847-9616. Thursday, November 8, 6pm; \$50. 21 and up. Venissimo Cheese Del

Mar, 2650 Via de la Valle, #C140.

Hops n' Heels Beer and dessert pairing event in celebration of San Diego Beer Week. Beers from Stone Brewing, treats from Azucar Bakery. The \$20 tickets include four craft beers paired with four desserts. Stone small batch brewer Laura Ulrich will be on hand. dmunn@thepearlsd.com. Thursday, November 8, 5:30pm; 21 and up. Pearl Hotel, 1410 Rosecrans Street. (POINT LOMA)

Manzanita Brewing Night Celebrate San Diego Beer Week and local Manzanita Brewing Company's second anniversary with fourcourse dinner paired with Manzanita beers. 619-269-1222. Friday, November 9, 11am; \$41. 21 and up. Range Kitchen and Cocktails, 1220 University Avenue. (HILLCREST)

She Likes Beer Pairing Dinner Beer (week) isn't just for boys! Enjoy night of live music and Chef Jacob's custom four-course pairing menu featuring Karl Strauss Brewing Company. Each course is available individually (\$10), prepurchase the full meal (\$35). 619-269-1222. Thursday, November 8, 6pm; Range Kitchen and Cocktails, 1220 University Avenue. (HILLCREST)

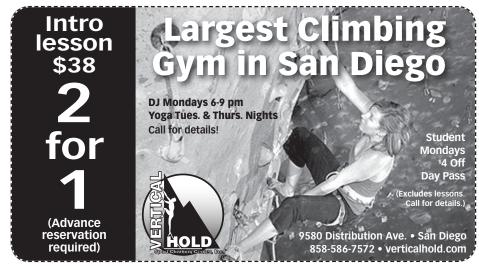
The Lodge at Torrey Pines Beer Garden San Diego Beer Week celebrations culminate with a grand finale promising specialty beer and gourmet food pairings by some of SD's top culinary artists and brew masters. Sunday, November 11, 12pm; \$75. 21 and up. Lodge at Torrey Pines, 11480 North Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)



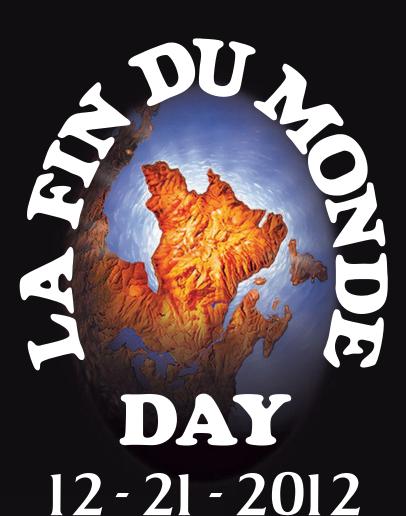








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Dead

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Let no one see how beautiful Are all the things I have, my feet, my hair.

In the name of the dead, free and immaculate,

A fish in unknown seas, Am I not a Muslim, heaven knows, Yet no crowds for me, please.

Don't let them make me wear a shroud.

In sky safeguard my darkness from misery,

Don't shake me as I go from shoulder to shoulder, For all my parts are fancy free.

No prayer can turn my

remoteness

From the other worlds into a reality.

Don't let them wash my body, don't:

I am madly in love with the warmth inside me.

— by Fazıl Hüsnü Dağlarca (trans. Talat Sait Halman)

Fazıl Hüsnü Dağlarca

(1914-2008) was a prolific

and celebrated Turkish poet with more than 60 collections of verse to his name. His insistence on a purist approach to the Turkish language brought a sense of renewal to Turkish literature and focused on philosophical, theological, and political themes. As a testament to his popularity and despite his request in "Dead," his funer-

al was not held in private — but became a public affair of state. The wake and funeral ceremony were held in an opera house in Istanbul, attended by a crowd of Turkish politicians and military officers as well as family and Turkey's literati.

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FOR KIDS

"Tales for Tails" Kids in grades 1-6 invited to "improve their reading skills by reading to animals in a fun and relaxing environment" during San Diego Humane Society's pet-assisted therapy program. 619-527-3405. Saturday, November 10, 11am; Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market Street. (VALENCIA PARK)

Anything Goes STAR Theatre Coast Kids present the classic musical comedy set "aboard a ship full of a wacky group of passengers." Reservations: 760-721-9983. Friday, November 9, 7:30pm; Saturday, November 10, 2pm and 7:30pm; Sunday, November 11, 2pm; \$7-\$15. Star Theatre, 402 N. Coast Hwy. (OCEANSIDE)

The Sound of Music San Diego Junior Theatre presents what may be

"arguably the world's most-beloved musical...based on the true story of the Trapp Family Singers." It was "the final collaboration between Rodgers and Hammerstein." 619-239-8355. Friday, November 9, 7pm; Saturday, November 10, 2pm; Sunday, November 11, 2pm; \$10-\$15. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado. Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

Family Drop-In Day — Exploring Shape Take family-friendly exhibition tour, participate in art projects focusing on specific works and artmaking practices found in "The Human Beast" and museum's modern and contemporary art galleries. For children ages 6-12. Included in museum admission (\$12 general). 619-232-7931. Sunday, November 11, 1pm; 6 and up. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Transform Trash to Art Transform SD beach trash "into a mas-

terpiece" for community enjoyment during family event. 858-581-9934. Saturday, November 10, 11:30am; **free**. Pacific Beach Library, 4275 Cass Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

LECTURES

"Behold, America!" Symposium promises "in-depth presentations by renowned scholars in American art." Artist Deborah Butterfield plans talk on her own work; artist James Luna in conversation with University of Warwick, England, history of art professor Michael Hatt. Other speakers: Patricia Kelly from Emily Carr University of Art and Design in Vancouver, Canadat (USD's Derrick Cartwright. 619-232-7931. Saturday, November 10, 9am; \$10-\$15. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

"Israel and the Search for Peace in the Aftermath of the June 1967 War" Avi Raz

— a faculty member of Oriental Studies of the University of Oxford — speaks in Eleanor Roosevelt College administration building (room 115). "His main research interests are the Arab-Israeli conflict, particularly in the aftermath of the June 1967 Middle East War; Israel's foreign policy; and the Palestinian national movement." iicas-events@ucsd.edu. Friday, November 9, 12pm; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

"Native North Americans and their Diverse Forms of Governance" Lynne Miller discusses "different Native North American cultures and their diverse systems of government," including the Iroquois Confederacy, the Powhatan Confederacy, the Natchez, and egalitarian systems of the Pueblo and Plains cultures. Friday, November 9, 1pm; **free**. 18 and up. Mira-Costa College San Elijo Campus, 3333 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

"Reflections from a Nobel Laureate" Spend an evening with 2011 Nobel Laureate and UCSD alumnus Bruce Beutler, M.D., who will discuss his award-winning immunology research, the next phases of his scientific discovery, impact of his research on communities and lives around the globe. In Beyster Auditorium. 858-534-3900. Thursday, November 8, 6pm; free. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Community Diabetes Expo Endocrinologist Chris K. Guerin, M.D., shares "New Treatment Options for Type 2 Diabetes"; April Lombardo, R.N., presents "What You Should Know About Your Risk"; Dino Cinquemani and Nichole Matsuura serve up "Diabetic

Nutrition: Eating for Success." Foot screenings, refreshments, wellness exhibits. 855-222-8262. Thursday, November 8, 5:30pm; **free**. Tri-City Wellness Center, 6250 El Camino Real. (CARLSBAD)

Know Your Knees! Local practitioner Dr. Cheryl Wright, M.D., presents osteoarthritis educational seminar on common osteoarthritis misconceptions, signs and symptoms of OA, the latest treatment options. Wright will answer questions as well. RSVP: 858-484-8788. Thursday, November 8, 12:45pm; free. Rancho Family YMCA, 9410 Fairgrove Lane. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

SPOKEN WORD

The Gelato Poetry Series Ishmael von Heidrick Barnes, author of *Intimate Geography*, returns for read-

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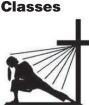
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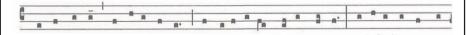
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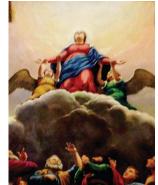
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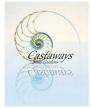


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Autumns are short in America's Finest City. The transition from summer's dog days to mall-Santa season seems like it happens in the blink of a sunglass-shielded eye. But it's worth taking time to enjoy this stretch from a culinary perspective. Not only is a plethora of produce available, but the weather's perfect — not too hot, not too cold — to enjoy just about anything. In my opinion,

the best way to make the most of autumn dishes, as with any and all food, is in tandem with beers that work with their sweet,

savory, herb- and spice-heavy flavor profiles.

Beer-pairing's easy in summer, when everyone's primed for hoppy IPAs, pale ales, and lightbodied lagers. Ditto winter, when stouts of all types — oatmeal, chocolate, and imperial — are no-brainers. Pairing with fall fare (exemplified by the traditional Thanksgiving turkey with all the trimmings) requires finesse, a mastery of midbodied beers often overlooked by those seeking the ultimate in refreshment or decadence.

Following are the beers that I feel offer the best compatibility with autumnal offerings from several of San Diego's top brewing companies.

The Lost Abbey, Lost & Found Ale: A New World take on a Belgian dubbel, this mediumbodied quaff is bready and spicy, with dried-fruit notes. It sounds like a Thanksgiving dressing, and, not surprisingly, serves as a superior pairing, particularly with dressings made from darker breads like rye.

Dogfish Head/Victory/Stone, Saison du BUFF: This farmhouse ale collaboration from Stone Brewing Company is brewed with parsley, sage, rosemary, and thyme. The body is light, allowing for all those herbs to shine through and sync up with any and all dishes featuring the same ingredients. Come fall, that's just about everything.

Iron Fist, Spice of Life: Variety is the spice of life. In this case, it's the variety of ingredients this Vista brewery uses in this full-bodied, slightly sweet beer made with grains of paradise, bitter orange peel, and coriander. Alone, none screams Thanksgiving, but together, they make a nice foil for everything from cranberry sauce to chestnut

AleSmith, Anvil ESB: Perhaps the mostoften-forgotten in a line of forward-flavored,

award-winning brews, this medium-bodied beer is a model of balance. Neither the malt nor the hop is overstated, making for

a versatile beer to match up with any savory dish.

Alpine, Mandarin Nectar: Another beer that fades into the background — Alpine's IPAs are the stuff of legend among hop heads — this one is exceptional with food in general, but perhaps never so much so as during November. The Mandarin oranges and orange-blossom honey used to brew it complement yams, carrots, and poultry with sweet and citrus-based sauces and

Ballast Point, Big Eye IPA: By now, you've noticed this list's lack of hoppy beers. With few cold, light, or spicy dishes hitting tables in the fall, there's not nearly as much call for crisp, hoppy ales, but the malty backbone that makes this India pale ale more British than West Coast also makes it the best IPA for the Thanksgiving table.

Karl Strauss, Red Trolley Ale: Malt is the name of the game here, too. The most awardwinning Irish-style red ale over the past halfdecade goes well with sweet potatoes, dressing, and even some rich, caramely desserts, thanks to its pronounced, slightly sweet toffee notes.

Coronado, Mermaid Red: On its own, this red ale toes the line between savory and sweet, enough so that the elements work to almost cancel each other out. When food enters into the equation, particularly dishes with cinnamon, nutmeg, clove, and allspice, it brings out cocoa nuances that make both the beer and the food





worlds better.

Manzanita, Rustic Horizon Red Ale: Like the appeal of the previously mentioned reds but have to have those hops so adored throughout San Diego? This is a nice compromise. Hops come on strong without dominating or taking too much away from the malt body that makes it Manzanita's best-suited fall fluid

Green Flash, Trippel: Most Belgian trippels are

golden yellow, light, and effervescent. Green Flash's — named the best Belgian-style abbey ale in the country at last month's Great American Beer Festival — is more medium in body and comes through with more dried-fruit character than the fresh citrus common in traditional trippels. That, and some subtle spiciness, makes it more suited for traditional American autumn

Lightning, Fulminator Lager: This dopplebock is the only lager on this list, not because lagers don't go well with fall food, but because there aren't that many produced in San Diego County — and few that are better than the ales put out by the companies that produce lagers. This Poway brewery makes more of the stuff than any other local operation. With its strong character and slight sweetness, this is the lager that goes best with a Turkey Day spread.



Your best bet for landing local beer best suited for autumnal fare is by going to the source, tasting rooms such as AleSmith (above right), Alpine (above left), and Ballast Point... and that's only the front end of the alphabet.

Mission Brewery, Amber Ale: Many beer geeks steer clear of ambers on basic principle, remembering a time when amber and red ales were ubiquitous, and, for the most part, bland and unadventurous. Thing is, they're natural fits for savory, cooler-weather cuisine, especially when they're bold enough to stand up to it. This one is.

Others: For simplicity's sake, the focus of this list is on beers available in bottles, but if you're inclined to visit a brewery to get a growler of fresh beer to bring home for your pairing pleasure, one of the most ideally suited brews for November noshing is Societe Brewing Company's Belgian amber ale, the Debutante. Other good go-withs: the light pumpernickel character of Latitude 33 Brewing Company's Pasha's Rye Brown, and the clove notes of Stumblefoot Brewing Company's Dunkelweizen. ■

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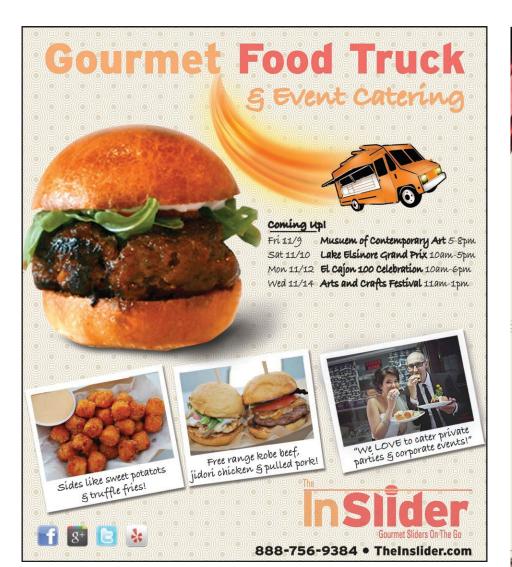
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Queen Cheese

Lord! It's Sandy, fangs bared, leaning over to rip a jawful of roast beef from a gi-normous joint.

lease don't call me 'Queen Cheese,"

Wish she hadn't. Now it's all I

Because, in a way, that's what she is: Sandy rules the downtown Cheese Shop.

Funny thing is, I've come across her and her Cheese Shop in the courtyard of the Horton Grand Hotel. (I thought the

place was up on Market.) Other funny thing is that, even though they're a full-on breakfast/ lunch eatery, they don't have, uh, cheese.

"We came here two years ago," Sandy says. "We'd been in the Gaslamp since '87, where Rock Bottom is, then by Hooters on Market Street. But in this location, we have the hotel guests, room for weddings, special gatherings. Like ... see this?'

She hauls out her iPhone, slides up a picture. Lord! It's Sandy, fangs bared, leaning over to rip a jawful of roast beef from a gi-normous joint.

"That's a 60-pound 'steamship round' of beef," she says. "For a police chiefs' convention. I didn't actually bite it. It was just to scare my husband, Tom."

I found this place by accident when I wandered into the Horton Grand Hotel off Island (right by the William Heath Davis House, the oldest building in all of downtown). It's a fabbo, Victorian-style brick hotel (expensive, you can tell), constructed at the site of two old Victorian-era hotels, the original Grand Horton — built by a German immigrant in 1886, it was a replica of the Innsbruck Inn in Vienna, Austria — and the Brooklyn Hotel, a less fancy, redwood-and-brick outfit. In the 1970s, when several downtown blocks were demolished to put up Horton Plaza, both hotels might have been history but for a bunch of crazy preservationists who bought them for \$1 each. They took them apart, then rebuilt them as one hotel around this really cute courtyard. There's spillover onto it from the hotel lobby's bar, with balconies looking down, and vines

and four spreading ficus trees that reach for the open sky. Scattered among the trees are white wrought-iron tables and chairs, and you can see

into the warm-lit dining rooms

It was Hannah, the waitress, who came up first with a menu. "The Cheese Shop is a family business," she said. "They still make their own everything. Like, they chop up their own corned-

beef hash."

Hmm...not the cheapest: corned-beef hash with two poached eggs on rye costs \$10.95. Figure that's the homemade premium.

The premium's also for eating in this green, hidden world. People (families, mainly) are chowing away at other tables. Kids run around, but the trees and plants dampen the noise, so it's not the echo chamber you might expect. Whole thing makes you think of...I dunno,

Cheapest breakfast item is a bagel and cream cheese for \$3.95. A breakfast sandwich goes for \$6.95, and pancakes start at \$7.50. But, mostly, we're talking \$10, \$12. Like the Breakfast Feast, which is two eggs, pancakes or french toast, with bacon or sausage, \$11.95.

It's old-line cooking, and looking 'round, there's plenty of it.

I order the corned beef. It's good. The beef bits aren't the ground-up processed stuff but actual chopped-up chunks, sticking out of the whole fried-up hash mess.

"So, why aren't you open in the evenings?" I ask Sandy when she comes by to check on customers. "The place must be magic."

"It is," she says. "We'd like to stay open, but we're still a family business, and there's not enough of us. Just my dad — and, really, he's retired — who started our first Cheese Shop in 1972 in La Jolla, plus me, Tom, my husband, and the boys, Andrew and Dave. We decided we wanted to give people a good breakfast at a fair price. And lunch. The irony is, we started off as a cheese-and-wine place, a deli, in La







Jolla, but we don't have any special cheeses here. It's just that we can't bear to change the

She says lots of famous people have eaten at the Cheese Shop. One was John Cleese, from Monty Python. "He comes in, and...have you seen their 'Cheese Shop' sketch? The one where he asks for a hundred different kinds of cheese, and Michael Palin doesn't have one of them? I didn't have the courage to tell Mr. Cleese we didn't have specialty cheeses anymore, either. Luckily, he only wanted a sandwich."

The Cheese Shop has also become famous for its \$1 Frisbees. "Every week, just about, we get a picture from a customer holding his Cheese Shop Frisbee in some crazy place." She shows me photos on the wall in the dining room. "Like this one in front of the Eiffel Tower. Or Africa. Or..." She points to a picture of Saddam Hussein shouting in the courtroom at his trial in Baghdad. There's another photo of his empty black chair, with a blue Cheese Shop Frisbee in it. Sandy swears this wasn't Photoshopped, that a customer was there, placed the

Frisbee, took the pic, and emailed it to her.

I'm waiting for Hannah to come back with my take-home — Carla needs a teaser, 'cause I'm definitely bringing her here for breakfast — the sandwich Hannah said was the best: roast pork loin with cilantro, garlic, other seasonings, melted jack cheese, and avocado, plus chips, potato salad, pasta salad, or coleslaw, for \$9.95.

Back at the ranch, Carla and I devour the little monster. It has honey mustard in there and that delicious, garlicky medallion of roast

"So, why don't they do cheese anymore?" Carla asks.

"Health," I say. "Cheese is getting a bad rap.

"And what we're eating here is healthier?" "Well, maybe you should give me the rest of yours...Ow!"

Carla has given my hand a flicky slap.

"It's not just cheese..." I say.

"Not just cheese, what?"

"That gets a bad rap." \blacksquare

The Place: The Cheese Shop in the Horton Grand Hotel, 311 Island Avenue, at Fourth and Island, 619-232-2303 **Prices:** Bagel and cream cheese, \$3.95; breakfast sandwich, \$6.95; buttermilk pancakes, \$7.50; Breakfast Feast, two eggs, pancakes or french toast, with bacon or sausage, \$11.95; roast pork loin, with cilantro and garlic, other seasonings, melted jack cheese, and avocado, plus chips, potato salad, pasta salad, or coleslaw, for \$9.95; cornedbeef hash (with two eggs, toast, \$10.95)

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Lunchtime Pleasure

I've watched Jersey Mike's stores pop up in San Diego recently. First there was one, then two, now there are eight. Eight! That's insane. I just

read a *NYT* article from 2000 and it indicated that the company had less than 200 stores. Now, with

almost 600 outlets nationwide, Jersey Mike's is one of the biggest sandwich chains in the country. Ed Bedford gave a brief history of the company in "Feast!" back in April. I just had a chance to stop in at the Hillcrest store that's opened since he wrote about it.

Even if I hadn't been monitoring the rise of Jersey Mike's in San Diego, I feel like I would have recognized it's chain-ness right away. I always

think it's a little weird to see things like deli meats that are branded with the restaurant's name. In reality, the meats in the case are recognizable cold cuts of middling quality—the perfectly squared hams and lobular turkeys that pay clever homage to the namesake meats — probably

rebadged from some other producer. But the sense of uniformity is always a little daunting when walking into a franchise operation.

Still, I liked the menu, which restricted choice to a minimum of cold cuts and cheese steaks. Sometimes it's *nice* not to be spoiled for choice. I went with the "original Italian," with ham, prosciuttini, cappacuolo, salami, pepperoni, and provolone cheese. I had them put everything on it ("Mike's way") because the veggies behind the sneeze guard looked pretty good. I watched the staff slice the meats to order (which seems unnecessary as a

guarantee of freshness in busy restaurant but is a nice gesture nonetheless) and fill the sandwich to capacity with shredded iceberg lettuce, tomatoes, red onions, oil, vinegar, and cherry pepper relish. The end result was massive and well worth the \$7.50 price tag for a "regular" sized sub. I could have been filled by a \$5 mini.

And what a sub it was! They may be a wicked gigantic chain, but Jersey Mike's

gigantic chain, but Jersey Mike's makes a great sub. It was superior to Subway or Quizno's. The bread

was better, and the oily, tangy, salty vegetables were just plain awesome on top of the meat, of which there was neither too much nor too little. I wholeheartedly approve.

I'll order the roast beef in the future. It's actually beef, roasted in the store, instead of the plastic-wrapped meatcake ham. I am reminded that subs aren't necessarily very good for you, what with the super-salty meats and the massive serving

of bread, but they're an occasional lunchtime pleasure.

I've gotten away from where I wanted to go here, however, which was in the direction of Jersey Mike's rapid expansion. I suspect that history and geography will work against the chain. For starters, it will be hard for Mike's

to make reliable inroads into the market that's dominated by taco shops. Despite the fact that a significant portion of the city's population grew up elsewhere and will relate to Mike's subs, it's going to be hard to get us to put down our burritos long enough to eat a sub. Plus, the precedent for rapidly expanding, initially successful business almost always calls for some rollback after overzealous expansions. Quizno's closed a bunch of stores a while back. Krispy Kreme tried to leave the South...and failed epically. Even Starbucks, the juggernaut of franchise foodstuffs, has had



On hot days, Eduardo can make \$100 pushing his ice-cream cart around Barrio Logan.

to partially withdraw from some markets when the local institutions proved too entrenched to be displaced. I'll be surprised if Jersey Mike's doesn't have to check their expansion in some fashion. I don't know exactly why this happens to restaurant chains, but I suspect it's a natural process. People are wildly excited about a concept at first, often because successful chains inject a kind of variety into extant markets, but then public enthusiasm wanes and the rest, as they say, is history.

by Ian Pike

Helado on Wheels

Wandering the byroads of the barrio.

Cold night has become hot day here on Nelson, near Beardsley, in Barrio Logan. Sweat's tickling back of neck.

Hear the tinkle of a little bell coming at me. *Ding-ding-ding-ding-ding*.

Aha! Know what that is.

Just in time.

It's Antonio trundling his *carrito de helados* — ice cream cart — coming down Newton toward Perkins Elementary School.

"¡Helados!" he calls.

Wow. This could be TJ, Mexico City, or Guadalajara.

"How much?" I ask.

He holds up a finger. "One dollar."

So I look among the dozens of color pictures of ice creams and popsicles on sticks pasted on his cart's cooler-container.

"We have blackberry, chocolate, cone, stick..."
Antonio says.

"Blackberry," I say.

He hauls out a strawberry ice cream on a stick. "Fruiti Pops."

"Fine," I say. "That'll

I hand him a buckaroo and start unwrapping it.

Huh. Notice he has a big cardboard box

strapped to the back. For wrappers.

"What kind of flavors would you have if this was Mexico?"

"Oh! Tamarindo, guayaba [guava], limón [lime]."

"Schoolkids are your main customers?"

"Definitely. 'Specially in summer. On good hot days I can make \$100."

And winter?

"A lot less..."

He looks down the street. A clump of kids is gathering in the distance.

"I've got to go."

He starts pushing his cart down Newton. I see his right finger twitch. The bell calls out to those kids coming out of school.

Ding ding!

by Ed Bedford

San Diego Beer Week: Day Seven

Thursday, November 8

4 p.m. – Ommegang vs. The Lost Abbey

It'll be a West Coast/East Coast thing when the beers of Cooperstown, New York's Brewery Ommegang go up against San Marcos' Lost Abbey at Sublime Ale House (1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos). Customers will blind-taste beers in different categories where the



The "Original Italian" at Jersey Mike's was

massive and well worth the \$7.50 price tag.









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breweries' takes on different Belgian styles go head-to-head. West side!

5 p.m. - Societe the Apprentice, the Bruery the Master

The key to Societe Brewing Company's early success has been everything that preceded the operation's debut namely, training at big-name breweries, including Placentia, California's Bruery. This special beer dinner will pair beers, food, and brewers from both companies at Urge Gastropub (16761 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo).

6 p.m. - Hess Brewmaster's

Despite being small, Hess Brewing has gained a big following. They're close to opening the doors to their big, new facility in North Park, but until that happens, their beer remains tough to get ahold of. Enjoy five of them along with Southern-tinged fare at a seven-course dinner with brewers Michael Hess and Nate Sampson at Local Habit (3827 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest).

6 p.m. - West Coast Challenge

The hop-forward India pale ale is the signature style of San Diego. Brewers from AleSmith, Ballast Point, Green Flash, Mission, Port Brewing, and Stone will put their most potent IPAs forward for a competition at the Hotel Solamar's (435 Sixth Avenue, Downtown) Jsix, where hopheads will gather to cast their votes on whose lupulin-laced liquid assets are worthy of top billing.

by Brandon Hernández

Excellent Baked Alaska

Occasionally, I am educated by a sandwich board sitting out on a sidewalk. That's how I came by Imig's in the Lafayette Hotel (2223 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-780-0358). I could easily have rolled right past the building if not for the sandwich board. There I was, thinking that the Red Fox Room was the only restaurant at the hotel! Shucks.

I've never actually been inside the hotel, since the pool doesn't appeal to me, so the sign drew me into the lobby and, sure enough, there was Imig's, unobtrusively taking up the eastern side of the lobby with an awkward arrangement of doors and walls that make it hard to tell what's restaurant and what isn't. The effect is charmingly old-school, as though things were laid out with an eye toward antiquated design principles.

Despite the abundance of staff and the minimal customers, getting served at Imig's proved a little difficult. I had the curious experience of feeling watched...but not always attended to. The staff seemed confused, as though their roles were unclear, and the manager/ owner loafed around the bar with a disgruntled attitude that didn't inspire confidence. It took a while for my "Scandinavian summer" cocktail to get made, but the mixture of aquavit, honey, grapefruit, and bitters proved to be a potent concoction that wanted tempering, which the melting ice provided as the drink warmed

When I did end up looking at an order of eggplant fries (\$5), served with meyer lemon honey for dipping, I grew suspicious. My initial guess was that the breaded strips of aubergine would have soaked up fry oil. Staggeringly incorrect. Each "fry" was a crispy, airy stick filled with creamy, perfect eggplant. The sharp,

sweet honey was ideal. This will sound crazy, but I associated the taste of the eggplant fries with Burger King's frenchtoast sticks. The crisp exteriors gave way to a steamy, slightly sweet interior, and the fine coat of oil left on the fingers afterward was just enough to be indulgent without verging into grossness. I loved the eggplant fries.

An order of braised pork and bacon hash (\$9) was acceptable but certainly not exceptional. The bits of pork were too chewy, as though boiled instead of braised, and the hash itself wasn't cohesive enough for my liking. Still, the arbol chili salsa had a lot of spice (to my liking, but probably too much for some), and the poached egg wasn't overcooked. Serving the whole concoction on top of a piece of grilled flatbread was unexpected, but the ersatz english muffin proved serviceable.

The menu disclaimed that the "small plates" were designed for sharing, but I found a starter and a main dish was enough food. I wanted to try the "ruffage salad" (\$9) with grilled fennel and asparagus, or perhaps the shrimp and goat cheese chile relleno (\$10), but there was no space.

I did opt for dessert, an excellent baked Alaska (\$6) that hinted at talented hands in the kitchen. The artful dish used only a thin layer of meringue to cover the ice cream, rather than the great puffy pillows to which I'm accustomed. I suspect a blowtorch was used rather than an oven because the meringue was dense and marshmallowy, whereas it usually puffs up more when the dessert is dumped into a ragingly hot oven. I am a fan of the "Norwegian omelet," and Imig's was a good version.

I can say that everyone should go try Imig's eggplant fries, as they are damn near perfect. I surmise that there is a degree of talent at work in the kitchen and dishes of similar quality will walk out of there with some regularity. For now, Imig's is open for dinner from 5-close, and I think exploring the menu with moderate expectations would prove worthwhile.

by Ian Pike

Sunset Special

Five on Friday.

Filling time and gut here out over the water at Anthony's Fishette (1360 North Harbor Drive, 619-232-5103) before the Reader's Feast! bash just south of here at Broadway Pier.

It's pretty right now, with the sun just six inches above the horizon, waters lapping below, and the rigging of HMS Surprise making this seem like the sailing port San Diego was, back in the day.

Except, beyond, the whoosh of all those Friday commuter jets landing at Lindbergh Field drags you back into the 21st, and Austriana, the gal taking the orders here, blasts out, "Seventy-nine! Seventy-nine!"

on the loudspeaker. My chowder was #68. They're doing good business.

Got me a white chowder (could have had red) for \$3.95, plus an iced tea for \$1.95. Not bad for tourist central. With two packs of oyster crackers to dump on top, this is a real hunger quencher.

And, wow. There goes Huey, setting right over North Island. USS Midway clangs four bells. Distant trumpet from North Island signals sundown. Gulls on the posts right here caw back. Huge catamaran glides past. People around me are going "ooh" and "aah" in Japanese, Russian, English. Bay ruffles from blue to mauve to ink. Sky goes from big to huge.

I look for green flashes. No such luck.

Mike and Ed appear on the floating jetty below. Untie their kayaks. They've paddled over from Coronado for a snack. Took them half an hour.

"Been doing this 15 years," says Ed. "We call it our sanity saver."

They get through the most difficult part - lowering themselves into their kayaks - switch on their little flashlight navigation lights.

"They wouldn't save us from an aircraft carrier," Ed says, "but at least we can see where each other is."

Then they push off and paddle out into the sunset.

"Does it get any better than this?" says a woman sitting down at the next table with her guy.

They look out west into the wildfire-orange and cobaltblue sky, above the sparkling black whale's back that is Point

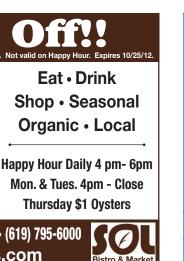
"I guess not," says the guy. by Ed Bedford



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Taco Annex

Once again, a sandwich board has steered me in the right direction. In South Park, I spotted the sign out front of the Food Bowl (3035 Cedar Street) that advertised "street-style tacos." Sure enough, there was an EZUp tent slapped against the side of the building to shelter a couple of grills and a prep

Another sign requested that I pay for the 99-cent tacos inside, since it seems the taco stand is an extension of the grocery store and not an independent business operating onsite, as is often the case with food trucks. I paid inside for my two tacos and went back outside to the tent where I saw something wonderful.

The girl working the table was pressing tortillas to order, taking scoops from a big bowl of dough. She made my tortillas and stuffed them with meat (one pork and one beef), then added the onion/cilantro/avocado combo to finish them off. She was generous with the meat, so two tacos made a good

snack. The beef was typical carne asada and the pork was indistinguishable bits marinated in a kind of adobo-flavored stew. Neither of the meats was exceptional, but the freshly cooked tortillas were amazing. They were supple and flavorful, a little ragged around the edges, and still steaming from the grill by the time I got a chance to eat them.

On the weekends, the stand has menudo, burritos, tamales, and pozole as well, but the little tacos for under a dollar are the deal of the millennium with those fresh tortillas any day of the week.

by Ian Pike

On Top of the World! (for \$11.85)

"We only go to places with views," says Jonathan.

He and Cassandra are right next to me at the bar, chomping away at swordfish sliders and Kobe beef sliders (\$7 for three of each).

"Number three is the roof of the Fish Market, number two is Candelas on Coronado, but — no contest — this is number one."

He's gotta be right. We're in Bertrand at Mr. A's (2550 Fifth Avenue, 12th floor, Bankers Hill, 619-239-1377).

Never thought I'd see myself here and staring out at that view, looking *down* at planes coming in to land at Lindbergh Field. Sun's setting and looking even better from up here than from bay level.

"It's the 12th floor, but it feels much higher," says Sean, the savvy bartender, "because the whole building is built on a hill."

Guess that's Bankers Hill we're talking about. Whatever, it's makes you goggle-eyed.

Only here because it turns out they have a happy hour (2:30–6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. *Nota bene*: HH stops for month of December). And the deal is \$7 appetizers such as swordfish or ahi or beef sliders, or the other usual suspects: truffle fries or calamari or mixed tempura veggies.

Wines are \$6, and beers mostly \$4, so you can get outta here for about \$12 plus tip.

I get the swordfish sliders and a Stone IPA. My bill is \$11.85.

And, yes, the sliders are kinda petite, shall we say, but the swordfish tastes great and it all *looks* beautiful.

Bonus: you can also HH out on the deck if you can find a table. Bonus: You're surrounded by beautiful people

Maxxo bonus: You're looking out to the whole world as the day melts dazzlingly into night.

You can even wave to the folks on Catalina Island, I swear.

by Ed Bedford

Halloween, French-Style

Heading up Tenth, came across Loris and a bunch of wild ladies, celebrating Halloween on the sidewalk.

This was at his Café Paris (455 Tenth Avenue, East Village, 619-674-8439), an übercool new wine bar and bistro.

Turns out he's holding an open soirée tonight (Wednesday), all welcome, and anyone who's dressed for Halloween gets a free glass of wine.

"Also," he says. "We're having a special Halloween happy hour from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Six dollar wine, \$4 beer, \$6 appetizer plates."

And here he's talking about, like, cheese fondues, french onion soups, marinated mussels, a cheese plate, or three small-bite plates with, say, goat-cheese bruschetta, pigs in blankets, garlic parsley shrimp, mini stuffed peppers with ground beef.

And, says Loris, anyone who reads and mentions this blog will get their first glass free. Just say the magic word: Reader.

Even if you're not dressed as a witch or in that long *Scream* face.

Posted Oct. 31 by Ed Bedford

Chillin' with Mama

It's a little ratty.

That was my first thought when I stepped into Tam's Thailand Food in Normal Heights. Clutter accumulated on various surfaces and the "today isn't your day and tomorrow doesn't look good either" sign on the counter gave me the creeps, as though

I had walked into a bad high school guidance counselor's office. Between the plastic table cloths and the legit art by local artists hanging on the wall, I just didn't know what to think.

That set the tone for my entire Tam's experience. The place is just plain weird.

The extremely friendly proprietress (could this be Mama Tam? I prefer to think it is, all facts aside) set me up at a table, greeting me in *heavily* inflected English. The cowboy hat perched on top of her head was like a nehru shirt in a BBQ place, but she was enthusiastic and I banished my skepticism as she bounced back to the kitchen.

The server, perhaps Mama Tam's partner in a business or personal sense, eventually brought water in bottles, for which I might have paid (I still don't know), but I think was just the house version of tap water. I ordered the "amazingly rich pork," thinking that I liked things that were amazing, rich, and made of pork, why not try all three at once?

Despite the fact that I was one of three guests in the place, the food took forever to arrive. I don't rush meals, as a rule, so I wasn't bothered by this, but it's a good thing to have in the back of your mind before eating at Tam's. Once, during the long intermission, the woman in the cowboy hat came out and explained something to me. I think her accent is actually Laotian, which is kind of awesome, but I seriously couldn't tell what she was saying, so I just agreed with her because she looked happy about it. By that point, I was just enjoying the ride, anyways. The weirdness of the place was infectious rather than off-putting.

Then the food arrived, and

I figured out what Mama Tam had been trying to tell me. "Amazingly Rich Pork is no good for you, so I am making you a pork stir-fry *instead*," or something to that effect. It became apparent as she set a plate of pork loin and vegetables down in front of me that was far from amazingly rich.

Now. I've been served food I didn't order and I've been told the thing I ordered was unavailable. This was new to me and it would have been a total bummer except for one thing: it was damn good pork. Mama Tam can really throw down some homestyle cooking. The dish was less oily and heavy than I'm accustomed to with Thai-style restaurants. Everything was cooked delicately and seasoned appropriately. It was no haute cuisine, but it was still very good. It was also enormous, which excused the fact that Tam's prices are a bit higher than the average.

Strawberry chicken was likewise delicious. The battered, fried slices of breast had been coated in a sweet glaze that I suspect was mostly strawberry jam. It was weird, just like the rest of Tam's, like a chicken funnel cake or something, but I have to admit that this wacky idea worked out well.

Eating at Tam's was a random, quirky experience that pulled me outside of the restaurant norm in a big way. It wasn't unpleasant, though. Far from it. The honesty of the place was endearing, with its rough-around-the-edges charm, and the lack of propriety was almost refreshing in a world where things quickly get stale.

Tam's Thailand Food, 3456 Adams Avenue.

by Ian Pike

San Diego Beer Week: Day Eight

Friday, November 9

3 p.m. – Monkey Paw First Anniversary Party

The details on this anniversary affair for Monkey Paw Pub Brewery (805 16th Street, East Village) are sketchy at present. All that's known is that, in keeping with all bashes thrown by owner Scot Blair (who also owns Hamilton's Tavern, Small Bar, and Eleven), there will be "LOTS of beer on tap." Coming from such a beery bon vivant, that's promising enough to merit a visit.

4 p.m. – Friday Afternoon Club







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Beer is at home in low-frills, easygoing environs. No local ritual provides that backdrop as nicely as Hess Brewing Company's (7955 Silverton Avenue, #1201, Miramar) Friday Afternoon Club. For San Diego Beer Week, they'll be doing something special, but, really, aren't good taps and an onsite food vendor enough? Things don't always need to be grandiose to be grand.

5 p.m. – Big Barrel Aged Night

A beer event is truly awesome when there's so much good stuff that you find yourself poring over a list of options and nitpicking at the subtle inferiorities. What's better — stellar or magnificent? This is that type of event. So much on tap, you'll probably want to try it all, all thanks to proper squirreling away by the collectors at O'Brien's Pub (4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa).

6 p.m. – Brewtopia on the Bay

What do you get when you plunk nine chefs and nine local breweries down in relaxing bayside environs? Answer: a recipe for a chill Friday-evening beer festival with killer food and brews. Expect all of that when Brewtopia on the Bay lands at the Dana Inn (1710 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach). TGIF, indeed!

by Brandon Hernández

Almost Overwhelming

Considering the outcome of this year's World Series, a visit to Bridges seemed fitting. The College Area bar and grill is a self-described tribute to San Francisco Bay, although it would be more accurate to say it's dedicated to SF-area sports teams, given the plethora of TVs inside. It's hard to justify the claim that Bridges is particularly San Franciscan; it seemed to be a typical sports bar to me, but the clientele were all fired up over the 49ers game, so I guess that's qualification enough.

During the football game, the TVs were cranked to full volume and the noise level in the bar was very high. It's more that the architecture doesn't do anything to lower the ambient decibels since there's a general lack of sound baffling. The crowd itself was varied at dinner, with more older people than might be expected at a sports bar that "proudly serves "jagerbombs," as Bridges' Twit-

ter claims.

Service leaned toward ineffective despite the relative abundance of staff. I'm not so naive as to assume that the employees at a place like Bridges are there to hone their craft, but the bare minimum for acceptable service wasn't met.

Specialty cocktails were priced a bit below the norm at \$8. They're only \$6 during happy hour (3-7 every day). The "Kentucky Buck," which the menu asserts was created by Rickhouse bartender Erick Castro, was a curious mix of Buffalo Trace, lemon, ginger beer, mint, simple syrup, and strawberries. For six dollars, it was a good drink, although there were too many sweet elements and melted ice for the drink to stand up to good drinks from other local bars.

The 14 tap handles had been dedicated to craft brews and better-than-average sportsbar beers, which was a pleasant surprise in the face of Bud Lite expectations.

Crab beignets (\$10) didn't involve pâte à choux in any way, but did have plenty of crab and a delicate texture. The fritters had been fried hard on the outside, but they gave way to delicately sweet crab that didn't need the spicy remoulade and aioli, although the sauces didn't burt

Without any proper entrées on the menu, Bridges' sandwich and burger selection is



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almost overwhelming. There are plenty of intriguing options there; like a "Barbary Coast" burger topped with pastrami, grilled asparagus, and a fried egg; and others that are perfectly ho-hum — when will we be spared from chicken-and-pesto sandwiches?

A Western Burger had been topped with thick onion rings, not-too-spicy mangohabanero barbecue sauce, and cheese. Cooked well done, the burger's real advantage was in the "pretzel bun" that had a distinct sweetness and a gorgeous, crispy, glazed finish. The "Alaskan Wrap" that had been filled with fried cod, vegetables, and a garlic aioli was presented in a novel manner. Someone had the bright idea to slice the sandwich into rounds and serve it like a sushi roll. While cute to look at, it was a pain in the neck to eat and not visually stunning enough to pay for the annoyance. Both sandwiches included terrible french fries that were so bad they didn't deserve eating. Sub onion rings instead.

Bridges, 4800 Art Street. by Ian Pike



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Horde of High Heels

The dude everyone was there to see came out. A hushed voice behind me said, "There he is!"

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A FLOCK OF BUTTERFLIES AND A GRIZZLY BEAR: SAN DIEGO SYMPHONY OPEN-ING NIGHT

Sold out. Wait. Sold out? Yes. Sold out.

As of Friday afternoon, October 5, both the Friday evening and Sunday afternoon performances of the SDSO were sold out.

When the doors opened at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening, there was a horde of high heels and blazers pressing forward to enter for the pre-concert lecture.

After the National Anthem, the 2012–2013 season of the San Diego Symphony Orchestra started with the overture from Beethoven's *Fidelia*.

After the overture, the dude everyone was there to see came out. I heard a hushed voice behind me say, "There he is!"

The pianist, Lang Lang, acknowledged the applause, sat down, and Beethoven's *Piano Concerto No. 5: The Emperor* got under way.

To say that Lang Lang played with a delicate touch is not going far enough.

Had a flock of butterflies fluttered to the piano and landed on the keys, they could not

have brushed the ivory and ebony with more tenderness than Lang Lang.

Playing of that order involves risk. Had he played any softer, he would have started dropping notes.

That is not to say Lang Lang only sparkled in the tender passages of Beethoven's masterpiece. He was brilliant throughout.

After returning to the stage five or six times, he treated us to a Chopin waltz that brought the crowd back to its feet.

The advent of Lang Lang could very well turn out to be a tipping point for the SDSO. The sold-out house that had come to see him was treated to a colossal performance of Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*. Anyone in their right mind should want to come back for the whole season after hearing the orchestra tear Mussorgsky a new one.

From start to finish, the brass played like a great howling grizzly bear while the percussion pounded a hole through the floor. The strings



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and woodwinds played, too. They didn't just play, but I'm running out of similes.

This is a piece that plays well live. A recording cannot do justice to the avalanche of sound that filled the hall.

During *The Great Gate of Kiev*, as the brass were crushing their ascending triplets, I started to get a little choked up. The swell of that music was overwhelming.

I must agree with the verdict of the patron next to me: "How wonderful. Just wonderful."

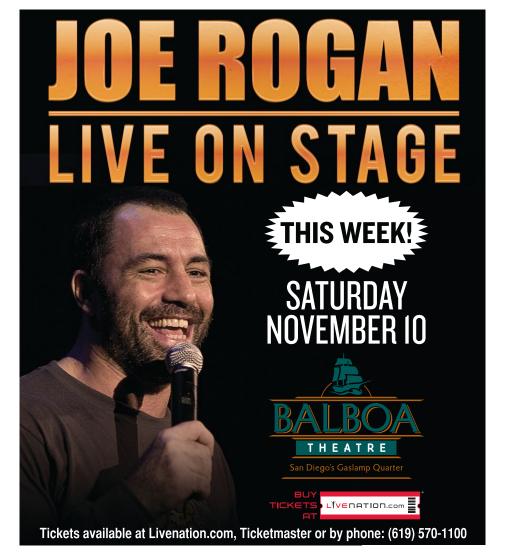
THOUSAND-HANDED GOD OF THE PIANO: GARRICK OHLSSON

What happened? In just one week, the San Diego Symphony Orchestra went from sold out to about half full.

To add insult to injury, this concert, Friday, October 12, was better than last weekend's.

The first piece of music was Respighi's *Ancient Airs and Dances*. Respighi was a 20th-century composer but styled this piece after the music of old. It had grace, it had charm, it had terraced dynam-





ics, meaning that the composer uses a few instruments when he wants a quiet section of music and more instruments when he wants a loud section of music. This was the practice during the Late Renaissance and Early Baroque periods.

From here we moved on to Haydn's *Symphony No. 102*. Haydn was the "father of the symphony," and this symphony was a quintessential classical piece of music. It was balanced in its manners, a tad restrained, but full of mirth, like a British comedy of manners.

Now, Tchaikovsky and Garrick Ohlsson... First of all, I found Tchaikovsky's *Piano Concerto No. 2* to be more interesting than the more glamorous *Piano Concerto No. 1*.

Think of it this way: if the first piano concerto is Ginger, then the second piano concerto is Mary Ann. Both are lovely, both are appealing, but they will never be confused for one another.

Garrick Ohlsson's playing was beyond anything I can describe. His body was quiet while he played but his hands were everywhere and nowhere at the same time.

His playing reminded me of "The Dance of the Thousand Hands" or "The Thousand-Handed Goddess of Mercy" from China.

In the second movement of the piano concerto, Ohlsson played with the pure love and compassion of a Zen master.

This movement is essentially a piano, violin, and cello trio with minimal accompaniment from the orchestra. Concert master Jeff Thayer and principal cellist Yao Zhao proved to be masters themselves as they joined Ohlsson in this meditative trio.

The evening concluded with Ohlsson sitting down at the piano and saying, "This piece is too famous to announce." The audience gasped as they heard the first two notes of Debussy's Claire de Lune.

I have never witnessed symphony hall be more quiet, more attentive, or more in love than during those six minutes while Ohlsson taught us the meaning of music.

When he finished, my concert companion turned to me with tears in her eyes and said, "I think I just heard that music for the first time."

CLASSICAL

Orchestra Nova Goes Hollywood Orchestra Nova plays classical music featured in movies, then performs accompaniment to a silent Charlie Chaplin film. Saturday, November 10, 7:30pm; \$20-\$69. Qualcomm Hall, 5775 Morehouse Drive. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Orchestra Nova Goes Hollywood Orchestra Nova plays classical music featured in movies, then performs accompaniment to a silent Charlie Chaplin film. Sunday, November 11, 3pm; \$20-\$69. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

"17th Celebration of Music Education Concerts" San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory presents concerts honoring two music educators who "will be recognized for their inspiring achievements, one each at the two concerts." 619-233-3232. Sunday, November 11, 1pm and 5pm; free-\$20. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

"Crossing to the New World" St. James Music Series opens with the Baltimore Consort combining "two musical traditions: the consort of instruments that would have entertained the Queen of England at the end of the 16th century and the fire and punch of a jazz band or rock group." Ensemble joined by soprano Danielle Svonavec. 858-459-3421. Sunday, November 11, 4pm; \$25. St. James bythe-Sea Episcopal Church, 743 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

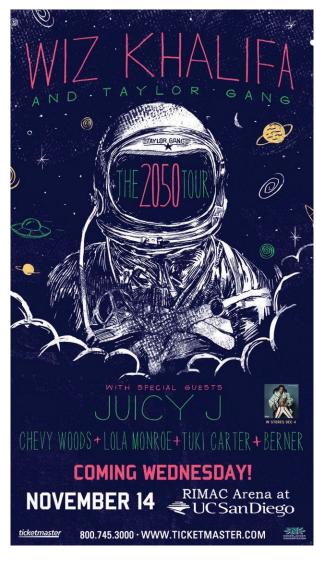
Symphonic Olympics San Diego Symphony musicians will "go for the gold" in various events such as the low note limbo, the fast note dash, the marathon and others featured in Gregory Smith's piece Orchestra Games. Ken-David Masur, conductor. Sunday, November 11, 2pm; \$10-\$15. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

The Neave Trio Piano and string ensemble with violinist Anna Williams, cellist Mikhail Veselov, pianist Toni James performs for Second Saturday Concert series. 760-839-4814. Saturday, November 10, 3pm; free. Escondido Library, 239 South Kalmia Street. (ESCONDIDO)

Trio Gentile A romantic delight! Kay Ethridge (piano), Päivikki Nykter (violin), Cecilia Kim (cello) perform works by Brahms and Glière. 760-744-1150 x2317. Thursday, November 8, 12:30pm; **free**. Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10), 1140 W. Mission Road. (SAN MARCOS)









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Susana Perez was at the Show Palace in Oceanside on Friday, October 26, when she up and leave. They told all the employees to meet in the restaurant." Perez says agents from the DEA, state Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), the state Employment Development Department (EDD), and Oceanside police were there to investigate.

the inside track

said state, federal, and local agents staged a raid on the concert venue. Latin Grammy Award-winning singer Alejandra Guzman (hyped as Mexico's "Queen of Rock") "They were looking behind desks and under sofa cushions. They apparently didn't find anything. Then, at about 10:30, they just said, 'Never mind,' and let



Officials raided the Show Palace on the night Mexico's "Queen of Rock." Aleiandra Guzman, was scheduled to perform.

was preparing to headline a show that night when the officials paid a surprise visit.

"It was eight o'clock. They came in and told everybody who was eating to just get everybody back in as if nothing had happened. Can you imagine how much money they wasted on this raid?"

Perez says the place then filled up as more than 1000

mostly well-dressed fans paid \$46 to see Guzman perform.

Latin artists have frequented the Show Palace for 12 years. On the preceding Friday, Bay Area rapper E40 played to a sold-out (1200-plus) crowd, demonstrating the Show Palace's emergence as a multigenre venue.

Local ABC administrator Melissa Ryan admitted her crew was part of the raid, but she said that until her department takes official action she could not go into specifics.

But an insider explains that ABC agents were most likely trying to bust the Show Palace for violating its 50/50 commitment to have at least 50 percent of its total sales in food, as required by its Type 47 license as a restaurant. The insider says the state EDD was there because the Show Palace was allegedly paying employees under the table.

Ryan says she had to meet with owner Juan Cortes before she would issue a notice of violation, which could include a suspension or revocation of the liquor license.

"They showed no respect," Perez says of the agents. "This place is trying to raise the bar for entertainment and take it to the next level, and they are just destroying that business by destroying its reputation. [Cortes] took a dinosaur that had been mismanaged and turned it around."

Cortes did not want to respond to questions about

the raid

While Ryan would not get specific, she did defend the ABC's role in forcing "restaurants" with a 47 license to sell

compliant with its 50/50 in 20 years. Two years ago in San Francisco, the ABC was going after all these great theater venues, like Slim's, trying to



Bay Area rapper E40 recently sold out (1200 seats) the targeted Oceanside venue.

at least 50 percent in food. "[Cortes] knew the nature of the license when he bought it," she explains. I noted that it seemed facetious to expect a place like the Show Palace to sell 50 percent in food. "Then he can try to purchase a different license." That different license would be a Type 48, which would allow the sale of liquor with no food stipulations. Those licenses cost between \$45,000 and \$80,000. Oceanside officials have stated they would not be apt to approve any more 48 licenses in town.

"The 50/50 rule is a joke," says one insider with knowledge of ABC rules. "It is arbitrary bullshit with unequal enforcement. I'll bet you no one has looked to see if the Roxy [in West Hollywood] is

close them down and then elected officials got involved and got the ABC to back down."

While not directly addressing the unfair enforcement, Ryan did say, "We are complaint-based. We have to act when it becomes clear a licensee is brazenly breaking the law."

Local DEA spokeswoman
Amy Roderick said via telephone that her department
did not participate in the raid.

— Ken Leighton

Lobster and mustard.

"One of our songs, 'Gentle Sea Beast,' is being used in a South American Axe body-spray commercial," says keyboardist Matt Liebowitz, one half of karate-rock duo Ninja Love. Currently airing in Argentina ("The YouTube clip has been viewed almost 36,000 times"), the 30-second ad features an amorous couple incorporating food into an increasingly bizarre makeout binge, including mustard and lobsters(?!), ending with the male retreating to the bathroom to deodorize with some Axe.

"I got a phone call from Amsterdam, totally out of the blue, from a rep at an international licensing company, Massive Talent. He came across our BandCamp page and liked our songs.... It seemed a little unbelievable at the time. They said Axe was looking for a fast-paced rock song, but, honestly, it just seemed too random to be true, you know? We were excited, but it didn't make sense."

Ninja Love, featuring Liebowitz and singer/guitarist Mike Villemaire, performs in ninja costumes and masks, using martial arts stage props such as nunchucks and samurai swords. "This is our first paid licensing deal. I can't say what it paid, but it was a surprising amount. The thing is, we never contacted anybody about our music, and we have no interest in the business and marketing side of things. We like writing songs and playing shows, but we never put any effort into selling ourselves. We would've been happy if they gave us a hundred dollars."

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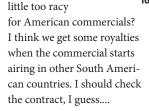






Axe will also broadcast the ad in Chile, Paraguay,

Uruguay, Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, Nicaragua, Honduras, Panama, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, and Mexico, though apparently not in the U.S. "Maybe it's a



"Neither of us uses Axe body spray, but I think I'm supposed to tell you that I love it."

The band's newest release is a live EP recorded at the Belly Up in July, and they're

> laying down new tracks soon for a full-length called The Goonch. "It's about a man-eating catfish that's developed a taste for after feeding on funeral



pyres in rivers in India.

"It's not quite a concept album," says Liebowitz, "but we figured that's as good a place as any to start." – Jay Allen Sanford

daily blogs

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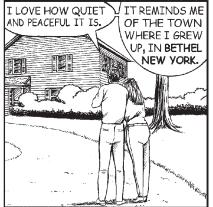
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Now you know: Penis

Hickey. Members of freejazzcore performance art duo Penis Hickey describe themselves as an "improvisatory endurance piece about masculinity and violence," in which the band plays their instruments as hard as possible until they collapse from exhaustion.

A collaboration of two UCSD grad students, Penis Hickey features drummer Leah Bowden and bassist Clint McCallum (of gender-bending tuba/vox dragcore noise duo Aquapuke), imploring passages of minimalist ambience that occasionally dwindle into silence framed by cathartic free-jazz convulsions, metallic noodlings, screeching, sanatorium falsetto wails, slam rants, OCD inner monologues, and impromptu theatrical lyricism revolving around

the eponymous refrain: "I am my typical self/ excited, scared, yeah..."

"The piece is violent not only because of the aggressive sound," their Facebook bio continues, "but also the Makeout Weird's two-year anniversary last July.

"As middle-class white people deprived of a more violent social milieu, we feel it is important to get in touch with our more primi-



Penis Hickey describes themselves as an "improvisatory endurance piece about masculinity and violence.

ways that the band sets up. One never knows when and from where Penis Hickey might stage an ambush."

Like, say, cloaked in garbage bags in the men's room at Whistle Stop for experimental/dance/punk monthly tive, uncivilized roots and act out against the musical establishment," the bio concludes.

It is in this light that one makes sense of their debut album, My Typical Self (penishickey.bandcamp.com), insofar as it is possible.

It's an anarchic steel-toe to your earballs. It's the asymmetrical *X* carved into your heart. It's weird as all hell and sort of offensive, and with the right set of cochlea you can picture a fucked-up Jim Henson cast unleashing the entire 38-minute assault.

Penis Hickey is the bruise that betrays late-night transgressions — a vascular badge of what has come and gone, standing erect and nervously poised for whatever comes next.

Penis Hickey will get it on with Rat Jam and Creative Conspiracy on Sunday, November 11, at Ché Café. – Chad Deal

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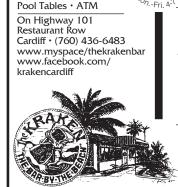
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the truck's carousel for a few weeks now, and it is a fine, fun listen, Follows the Men's Open Your Heart nicely. In fancy joints, they call that "a pairing".... Else: House of Blues hosts Dez and Jerry's horror-punk **Misfits**...while SD supergroup **Ghetto Blaster** (Fishwife, Rats Eyes) plugs in just up Fifth at Tin Can Alehouse after Wha? (with members of Long and Short, Tourettes, Beehive) and Innerds (with members of the Locust and Sleeping People). I guess they're all SD supergroups.

Friday

Chicago's pop-punk four-piece Smoking Popes light up at Soda Bar Friday night. The Popes are having a sort-of second coming since their '08 reunion record, the angsty Stay Down. The band's latest, This Is

Only a Test, a concept record written like a teen's diary, is a harder sell (and listen). They're great onstage, tho. Luther and Dan

Padilla ("the band, not the man") open the show.... Staying Uptown: Ken Club stages boy-girl dream-pop group Twin Sister with SD faves Cuckoo Chaos and Clockart...Justin Pearson's sci-fi surf punx Retox join Creepy Creeps and Regents at Tower Bar..

while Whistle Stop's weekly Club Pussy Galore features "shock pop" by **New Kinetics** and Badabing My favorite thing out of the OC, primitive-garage group the Cosmonauts, lands at the Griffin in Bay Park after Vacant Lots and Lovely Bad Things.... And up at the Ché Café, Terror, Take Offense, Rotting Out, and Born From Pain fill a hard hard hard hardcore bill at the campus collective.



JAPANDROIDS AT PORTER'S PUB

party rave-ups that could melt Dick Clark's face off." Sold! Also, they are touring with the wicked fun L.A. garagerock group Kiss Kiss Bang Bang, a boy-girl band with Grade A pork chops.

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Riot, which is nice. Technicolors and Ghetto

Blaster go first.... Coupla garage-rocking couples

Japandroids (bros, not brothers) and Bleached (sisters, for real) play Porter's Pub at UCSD. (They

should totally get together.) I just saw Japandroids,

concept-prone indie-rock Jersey boys Titus An-

dronicus check in at the all-ages Irenic, which is

out for me because (1) I don't like concepts and (B)

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Sunday

Reader rock writer Dave Good had a chat with the **Sea and Cake**'s Sam Prekop for this week's Of Note, so flip or click to that for more on the Chicagoland band's tour. They'll be at Casbah Sunday night with Fiery Furnace's Matthew Friedberger. Hard to beat that double bill, post-rocker.... Honorable mentionables: alt-rock Seattleites **Minus** the Bear hit House of Blues with Cursive and Girl in a Coma...country-fried garage-rock trio Those Darlins appear at Soda Bar with Heavy Cream...hard-rock guitarist Michael Schenker (UFO, Scorpions) will stack 'em up at Brick by Brick after Runaway Roni Lee...and Ché Café's staging Penis Hickey, Rat Jam, and Creative Conspiracy. Check out Chad's piece this week on

<u>Mondav</u>

Belly Up hosts the first-ever Rob Machado Foundation dealio for all things environmental, "featuring solo acoustic sets from Goo Goo Dolls frontman John Rzeznik and Switchfoot frontman Jon Foreman." Those dudes are pretty... 'Like a glittery, tap-dancing unicorn, Tilly and the Wall have spent the better part of a decade giving meaning to the phrase 'twee as fuck.'" Just tore that off the wire from Pitchfork HQ. Ah, what do they know. And "Mexican-inspired experimental folk" by Y La Bamba

sounds interesting, as does "loosey-goosey, growdee-bajoedee" Saddle Creek trio **Icky Blos**soms, who will open this week's Anti-Monday meetup at Casbah.... Soul Fires (née Fire Eaters) bring their soul-jazz jam to Bar Pink. For more on this trippy trio, click to Al Howard's recent Blurt on the band: "Just getting warmed up."

<u>Tuesdav</u>

Night school: **Peter Sprague** brings his Beatles thing to the Loft with the UCSD Tritones...while the U's Porter's Pub sets up L.A. trip-hop duo Syd tha Kyd and Matt Martians, aka the **Internet**.... Portland doom-metal group **Witch Mountain** delivers this year's Cauldron of the Wild to Casbah after Castle And the Bangles' singer/guitarist **Susanna Hoffs** walks like an Egyptian into Anthology. (Sorry. Couldn't not.)

<u>Wednesdav</u>

Moving on! Wrapping up! Here we go! New Pornographer Carl "A.C." Newman has a new record out called Shut Down the Streets, his most

"autobiographical... dad-rock" collection to date, says the indie hit. I don't get that bit, but Newman's power-pop hooks and singalongable melodies are in full service here. He'll be at Casbah with **Harriet**, which I can't type without hearing Mike Myers saying, "Harry-ette. Hard-hearted harbinger of haggis." I'm going



to have that stuck in my head all day now.... Best of the rest: Bar Pink has barroom rockers Grand Tarantula...Tin Can Alehouse stages "dirt-pop" four-piece Short Eyes ... and Austin alt-country act Micky & the Motorcars follow like-minded locals Crash & the Burns into the Griffin for your RDA of greazy beats.

- Barnaby Monk

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Thursday O

Guitarist/singer Jon Spencer cut his teeth in seminal punk 'n' roll outfits Pussy Galore and Boss Hog, whose swampy blues-punk hoodoo informed his latest and longest tenure with the NYC-based Blues Explosion, featuring the eveready rhythm section of Judah Bauer on bass and Russell Simins at the traps. I say "eveready" because they gotta be; Spencer plugs in like a rock-roll pinball machine, launching with hard-rock riffage and bouncing around the Dolls' garage into VU's variation on psychedelia and beyond. And onstage, it comes with Elvis shimmy-n-shake and the King's own vocal quake. I'm a fan of all things JSBE, but the mid '90s hattrick of Orange, Now I Got Worry, and Acme is what makes rem great. I've yet to get mv mitts on this year's Meat and Bone, so I'll save

JON SPENCER BLUES EXPLOSION AT CASBAH

it for the merch person. The Explosion goes off at Casbah Thursday after the always excellent dynamic duo of Sam Coomes and Janet Weiss as Quasi.... Across town, Soda Bar stages the Pitchfork-approved (lauded, really) Toronto art-punk trio Metz with the languid, lo-fi likes of Mr. Gnome, Manuok, and Eighteen Indi-

vidual Eyes (which is, on paper, a really weird billing and all I'm going to say about that). I have had that Metz record in

METZ AT SODA BAR

<u>Saturday</u> Four sizzlin' tix Saturday night, offered up here in alphabetical order because I don't have that If-I-Werea-Ewe formula (juuuust messin'): proggy punks And You Will Know Us by Our Wicked Long Name take the stage at Casbah behind this year's Lost Songs, an original (despite the album title) 12-song set with

a politikal purpose that's probably way over my head. I know one of the tunes ("Up to Infinity") was dedicated to rousted Russian feminists Pussy

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"I woke up in a closet the next morning, curled up next to a vacuum cleaner."

uitarist Tom Quinn says he was inspired to form a Pink Floyd tribute band after seeing the real Floyd (or at least Dave Gilmour's version of it) at Jack Murphy Stadi-

um in April of 1994. "Pink Froyd played its first show in 1995," he says of his group's earliest incarnation, which won San Diego Music Awards in 1999 and 2000.

The project grew from merely ambitious to epically elaborate, thanks to an infusion of production capital. "In February 2003, Annerin Productions, based in Calgary, Alberta, flew down to see us at Winstons in Ocean Beach, in the middle of a torrential downpour," says Quinn. "They auditioned us that night to be the featured band in a world-class theatrical production they had in mind at the time. We signed on shortly thereafter and had our world premiere up in Calgary on October 15, 2003, and since then we've been

The Pink Floyd Experience stage show includes \$2.5 million worth of production equipment, mirror balls, a circular movie screen, animated projections (marching hammers, tortuous teachers, fornicating flowers, etc.), and even a 12-foot-long inflatable pig, with everything scaled down from, though directly based on, Pink Floyd's stage setups.

touring North America every year."

"We're usually on the road, though we occasionally play in San Diego," says Quinn, who graduated SDSU in 1988 with degrees in Finance and Electrical Engineering ("Never worked a day in either field"). They'll give locals a sneak peek of their 2013 show at Winstons on January 19. "It will feature the actual PFX touring troupe and all the band members," reveals Quinn, "as well as the actual program planned for the North

American tour."

WHAT'S IN YOUR MUSIC PLAYER?

1. Traffic, *John Barleycorn Must Die.* "My favorite Steve Winwood album, start to finish. Sounds as great and compelling today as it did the day it came out."

2. Supertramp, *Crisis? What Crisis?* "The most truly underrated and criminally underappreciated album in their catalog."

3. Switchfoot, *Hello Hurricane*. "Probably my favorite band to come out of the past ten years." 4. Genesis, *Seconds Out*. "My favorite desert-island concert disc of all-time."

5. Spock's Beard, *The Kindness of Strangers*. "This band is what you get when you throw the Beatles, Yes, Gentle Giant, and Genesis into a blender. Amazingly creative prog-pop that has stood the test of time."

ANY UNUSUAL SONGS ON YOUR PLAYLIST?

"Somewhere Over the Rainbow,' sung by Judy Garland in the *Wizard of Oz*, takes me to a wonderful place. Beautiful to my ears, but certainly uncool."

MOST DIFFICULT PINK FLOYD SONG?

"'Dogs,' from the Animals album. My favorite

to play, but the most challenging to get it right over the entire 17 and a half minutes with the proper attitude and inflections."

FAVORITE FLOYDIAN TRIVIA?

"That's Steve Marriott's dog howling on the recording of 'Seamus,' the last song on side one of the *Meddle* LP. David Gilmour was dog-sitting

Steve's pooch while Steve was on tour with Humble Pie, so he just brought him into the studio."

FAVORITE NON-FLOYD CONCERT?

"August 15, 1976, at Hawthorne Racetrack in Chicago. In order of appearance, I saw the Raspberries, Gary Wright, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Peter Frampton, and then Yes. A full day of mostly great artists for that time, who summed up all that was great about the 1970s. All for \$7.50 general admission."

FIRST TIME DRUNK? "I was 16 years old and didn't get invited to the annual Sadie Hawkins dance, where the girls ask the guys out, so I went to John Glesne's house. He was a popular guy on the high school football team. I drank a lot of beer, passed out, then woke up in a closet the next morning, curled up next to a vacuum cleaner."

IF YOU COULD TIME TRAVEL?

"I'd go to 1969, two years after the Summer of

Get a sneak peek at the Pink Floyd Experience on January 19 at Winstons.

Love, just to see Jimi Hendrix blowing everyone's minds for an entire year, including my own. So much great music that I cherish from that time."

BEST TRIBUTE-BAND NAME?

"Petty Theft, a Tom Petty tribute from Reno."

BIGGEST LOSS?

"My 1974 Guild FG 412 BLD 12-string guitar. I was in financial straits and needed to sell it back in the mid-1980s. The best-playing and best-sounding acoustic 12-string ever."

EVER BEEN FIRED?

"Yes, from Addax Construction, a non-union asphalt company out of El Cajon. One Friday back in summer 1984, they handed me a check and said, 'Goodbye, college boy, you don't belong here.' I couldn't argue with them."

WORST LIE YOU EVER TOLD?

"I'm gonna be an electrical engineer someday." \blacksquare





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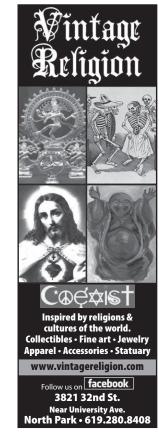


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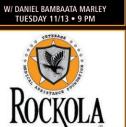






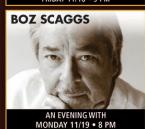


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- Special Acoustic show w/
Anders Osborne

11/21 40oz to Freedom

11/23 & 24 Karl Denson's Tiny Universe and Friends feat. Ivan Neville, Chali 2na, and Slightly Stoopid horns

11/25 Abbey Road - Beatles #1's

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11/28 Anuhea w/ Stranger

Beer Fest feat. Shoreline Rootz - Craft Beer Tasting 11/29

Arnette pres. Bad Brains w/ Creepy Creeps 12/1

Young Guns - 10th Annual Ugly Sweater Party

Punch Brothers

An Evening w/ John Waters - seated show!

12/5 & 6 Chris Robinson Brotherhood 12/7 The Ultimate Stones

12/8 & 9 An Evening with Chris Isaak - Holiday show!

Kinky Friedman's Bi-Polar Tour w/ Mojo Nixon 12/12 Justin Townes Earle

12/14 Jonny Lang 12/16 Los Lobos

12/20 **Venice Christmas Show**

Dennis Quaid and the Sharks

The Mar Dels Christmas Matinee 2pm - Benefit for Cancer for College A Cash'd Out Christmas w/ Total Distortion (Social D Tribute)

Cracker and Camper van Beethoven

The Aggrolites and B-Side Players 12/29 Vokab Kompany

New Year's Hapy Hour w/ Candye Kane

The Reverend Horton Heat - New Year's Eve show! 1/4 Pato Banton

1/11 & 12 The English Beat

1/13 Steve Earle

1/17

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THIS WEEK'S **SHOWS**

4th&B:

Thursday, 8pm — Jackyl. Equal parts hard rock, heavy metal, and Southern rock. 21 and up. Sunday, 8pm — Little River Band, 21 and up.

Anthology:

Friday, 7:30pm, Saturday, 7:30pm — Goapele Mohlbane. Soul and R&B singer-songwriter mixes neo-soul, trip-hop, lieder and jazz. In addition to her solo work, she has collaborated with rap/hip hop icons E-40, Clyde Carson and Mos Def. "Goapele" means to move forward in Setswana, a Southern African language. \$11-\$33. 21 and up. Sunday, 7pm — Lamb's Players Theatre. An entertaining lineup of San Diego's best singers presenting a delightful evening of classic standards, jazz, gospel and terrific Broadway tunes. The evening features Jesse Abeel, Holly Abeel, Bryan Barbarin, Season Bowers, Eileen Bowman, Sean Cox, Deborah Gilmour Smyth, Caitie Grady, Amanda Graham, Leonard Patton and Joy Yandell supported by band-members Taylor Peckham, Rik Ogden, Oliver Shirley, and Dave Rumley \$22-\$32. 21 and up. Tuesday, 7:30pm — Susanna Hoffs. Susanna Hoffs' new solo

album, Someday, is an intensely personal song cycle that doubles as a musical love letter to the music of the 1960s, which, she says, "has always been my reference point for everything." On an album full of stylistic surprises, including the summery groove of "This Is the Pl.," the evocative "November Sun" and the lilting "Picture Me", with its Bacharachstyle sophistication, lush retro arrangements and modern stateof-the-art production enclose Hoffs' one-of-a-kind voice in an aural tapestry of velvet and lace. With the Lovebirds. \$10-\$24. ${\it Wednesday}, 7 {\rm pm-Gatorators}.$ Classic rock, \$15-\$44.

Bar Pink:

and Tic Tic Boom. Friday, 9pm — Pocket. Saturday, 9pm — The Milkcrates. With DJs Mikey Face and Angie.

Sunday, 9pm — DJ Joemama and DJ Tramlife. Happy Endings night. Monday, 9pm — The Fire Eaters. Soul-jazz jam. Tuesday, 9pm — Old Man Johnson. Tiki Tuesday. Wednesday, 9pm - Grand Tarantula, The Royalty, Bend Sinister.

Thursday, 9pm — Maren Parusel

Belly Up:

Thursday, 9pm — Jens Lekman. Casbah presents guitar-based pop. *Friday*, 8:30pm — Tainted Love.

80's dance, with DJ Man Cat. \$20-\$22. 21 and up. Saturday, 9pm — Pine Mountain Logs.

Sunday, 8pm — Blue October, Barcelona, A Silent Film. \$29. 21



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Punk is getting interesting again. This year, the Russian provocateurs in Pussy Riot proved that punk is still a polarizing political and cultural force. But, musically, punk is thrilling in a way it hasn't been since Billie Joe Armstrong was in kindergarten.

New Jersey's Titus Andronicus has been a leader in this sense. Its 2010 The Monitor was a loose (in more ways than one) concept album inspired by the Civil War and full of references to great songwriters such as Billy Bragg and Bruce Springsteen.

If that doesn't sound like punk rock, well, that's part of the reason why punk is interesting again: it doesn't always sound like "punk rock" anymore. Titus Andronicus doesn't limit itself to the musical style that's been marketed to us as "punk rock" for the past 20 years. And yet, singer-songwriter Patrick Stickles's ragged howl of a voice can only be punk. And in case you're still not sure, listen to the guitar riff in the new "Titus Andronicus vs. the Absurd Uni verse (3rd Round KO).

That said. Stickles's voice sounds a little less ragged and the band sounds a little less

revolutionary on the new Local Business. The record has some great songs with memorably offbeat titles like "Upon Viewing Oregon's Landscape with the Flood of Detritus," but it's not a grand statement the way The Monitor was.

This feels disappointing, in a way, But no one wants Titus Andronicus to keep making more and more ambitious concept albums until they sound like Pink Floyd. No, punk is inter-



esting again because it has shown it still has the capacity to surprise and inspire us. Want another punk concept album? Go out and make

TITUS ANDRONICUS: The Irenic, Saturday, November 10, 7:30 p.m. 619-624-9335, \$15.

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Monday, 7pm — Rob Machado Foundation Benefit. With John Rzeznik of the Goo Goo Dolls, John Foreman of Switchfoot, Jon Swift. \$40-\$150. 21 and up. Tuesday, 9pm — Groundation and Trevor Hall. \$23-\$25. 21 and up.

Brick by Brick:

Friday, 8pm — Fear. Saturday, 7pm — Nearvana, Vasoline, Allison in Chains. \$10-\$12. Sunday, 7pm — Michael

Schenker Group, Roni Lee,

VacScene. With Ronny North. \$20-\$25.

California Center for the Arts. Escondido:

Thursday, 8pm — The Monkees. Michael Nesmith, Micky Dolenz and Peter Tork perform together for the first time in 15 years, kicking off their U.S. tour. 800-988-4253. \$50-\$100. Sunday, 1pm, Sunday, 5pm "17th Celebration of Music Education Concerts." San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory presents concerts honoring two music educators

who "will be recognized for their inspiring achievements, one each at the two concerts." 619-233-3232. Free.

Candelas:

Friday, 9pm — Toombao Deep Afro House Music. DJ Joel V. and guests. Free. 21 and up.

Casbah:

Thursday, 8:30pm — Jon Spencer Blues Explosion. With Quasi. \$18. 21 and up. Friday, 8:30pm — Sea Wolf, The Donnies, Hey Marseilles! With the Amys. \$12. 21 and up.

Saturday, 8:30pm — ...And You Will Know Us by the Trail of Dead. With Technicolors and Ghetto Blaster. \$20. 21 and up. Sunday, 8:30pm — The Sea and Cake. With Matthew Friedberger (of the Fiery Furnaces). \$15. 21 and up.

Monday, 8:30pm — Tilly and the Wall, Y La Bamba, Icky Blossoms. \$16-\$18. 21 and up. Tuesday, 8:30pm — Witch Mountain, Castle, Archons. Doom metal. \$8-\$10. 21 and up. Wednesday, 8:30pm — A.C.

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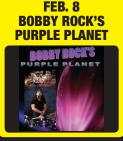








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Friday, 8pm, Saturday, 8pm — A Night at the Cotton Club. Eldar Djangirov, jazz piano; Nikki Yanofski, vocals. They'll perform the hits of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong. \$20-\$85. Sunday, 2pm — Symphonic Olympics. San Diego Symphony musicians will "go for the gold" in various events such as the low note limbo, the fast note dash, the marathon and others featured in Gregory Smith's piece Orchestra Games, Ken-David Masur, conductor. \$10-\$15. Sunday, 7:30pm — Royal Drummers and Dancers of Burundi. Performances are ceremonial, representing births, deaths, and coronations. With drums made from hollowed tree trunks, they demonstrate a centuries-old technique and tradition. \$20-\$85.

Eleven:

Thursday, 9pm — Tideland and 52 Commercial Road. Grunge, punk, shoegaze. \$5.
Friday, 9pm — Zombie Surf Camp, Squirrelly Arts, Bricklayer Bosh. With They Feed at Night and Argosy. Free.
Saturday, 5pm — Buddy Banter, Bobby Meader, Mercy Music. \$3.
Sunday, 5pm — Ride the Sun, Mouth of the Serpent, Awakeners. \$5.
Monday, 9pm — Edochuli and Moxie Beat. \$3.

Epicentre:

Friday, 6:30pm — Figueroa, Nat-Z, Ebbie. Hip-hop night with R. Lopez and \$\$\$team Cash on Deck\$\$\$. \$8-\$12.

Escondido Library:

Saturday, 3pm — The Neave Trio. Piano and string ensemble with violinist Anna Williams, cellist Mikhail Veselov, pianist Toni James performs for Second Saturday Concert series. 760-839-4814. Free.

Ferry Landing Marketplace: *Sunday*, 2pm — Patrick Ellis and the BlueFrog Band. **Free.**

Flying Elephant:

Saturday, 4pm — Punk Rock Food Drive. Performances by Heart Rot, Parade of Horribles, Some Kind of Nightmare, She's My Cassette, Londons Falling, Hard Fall Hearts. All ages 4-10pm; 21 and older after 10pm. Admission is free with donation of at least two canned or non?perishable food items, "but please bring all you can." Fourth annual Thanksgiving food drive benefits North County Community Services. Free.

Gaslamp Speakeasy:

Friday, 9pm — Stoney B. Blues Band.

Griffin:

Thursday — The Intelligence. Friday, 9pm — The Vacant Lots, The Lovely Bad Things, Cosmonauts. Minimalist, psychedelic, trance. \$8-\$10. Saturday — Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band. \$10. Tuesday — The Henry Clay People and Jail Weddings. Wednesday, 8:30pm — Micky

and the Motorcars. Americana. \$8-\$10

Hennessey's Tavern:

Sunday, 9pm — Stoney B. Blues Band. CD release. 21 and up.

House of Blues:

Thursday, 8:30pm — The Misfits. With Laramie Dean and Attack. \$25-\$45.

Friday, 8:30pm — Led Zepagain and Fan Halen. Tribute bands. \$15-\$37. 21 and up. Sunday, 8pm — Minus the Bear,

Sunday, 8pm — Minus the Bear, Cursive, Girl in a Coma. 21 and

Wednesday, 8pm — Walk the Moon.

Lorimar Vineyards and Winery:

Saturday, 5pm — Stoney B. Blues with Papa Bob and Annette Da Bomb. "Live Music at Sunset."

Market Creek Plaza:

Saturday, 11am — Amp Music Festival. Performances by 321 Stereo, Misc. Ailments, Julianne Manalo, Kawehi, Sam Kang, Paul Dateh. Gourmet food trucks, video gaming tent presented by Gam3rCon San Diego, EDM (electronic dance music) Arena hosted by Intraphonics, autograph signings, outdoor film screenings, Sapporo beer jungle, more. queena@ampmusicfestival. com or 619-630-7086. \$15-\$20.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill:

Friday, 9pm — Patrick Ellis and the BlueFrog Band. Free. 21 and up.

Pala Casino:

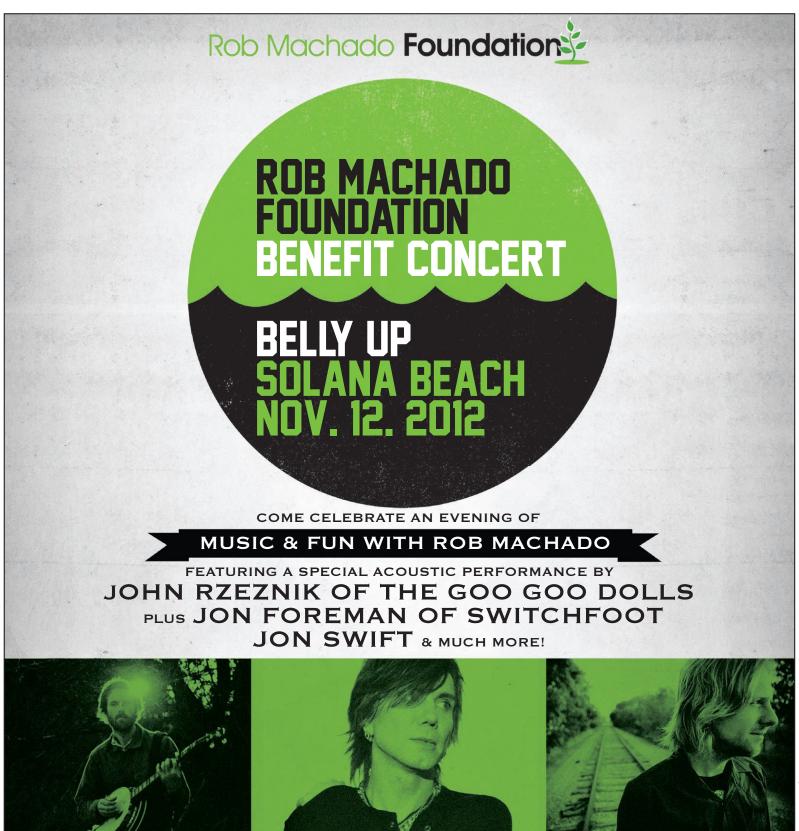
Thursday, 12:30pm — Stoney B. Blues Band. 21 and up.

Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10):

Thursday, 12:30pm — Trio Gentile. A romantic delight! Kay Ethridge (piano), Päivikki Nykter (violin), Cecilia Kim (cello) perform works by Brahms and Glière. 760-744-1150 x2317. Free.

Wednesday, 8pm — Electro

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Porter's Pub at UCSD:

Thursday, 8pm — Casey Veggies. \$20-\$50.

Saturday, 7pm — Japandroids. They call it garage rock. \$16-\$50. Tuesday, 8pm — The Internet. Trip hop duo. \$15-\$50.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub:

Friday, 7pm — SpiralArms. With Zed and Swerver.
Saturday — Gilby Clark. Guns & Roses guitarist.

Rancho Bernardo Community Presbyterian Church:

Wednesday, 7pm — "Rebirth, Remembrance, and Revelation." Philharmonic String Orchestra and Soloist Ensemble open season with Osvaldo Golijov's "The Dreams and Prayers of Isaac the Blind" and "Lullaby and Doina," with soloist Robert Zelickman (clarinet). Program includes selections by Rachmaninoff, Odeon Parthos, Thomas Tallis, Vivaldi, and Bach. 858-592-9790. \$10-\$15.

Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club:

Sunday, 2pm — Kids Playing for Kids: Classical and Jazz Concert. FanFaire Foundation hosts concert celebrating release of program's first CD, Classical N Jazz by kids who love music and science. Listen for selections from the CD performed by 10 of the program's 30 young artists who participated in the recording, with pieces by Bach, Badelt, Chopin, Joplin, Live musicmaking continues at post-concert reception. Cost for CD: \$10 donation. music@fanfairefoundation.org or 760-666-1810. Free.

Riley's Music Lounge: Saturday, 7pm — The Charms.

\$3-\$4. 21 and up.

Rimac Arena: Wednesday, 7:30pm — Wiz Khalifa. With Juicy J, Chevy Woods, Lola Monroe, Berner, Tuki Carter. \$57.

Robbie's Roadhouse:

Thursday, 6:30pm — Cowboy Jack. Free.

San Diego Academy:

Saturday, 6pm — "A Night of Dreams." Disney and Broadway songs performed by academy's "talented performers," along with guest vocalists Ashley Argota, Bonifacio Deoso Jr., Trisha Mae, Sharon Verde, Olivia Jasmine, Jonathan Bangloy, Alexis Crouch. 619-292-8013. \$8-\$50.

Shakedown Bar:

Friday — Bellicose Minds, Belgrado, Terrible Feelings. Gothic, post-punk, rock. Saturday — The Haymarket Squares and Pushin Rope. Punkgrass for the people. Monday — Scars and Stripes.

Soda Bar:

Thursday, 8pm — Metz, Mr. Gnome, Manouk. With Eighteen Individual Eyes. \$10. Friday, 8:30pm — Smoking Popes. With Luther and Dan Padilla, \$12-\$14, 21 and up. Saturday, 8:30pm — Benjamin Francis Leftwich. With the Midnight Pine and Blue in the Face. \$12. 21 and up.
Sunday, 8:30pm — Those Darlins and Heavy Cream. \$12. Monday, 8:30pm — Talkdemonic and Extra Classic. Folktronica. \$8-\$10. 21 and up. Tuesday, 8:30pm — Scott Mathiasen and the Shifty Eyed Dogs. With King Legend. \$5. Wednesday, 8pm — King Dude, Vampire, Aimon. "Dark paganfueled folk wrapped tight with outsider Americana." \$7, 21 and

Soma:

Thursday, 7pm — I Fight
Dragons, MC Lars, Skyfox. \$12.
Friday, 6:30pm — Lightning
Starts Fire. \$8.
Saturday, 6:30pm — Set It Off,
Sparks the Rescue, Handguns.
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Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre:

Thursday, 8pm — Foghat. \$25-\$35. 21 and up. Friday, 8pm — Skid Row and Warrant. Glam metal. \$45-\$55. 21 and up.

Tango Del Rey:

Friday, 8pm — Patrizia, the Sultry Lady of Jazz. "The essential jazz tribute." \$25-\$35. 21 and up. Sunday, 5pm — Light Rain, Dark Fire. Enjoy "night a wild beats by Danyavaad, sensual sounds by Light Rain," dance performances by the Shimmy Sisters, Madame Raine, Jayna, Laura Dasi, Jay7. \$17-\$20.

Thrusters Lounge:

Thursday, 6pm — Art Showcase. Local artists will occupy nine of the bar's booths to share their artwork in variety of media during community art sale. Entertainment by DJ Diamond Dan Carlos. 858-483-6334.

Til-Two:

Thursday — Nick Bone & the Big



BY DAVE GOOD

Sam Prekop checks in by phone from his home in Chicago. I gather he is rocking in the proverbial sense, meaning in an old-fashioned chair. Every so often, I hear the tell-tale creak of wood in the background. I tell him that as a father and reader of many children's books, the name of his band, the Sea and Cake sounds like the perfect kids' title. "That's the first time I've heard that," he admits. Possibly everybody who calls themselves a fack hows the origins of the name. It came about as the result of a misunderstanding: the C in Cake (equally children's bookish) was what the quartet first intended to call themselves.

"The band name is baffling, which I like.

We've had it for so long now that it's hard for me to be even one iota of objective in criticism." And, it is something of an uphill struggle: "I always have to repeat it more than once," he says.

The band dates back to the mid '90s. Theirs is an informed brand of alt-rock that neutralizes stress like an aural Ambien. I think it would be lovely to hear the Sea and Cake played in airport lobbies or hospital waiting rooms. I am correct in my assumption

that this music is deceptively simple.

"Right now, we're learning how to play the new material," says Prekop. "It's tricky, and it's a process that always seems hopeless when we start." The band will perform material from all of their records on tour, he says, with about half of the show dedicated to *Moonlight and Butterfly*. "The other day, we played the lead song from the album together for the first time as a group." In other words, the band records



their parts separately. "By the time we get to San Diego, it will be second nature. But I'm worried about Toronto. That'll be our first show."

Matthew Friedberger (Fiery Furnaces) also

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Tin Can Ale House:

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Tower 13:

Friday, 8:30pm — Java Sound. Saturday, 8:30pm — Finger Print Band

Unity Center:

Friday, 7:30pm — World Music Festival. Evening begins with traditional Indian dance by Nupur Dance Academy. Vishal Vaid sings traditional Indian and Afghani music, "converging with the Western mantras and acoustic worldbeat of singersongwriter Karl Anthony." Accompaniment by Rahis Ahmed Khan (tabla). 858-689-6500, \$10-\$40.

Upstart Crow Bookshop and Coffee House:

Saturday, 7pm — Stacey & The Stimulators. **Free.**

VFW Post #3788:

Saturday, 7pm — Willie Nelson Tribute Band. \$10-\$15.

Wine Steals:

Saturday, 7pm — Robin Henkel. Free. 21 and up.

Winstons:

Thursday, 9:30pm — Monophonics. Psychedelic-soul. \$7.

Friday, 9:30pm — The Devastators. With So-Cal Vibes.

Saturday, 9pm — Red Not Chili Peppers. \$7. Monday, 9pm — The Electric

Waste Band.

Wednesday, 9pm — Raiz Muzik.
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Woman's Club of Carlsbad:

Friday, 6:30pm — Kids Playing for Kids: Classical and Jazz. FanFaire Foundation hosts concert celebrating release of program's first CD, Classical N Jazz by kids who love music and science. Listen for selections from the CD performed by 10 of the program's 30 young artists who participated in the recording, with pieces by Bach, Badelt, Chopin, Joplin. Live musicmaking continues at post-concert reception. Cost for CD: \$10 donation. music@fanfairefoundation.org or 760-666-1810. Free.

WorldBeat Cultural Center:

Saturday, 7pm — Noche Cubana. Cuban music and dance party with Yosvany and the "C" Crew playing Cuban reggaeton and Saoco Son Cuban band playing salsa, son, and timba. DJ Pirito spins Cuban salsa jams. Salsa lesson (7:30pm). Open dance floor all night. \$10.

UPCOMING SHOWS

4th&B: 345 B St., Downtown San Diego, 619-231-4343. *November 15* — Thursday Night Tributes.

November 17 — Everclear, Eve 6, Namesake.

November 21 — Kid Ink. November 23 — Gucci Mane.

98 Bottles: 2400 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-255-7885. *November 15* — Anthony Smith Concert and Book Signing! *November 16* — Jack Stiteler Jazztet.

November 17 — Ian Tordella Trio and Danny Green Trio.

AMSDconcerts: 4650

Mansfield St., Normal Heights, 619-303-8176.

November 23 — Téada.

December 1 — George Cole & Eurocana.

December 15 — A Hawaiian

Slack Key Christmas.

All Souls' Episcopal Church: 1475 Catalina Bl., Point Loma, 619-223-6394. *November 16* — "Bach and

the Northern German Organ Masters."

Anthology: 1337 India St., Little Italy, 877-828-0891.

November 15 — Dave Mason.

November 17, November 18 —

David Sanborn.

November 20 — NovaMenco. November 21 — Rachael

Yamagata.

November 23 — Hotel California.

November 23 — Slapbak. . **Bar Pink:** 3829 30th St., North

Park, 619-564-7194.

November 17 — Neon Beat. November 18 — DJ Joemama and

DJ Tramlife.

November 19 — The Husky Boy
All-Stars.

November 20 — The Sitar Kid.

November 23 — Bonkers!

Bay Hill Tavern: 3010

Clairemont Dr., Clairemont, 619-276-3462.

November 16 — The Drinking Cowboy Band.

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

8140. *November 15* — Common Sense.

November 16 — The Mother Hips.

November 17 — Rockola.

November 17 — One Drop. November 18 — K'naan.

November 19 — Boz Scaggs.

November 20 — Toots & the

Maytals.

November 21 — 40 Oz. to Freedom, So Cal Vibes, Sunny

November 23, November 24 —

Karl Denson's Tiny Universe.











Bird Rock Coffee Roasters: 5627 La Jolla Bl., La Jolla, 858-551-1707.

November 17 — Robin Henkel.

Block 16 Union & Spirits: 334 7th Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-501-4600. November 15 — Stepping Feet.

Brick by Brick: 1130 Buenos Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483. November 15 — JT and Midnight Starr's EDM

November 16 — Turn the Page, Clapton Hook, Badd Co. November 17 — The Rezillos. November 18 — S.U.N. (Something Unto Nothing). "

The Casbah: 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355. November 15 — The Howls, Trouble in the Wind, Michael McGraw and the Butchers. November 16 — Generationals and Races.

November 17 — Transfer, Mister Loveless, Family Wagon.

November 20 — Tamaryn, Young Prisms, Cathedral X. November 21 - Cash'd Out.

Ché Café: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-2311. November 16 - Andrew Jackson Jihad, The Future of the Left, Jeff Rosenstock. November 17 — Andrew Jackson

Jihad, The Future of the Left, Jeff Rosenstock **Conrad Prebys Music Center** at UCSD: Russell Lane at

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Babel **Mumford & Sons**

Bv Marcus Perez

If anyone were to give credit for making it "cool" to play banjo again, that credit would be due to Mumford & Sons. Since appearing on the Grammys in 2011 with Bob Dylan, the quartet from London has now become a group to take notice of.

Arguably the most anticipated release of the year, Babel comes courtesy of the band's own label, Glassnote Entertainment Group.

Where Babel suc-

ceeds is in the vocal harmonies it contains, coupled with a ferocious sound of stringed instruments and blustery lyrics. Where Babel fails is its inability to create separation between tracks. It's as if the collection is one



The banjo is cool again.

magnified song parsed over 52 minutes.

The lyrics are heavy, riding on the border of gospel, as in "Below My Feet," where Marcus Mumford sings "...well, keep my eyes to serve, my hands to learn...but I was told by Jesus all is well, so all must be well."

The tracks are crammed with violin, fiddle, and banjo, conjuring images of being in a corner pub with a few intoxicated friends. Which puts Babel on my list of must-haves.

Music Reviews from Our Readers

Peter Gabriel Transports Valley View By Kip Lyda

Beginning with a short yet stunning acoustic set that featured such highlights as "Shock the Monkey" and "Come Talk to Me," Peter Gabriel & Co. set the tone for a rhythmically tight and visually engaging performance.

The second part of the show consisted of some of the most challenging and popular music of Gabriel's career. Songs such as "Dig-

ging in the Dirt," "Solsbury Hill," and "The Family and the Fishing Net" captured the essence of the outcast in which



Rhythmically tight, visually engaging

Gabriel resides, while bringing the listener closer to the heart of his pain and hope. The stark profile images projected on the three screens enhanced the otherworldliness of the aural atmosphere.

The third part of the show included the performance of his breakthrough album So. Highlights included "Red Rain," a very funky "Sledgehammer," and the rarely performed "Excellent Birds."

Concert: Peter Gabriel Date: October 8

Venue: Valley View Casino Center Seats: Section 20A, row 13, seat 1

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November 15 — Red Fish Blue Fish.

Copley Symphony Hall: 750 B St., Downtown San Diego, 619-235-0804

November 16, November 17, November 18 — Beethoven's Pastoral.

Eddie V's: 1270 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-459-5500.

November 16, November 29 — Richard James Trio.

Eleven: 3519 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-450-4292. November 15 — Zander Cox. First Circuit, Ian Taylor. November 16 — Inferno of Joy & A Suture and a Sunder. November 17 — Machines Learning & Blue Light Curtain. November 17 — Godhammered, Beheading the King, Eukaryst. November 18 — Realization Orchestra & Gentleman Surfer. November 21 — Dead Animal Mod & Big Bugs.

Encinitas Library: 540 Cornish Dr., Encinitas, 760-753-7376. November 21 — "Beethoven and Chopin at High Noon."

Felix's BBQ With Soul: 342 Euclid St., Logan Heights, 800-801-7210. November 24 — Steven Ybarra.

First Christian Church of Oceanside: 204 South Freeman St., Oceanside, 760-722-8522. November 18 — Holly Hofmann/ Mike Wofford Quartet.

First United Methodist Church of San Diego: 2111 Camino del Rio South, Mission

Valley, 619-297-4366. $\stackrel{\cdot}{December}$ 9 — Holiday Concert.

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Gaslamp Speakeasy: 708 Fourth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-239-9994. November 17 — Stoney B. Blues

Grace Lutheran Church: 3967 Park Bl., North Park, 619-299-2890

November 15 — Coterie Celli.

Grant Grill: 326 Broadway, Downtown San Diego, 619-744-2077

November 15 — Richard James Trio.

The Griffin: 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-684-1816. November 15 — Dwntwn. Inspired and the Sleep, Colourvision.

November 16 — The Watson Twins. November 17 — Chali 2na and

House of Vibe. November 20 — Social Club, The New Limb, Hot Bodies in Motion.

November 23 — The Original Wailers.

House of Blues: 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-299-2583.

November 15 — Epica. November 16 — Local Brews, Local Grooves: All Access. November 17 — DJ Bl3nd. November 18 — Belanova & Moenia. November 19 — Deftones.

November 21 — Animal House. November 23 — Unwritten Law. The Irenic: 3090 Polk Ave.,

November 20 — The Faint.

North Park, 619-624-9335.

with Berkley Hart.

November 17 — El Ten Eleven. Java Joe's: 4976 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-654-5637. November 24 — Tim Flannery

Jimmy Love's: 672 Fifth Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-595-0123.

November 21 — Robin Henkel Band with Horns. November 29 — Stoney B. Blues Band.

La Costa Coffee Roasting:

6965 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, 760-438-8160. November 16 — Tony Taravella.

Lakeside Community **Presbyterian Church:** 9908 Channel Rd., Lakeside, 619-443-1021. December 7 — Christmas

Larry's Beach Club: 1145 S. Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-439-6646. November 17 — West of 5.

Concert.

Lestat's Coffee House: 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437. November 18 — Robin Henkel Band with Horns.

Lorimar Vineyards and Winery: 42031 Main St., Temecula, 951-240-5177. November 24 - Stoney B. Blues with Papa Bob and Annette Da Bomb.

Lutheran Church of the Incarnation: 16889 Espola Rd., Poway, 858-487-2225. November 16 — Master Handel's "Messiah" Choruses!

Manhattan Cocktail Lounge: 400 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-6641. November 30, December 1 — Stone Wolf.

Mission Trails Regional Park: One Father Junípero Serra Trail, San Carlos, 619-688-3281. November 18 — "Brazilian Special."

Molly Malone's: 1270 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-9050. *November 30* — Outta Line. December 7 — Nemesis. December 14 — Stone the Giant.

Myerz Pourhouse: 1678 Greenfield Dr., Downtown San Diego, 619-442-7676. November 17 — The Pacific Rails.

Oceanside Museum of Art: 704 Pier View Way, Oceanside,

760-435-3720. December 6 — Allison Tucker.

Pala Casino: 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-

7252. November 20 — Cowboy Jack and the North County Cowboys. Palomar College O2

Performance Space: 1140 West Mission Rd., San Marcos, 760-744-1150. November 30. December 1 — "The Masque: An Evening of Baroque Entertainments.

Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10): 1140 W. Mission Rd., San Marcos, 760-744-1150. November 15 — Arthur Golden and Chan Jenuine.

Pechanga Resort & Casino: 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, 951-693-1819. November 15 — Band of Gold. November 16 — Richard Gomez and Rico Puno. November 17 — Counting Crows. December 7 — Cheap Trick. December 13, December 14 — Celtic Woman — A Christmas

Pier View Pub: 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside, 760-757-2827. November 16 - Stoney B. Blues Band.

Celebration.

Porter's Pub at UCSD: 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-587-4828.

November 17 — Evidence, DJ Mishaps, Bambu. November 24 — Brotha Lynch Hung.

Pounders: 125 W. Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-739-1288. November 16. November 17. December 14, December 15 -Stone Wolf.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub: 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008. November 17 — Sponge. November 23 — Attika 7.

Renegade Inn: 14335 Old Highway 80, El Cajon, 619-561-8105. November 23, November 24 -

The Drinking Cowboy Band.

The Salty Frog: 992 Palm Ave., Imperial Beach, 619-429-1120. November 24 — The Pacific Rails



WEDNESDAY 31ST | THURSDAY 1ST FRIDAY 2ND SATURDAY 3RD **DONNA** ROOTS COVENANT GREENSKY B-SIDE **PSYDECAR** BLUEGRASS **BUFALO** (6-9) OCEAN BEACH COMEDY W/ IBO BREWER MONDAY 5TH SUNDAY 4TH TUESDAY 6TH 25th Anniversary (DOING THE DEAD FOR OVER 20 YEARS EVERY MONDAY) BIG KIDS @ PLAY OB-O-KE ALL NOVEMBER THE ELECTRIC WASTE BAND JOSE SINATRA ROB BONDURANT 1986 HAPPY HOUR SOUL ABLAZE PRICES 1-6 10am Skins vs panthers (6-9) SOCAL SHOWCASE PRESENTS (6-9) THINK N DRINK San **f** (619) 222-6822 WINSTONSOB.COM

San Diego Civic Theatre:

1100 Third Ave., Downtown San Diego, 619-570-1100. November 24 — Straight No Chaser.

San Diego Woman's Club: 2557 Third Ave., Bankers Hill. *November 18* — Christmas on

Third Avenue Craft Show.

San Dieguito United Methodist Church: 170 Calle
Magdalena, Encinitas. *November 17* — Men of Worth.

Scripps Miramar Ranch Library: 10301 Scripps Lake Dr.,
Scripps Ranch, 858-538-8158. *November 18* — Kensington Trio.

The Shakedown Bar: 3048 Midway Dr., Midway District, 619-487-0373. November 15 — Hellbound Glory. November 16 — La Armada &

the Strikers.

November 17 — Surrounded by Thieves, Lonely Kings, Battle Born.

November 23 — The Debonaires.

Soda Bar: 3615 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-255-7224. *November 15* — Laura Gibson. *November 16* — Gentleman Jesse and His Men. *November 17* — Plateaus.

Solana Beach Presbyterian Church: 120 Stevens Ave., Solana Beach. *December 8* — Masterpiece *Messiah*.

Soma: 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662. *November 16* — When We Withstand, Broken Reality, The Warned. November 17 — Woe, Is Me. November 23 — Mayday Parade.

Space 4 Art: 325 15th St., East Village, 619-269-7230.

November 30 — Fresh Sound Music: Crossovers

St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church: 743 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-459-3421. December 10 — Masterpiece Messiah.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church: 3725 30th St., North Park, 619-298-2130.

December 1 — Marin Luther King, Jr. Community Choir.

Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre: 5469 Casino Way, El
Cajon, 619-445-6002.

November 16 — K-Ci & Jojo and
Biz Markie.

November 30 — War.

Templar's Hall at Old Poway Park: 14134 Midland Rd.,
Poway.

November 19 — Coco and Lafe.

Tifereth Israel Synagogue: 6660 Cowles Mountain Bl., San Carlos, 619-697-6001. *November 28* — "Rebirth, Remembrance, and Revelation."

Til-Two: 4746 El Cajon Bl., Kensington, 619-516-4746. *November 16* — Taboo. *November 22* — Rock N Roll Preservation Society.

Tower 13: 2633 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Cardiff, 760-635-1200. *November 16* — Fula Bula. *November 17* — Music Festival and Fundraiser.

University of San Diego: 5998 Alcalá Park, USD, 619-260-4600. *November 17* — Quartet Nouveau.

Upstart Crow Bookshop and Coffee House: 835 West Harbor Dr., Downtown San Diego, 619-232-4855. November 17 — Teagan Taylor Trio. November 24 — Bela Vida

Brasileira.

VFW Post #3788: 7785

Othello Ave., Kearny Mesa, 858-277-5510. November 17s — Calico Ridge

Valley View Casino Center: 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171. *November 21* — Rush.

Viejas Arena: 5500 Canyon Crest Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947. *November 17* — Enrique Bunbury. *December 2* — Machine Gun Kelly.

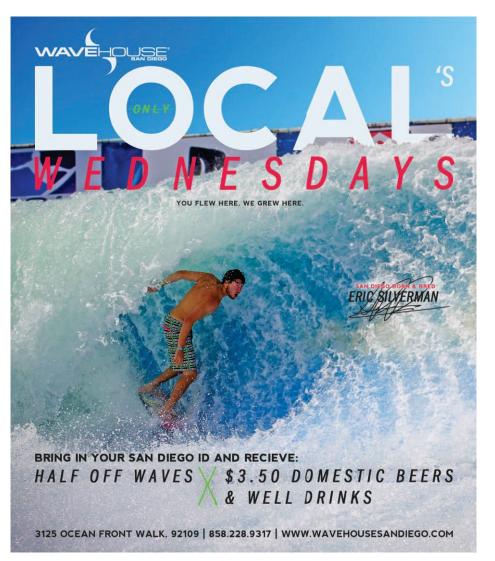
Wine Steals: 1953 San Elijo Ave., Cardiff, 760-230-2657. November 20 — Robin Henkel.

December 7 — 91X Wrex the

Halls.

Winstons: 1921 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-6822. *November 17* — Agua Dulce. *November 19* — The Electric Waste Band. *November 20* — The Broken Stems.

Zel's Del Mar: 1247 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-0076. *November 17* — Robin Henkel.





The Ultimate in Drag Dining

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ALLIED GARDENS

San Diego Brewing Company: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$3 select house & domestic beers, house wine, well drinks. 1/2-off appetizers.

ALPINE

Donato's Italian Restaurant: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 glass Bud Light, \$6 pitcher; \$3.50 house wine.

The Prado: Tuesday-Saturday, 4-6pm, 8-10pm: \$4.50 wells, wine, draft ale, margaritas, mixed drinks.

BANKERS HILL

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.

Tin Can Ale House: Daily, 4-8pm:

BAY PARK

The High Dive: Monday-Wednesday, Friday, 3-6pm: \$2 off Local San Diego Craft Beers, \$1 off House Wine by the Glass. Thursday, 3-6pm: \$2 off Local San Diego Craft Beers. \$1 off House Wine by the Glass..

BONITA

Sapphire 18+ Lounge & Hookah: Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm: \$1 off wine and bottled beer, \$2 off

Villa Capri: Wednesday, 4-7pm: Half-off bottles of wine.



CARDIFF

Beach House: Daily, 4-7pm: \$2.95 draft/domestic beer, \$3.45 wells, \$3.95 bloody mary & house wine, \$4.95 well martini, \$5.95 cosmopolitan, moiito, margarita, bloody mai tai.

CARLSBAD

Karl Strauss Brewing Company: Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$4 beers, wells, wines, flights. \$5 boneless wings, fries, spicy hummus.

On the Tracks Brewery and Tasting Room: Thursday, 5-7pm: Ladies, \$3 pints.

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Conway's Irish Pub: Daily, 10am-8pm: \$2.75 domestic drafts and bottles; \$2.75 and \$3.75 wells.

CARMEL VALLEY

Twenty/20 Grill & Wine Bar: Daily, 4-6pm: \$2 off drinks. 1/2-off seasonal spreads and pizzas. Excludes special events and promotional nights.

CHULA VISTA

BJ's Brewhouse: Monday-Thursday, 3pm-7pm: \$1 off draft and cocktails. 10pm-close: 1/2-price mini pizzas, \$2 off appetizers (snacks and small bites not included). Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 off beer and cocktails

CITY HEIGHTS

Eleven: Daily, 5-8pm: \$1 off local draughts and drinks.

The Tower Bar: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 wells and import drafts.

CLAIREMONT

Blarney Stone Pub: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$.50 off all drinks.

Casa Machado: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 and \$3.50 drafts. \$3.50 wells, margaritas. Free chips & salsa.

Pal Joey's: Monday, 4:30 to 6:30pm: Karaoke 9m. Tuesday, 4:30 to 6:30pm: \$2 Tuesdays. Wednesday, 4:30 to 6:30pm:: \$3.50 personal pitchers. Karaoke 9m. Thursday-Friday, 4:30

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Happy Hour

\$1 off Heineken

M-F 4pm-8pm

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11/9 - Pocket

Hardy Elementary Fundraiser feat

Temple Of The Dad (6-10pm)

11/10 - The MilkCrates

11/11 - Happy Endings

11/12 - Soul Jazz Jam with

The Fire Eaters

11/13 - Tiki Tuesday feat.

Old Man Johnson

11/14 - Grand Tarantula

The Royalty, Bend Sinister

3929 30th St., North Park

www.barpink.com

to 6:30pm: \$3.50 personal pitchers. Saturday, Karaoke 9m. Sunday, \$7 domestic pitchers.

CORONADO

Brigantine: Monday-Friday, Sunday, 3-6pm: \$4 Brig brew, Dos Equis. \$4.75 margarita, \$5.50 chardonnay, \$6 merlots, \$1 off featured wine. Discounted tacos, shrimp, oysters.

Candelas on the Bay: Daily, 11am-11pm: 1/2-off drafts, glass wine, cocktails. 1/2-off tacos, salads, soups, quesadillas.

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.

DEL MAR

Bully's Del Mar: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: Discounted food, beer, cocktails. Sunday, all day: \$3 Bud Light, Coors Light. \$4 bloody marys, margaritas, mimosas.

Zel's Del Mar: Daily, 4-6:30pm: 1 off drafts & premium drinks, 2off wines by glass, \$3.50 wells, \$4 fried calamari, \$5 fish tacos, \$10 burger &

DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

Altitude Sky Lounge: Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$4 drafts, \$5 premium wells. 1/2-off artisan flat breads.

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.

House of Blues: Daily, 4-7pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$3 wines, \$3 wells, \$4 martinis. Killer happy hour menu.

Jsix: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$5 bottled beer, \$6 cocktails, wines. \$6 salads, grilled garlic shrimp, ravioli.



11:30am to 7:00pm

Karaoke is Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9pm to 1am

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL. **WEAR YOUR TEAM JERSEYS** FREE HOT DOGS RING YOUR FRIENDS F A FOOTBALL PARTY!

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FRIDAY & **SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTIES**

UPCOMING EVENT

12/31-New Years Eve party 9522 Miramar Rd.

858-578-0757 Northeast corner of Mirama Road & Black Mountain Rd. Patricks 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,

Yard House: Monday-Wednesday, 3-6pm & 10pm-close: \$3.50 domestic pints; \$6.25 martinis. 1/2-off select pizza, appetizers, and more. Thursday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3.50 domestic pints; \$6.25 martinis. 1/2-off select pizza, appetizers, and more. Sunday, 10pmclose: \$3.50 domestic pints; \$6.25 martinis. 1/2-off select pizza, appetizers, and more.

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: Daily, 5-8pm: \$1 off local draughts and drinks.

Chili's: Monday-Friday, Sunday, 3pm-close: \$1 off drafts, discounted margaritas. Discounted nachos, fried cheese.

EL CAJON

Main Tap Tavern: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 off 16-oz. pints, \$2 off pitchers, \$3.50 wells.

ENCINITAS

Bullpen Pub & Grill: Monday-Friday, 2-7pm, 10pm-2am: \$1 off draft beer, \$3 off pitcher, \$2 off wine.

Union Kitchen & Tap: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$2 off craft cocktails; \$4 drafts, \$6 select wine glasses. \$9 flatbreads.

ESCONDIDO

Brigantine: Monday, 11:30am-close: \$6 vodka cosmo, merlot, chardonnay. Saturday, 11:30am-7pm: \$6 vodka cosmo, merlot, chardonnay. Sunday, 3:30-7pm: \$6 vodka cosmo, merlot. chardonnay.

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

C-Level: Monday-Friday, 3:30-5:30pm: \$4 brews, \$5 specialty drinks.

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. Sunday, 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.

Bud's Louisiana Café: Wednesday-Friday, 3-6pm: 1/2-off glass beer, wine; \$5 cocktails. 15% off cup jambalaya, oyster shooter, cajun chicken taquitos.

KENSINGTON

Clem's Tap House: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2 off all beer and

The Kensington Club: Daily, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 wells, drafts, domestic bottles.

Til-Two: Daily, 4-7pm: \$3 wells and imported drafts.

LA JOLLA

Beaumont's: Daily, 3-6:30pm: \$5 margaritas, mules, & mojitos; \$5 ceviche; \$7 pork spare ribs; \$4 threemeat sliders.

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).

Whaling Bar & Grill: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: 1/2-off specialty cocktails, wines by glass, drafts. 1/2-off Spanish torta, chicken tandoori kebab.

Whisknladle: Daily, 5-7pm: 25% off all bottles of wine: \$20 pitcher of sangria. 5pm-close: \$3.50 Catalan shrimp, marinated olives, salted almonds.

The Go Lounge: Monday, Wednesday-Saturday, 2-7pm: \$3 draft beers, Smirnoff shots, glasses of wine, and well drinks. \$2 Jack shot with beer purchase. Tuesday, 2-7pm: \$3 draft beers, Smirnoff shots, glasses of wine, and well drinks. \$2 Jack shot with beer purchase. 9-11pm: \$2 you-call-its.

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.

LEMON GROVE

Dirk's Niteclub: Monday-Saturday, 4-7pm: \$.50 off all drinks \$4.50 or less. Sunday, 6am-2pm: \$1 off bloody marys.

LEUCADIA

Bar Leucadian: Monday-Wednesday, Friday, 4:30-6:30pm: \$2.75 wells, \$2.50 beer of the month. Thursday. 4:30-6:30pm: \$2.75 wells, \$2.50 beer of the month, Ladies U-Call-it \$2.75.

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

98 Bottles: Tuesday-Thursday, 5-7pm: \$4 draft beers, house wines. \$1 off bottled beer, wine by glass. \$2 off flatbreads, rice bowls. \$2 off big bottled



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Puerto la Boca: Daily, 4:30-7:30pm: \$3 house wine, \$3.50 drafts, wells, \$6 house martini. 30% off appetizers.

MIDWAY DISTRICT

Brazil by the Bay Restaurant and Sports Bar: Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$8 pitchers, \$2.50 French fries, \$4.50 chicken wings.

Desi's Bar and Grill: Monday-Friday, 2-7pm: \$3 wells, domestic beers. 11pm-midnight: \$3 drafts.

MIRA MESA

Callahan's Pub & Brewerv: 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

The Filling Station: Monday, 7pm-close: \$4 margaritas. Tuesday, 7pm-close: \$2 kamikazes. Wednesday, 7pm-close: \$3.50 premium drafts. Thursday, 7pm-close: \$2.50 wells, domestic beers; \$7.50 domestic pitchers. Saturday, noon-7pm: \$3 mimosas. Sunday, noon-7pm: \$3 bloody marys.

MISSION BEACH

Guava Beach Bar & Grill: Monday-Friday, 4pm-close: 1/2-off beer, shots, cocktails, 25% off pot stickers, jumbo coco shrimp, nachos.

MISSION HILLS

The Aero Club: Daily, 2pm-2am: \$.50 off beer and wells.

Bar Dynamite: Monday-Saturday, 5-9pm: \$2 domestics bottles and drafts, \$3 wells. Free food from Lucha Libre Taco Shop.

Shakespeare Pub & Grille: Monday-Saturday, 4-7pm: 20-oz. Imperial pints \$4.95, well drinks \$3.75, \$1 off all bottled beer & house wine. Sunday, all day: 20-oz. Imperial pint of Fuller's London Pride \$4 95

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.

Bully's East: Monday-Friday, 4:30-7pm, 10pm-12:15am: \$2.50 domestic, draft; \$3.50 wells, \$5 wine. Garlic bread, fish taco, coconut shrimp.

In Cahoots: Tuesday, all night: \$3 drink specials. Wednesday, all night: \$2.50 you-call-its. Thursday, 5-9pm:

\$5.95 steak, baked potato, draft beer. Friday, 5-8pm: \$3 drink specials, select longneck beer specials. Saturday, 6-9pm: \$3 drink specials, select longneck beer specials.

NATIONAL CITY

Buster's Beach House & Longboard Bar: Daily, 2-7pm: \$2.25 Bud drafts; \$3.50 mai tais, Long Beach tea,

Pier 32 Waterfront Grill: Friday, 3pm-sunset: \$2 domestic beer, \$3 import and local beer, \$5 house wine, mimosas, bloody marvs.

NESTOR

Baja Oyster Bar: Monday-Thursday, All day: \$.99 fish tacos. 3-6pm: Two-for-one domestic bottle, discounted special roll.

NORMAL HEIGHTS

Jayne's Gastropub: Tuesday-Saturday, 5-6:30pm: \$3 Trumer & Guinness drafts, \$3 red & white wine, \$5 cocktails

Live Wire: Daily, 5-8pm: \$1 off drafts and cocktails.

Rosie O'Grady's: Monday, Wednesday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 wells, domestic beers (including Sam Adams). Tuesday, all day: \$2.50 wells, domestic beers (including Sam Adams)

NORTH PARK

Bar Pink: Monday-Friday, 4-8pm: \$1 off drafts and calls.

Crazee Burger: Daily, 3-6pm: \$2.99 drafts, \$15 pitchers, \$3.99 select glasses of wine. \$2.99 bratwurst, \$3.99 turkey

Cricket's Pub and Grill: Monday-Friday, 8am-2pm: \$2 domestic pint, \$6 domestic pitcher. 4-6pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, \$.50 off domestic bottles, wells, pints.

Lips Restaurant: Sunday, all night: Industry Night, \$3.50 wells, \$5.50 calls, 25% off entrées & appetizers. Must show employee ID or pay stub.

The Office: Daily, 5-8pm: Two-forone price on all drinks.

Redwing Bar & Grill: Daily, 11am-6pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles.

The Smoking Goat: Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm: 1/2-off select bottles of wine.

Toronado: Daily, 11:30am-5pm:

West Coast Tavern: Daily, 4-7pm: \$3 wells, drafts, house wine.

Blue Parrot: Monday-Friday, 2-6pm: All drinks and appetizers 1/2price (all day Monday).

Mother's Saloon: Monday, 3-7pm: \$1 off drafts; 1/2-off appetizers. 7pm-close: \$3 Jägermeister shots. 11pm-close: \$2.75 well; \$1 off drafts. Tuesday, 3-7pm: \$1 off drafts; 1/2-off appetizers. 7pm-close: \$3 Fireball shots; \$1.50 tacos. 11pm-close; \$2.75 well; \$1 off drafts. Wednesday, 7pmclose: \$5 Rolling Rock and shot; \$1.50 TJ dogs. 11pm-close: \$2.75 well; \$1 off drafts. *Thursday*, 9pm-close: \$3 you-call-its; \$1.50 sliders. 11pm-close: \$2.75 well; \$1 off drafts. Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 off drafts; 1/2-off appetizers; \$2.75 well. 11pm-close: \$2.75 well; \$1 off drafts. Saturday-Sunday, 11pm-close: \$2.75 well: \$1 off drafts.

OB Noodle House: Daily, Noon-5pm: \$1 beer. \$5 sake after 6pm.

Raglan Public House: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm; 1/2 off Munchies, select

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What is it about gay bars?

A special magic lurks here, generating static between bear bellies, designer button-ups, and open-air chest hair. Top 40 club jams that would normally inspire contempt at Gaslamp disco dumps transform into personal anthems for the evening. You find yourself shouting along to "This time baby, I'll be bulletproof," with a cranberry vodka in each hand and a newfound swagger in your step, and you begin to suspect that your neighborhood dive (not to mention your sexual orientation) has been selling you a misguided if not gravely repressed lie all along.

Hillcrest is famous for such dens of Dionysian abandon, where "Call Me Maybe" becomes an existential truth and laser lights refract off of polished steel nipple rings deep into the "Let's Hear It for the Boys" night.

Then there's **Babycakes**. A pastry's toss from Uptown institution the Brass Rail, Babycakes embodies all things enchanting about Hillcrest's nightlife, except it opens at 9 a.m. daily and specializes in cupcakes, coffee, and cocktails.

Sassy yet sophisticated, Babycakes entreats you to start the day off Irish with a mug of Joe, a splash of whiskey, and a pistachio cupcake, while ample outdoor patio space and free Wi-Fi makes the Fifth Avenue confectionary an ideal spot for day drinks and laptop "work."

The cocktail menu touts a handful of concoctions designed to complement the in-house cupcakes (gluten-free are available on weekends on a first-come, first-serve basis), drinks such as the Brandy Alexander (brandy/dark crème de cacao/creamy cream), the Chunky Munky (vanilla vodka/dark crème de cacao/banana liqueur/creamy cream), and the Richy Rich (ChocoVine/vanilla vodka/Kahlua).

Others invite intrigue based on name alone: the Happy Ending Shot (Bailey's Irish Cream/Kahlua/whipped cream), the Masterbaker Shot (ChocoVine/dark crème de



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cacao/Rumple Minze), and Sticky & Sweet Tea (sweet tea vodka/lemonade).

Babycakes celebrates the month's birthdays (RSVP at babycakessandiego.com) every third Saturday with a hosted vodka bar from 9 to 10 p.m., free cupcakes, drink specials, and birthday spankings.

Breaking further ground, Babycakes trades overproduced club hits for '90s jams and radio-friendly rock. On a recent visit, the soundtrack jumped between the Postal Service, Foster the People, and Gwen Stefani's "Hollaback Girl."

Incidentally, "This shit is bananas, B-A-N-A-N-A-S"

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perfectly describes the quirky patisserie.

— Chad Deal

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drafts, house reds, house whites, and sangria.

Sunshine Co.: *Daily*, 5-6pm: 1/2-off all pitchers.

Winstons: *Monday-Saturday*, 1-8pm: \$3.50 wells. \$1 off all beer/wine.

OCEANSIDE

Aryana at Holiday Inn: *Daily*, 5-7pm: \$2 domestics, wells; \$3 premiums, glass of wine. Appetizer specials.

Tremont Street Bar & Grill: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$4 wells, house wine. \$1 off all beer.

OLD TOWN

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.

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.

PACIFIC BEACH

710 Beach Club: *Daily*, 4-7:10pm: 1/2-off food & booze.

The Australian Pub: *Monday-Friday*, 7-9pm: \$3 Long Islands. *Sat-*

urday, \$2.50 Karl Strauss. Sunday, \$3

Firehouse American Eatery and Lounge: Monday, 4pm-midnight: 1/2-off specialty drinks, \$2 mininferno burgers. Tuesday, 4pm-midnight: \$6 draft and a shot, 50-cent ribs. Wednesday, 4pm-midnight: 1/2-off bottle of wine, \$1 oysters. Thursday, 4pm-midnight: \$2 calls.

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

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill: Tuesday, \$2.50 Mexican bottled beer, \$3 frozen margaritas. Wednesday, \$2 off all drinks, \$2 beers. Thursday, 8pmclose: \$2 wells, drafts, 1/2-price drinks. Friday, 3-10pm: \$2 drafts, wells, 1/2-price drinks. Saturday, 4-10pm: \$3 wells, wine, drafts.

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.

POINT LOMA

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 Hinys.

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

The Beach Grass Poway: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$3.50 microbrews, \$4 select wines. \$5 appetizers: pankocrusted calamari, tempura avocado, veggies and hummus, more.

Blue Tattoo Sports Bar & Grill: *Monday, Wednesday, Friday,* 3-7pm; \$5 appetizers, \$4 craft beer, \$3 domestic draft & bottle *Tuesday,* 3-7pm; \$5 appetizers, \$4 craft beer, \$3 domestic draft & bottle. Karaoke 8pm. *Thursday,* 3-7pm; \$5 appetizers, \$4 craft beer, \$3

domestic draft & bottle. Trivia 7-10pm, Video DJ 10pm-close.

RAMON

Boll Weevil Restaurant: *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: \$2 off all pitchers.

Cheers: *Monday*, 2-5pm: \$1 off drinks. \$10 steak. *Tuesday*, 2-5pm: \$1 off drinks. \$1 tacos. *Wednesday*, 2-5pm: \$1 off drinks. \$.50 wings. *Thursday*, 2-5pm: \$1 off drinks.

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.

Café on the Park: *Monday-Friday*, 5-6:30pm: \$3 wells, \$4 house margaritas, 1/2-off house wine by the glass,



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RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS

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.

RANCHO SANTA FE

Delicias: *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$5 draft beers, house wines, wells.

SAN MARCOS

Dalton's Road House: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$1 off house wines, wells. \$5 margaritas. 1/2-off appetizers: cheesy fries, potato skins, buffalo wings.

SANTA YSABEL

Santa Ysabel Resort & Casino: Monday, Mojito Monday: \$4 Irish Mojito. Tuesday, Tropical Tuesday: \$4 Tropical Dream. Wednesday, Wicked Wednesday: \$5.50 Speedy Gonzalez. Thursday, Thirsty Thursday: \$2 bottled domestics. Friday, Fiesta Friday: \$4 classic margarita. Saturday, Sweet Saturday: \$5 pineapple-Midori martini. Sunday, Sunset Sunday: \$4 Amaretto

SANTEE

Landre's Sports Bar & Grill: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$1 off all drinks. \$5 appetizers: potato skins, garlic/bacon fries, shrimp cocktail, more.

SCRIPPS RANCH

Stone Flats: *Daily*, 3-5pm, 7-9pm: \$1 Bud/Bud Light; 1/2-off all other beer/wine.

SERRA MESA

Channel 1 Sports Bar and Grill: *Sunday*, \$2.50 mind erasers, kamikazes. \$3.50 mimosas, bloody marys.

SHELTER ISLAND

Humphreys Backstage Music Club: *Daily*, 5-7pm: 1/2-off all drinks & menu items (excludes holiday/concert nights).

SOLANA BEACH

The Saddle Bar: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$1 off drinks and drafts.

SORRENTO VALLEY

Ali Baba's Cave: *Daily*, 3-7pm: 22-oz. beer \$4 (including tax). \$12 hookahs, \$5 refills.

Karl Strauss Brewing Company: *Monday-Friday*, 4-6:30pm: \$4 beers, wells, wines, flights. \$5 boneless wings, fries, spicy hummus.

SOUTH PARK

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

Fannie's Nightclub: *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$.50 off all drinks.

TIERRASANTA

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.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

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

PAID! Small Bar: *Daily*, 5-8pm: \$1 off local draughts and drinks.

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.

Vista Entertainment Center: *Monday-Friday*, 11am-6pm: \$2 domestic and \$3 premium drafts; \$3 wells.









THEATER LISTINGS

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A Hammer, a Bell, and a Song to Sing

The San Diego Rep presents this tribute to Pete Seeger, which "celebrates the history of change in America through song, story, and spoken word." Todd Salovey directed, music direction and arrangement by Bruno Louchouarn.

SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN SAN DI-EGO. 619-544-1000. 2PM SATURDAYS,



8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, Fogg's in 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, more do

Around the World in 80 Days

THROUGH DECEMBER 2.

Lamb's Players had a "give it another week" opening night. The engine moved, but the gears needed oiling — and the threats to Phileas Fogg's intrepid adventure needed more danger. Director Robert Smyth devised some spectacular images (an elephant made from patterned cotton cloth, a "sledge" swinging in a snowstorm), but the end was never in doubt. Lance Arthur Smith made Fogg a deft ${\it Lamb\'{is}\ Players\ Theatre\ stages\ Around\ the\ World\ in\ 80\ Days\ through\ November\ 18.}$

cross between Sean Connery and a metronome, but his unflappable certainty diffuses potential crises. Jon Lorenz plays Inspector Fix in a comedic vein, always funny, but the cartooning poses no palpable threat. The cue-rich, intricately demanding production opened

October 13. It may have settled in by now. *Worth a try.* LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS,

2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS,

7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH

NOVEMBER 18

Death at the Doo-Wop

The Murder Mystery Company presents a dinner-theater production about "one killer prom" in 1957.

SAN DIEGO HALL OF CHAMPIONS, 2131 PAN AMERICAN PLAZA, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-2544. 7PM FRIDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 9.

Holiday Spirits

Scripps Ranch Theatre presents the world premiere of Jim Caputo's semi-farcical comedy, loosely based on Dickens's *A Christmas Carol*. Caputo directed.

SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 10455 POMERADO RD., SCRIPPS RANCH. 858-578-7728. 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH DECEMBER 9.

John Doe, the Ultimate Midlife Crisis

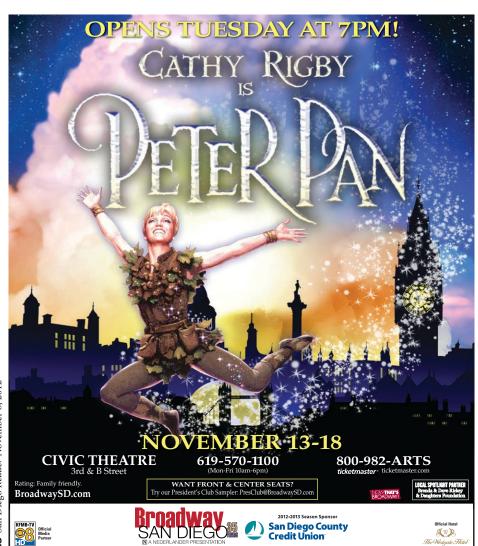
John Doe Productions and A Culture of Peace stage the new musical comedy, by Robert Moutal, about a middle-aged man found unconscious on a park bench. He musical wake up and find his identity before the hospital disconnects him.

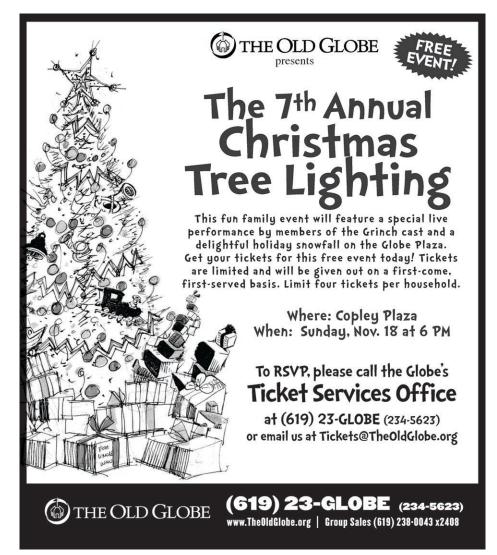
LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-544-1000. 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 25.

Measure for Measure

The Old Globe/USD Graduate Theatre Program stages Shakespeare's examination of innocence, rigid laws, and hypocrisy. Ray Chambers directed.

SHERYL AND HARVEY WHITE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623, 2PM SUNDAYS, 2PM





SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS, OPEN-ENDED RUN.

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.

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, OPENFINDED 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 PARK-WAY, ESCONDIDO. 7:30PM FRIDAYS, 7:30PM SATURDAYS, OPEN-ENDED RUN.

Oedipus Rex

MiraCosta College's theater department presents Sophocles's tragedy about a man destined from birth to murder his father and marry his mother. Tracy Williams directed. MIRACOSTA COLLEGE THEATRE, ONE BARNARD DR., OCEANSIDE. 760-795-6815. 7:30PM FRIDAYS, 7:30PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 18.

Peter Pan

Broadway/San Diego presents



David Guthrie as Sheriff Ed Earl Dodd and Debbie David as Miss Mona in Coronado Playhouse's The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas, running through December 2.

Cathy Rigby in a new touring production of the popular story about a boy who can fly and refuses to grow up.

SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-570-1100. 7PM TUESDAY, 7PM WEDNESDAY.

The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas

Coronado Playhouse stages the "risqué musical," based on the legendary LaGrange, Texas, brothel, the Chicken Ranch.

CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO. 619-435-4856. 8PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY, 8PM SATUR-DAY, 2PM SIJNDAY

The Sound of Music

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After stealing his local library's only (and unread) copy of *Angels in America*, misfit teenager Paul locks himself in the bathroom and begins reading the landmark play. He soon finds that

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DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BL., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-220-0097. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH DECEMBER 9.

Words By: Ira Gershwin and the Great American Songbook

The North Coast Rep has extended the run of this world premiere tribute to lyricist Ira Gershwin. And along with music by the Gershwins, Nicholas Mongiardo-Cooper's downplayed performance as Ira is a calling card (when he sings, he feels the meaning of a song, a lyricist calling quiet attention to is words). Two other performers (Andrew Ableson and Meghan Andrews), however, try to sell every song with generic voices and gestures. Each is, at best, marginally competent, and neither looks comfortable with the material. Some of the finest music and lyrics in the Great American Songbook deserves better treatment.

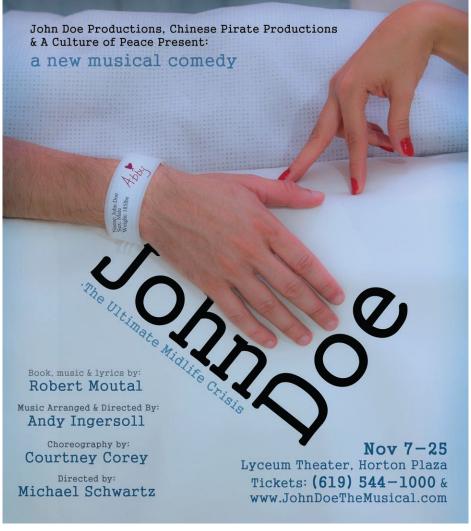
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Yoshimi Battles the Pink Robots

La Jolla Playhouse presents the world premiere musical, book by Des McAnuff and Wayne Coyne, music by the Flaming Lips, in which Yoshimi battles for her life alone in a fantastical robot-world. McAnuff directed.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS, 7:30PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH DECEMBER 16.





Taking It Back to the Start

MOVIES

ames Bond lumbers back to his roots, and *Skyfall* follows suit. A Bond film is supposed to deliver mayhem and eye candy in exotic locales; *Skyfall* offers memorable set pieces in Shanghai, Scotland, and an abandoned island factory compound. A Bond film needs gadgets; *Skyfall* knowingly gives us a

personalized Walther and a radio transmitter. (Honoring the

brand, but not indulging it — unlike the dozen or so brands the film *does* indulge for the sake of sponsorship.) A Bond film needs a menacing villain who's also just a touch daffy; Javier Bardem has more fun than anybody else onscreen as a rogue agent with a mommy complex and a come-hither leer.

But most of all, a Bond film needs an Englishman who can do his bit for crown and country while dazzling the ladies and wearing a tuxedo like it's a second skin. Here and there, Daniel Craig almost manages it, but too often, he comes off like a canny street tough, a musclebound Steve McQueen with a posh accent. Along the way, M notes that "orphans always make the best agents," but that shouldn't mean they get to skip out on charm school. Craig's previous outings as Bond established his take on the character

as a haunted wreck, and that's clearly still a factor. But here, he's

given some old-style banter, and his delivery labors harder than the seams on his trousers, which is saying something. It's not all his fault: he's not the one who decided to have Bond gain a girl's sympathy by recognizing her plight as a sex slave and then slip into her shower two scenes later, and he's not the one who blends Mother and the Mother Country in a story that takes much too long to say much too little beyond, "Spies — like the one in this here franchise — are still relevant!" (Even if they drive old



Skyfall: Hey, 007, how about spending a little less time in the gym and a little more time smiling?

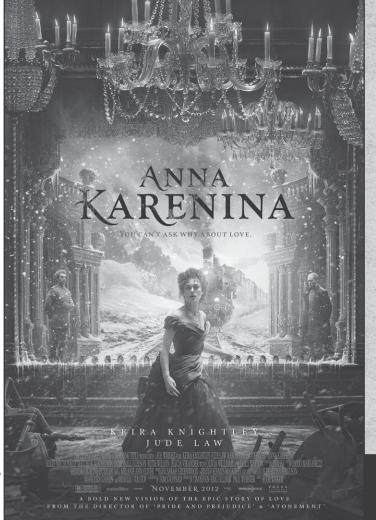
cars, shave with straight razors, and favor the lowest of low-tech weap-onry. Sometimes, we are reminded again and again, the old ways are the best.) Elsewhere, dreamy-wispy Ben Whishaw eats up the screen as a young Q, but it's Ralph Fiennes, as the cagey political overseer Gareth Mallory, who steals the show.

— Matthew Lickona

Interview with A Late Quartet director and cowriter Yaron Silberman

Matthew Lickona: Why did you make this film?

Yaron Silberman: I wanted to make a movie about family dynamics. And I thought that making a film about a string quartet, which always involves very intense relationships between the musicians — it takes about ten years for a string quartet to develop a unique sound — would be a fresh way of looking at family dynamics. I love string quartets, and this [film] comes from listening, in a meticulous way, for several decades. For me, string-quartet music is perhaps the greatest music. But you can't make that amazing music



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without working together. Each one has got to keep their own individual sound and uniqueness, but at the same time, it's got to work together for something that's even bigger than that. At all times, you have to maintain your individuality and also the ability to merge as a group. If you hear only one sound, it's not satisfying; it doesn't have that depth. And if you hear one individual rising too much, that's not satisfying, either.

ML: In the film, Imogen Poots gives a long explanation about what each member of the quartet brings to the ensemble. You have a remarkable quartet of actors playing these musicians, and I was wondering if you could do something similar with regard to what they brought to the film.

YS: Christopher Walken, the cellist, was going against type, in a way, by playing the father figure here. I thought it would be interesting, and it paid off. He's such a great actor, and also a great stage actor. He's bringing that ability, in terms of intimacy and range, into every scene. Philip Seymour Hoffman is such a volcanic force, and he's the second violin here. He's fighting to alternate with the first chair, and he's also reaching a point where there's an issue with his wife, a marital stagnation. Catherine Keener, the violist, has an extraordinary ability to work with emotions. In this role, she has her feelings for the father figure who has just been diagnosed with Parkinson's and is thinking about retiring; she has this crisis with her husband; she has this

past relationship with Daniel, the first violinist; and [she has] this issue with her daughter. It's coming from all sides, and she has to hold all those emotions, all those relationships. Mark Ivanir, the first violinist, is an Israeli, and he's originally from Ukraine. Having that dimension of someone not born in the United States was fascinating for me; he's the first violinist, but he's also an outsider. He gave the part a different feeling than what was written, and it's really heartbreaking. He's obsessed with his own music, yeah, but he's giving everything he's got to the quartet. That's his family.

A Late Quartet opens Friday at La Jolla Village Landmark and is reviewed in the listings. More of my interview with Yaron Silberman is available on The Big Screen blog.

— Matthew Lickona

Interview with The Loneliest Planet writerdirector Julia Loktev

Matthew Lickona: What made you decide to adapt Tom Bisell's short story for the screen?

Julia Loktev: When I read it, I didn't think about adapting it. I was just reading. But quite a while later, I was invited to Georgia for a film festival, and I was traveling there with a boyfriend, and that made me remember the short story, and I thought, Wow, that would be an interesting film to make. That world of backpacking in not-very-familiar

locations was familiar to me. And I was so drawn to the central incident and all the questions that it raises. It made me very uncomfortable, which is exactly what made it so interesting. The core of the story is about love. What do you expect from yourself? What do you expect from the man you love? I think nobody really knows how they're going to react when they're under duress, and you can spend your whole life telling yourself what you think you would do, and then it happens, and you act completely differently. I think that's devastating, when you discover that you're not the person that you wanted to be. We do things we never believed we would do, and then what do we do

ML: Tell me about your use of light; it's clear you took a lot of care with that. JL: Well, when it goes black before those fire scenes at night, that's my experience of camping. So often, when we see fire scenes in movies, they light up the mountain behind the characters. But when you're out camping, you don't see that mountain — you see nothing. That's part of the mystery and excitement of camping. It's about not seeing things when you're in the darkness away from the fire. And, yes, the light during the day was so important to us. I wanted the film to feel slightly like a fairy tale, almost like a memory. So, we shot in very particular light, with a slightly magical feel. We didn't want harsh, direct sunlight, so we had to use the mountains around us like clouds.

We had very detailed studies; we knew when the sun would come out, what arc it would follow. I love the magic that the sun can bring; the same thing can look beautiful or utterly boring based on the light.

ML: How did you interest Gael Garcia Bernal in the project?

JL: In the most traditional way: we sent him the script and he liked it. He responded to the character and to the question of the film. And he said he'd dreamed of going to the Caucasus as a kid because he'd read Lermontov's A Hero of Our Time in middle school, and it was set there. Apparently, that really sparked his imagination. So, in the film, I have them reading a little bit from the novel.

The Loneliest Planet opens Friday at the Ken Cinema and is reviewed in the listings. More of my interview with Julia Loktev is available at The Big Screen blog.

— Matthew Lickona

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Alex Cross — Alex Cross is a detective whose powers of deduction border on the clairvoyant; he can look at your shirt and tell you what you're having for dinner tomorrow night. But the third big-screen outing for novelist James Patterson's celebrated Washington D.C. crime solver will probably be best remembered as a routine cops-andpsycho drama that features Tyler Perry's first job as an actor-for-hire. Matthew Fox plays an industrious serial killer who shows up as a "walk-in" at an unauthorized church boxing match. The point of entering the pugilistic display is to attract the attention of his next victim (Stephanie Jacobsen), who is sitting ringside. So taken is she by his powers that the young vixen can't help but invite Fox back to her home for some kinky sex. Torture and murder ensue. The killer later leaves a clue in the form of a sketch that only



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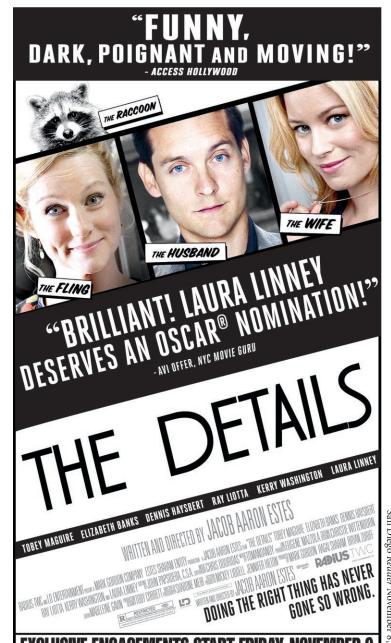
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Calendar

someone well versed in the art of the Mad Magazine fold-in could divine. This type of intricate narrative may well serve Patterson's loval readers, but it tends to set eveballs a-rolling among multiplex wags. Rachel Nichols, Edward Burns, Giancarlo Esposito, John McGinley, Jean Reno, and Cicely Tyson (sporting the sparkliest damn wig I ever did see) round out the cast. 2012. — S.M.

Argo — Oscar-bound dramatization of the far-fetched but true story of six Americans who managed to escape the Iran hostage crisis in 1979 and find shelter in Canada by pretending to be actors in a big budget Hollywood space opera. Ben Affleck directs and stars as the CIA "exfiltration" expert who comes up with the outlandish idea of hiring a once-big producer (don't laugh when you see the poster on Alan Arkin's wall) and makeup man (John Goodman) to give credence to the bogus project. The behind-the-scenes exposé of Uncle Sam-as-auteur accounts for half a great movie. Even if you are not familiar with the incident — the information was eventually declassified in 1997 — the ending is pretty much a foregone conclusion. Affleck needed a stylish touch of sleight of hand to sustain the suspense required to elevate the third act above a typical Bourne sequel. It also suffers a bit from the cutes, as evidenced by Alexandre Desplat's syrupy score and one "Argo 'f yourself" too many. The cast helps to keep things moving — particularly the hilarious interplay between Arkin and Goodman. And, is it me, or should Bryan Cranston be in every film released? Worth seeing, but nowhere near the movie people are going to tell you it is. Make sure not to leave before the obligatory closingcredit sequence where they show what the real victims looked like. They got the hair

right! With Victor Garber, Clea DuVall, Rory Cochrane, and Zeljko Ivanek. 2012. — S.M.

The Big Picture — Wealthy French lawyer Paul Exben (Romain Duris) wanted to be a photographer but instead wound up an overworked, almost frenetic career man, pouring money into his family and telling himself that everything is okay. But, of course, everything is not okay: his wife feels stifled in her role as suburban mom and also finds that she still prefers the company of wannabe photographers. Events conspire to give Paul a second chance at the life he always wanted, and the film gets good mileage out of the thrill of just leaving it all behind, even as it acknowledges the trauma involved — our hero really did love his kids. And, of course, the past has a way of sneaking up on a man, especially a man with something to hide. Director Eric Lartigau makes good, or at least powerful, use of sound to convey agitation, discord, and even terror, and he drenches the screen in

black shadows and bright Sun A tough movie about a man in a tough spot, existential and otherwise. 2010. - M.L.

Chasing Mavericks — The inspirational true-life story of 15-year-old Jay Moriarty (newcomer Jonny Weston), whose dream it was to surf Mavericks, the biggest and most hazardous waves in Northern California. Gerald Butler plays Frosty Hesson, a seasoned pro whose initial reluctance to mentor the lad ("Untrained boys don't step in the ring with Mike Tyson") gradually gives way under gentle pressure from his thoughtful wife, Brenda (Abigail Spenser). With two veteran directors behind the camera, one would expect something more than just Gidget Goes Walden Media, but this appears to be an example of the studio as auteur. Michael Apted (7 to 56 Up, The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader) stepped in to complete the last 15 days of principal shooting after Curtis Hanson (L.A. Confidential, 8 Mile) withdrew

from the project citing health complications from a recent heart surgery. Both men have had success working with younger actors, but even their combined talents can't find a crest to ride in Kario Salem's by-the-numbers script. Still, short of Frankie and Annette's beach pictures, has there ever been a badly photographed surf movie? Happily, Chasing Mavericks is no exception, thanks to cinematographers Oliver Euclid and Bill Pope, who bring you a surfside seat for all the wave crashing action, in addition to imbuing the landlocked scenes with a soft, burnished look. An okay family picture if you're in the mood for a children's primer on surf movies. Better yet, wait until the kid is old enough and s/ he can watch Big Wednesday. Elisabeth Shue, costarring as Jay's alcoholic mom, appears never to have left Las Vegas. 2012. — S.M.

Cloud Atlas — The Wachowski Manifesto. or maybe just their apologia. Together with codirector Tom Tykwer, the W siblings have

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

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Museum of Photographic Arts

Combat Girls (Kriegerin) (Not Rated) Sat 6:30p.m.; Cracks In The Shell (Die Unsichtbare) (Not Rated) Sun 7:00p.m.; German Film Festival: (Not Rated) Sun 1:30p.m.; Home for the Weekend (Was bleibt) (Not Rated) Sun 4:00p.m.

San Diego Natural History Museum Flying Monsters 3D (Not Rated) Fri-Sun 11:00, 2:00; Ocean Oasis (Not Rated) Fri-Sun 12:00p.m.: The Last Reef 3D: Cities Beneath the Sea (Not Rated) Fri-Sun 1:00, 3:00

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CLAIREMONT

Reading Town Square

4665 Clairemont Drive (800-326-3264 #2722) **Argo** (R) Fri-Sun (10:25, 11:25, 1:25, 2:25) 4:15, 5:15, 7:05, 8:05, 9:45, 10:45; Chasing Mavericks (PG) Fri-Sun (10:30, 1:30) 4:35 7:25, 10:20; Cloud Atlas (R) Fri-Sun (11:30, 3:15) 7:00, 10:30; Coldplay Live 2012 (PG) Fri-Sun; Flight (R) Fri-Sun (10:20, 11:20, 1:20, 2:20) 4:20, 5:20, 7:20, 8:20, 10:15, 11:15; Hotel Transylvania (PG) Fri-Sun (11:00, 1:15, 3:25); Skvfall (PG-13) Fri-Sat (10:00, 10:40, 11:20, □ 1:10, 1:45, 2:30) 4:30, 5:10, 5:45, 7:30, 8:15, 8:55, 10:40, 11:20, 12:00 Sun (10:00, 10:40, 11:20, 1:10, 1:45, 2:30) 4:30, 5:10, 5:45, 7:30, 8:15, 8:55 10:40, 11:20; **Taken 2** (PG-13) Fri-Sun 5:40, 8:00, 10:25; **The Details** (R) Fri-Sun (10:45, 1:00, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:50; **The Man with** the Iron Fists (R) Fri-Sun (10:35, 12:55, 3:30) 5:50, 8:25, 10:35; The Twilight Saga Marathon (PG-13) Fri-Sun; Wreck-It Ralph (PG) Fri-Sun (10:50, 1:35, 2:35) 4:25, 5:25, 7:10, 9:40, 10:40; Wreck-It Ralph in 3D (PG) Fri-Sun

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820 Orange Avenue (619-437-6161) Argo (R) Fri-Sun (1:30) 5:00, 8:20; Skyfall (PG-13) Fri-Sun (1:30) 5:00, 8:20; **Wreck-It** Ralph in 3D (PG) Fri (2:30) 5:00, 8:20 Sat-Sun (12:00) 2:30, 5:00, 8:20

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PACIFIC BEACH

Full Moon Drive-In

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Ultrastar Mission Valley Hazard Center

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2 (PG-13) Thu: 10:00 PM; The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Parts 1 & 2 (PG-13) Thu: 7:30 PM; **Coldplay Live 2012** (PG) Tue: 7:30 PM; **Skyfall** (PG-13) Thu: (10:00 a.m.); **Skyfall** (PG-13) Fri: (10:00 a.m.), (1:00), 4:15, 7:30, 10:45, Sat: (10:00 a.m.), (11:00 a.m.), (1:00), (2:00), 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45, Sun-Wed: (10:00 a.m.), (11:00 a.m.), (1:00), (2:00), 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, Thu: (10:00 a.m.), (1:00), 4:15; Shakespeare's Globe Theatre: Dr. Faustus (NR) Tue: 7:00 PM; Kidtoons: Welcome to LazyTown (NR) Sat & Sun: (10:30 a.m.); Wreck-It Ralph (PG) Fri & Sat: (10:00 a.m.), (12:30), (3:00), 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, Sun-Wed: (10:00 a.m.), (12:30), (3:00), 5:30, 8:00, Thu: (10:00 a.m.), (12:30), (3:00), 5:30; **Cloud Atlas** (R) Sat-Mon: (12:15), (4:00), 7:45, Tue: (12:15), (4:00), Wed: (12:15), (4:00), 7:45, Thu: (12:15 PM); **Argo** (R) Fri & Sat: (10:30 a.m.), (1:15), (4:00), 7:00, 10:00,

Sun-Wed: (10:30 a.m.), (1:15), (4:00), 7:00, Thu:

(10:45 a.m.), (1:00), (3:15), 5:45, 8:00, 10:15, Sun

(10:30 a.m.), (1:15); Taken 2 (PG-13) Sat:

& Mon. (1.00), (3.15), 5.45, 8.00, Tue. (10.45) a.m.), (1:00), (3:15), Wed: (10:45 a.m.), (1:00), (3:15), 5:45, 8:00, Thu: (1:00 PM); Hotel Transylvania (PG) Sat: (10:15 a.m.), (2:45), 7:15, 9:45, Sun-Wed: (10:15 a.m.), (2:45), 7:15, Thu: (10:15 a.m.), (2:45); Hotel Transylvania 3D (PG) Sat-Wed: (12:30), 5:00, Thu: (12:30 PM)

UPTOWN

Landmark Hillcrest

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) A Late Quartet (R) Fri, Mon-Thu: (2:10), (4:40), 7:10, 9:40, Sat & Sun: (11:35), 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40; **The Perks Of Being A Wall**flower (PG-13) Fri, Mon-Thu: (2:20), (4:45), 7:20, 9:45, Sat & Sun: (11:45), 2:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:45; **The Sessions** (R) Fri, Mon-Thu: (2:35), (5:00), 7:30, 9:50, Sat & Sun: (12:00), 2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; **The Flat** (NR) Fri, Mon-Thu: (2:25), 4:55, 7:35, 9:55, Sat & Sun: (11:50), 2:25, 4:55, 7:35, 9:55; The Other Son (PG-13) Fri, Mon-Thu: (2:00), (4:30), 7:00, 9:30, Sat & Sun: (11:30), 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, Discount Shows at Landmark's Hillcrest Cinemas Indicated in Brackets "()"; **Anna Karenina** (R) Opens

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) Call theater for program information.

Reading Grossmont

5500 Grossmont Center Drive (800-326-3264 Call theater for program information.

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Regal Rancho San Diego

2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264) **Argo** (R) Fri-Sun (11:15, 2:30) 6:40, 10:25; **Cloud Atlas** (R) Fri-Sun (11:45, 3:55) 7:55; **Flight** (R) Fri (11:05, 11:40, 2:25, 4:05) 6:50, 7:20, 10:10, 10:35 Sat (11:05, 11:40, 2:25) 4:05, 6:50, 7:20, 10:10, 10:35 Sun (11:05, 11:40, 2:25, 4:05) 6:50, 7:20, 10:10, 10:35; **Here Comes** the Boom (PG) Fri-Sun (2:35) 6:35; Hotel Transvlvania (PG) Fri (11:10, 1:35, 4:10) Sat Sun (11:10, 1:35) 4:10; **Paranormal Activity** 4 (R) Fri-Sun (11:35) 9:35; Pitch Perfect (PG-13) Fri (10:35, 1:30, 4:25) 7:35, 10:40 Sat-Sun (10:35, 1:30) 4:25, 7:35, 10:40; **Silent** Hill: Revelation 3D (R) Fri-Sun 11:10p.m. Skyfall (PG-13) Fri-Sun (10:50, 11:20, 11:50, 2:10, 2:40, 3:50) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 9:50, 10:20, 10:50; **Taken 2** (PG-13) Fri-Sun (10:55, 1:20) 4:20, 7:10, 9:40; The Man with the Iron Fists (R) Fri (10:40, 1:25, 4:40) 7:40, 10:15 Sat-Sun (10:40, 1:25) 4:40, 7:40, 10:15; Wreck-lt Ralph (PG) Fri (10:30, 11:00, 1:15, 1:45, 4:00, 4:30) 6:45, 7:15, 10:00 Sat-Sun (10:30 11:00, 1:15, 1:45) 4:00, 4:30, 6:45, 7:15, 10:00: Wreck-It Ralph in 3D (PG) Fri (11:30, 2:15, 5:00) 7:45, 10:30 Sat-Sun (11:30, 2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Call theater for program information.

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

AMC Palm Promenade

770 Dennery Road (888-262-4386) Call theater for program information.

Regal Rancho Del Rey

1025 Tierra del Rey (off East H Street) (619-216-4707) Call theater for program information.

UltraStar Chula Vista

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) Kidtoons: Welcome to LazyTown (NR) Sat & Sun: (10:30 a.m.); Won't Back Down (PG) Fri & Sat: (11:00 a.m.), (1:45), 4:30, 7:15, 10:00, Sun: (11:00 a.m.), (1:45), 4:30, 7:15, Mon-Thu: (1:45), 4:30, 7:15; **Dredd** (R) Fri & Sat 7:30, 10:15, Sun-Thu: 7:30 PM; House at the End of the Street (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (12:45), (3:15), 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Sun: (12:45), (3:15) 5:45, 8:15, Mon-Thu: (3:15), 5:45, 8:15; Trouble with the Curve (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (11:30 a.m.), (2:15), 5:00, 7:45, 10:30, Sun: (11:30 a.m.), (2:15), 5:00, 7:45, Mon-Thu: (2:15), 5:00, 7:45; Resident Evil: Retribution (R) Fri & Sat: (11:30 a.m.), (2:00), 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, Sun: (11:30 a.m.), (2:00), 4:30, 7:00, Mon-Thu: (2:00), 4:30, 7:00; The Possession (PG-13) Fri & Sat: (2:45), 7:45, 10:15, Sun-Thu: (2:45), 7:45; Lawless (R) Fri & Sat: 7:30, 10:15, Sun-Thu: 7:30

PM; The Expendables 2 (R) Fri & Sat: 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Sun-Thu: 5:45, 8:15; ParaNorman (PG) Fri-Sun: (11:00 a.m.), (1:15), (3:30), Mon-Thu: (1:15), (3:30); **Hope Springs** (PG-13) Fri-Sun: (12:15), 5:15, Mon-Thu: 5:15 PM; Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (PG) Fri-Sun: (12:00), (2:30), 5:15, Mon-Thu: (2:30), 5:15; The Dark Knight Rises (PG-13) Fri-Sun: (12:30), 4:15, 8:00, Mon-Thu: 4:15, 8:00; Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) Fri & Sat: (11:15 a.m.), (1:45), 4:15, 6:45, 9:15, Sun: (11:15 a.m.), (1:45), 4:15, 6:45, Mon-Thu: (1:45), 4:15, 6:45; Brave (PG) Fri-Sun: (12:00), (2:30), 5:00,

Mon-Thu: (2:30), 5:00 **EASTLAKE**

AMC Otay Ranch

Eastlake Parkway (at Olympic) (888-262-4386) Call theater for program information.

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information.

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

NATIONAL CITY

AMC Plaza Bonita

3030 Plaza Bonita Road (888-262-4386) Call theater for program information.

NORTH INLAND

ESCONDIDO

Regal Escondido

 $35\bar{0}$ West Valley Parkway (760-291-0119) Call theater for program information.

FALLBROOK

UltraStar River Village

5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2 (PG-13) Thu: 10:00, 10:00, 10:00, 10:00, 5kyfall (PG-13) Fri-Sun: 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:45, Mon: 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, Tue & Wed:

1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 8:30, Thu: 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; **Kidtoons: Welcome to LazyTown** (NR) Sat & Sun: 10:30 a.m.; **Wreck-It Ralph** (PG) Fri-Sun: 10:15 a.m., 1:15, 3:45, 7:15, 9:45, Mon: 10:15 a.m., 1:15, 3:45, 7:15; **Fun Size** (PG-13) Fri-Mon: 11:30 a.m., 2:15, 4:45, Tue-Thu: 2:15, 4:45, 7:00; **Argo** (R) Fri-Sun: 10:45 a.m., 1:45, 4:30, 7:45, 10:30, Mon: 10:45 a.m., 1:45, 4:30, 7:45, 10:245, 4:30, 7:45; **Taken 2** (PG-13) Fri-Sun: 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 8:15, 11:00, Mon: 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 8:15,

Tue & Wed: 2:45, 5:15, 8:15, Thu: 2:45, 5:15; **Hotel Transylvania** (PG) Fri-Mon: 10:30 a.m., 1:30, Tue-Thu: 1:30, 4:00, 6:15

POWAY

UltraStar Poway

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2 (PG-13) Thu: 10:00 PM; The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2 (PG-13) Thu: 10:00 PM; The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Parts 1 & 2 (PG-13) Thu: 7:30 PM; The Twilight Saga Marathon (PG-13) Thu: 12:00 PM; Skyfall (PG-13) Wed: 10:00 a.m.; **Skyfall** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 10:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30, 1:00, 1:45, 4:15, 5:00, 6:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:45, Sun-Wed: 10:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30, 1:00, 1:45, 4:15, 5:00, 6:00, 7:30, 8:00, Thu: 10:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00; **Shake**speare's Globe Theatre: Dr. Faustus (NR) Tue: 7:00 PM; Kidtoons: Welcome to LazyTown (NR) Sat & Sun: 10:30 a.m.; Flight (R) Fri & Sat: 10:20 a.m., 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:30, Sun-Wed: 10:20 a.m., 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, Thu: 10:05 a.m., 1:05, 4:05, 7:05; The Man with the Iron Fists (R) Fri & Sat: 11:00 a.m., 1:50, 5:05, 7:35, 10:05, Sun-Wed: 11:00 a.m., 1:50, 5:05, 8:40, Thu: 11:00 a.m., 1:50, 4:05; Wreck-It Ralph (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:30 a.m., 12:50, 1:40, 4:05, 5:45, 7:00, 9:30, Sun-Thu: 10:30 a.m. 12:50, 1:40, 4:05, 5:45, 7:00; **Wreck-It Ralph** (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:30 a.m., 1:40, 4:05, 7:00, 9:30, Sun-Thu: 10:30 a.m., 1:40, 4:05, 7:00; **Wreck-It Ralph in 3D** (PG) Fri-Thu: 10:10 a.m., 3:20, 8:20; **Cloud Atlas** (R) Fri & Sat: 10:05 a.m., 1:35, 5:10, 8:40, Sun-Wed: 10:05 a.m., 1:35, 5:10, 7:20, Thu: 10:05 a.m., 1:35, 6:20; **Fun Size** (PG-13) Fri-Wed: 10:10 a.m., 3:35, Thu: 3:35 PM; Argo (R) Fri & Sat: 10:40 a.m., 1:25, 4:25, 7:10, 10:00, Sun-Thu: 10:40 a.m., 1:25, 4:25, 7:10; **Taken 2** (PG-13) Fri: 10:20 a.m., 12:40, 3:05, 5:25, Sat: 12:40, 3:05, 5:25, Sun: 12:40, 3:05, 5:25, 7:40, Mon: 10:20 a.m., 12:40, 3:05, 5:25, 7:40, Tue: 10:05 a.m., 12:20, 2:35, 4:55, Wed: 1:00, 3:05, 5:25, 7:40, Thu: 10:10 a.m.

SAN MARCOS

Regal San Marcos

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

TEMECULA

Ultrastar Temecula Tower Cinemas 27531 Ynez Road (951-699-2205)

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2 (PG-13) Thu: 12:00 a.m.; The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Parts 1 & 2 (PG-13) Thu: 7:30 PM; The Twilight Saga Marathon (PG-13) Thu: 12:00 PM; Skyfall (PG-13) Wed: 10:00 a.m.; Skyfall (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 2:00, 3:30, 4:15, 5:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 10:30, Sun-Thu:

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12:30, 3:00, 5:15, 11:00, Sun-Thu: 10:15 a.m., 12:30, 3:00, 5:15; **Argo** (R) Fri & Sat: 10:30 a.m., 1:20, 4:00, 7:15, 10:15, Sun-Thu: 10:30 a.m., 1:20, 4:00, 7:15; **Here Comes the Boom** (PG) Fri: 11:00 a.m., Mon & Tue: 11:00 a.m., Thu: 11:00 a.m., **Taken 2** (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 10:45 a.m., 2:00, 4:30, 7:15; **Hotel Transylvania** (PG) Fri-Thu: 11:00 a.m., 1:15

VISTA

Krikorian **Vista Village**

Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)

Argo (R) Fri-Sun (11:00, 1:40, 4:30) 7:15, 10:05; Chasing Mavericks (PG) Fri-Sun (11:00, 1:45, 4:25) 7:10, 9:50; Cloud Atlas (R) Fri-Sun (11:40, 3:20) 7:00, 10:30; Flight (R) Fri (10:05, 12:25, 1:10, 3:40, 4:20) 7:05, 7:40, 10:05, 10:35 Sat (12:25, 1:10, 3:40, 4:20) 7:05, 7:40, 10:05, 10:35 Sat (12:25, 1:10, 3:40, 4:20) 7:05, 7:40, 10:05, 10:35 Sat (10:05, 12:25, 1:10, 3:40, 4:20) 7:05, 7:40, 10:05, 10:35; Hotel Transylvania (PG) Fri-Sun (10:50, 1:05, 3:20, 5:35); Pitch

Perfect (PG-13) Fri-Sun 7:25, 10:15; Sinister (R) Fri-Sun 7:50, 10:25; Skyfall (PG-13) Fri (10:00, 10:40, 12:00, 12:40, 1:10, 1:45, 3:10, 3:45, 4:15, 4:50) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:35, 10:10, 10:45, 11:15 Sat (10:40, 12:00, 12:40, 1:10, 1:45, 3:10, 3:45, 4:15, 4:50) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:35, 10:10, 10:45, 11:15 Sun (10:00, 10:40, 12; Taken 2 (PG-13) Fri (10:10, 12:20, 2:45, 5:10) 7:35, 10:00 Sat (12:20, 2:45, 5:10) 7:35, 10:00 Sun (10:10, 12:20, 2:45, 5:10) 7:35, 10:00; The Man with the Iron Fists (R) Fri-Sun (12:10, 2:50, 5:15) 7:45, 10:15; Wreck-It Ralph (PG) Fri-Sun (10:30, 11:20, 1:20, 1:50, 4:00, 4:30) 6:50, 7:20, 9:30, 10:00; Wreck-It Ralph in 3D (PG) Fri-Sun (11:50, 2:30, 5:00)

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NORTH COASTAL CARLSBAD

Moviemax Plaza Camino Real 2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469) Call theater for program information.

DEL MAR

Cinépolis Del Mar

12905 El Camino Real (858-794-4045) Call theater for program information.

ENCINITAS

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-7469) **Chasing Mavericks** (PG) Fri 6:20, 9:00 Sat (3:40) 6:20, 9:00 Sun (3:40p.m.)

OCEANSIDE

Regal Oceanside

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733) Call theater for program information.

UltraStar Oceanside Mission Marketplace

College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2 (PG-13) Thu: 10:00 PM; The Twilight **Saga: Breaking Dawn Parts 1 & 2** (PG-13) Thu: 7:30, 7:30, 7:30; **The Twilight Saga** Marathon (PG-13) Thu: 12:00 PM; Coldplay Live 2012 (PG) Tue: 7:30 PM; Skyfall (PG-13) Fri & Sat: 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:45, Sun-Tue: 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, Thu: 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 6:30, 7:30; **Skyfall** (PG-13) Wed: 10:00 a m . 11:00 a m . 1:00, 2:15, 4:15. 5:15, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30; **Shakespeare's Globe** Theatre: Dr. Faustus (NR) Tue: 7:00 PM; Kidtoons: Welcome to LazyTown (NR) Sat & Sun: 10:30 a.m.; Flight (R) Fri & Sat: 10:05 a.m., 1:10, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20, Sun-Thu: 10:05 a.m., 1:10, 4:20, 7:20; **The Man with** the Iron Fists (R) Fri & Sat: 10:05 a.m., 12:40, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:40, Sun-Wed: 10:05 a.m., 12:40, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, Thu: 10:05 a.m., 12:40, 3:15; Wreck-It Ralph (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:15 a.m., 12:45, 3:15, 4:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Sun-Wed: 10:15 a.m., 12:45, 3:15, 4:15, 5:45, 8:15, Thu: 10:15 a.m., 12:45, 3:15, 4:15, 5:45; Wreck-It Ralph (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:15 a.m., 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, Sun-Wed: 10:15 a.m., 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, Thu: 10:15 a.m., 12:45, 3:15, 5:45; **Wreck-It Ralph in 3D** (PG) Fri & Sat: 11:15 a.m., 1:45, 7:00, 9:30, Sun-Wed: 11:15 a.m., 1:45, 7:00, Thu: 11:15 a.m., 1:45; **Chasing Mavericks** (PG) Fri-Thu: 10:00 a.m., 12:40, 3:20; Cloud Atlas (R) Fri & Sat: 10:10 a.m., 2:30, 6:20, 10:05, Sun-Thu: 10:10 a.m., 2:30, 6:20; **Fun Size** (PG-13) Fri-Wed: 10:30 a.m., 3:00; Paranormal Activity 4 (R) Fri & Sat: 12:45, 5:20, 7:45, 10:00, Sun-Wed: 12:45, 5:20, 7:45; **Argo** (R) Fri & Sat: 11:05 a.m., 2:05, 4:50, 7:35, 10:20, Sun & Mon: 11:05 a.m., 2:05, 4:50, 7:35, Tue & Wed: 11:05 a.m., 2:05, 4:50, Thu: 11:05 a.m., 2:05, 4:50, 7:35; **Here Comes the Boom** (PG) Fri-Thu: 12:30, 5:15; **Sinister** (R) Fri: 11:20 a.m., 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, 10:05, Sat: 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, 10:05, Sun: 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, Mon: 11:20 a.m., 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, Tue: 11:20 a.m. 1:50, 4:20, Wed: 11:20 a.m., 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, Thu: 11:20 a.m., 1:50, 4:20; Hotel Transylvania (PG) Fri & Sat: 10:15 a.m., 3:00, 7:45, 10:00, Sun-Thu: 10:15 a.m., 3:00, 7:45; **The Details** (R) Fri & Sat: 10:30 a.m., 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:30, 10:50, Sun-Thu: 10:30 a.m., 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:30

Detropia — From Heidi Ewing and Rachel Grady, the team that brought you Jesus Camp, comes another cable-ready documentary

content to skim the surface. Detroit is the fastest-shrinking city in the United States; the population has reached its lowest point in 100 years. We follow several locals — video blogger, UAW union president, retired school teacher/lounge owner — as well as Mayor David Bing. In a fit of desperation, hizzonor plans to relocate thousands of citizens from deserted neighborhoods to the more densely populated parts of town and turn the rest of the city into a giant urban farmhouse. As with Jesus Camp, there's a suffocating sense of ironic sensationalism at work. The film's level of social commentary never rises far above its use of contrary (and well-worn) ephemeral film footage or ironic cutaways to "We Built This City" or "GM: Buy American" placards. Needless to say, Michael Moore heartily endorses this film. It left me with one searing question: "And the reason this got a theatrical release is...?" 2012. — S.M.

The Flat — While sifting through the remains of his recently deceased grandmother's apartment in Tel Aviv, Arnon Goldfinger came across documentation linking his grandparents — both refugees from Hitler's Germany — with high-ranking Nazi minister Baron Leopold von Mildenstein, and decided to turn his findings into a feature-length documentary. Instead of Bubbie and Zadie Were Huns, The Flat details the fascinating events surrounding grandma and grandpa Tuchler's visit to Palestine with a pro-Zionist von Mildenstein (the Baron looked to Zionism as an answer to the "Jewish problem") and the subsequent friendship the couple maintained with the former SS officer after the war ended. The dirty little family secret barely seems to faze Goldfinger's mother, who is more intent on studying her parent's ancient bank statements than giving credence to this newly found information. It's as compelling a story as anything you're likely to come across in contemporary fiction; not unlike this year's Searching for Sugar Man, the events that unfold are the type that would be deemed

unbelievable were they given a conventional narrative treatment. Unlike Sugar Man, very little thought went into the pacing or visual design and The Flat amounts to nothing more than a highly-watchable "shoot now, figure it out later" affair. 2012. - S.M.

Flight — What is Flight? Is it a tough-minded look into the dangers of making heroes out of men who do amazing things? (Denzel Washington, an airline pilot who pulls off a miracle landing in a malfunctioning plane, but oh dear, it turns out he was drunk and high while he did it.) Or is it a searing attack on the inhuman world of corporate legal maneuvering, where certain lives count less than others and the main thing is to pass the buck? (Don Cheadle almost steals the show from the paunchy Washington as the oily Chicago lawyer hired to defend him during the ensuing investigation.) Or is it a raised-stakes addiction movie? (Washington has a shattered family, drinks like a fish, and hooks up with a recovery-minded heroin addict.) Surprise, it's none of the above! This here is a religious picture; you get your first tip when Washington's co-pilot cries out to God in a moment of panic, and Denzel coolly replies, "He can't help you here." God is a little like Chekhov's gun that way — you can't introduce Him at the outset, and then have Him not show up by the end. Director Robert Zemeckis does his best to hide the providential machinery, though - making sure that Cheadle's attempt to get "act of God" added to the list of accident causes is a thoroughly cynical move, that a prophet who proclaims God's hand in everything is a cancer patient suffering from "chemo-head," and that a husband who does the same is backed by a wife bleating out "Bless Jesus!" like a madwoman. Alas, Zemeckis can't keep himself from playing the Rolling Stones' "Sympathy for the Devil" when vice-peddler John Goodman comes on the scene. And that sort of indulgence plagues the picture, or rather, bloats it. 2012. - M.L.

Frankenweenie — Director Tim Burton returns to a short film he made at the very beginning of his career. If the move signals a certain failure to advance creatively, it also marks a return to the realm of the heartfelt, which is where he does his best work. So ves, you'll see a lot of familiar Burton elements: black and white (Ed Wood), a mad scientist in the midst of cookie-cutter surburbia (Edward Scissorhands), life-after-death (Beetlejuice), and even a Johnny-Deppish mien for the protagonist, a boy named Victor Frankenstein. And yes, as his name suggests, the original short is based on someone else's idea. But even so, it's alive - inspired, even. We may wag our fingers at Dr. Frankenstein's mad quest to cheat death in Shelley's masterpiece, but who could condemn a heartbroken boy's desire to recover his beloved dog? Young Victor does science for love, and happily, old Burton is here doing movie-making for the same reason. (An exchange between Victor and his science teacher may even serve as a mea culpa for some of Burton's late-career missteps.) Of course, in stretching a short to feature length, Burton is forced to take an homage to one classic monster movie and turn it into an homage to a whole bunch of classic monster movies, with occasionally ungainly results. Still, he manages to keep a spirit of mildly creepy fun throughout, and he even comes within a tail's twitch of a magnificent ending. 2012. - M.L.

Fun Size — Instead of going to a hot boy's Halloween party, Wren (Victoria Justice) is ordered to take her 8-year-old, bonboneating bon vivant brother, Albert (Jackson Nicoll) trick or treating. When first we meet the brawny tyke, he is parked naked on the bowl dropping a deuce while sis finishes up her shower. All that's missing is a stogie and can of Blatz! Their dad is dead and Albert hasn't verbally communicated with anyone in over a year. He turns a page in his comic book before holding up one finger as if to say, "I'll be off as soon as I finish this chapter." As much as we all deplore plebeian fart humor,

the added 'kerplunk' is a touch of aural splendor, Dressed as Spider-Man with a bloody stump, Albert is the type of kid for whom Benadryl Baby will definitely act as a stepping stone to harder drugs. Albert escapes, and virginal Wren enlists the aid of her slightly sluttier BFF April (Jane Levy) and a pair of class nerds with wheels (Thomas Mann and Osric Chau) to join in her hunt for Albert. What am I forgetting? Chelsea Handler's career — she plays Wren and Albert's mother has officially jumped the shark. Other kidfriendly infractions include a CG cat that's allergic to the NAIR on April's backside, a pair of obese, scantily clad Samoans, an adorable African-American child saying, "You're not my mommy, bitch," a giant chicken humping a Volvo, mammogram jokes, and a can of slow-motion soda that's timed to hit the floor with an ejaculatory splash the minute the nerd's feelings for Wren are made known. 2012. — S.M.

Here Comes the Boom — Thought experiment, possibly entertaining: view this film as if it were titled The Passion of the Kevin James. It's as much a Christ parable as Raging Bull, only "director" Frank Coraci doesn't know it. In order to raise the funds needed to save his school's music program, the nutty redeemer becomes a glorified kickboxer, and before it's over, his students are in Vegas watching their favorite teacher get stomped into a bloody pulp. He wins in the end (SPOILER ALERT), but there is something to be said for getting to watch a group of muscled individuals take turns beating up on Kevin James. Besides, art and salvation through violence is a PG message we can all abide by. The third act pathos proceeds exactly as planned, and an unexpected cutaway to the teary-eyed father of an Asian kid brought tears to my eyes. I'll have to check the list, but I don't think I've had more fun laughing at a movie all year. Hideous on the eyes, too. With a blue filter strapped on the camera throughout the entire production, Phil Meheux's cinematography makes it look like a Smurfs sequel directed by Michael Mann. If you have a taste for the terrible, this one comes highly recommended. With Salma Hayek and Joe Rogan as "Himself." — S.M.

Hotel Transvivania — Fans of Adam Sandler will want to have a neighbor read them the following: the latest from Sony Pictures Animation has all the stylistic innovation and visual niceties of a Count Chocula commercial. An unduly protective vampire daddy (Sandler) who runs a restricted resort — the clientele is limited to "monsters only" - goes bat shit when he discovers that his teenage daughter (Selena Gomez) has fallen for a human (Andy Samberg). All of the background monsters appear to have been lifted from past sources; Sandler's "blah-blah" Bela Lugosi impersonation is as original as things get. As if 8 Crazy Nights wasn't proof enough, this further hammers home the fact that an anthropomorphic Adam is as annoying an impediment to entertainment as his live-action counterpart. Russian TV animator Genndy Tartakovsky (The Powerpuff Girls, Star Wars: The Clone Wars) succumbs to the pressures of a mainstream PG release by refusing to explore any of the subtleties to be found in a relationship between an overprotective blood-sucker and a virginal daughter who he wants to remain intact. Then again, Sandler's craft is propelled by gaseous emissions, not nuanced wit. Fart jokes aficionados won't leave hungry. 2012. — S.M.

A Late Quartet — On the threshold of its 25th anniversary concert, the renowned Fugue String Quartet finds itself on the verge of dissolution, as its members begin to bow under the tension between personal goods and the good of the group (namely, the music that it makes). If the script is occasionally indulgent in its comparisons between music and life (the titular quartet may refer to the Fugue, or to the work they're performing, Beethoven's Opus

FILM FESTIVALS

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San Diego Christian Film Festival

Festival offers premiere of Corbin Bernsen's film 25 *Hill*,, the premiere of *Renee*,, produced by David Nixon, as well as ten films and ten shorts. Friday, November 9, 7:30pm, Saturday, November 10, 10:00am, Sunday, November 11, 10:00am

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Bonsai People: The Vision of Muhammad Yunus Holly Mosher's documentary 'explores the work of Muhammad Yunus and his vision for social change, which has taken him and the Grameen Bank, which he created, from microcredit to social business." 760-753-7376. Wednesday, November 14, 6:00pm

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Hill Street Country Club — Popcorn **Night!** Evening promises video premiere of new work by BB Bastidas (7:30pm), followed by a screening of Dark City (1998), starring Rufus Sewell, Kiefer Sutherland, Jennifer Connelly, William Hurt (8pm), Enjoy wine and beer, light appetizers, popcorn, candy. Bring seating (blankets, sleeping bag, pillows, yoga mat). Friday, November 9, 7:00pm

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Habemus Papam (We Have a Pope) Italian Film Festival continues with Nanni Moretti's 2011 film. Thursday, November 8, 7:00pm

Rosso come il cielo (Red Like the Sky) Cristiano Bortone's 2006 film screens for Italian Film Festival. Friday, November 9, 7:00pm

migrACTION Marco Lora's 2012 film screens for Italian Film Festival. Sunday, November 11, 2:00pm

Arab Film Festival Opening night begins with reception. Director Zaid Abu Hamdan will be on hand for discussion and to introduce his short, Bahiya & Mahmoud. The main feature is director Nadine Labaki's Where Do We Go Now (Lebanon).

On November 17, see The War Around Us (USA/Palestine). Director Abdallah Omeish joins festival for a discussion of this Newport Beach Film Festival 2012 "Best Documentary" winner. Refreshments served between showings. Final feature: Masquerades (Algeria). 619-243-0827. Friday, November 16, 6:30pm, Saturday, November 17, 6:00pm

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Groundswell: A Small Film About Making a Big Stand "At great environmental risk, and against the wishes of most British Columbian and aboriginal people, the Enbridge Northern Gateway project would pipe tar sands oil from Alberta to the coast of British Columbia for delivery to markets in Asia and California." Raincoast Conservation Foundation and filmmaker/Patagonia surf ambassador Chris Malloy teamed up "to highlight all that's at stake." See Malloy's short documentary. Question and answer with Malloy and Raincoast follows. Music by Todd Hannigan, Xoco Moraza, Andrew Jones, 760-634-9886, Saturday,

November 17, 7:00pm

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The Big Lebowski Joel and Ethan Coen's 1998 comedy stars Jeff Bridges as an unemployed Los Angeles bowler in the middle of a kidnapping plot. With John Goodman, Steve Buscemi, John Turturro, Julianne Moore, Hotel's swimming pool is open to hotel guests for free and all others with drink purchase during Dive-In Theatre "cinema social." Abide. 619-226-6100. Wednesday, November 14, 8:00pm

Planes. Trains. and Automobiles John Candy and Steve Martin star as mismatched Thanksgiving travel companions in this 1987 John Hughes comedy screening for Dive-In Theatre "cinema social" at hotel's poolside lounge and outdoor theater. Swimming pool is open to hotel guests for free and all others with drink purchase. 619-226-6100. **Wednesday**, November 21, 8:00pm

The Royal Tenenbaums Dive-In Theatre screening of the 2001 film directed by Wes Anderson, co-written with Owen Wilson. Stellar cast includes Gene Hackman, Anjelica Huston, Danny Glover, Bill Murray, Gwyneth Paltrow, Ben Stiller, Luke Wilson, Owen Wilson. During the "cinema social" at hotel's poolside lounge and outdoor theater, swimming pool is open to hotel guests for free and all others with drink ourchase. 619-226-6100. Wednesday, November 28, 8:00pm

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The Harder They Come: 40th Anniversary Screening Reggae star Jimmy Cliff played "Ivan, a young rural Jamaican musician who journeys to the big city in search of fame and fortune. Pushed to desperate circumstances by shady record producers and corrupt cops,

he finally achieves notoriety - as a murderous outlaw." Discussion follows screening, led by UCSD professor Pierre Désir. 619-236-5800 Saturday, November 17, 12:00pm

Seven Minutes in Heaven Film Forum continues with this 2009 film, "equal parts meta physical love story and gritty psychodrama." A young Israeli woman, survivor of a suicide bus bombing, investigates the mysteries of that fateful day. In Hebrew with English subtitles. 619-236-5800. Monday, November 19, 6:30pm



Prairie Love From the North Dakota tundra comes this 2011 tale of three lost souls desperate for love. Film Forum screening, 619-236-5800. Monday, November 26, 6:30pm

TENTH AVENUE THEATRE

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Horrible Imaginings Film Festival Festival dedicated to macabre art and film unleashes "over 40 short and feature horrors" Featured documentary Zero Killed (Germany). Other features: The Black Dahlia Haunting, Blood for Irina, The Eschatrilogy, Gut by Elias. Local spotlights Sanguijuelas, The Body Bag, Haven in the Hills, Aim for the Heart. 443-834-3742. Saturday, November 10, 1:00pm, Sunday, November 11, 1:00pm

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The Loneliest Planet — Director Julia Loktev's adaptation of Tom Bissell's claustrophobic short story about manhood, set in a place that is anything but: the Caucasus Mountains. Alex (a shaggy, bearded Gael Garcia Bernal) and Nica (a redheaded Hani Furstenberg), adventurous and engaged to be married, hire local veteran Dato (a shavedheaded Bidzina Guiabidze) to lead them on one of those hikes that doesn't show up in your guidebook. Dato proves an able guide and an amiable if awkward conversationalist — viz. his protracted joke about Georgians being called in to castrate the overbreeding Chinese — and if the viewer begins to feel the drip, drip, drip of tension building up, it certainly isn't because of anything overt. (Indeed, when the unforseeable moment of crisis comes, Dato is just a bystander.) But even so, he's there, as much a presence as the mountains looming overhead, and the fallout lands accordingly. Loktev takes her time with every scene and setting; if the significance isn't immediately clear, give it a minute to come to you. 2011. — M.L.

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Looper — A nifty idea botched by writer, director Rian Johnson's (Brick) unnecessarily dense plotting. (A calculatedly confusing storyline does not a good movie make.) Tickets should come with a road map (or a comic book adaptation) wrapped around them to help guide audiences through this. In a dystopian universe that resembles any number of cramped, squalid depictions of a Hollywoodized future, the mob blindfolds finks and sends them 30 years into the past to be whacked by hitmen known as "loopers." There's a catch: when a hired gun displeases the boss and it comes time to "close the loop," the baddies are stuck in the wayback machine and sent on a suicidal blast to the past. But wouldn't it have been simpler to direct Joseph Gordon-Levitt to brush up on reruns of Moonlighting to help find his character, rather than saddling him with a distracting makeup job aimed at passing him off as a dead-ringer for a young Bruce Willis? It officially lost me when Willis and Levitt met for a Tarantinostyle diner scene topped by a dumb-dumb "old man"/"boy" exchange and a spray of bullets. Everything after that was an incomprehensible blur. With Emily Blunt, Piper Perabo, and Qing Xu. 2012. — S.M.

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The Man with the Iron Fists — A kungfu picture with heart — and guts. Wu-Tang Clan member RZA co-wrote, directed, and stars in the story of a simple blacksmith, biding his time in a violent village, making weapons for anyone with the money to buy them and saving up for the day when he can purchase his beloved's freedom from the brothel where she lives and works. Is the dialogue clunky? Is the acting so uneven that you find yourself grateful for Russell Crowe's shouty hysterics as a dirty-minded Englishman with a knife, just because he knows how to put a line across? Does the final battle devolve into a frenetic orgy of destruction laced with cliche? Ask yourself: why are you surprised by any of this? If you can't get past all that to delight in the down-to-earth storyline about multiple parties pursuing a shipment of government gold, the riotous excess of the Pink Blossom brothel's interior decor, and the thoughtful

Picture Show



Last Vegas: the title is a joke; the film itself, astonishingly, is not. Your move, cast of Wild Hogs.

The Sessions — Did you hear the one

mix of CG effects and old-fashioned arterial spray — well, you've come to the wrong place. With Rick Yune, Lucy Liu. 2012. — M.L.

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The Other Son (Le fils de l'autre) -

French drama about an Israeli couple and a Palestinian couple who discover that their teenage sons were accidentally switched at birth. It's not as dreadful as it sounds. The family melodrama and performances — particularly by Emmanuelle Devos and Areen Omari as the boys' mothers — are quite effective. But when it comes to politics, this isn't much better than *The Parent Trap*. Cowritten (along with Nathalie Saugeon) and directed by Lorraine Levy. With Pascal Elbé, Jules Sitruk, and Mehdi Dehbi. 2012. — S.M.

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Pitch Perfect — The problem: geek culture has ascended to the point where it's difficult to portray, say, college guys who do a capella renditions of pop songs as lovable losers who have to triumph over their own peculiarity to win the respect of their peers. Even if they're not the Big Men on Campus, who cares? They're the kings of their ecosystem, and after the death of mainstream pop culture, that's the best anyone can hope for. The solution: focus on college *girls* who sing *a capella* renditions of pop songs, but find themselves hampered by their inability to hit the bass notes that get a capella people excited. Then bring on the issues — body image, lesbianism, terminal shyness, domineering daddies, a tendency to vomit under pressure - and let the fun begin. At least, if you think relentless camp (sprinkled with sass and bitch-wit) is fun. But even if you don't, it's hard to resist star Anna Kendrick she's game, so you are. And there's something Katharine Hepburn-y about the way she manages to bring bring intelligence to farce. With Rebel Wilson, Skylar Astin. 2012. — M.L.

about the 38-year-old virgin in the iron lung who hired a sex surrogate to take the cherry off the sundae? The trailer unspooled like a checklist of everything culpable in American cinema: a cute, fact-based, feel-good "disease of the week" romcom equipped with an endless supply of close-ups, plus William H. Macy as a cuddly Father Flanagan type. But instead of the handful of mean-spirited snickers (or anearly exit) the trailer promises, The Sessions rewards its viewers with an extraordinarily moving emotional experience. (I admit it: I cried. The last time I cried during a movie was when I glanced at my watch and realized there were still two hours left to go in Schindler's List.) Instead of resigning himself to playing a talking head, John Hawkes shatters the built-in limitations of his character, pulling off what could amount to the most challenging role of his career. And those who want to see more of Helen Hunt - she plays the therapist with the can opener to Hawkes's heart — will have their chance. This is the first time in eons where onscreen nudity is not only justified, it's essential to the script. What helps to elevate the story above your average Lifetime Channel presentation is writer-director Ben Lewin's (Paperback Romance) sensitive attention to detail. This isn't a one-character/one-trait affair; Lewin emdows even the most seemingly insignificant role with depth and dignity. A love story with an iron lung at its core is a definite hard sell, but Lewin proves that there's no such thing as a bad story, only bad storytellers. Don't let the subject matter keep you away from this remarkable movie. With Moon Bloodgood, Adam Arkin, Ming Lo, and Rhea Perlman. 2012. — S.M.

Seven Psychopaths — Think *Adaptation* meets *Pulp Fiction* — with a heart! Or at least, with a beloved dog. Martin McDonagh, the writer-director behind the cleverly chatty

crime comedy In Bruges, here casts Colin Farrell in the role of Marty(!), an alcoholic screenwriter who's having trouble coming up with a cast to fill out the title of his new film. which just happens to be Seven Psychopaths. Happily, Farrell's life steps in to provide what imagination cannot, thanks in large part to his friend Billy (Sam Rockwell). See, together with his spiritually minded friend Hans (Christopher Walken), Billy kidnaps dogs and then returns them for the reward. Except this time, he's gone and kidnapped a Shih Tzu belonging to nasty gangster Charlie (Woody Harrelson), whose girlfriend Billy happens to be bedding... You get the picture. Everyone handles their reams of delightful dialogue with aplomb, though Farrell isn't fooling anybody into thinking he's actually a failing, dissipated drunk. (He does better with his main job of looking dumbfounded at the insanity going on around him.) And McDonagh revels in the presence of his onscreen alter ego, lamenting cinematic violence and misogyny even as he indulges it. There's enough meta to nudge the tone toward precious here and there - which is saying something, given all the carnage but everyone is having so much fun onscreen that it's easy to play along. 2012. — M.L.

Simon and the Oaks (Simon och

ekarna) — The epic tale of a friendship between a young Swedish boy who thinks his aunt and uncle are his biological parents and the son of a wealthy Jewish bookseller who fled Nazi Germany. Shake a tree come awards season and a Holocaust film is bound to fall out. Director Lisa Ohlin's *Simon of the Oaks* has at least two things going for it. Set between 1939 and 1952, the film is magnificent to behold, thanks to the meticulous lenswork of cameraman Dan Laustsen and precise period recreation by production designers Anders Engelbrecht and Lena Selander. It also houses a rare and shockingly unsentimental depiction of a concentration

camp victim. The first time we see Iza (Katharina Schüttler) with shoulder length hair, it's hard to believe she's the same clean shaven woman we were introduced to a scene earlier as she was being released from Auschwitz. Iza is a survivor who is angry, cynical, and eager to engage in some rough trade with her cousin. I'm normally the first to cry foul at the introduction of an unnecessary romantic subplot, but when Iza exits, the picture goes with her. What remains is a soap opera. With Bill Skarsgård, Karl Linnertorp, Jan Josef Leifers, and Helen Sjöholm. 2012. — S.M.

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Sinister — In order to get a story, a true crime writer (Ethan Hawke) who puts his family before his work (and who hasn't had a best seller in 10 years) decides to move the wife and two kids into a suburban death house. A Super 8mm film projector and five cans of grisly home movies, mysteriously deposited in his attic by a child-eating serial killer who operates under the handle of Mr. Boogie, cause visions of a New York Times best seller to dance in Hawke's head. (A found-footage shocker shot in 'Scope?! Alas. After a deviceful opening sequence featuring a hanging, the pillar-boxing is abandoned and the rest of the non-anamorphic footage is blown up to fit the widescreen frame.) As with any found-footage shocker of recent vintage, the filmmakers frequently play fast and loose with cinematic logic. Individual freeze-frames from the home movies reveal Mr. Boogie lurking in the background, but with only one camera and one serial killer to cover the action, who is taking the pictures? If this is truly the crime of the century that Hawke thinks it is, why does he take days to watch what can't amount to more than 15 minutes of footage? But forget about all this logic and aspect ratio mumbo-jumbo: here is what you really want to hear: Sinister delivers quality jolts. Scott Derrickson (The Day the Earth Stood Still, The Exorcism of Emily Rose) wrote and directed. With Juliet Rylance, Fred Dalton Thompson, Vincent D'Onofrio, and the most natural kid actor currently at work in movies, Michael Hall D'Addario (People Like Us). 2012. — S.M.

Skyfall — Reviewed this issue. 2012. — M.L.

Wreck-It Ralph — What a concept: children's playthings with human neuroses. Oh, wait, this isn't Toy Story? Nope, just a Disney rehash of same, substituting video game characters for action figures. You know — it's what the kids are into these days, even if there is a hefty dose of Gen-X nostalgia to rope in the grownups. (Our heroes populate an arcade where kids go to dump quarters into the sort of 8-bit retro jobs you can play online for free.) And like an arcade game, it's laced with cheat codes. Professional bad guy Wreck-It Ralph knows that being a bad guy is just his job, the sort of thing he can leave behind at the end of the day. But the corresponding good guys aren't in on the secret, and treat him like he's actually bad — making him live in the dump, not inviting him to parties, etc. Alas, he can't point out this bit of flawed storytelling, so instead, he sets off to get a medal from some other game, just to prove his worth. Out in the wider gaming world, the arbitrary discrepancies persist: one heroine can't help being hard-hearted; she was programmed with a tragic backstory. Another...well, suffice it to say that Disney seems eager to take a break from princess culture, and remains comfortable with breaking the rules of its own universe. But quibbles aside, the whole thing is bright and slick and full of clever nods to the video game universe, and there are jokes and thrills aplenty to keep the kiddies entertained while their parents get misty-eyed over O*bert, With the voices of John C. Reilly, Jack McBrayer, Sarah Silverman, and Jane Lynch, among others. 2012. - M.L.

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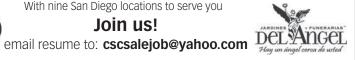
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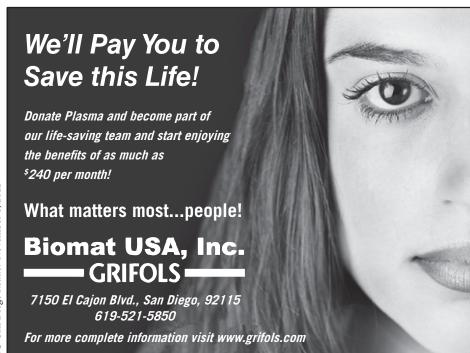
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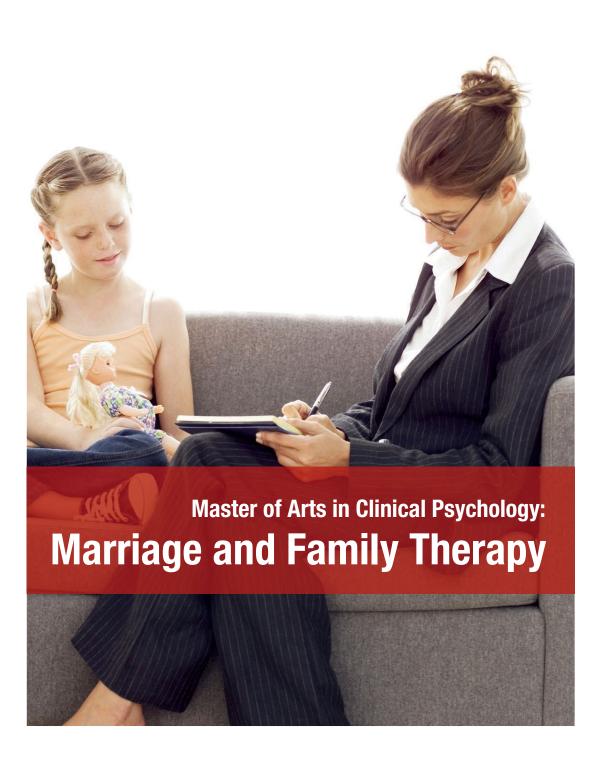
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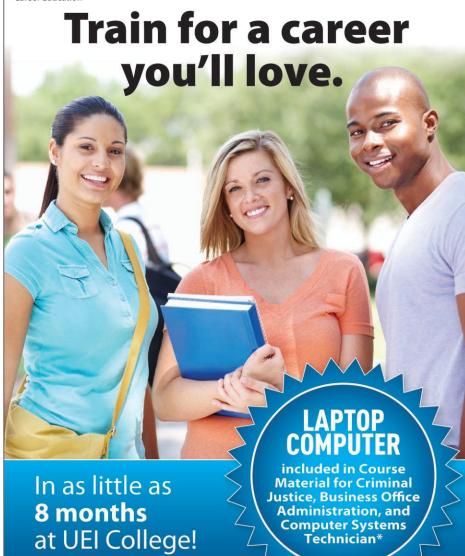


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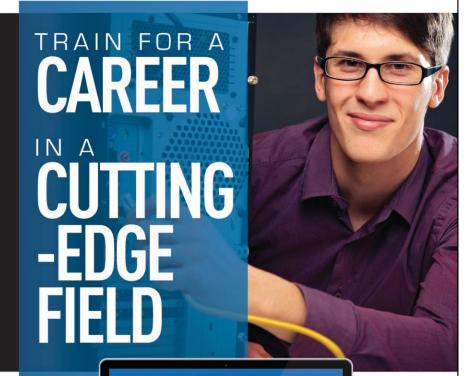
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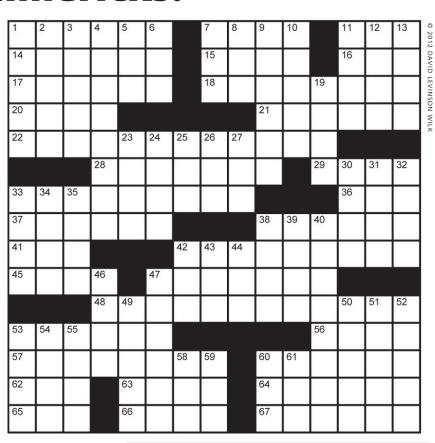
Across

- 1. Luxury home feature
- 7. He loved Lucy
- **11.** Name of LBJ's father and brother, but not his uncle
- **14.** Margin in a baseball squeaker
- **15.** 2007 film "____ Almighty"
- **16.** Color TV pioneer
- 17. New York tribe, city or lake
- **18.** "Midnight Special" host
- **20.** Air bag?
- 21. Makes happen
- **22.** San Francisco tourist attraction
- **28.** "That's one for _____
- 29. Piccolo cousin
- **33.** With 42-Across, simplify steps in a business deal, say ... or a hint to solving 18-, 22-, 48- and

- **36.** Only state that borders the Atl. Ocean and spans two time zones
- 37. "Dirty" hair color
- 38. More distasteful
- **41.** Grammy-winning Brian
- **42.** See 33-Across
- 45. Tirade
- 47. Person who doesn't finish a sentence
- **48.** Realm until 1806
- **53.** Mustardy condiment
- **56.** Aspiring atty.'s exam
- **57.** Title mountain of a 1952 Gregory Peck film
- 60. 2009 Hilary Swank biopic
- **62.** "Concord Hymn" writer's monogram
- 63. Cabinet dept. since 1977
- 64. Speed
- 65. Cushion
- 66. Texter's "Gotta go"
- 67. Pretends to be

- 1. Kidman portrayed her in "The Hours"
- 2. The blahs
- 3. New voters often
- 4. 1938 Graham Greene novel Rock'
- 5. IRS review: Abbr.
- 6. Biological chain
- 7. Drops on the grass
- **8.** Bolivian president Morales
- **9.** Dances with spins
- **10.** Figure out (from)
- 11. Mmes., across the border
- **12.** No. at a brokerage
- **13.** Migratory shark
- 19. "Survivor" host Probst
- 23. Israel's Barak or Olmert
- **24.** Neural network
- **25.** Took a load off
- **26.** 1920s White House monogram
- **27.** Bit of a giggle
- **30.** "Correct me ____ wrong ..."
- **31.** Pet peeve?

- **33.** Transmitting trucker
- **34.** Wrist-to-elbow bone
- 35. SpongeBob, e.g.
- 38. Not active
- **39.** Labine of the '50s Dodgers
- **40.** Road sign that often features an arrow
- **42.** Kentucky Derby month
- 43. Sale item abbr.
- 44. Whoop-de-_
- **46.** Bangkok tongue
- **47.** Flexible
- **49.** ____ d'art
- **50.** Cuba v Puerto Rico
- **51.** Mrs. Gorbachev
- **52.** Les ____-Unis
- **53.** 1978-82 sitcom locale
- **54.** Electronics company bought by Sony
- 55. Zero-emissions vehicle
- **58.** Spanish king
- **59.** NBA's Magic, on scoreboards
- 60. Turkish title
- 61. Comfy bit of footwear



SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:



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Martha Awdziewicz, Clairemont, 12.

I don't want to feel too hesitant, But I am a San Diego resident I'll speak my voice

and vote my choice and by Wednesday we'll have elected our president. Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 12. I have a good friend named Sandy

A fine person and ever so handy She's flustered and annoyed. Her good name's been destroyed Please, less news of that storm on TV.

Mark Moskowitz, Universty Heights, 12.

The Chargers give me the shivers I lay the blame on Phillip Rivers He's developed bad aim Turnovers each game

We need someone new who delivers.

Carolyn Clark, Lakeside, 11. I don't mind going to the zoo,

but I hate SeaWorld through and through Those animals belong in the sea They weren't created to entertain me and you are blind if you can't see that too.

Jav Shea, Ramona, 1.

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tered sex offender.

Well in advance of an ordinance enactment, Richard Shapiro has launched an effort to prevent any such impositions on RVs in Carlsbad.

On the flyer entitled, "To All Those Who Profess to Be an Adult, Not an Insane Child in an Adult's Body, with a Conscience Which Cannot Be Bought Out," Shapiro says those behind the ordinance are "usually elitest [sic] and arrogant."

Admitting there has been an increase of homelessness in the area, Shapiro's flyer continues, "The reasons most people live in their RV, van, car, etc., is to simply be able to exist."

To obtain additional perspective from the City of Carlsbad, I talked with their primary representative on the issue, Bryan Jones. He strongly disagreed with Shapiro's stance, emphasizing that the city's motivation is in no way related to homelessness. Instead, he said, it is based upon the council's decision to maintain a satisfying quality of life for its residents.

BY GARY CORNAGLIA, NOVEMBER 1

OCEAN BEACH

O.B. hall-o-wacked, part 2 Zombie steals from kitty in Ocean Beach

On Halloween night at around 8 p.m. at the Ocean Beach Farmers' Market, Todo Mundo was performing in the street. A lot of people were wearing costumes, dancing, and enjoying the beautiful music and weather.

Todo Mundo was playing their last song when all of a sudden someone in a zombie costume reached over and grabbed the money that had been collected for the band from a box right in front of the band.

The thief took off running up the middle of the street like a sprinter. Most everyone in the crowd who'd been watching the band saw the brazen act occur. Everybody who saw went wild; even the drummer and singer stopped playing to chase the thief. He was caught and beat up and the money was returned to the kitty.

BY LINDA DAVIES, NOVEMBER 1

ENCINITAS — SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Cops to get new rides Sheriff's Department tests potential patrol cars

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department is testing out three new patrol vehicles to replace the Ford Crown Victoria police squad car.

Last week, one prototype — a Dodge Charger — could be seen driving around Encinitas. The department has three Chargers patrolling.

There are two other models being tested in the county, with a decision to be made by next spring. Two Chevy Caprices are on the road, as well as two Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicles — a Ford Explorer-type vehicle.

With the life of an average patrol vehicle being around four years, the sheriff's vehicle coordinator, deputy Kevin Dalton, said the department will be purchasing about 100 new patrol cars next fiscal year.

"If it were on looks alone, the Charger would win, hands down," said Dalton. "It looks and sounds mean."

BY KEN HARRISON, OCTOBER 31

TIJUANA

In the line of fire

Eyewitness of Tijuana shootout tells tale

At 9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 30, at the corner of Coahuila and Niños Héroes, the area was crowded with people grabbing quick food from the taco carts.

At first it sounded like firecrackers. After a few more shots, you could tell that the sounds were coming from different sides of the street. The uneven rhythm of the shots and the fact that one person was carrying a much bigger weapon than the other made it clear what was happening.

Suddenly, people started dropping to the ground or running for cover, careful not to drop their tacos. The shooting stopped, tires squealed, and one could sense that it was safe to stand up. I was slow to react; it was my first Tijuana drive-by.

Two men were down, both apparently shot in the mid-section. One man lay in the street, moving, as another man held a towel tightly to his left side. Blood was starting to pool underneath him. The man on the sidewalk seemed much worse off: no movement.

A rumor started to circulate that the wounded were undercover Tijuana officers. Within minutes, state police pickups were on the scene, sirens blasting; municipal police pickups, cars, and motorcycles, also.

Officers were jumping out of the pickups and running down the street to the scene of the firefight. The speed of the response and the number of responders lent some credibility to the rumor — Tijuana police look out for each other, and they do so armed to the teeth. The shooters were probably long gone, but it still seemed prudent to leave the area where adrenaline was about to mix

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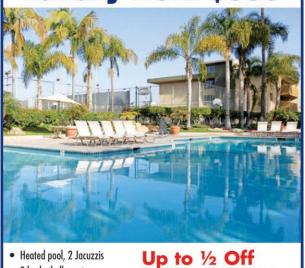
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2) Submit the correct answers to the puzzle along with your name and a clean limerick.

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.

- 8) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified. 9) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

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Now you can go online to check your ranking and communicate with each other! Simply visit: www.SDReader.com/puzzle. The new ranking is posted each Wednesday. To use the "comments" feature, you must be a registered site member.

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.

Laura Owen, City Heights, 2.

Trick or Treat it's late Halloween night little ghouls asleep with candy held tight Still have to do a puzzle or two But what to write? Haven't a clue! Another fright for someone not bright

Martha Awdziewicz, Clairemont, 12.

I wonder which candidate to choose Which commerical is truthful. Whose I'll pick out the best And not choose the rest And in the end, someone will lose.

Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 12.

The election is in the can So farewell to the also-ran, I do not wish him harm, Yes, he did have some charm. It's just we deserve the best man

Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 12.

To compose a limerick a week Is not quite right for the meek New poetry is hard To produce by the yard No problem perhaps for a geek

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Aubrey Stone, San Diego, 10.

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with high-powered automatic weapons.

For the most part, the drug-war violence has been concentrated in the eastern part of Tijuana. This is downtown Tijuana, Zona Norte, a few minutes' walk to the busiest land border crossing in the world.

BY RANDALL GUTIERREZ, NOVEMBER 1

OCEAN BEACH

A win's a win

Bilbray a no-show, Peters appreciative at Ocean Beach forum

Brian Bilbray, Republican candidate for the 52nd congressional district on the November 6 ballot, was a no-show at a scheduled forum hosted by the Ocean Beach Town Council on October 24.

With Bilbray absent, Scott Peters, the Democratic contender, got the first, last, and only word on Medicare, immigration reform, and other issues that have dominated campaign advertising in one of the most closely watched congressional races in the country.

"Nice getting all the time to myself," said Peters, who touted his recent endorsement by former president Bill Clinton.

Members of the Ocean Beach Town Council board of directors expressed bewilderment at Bilbray's nonattendance. President Dave Martin said Bilbray had confirmed his RSVP and, right up to the time of the meeting, gave no indication he was running late or needed to cancel.

The town council had touted the forum three times on its Facebook page in the days leading up to it. Two days prior, the group also issued a "Civic Alert" in an online newsletter to promote the event. According to the newsletter, each candidate was to receive five minutes for an opening statement, followed by questions from the public.

BY TONY DE GARATE, OCTOBER 31

POINT LOMA

Happy sailing

Baja Ha Ha sailors depart San Diego Bay

Dozens of sailboats gathered off Shelter Island in Point Loma on Monday morning, October 29. They were preparing to start the 20th annual Baja Ha Ha race.

According to the Port of San Diego website, "sailors and crew from the West Coast - as far north as Alaska - will be making the two-week voyage" to Cabo San Lucas. The port also touts the Baja Ha Ha as the "largest sailing rally on the West Coast."

At 10 a.m., race officials fired the oneminute-warning shot, alerting vessel captains to position their boats for the 750-mile journey south. A Harbor Police fire vessel began spraying jets of water in the background. Curious observers along Shelter Island hooted, hollered, and blew their car horns in support of the mariners.

BY JUSTIN POWELL, OCTOBER 30

SANTEF

Boulder art

An early Easter in Santee?

One of the foothills at the north end of Santee seems to be sprouting large Easter eggs.

Just off the road and up the hill from the 10000 block of Healy Way, five large boulders have been painted yellow, green, orange, and a very light blue.



The uppermost reddish boulder was stained by Cal Fire several years ago when one of their firefighting bombers dropped retardant on the ridge. Since then, my confidential informant (an athlete at nearby Santana High School) has reported that various teams are assigned to run up to the rocks and back as part of their physical training.

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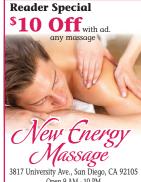
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WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE

CAR? I've had so many cars, but the answer to this question is easy. The one I'm driving right now. That GT.

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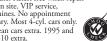
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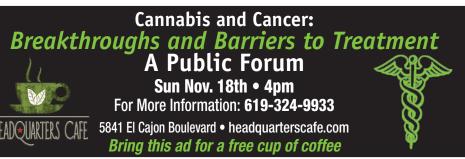
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