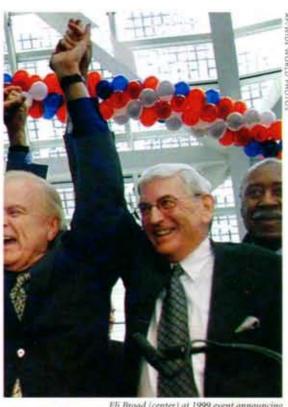
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It was the biggest mysterv of the most



Eli Broad (center) at 1999 event announcing

of the most controversial and expensive school-board election in San Diego history. Why would two obscure East Coast liberal foundations unite with some of the most conservative and wealthiest of San Diego business interests in a secretive attempt to defeat incumbent board member Frances O'Neill Zimmerman? By the time the campaign was over in November 2000, the two foundations — along with the likes of Padres owner John Moores, Wal-Mart heir John Walton, downtown real estate mogul Malin Burnham, and Qualcomm founder Irwin Jacobs — poured \$720,000 into a slashing campaign of television spots, attacking Zimmerman and her opposition to the policies of San Diego Unified School District superintendent Alan Bersin. Despite — and some believe *because* of — the heavy onslaught, Zimmerman narrowly held off her pro-Bersin foe, downtown real estate lawyer Julie Dubick, and remained on the board. But questions about the two foundations, which consistently refused to explain why each had helped fund the campaign, would not go away.

The money from the individuals and the foundations was funneled into the race through a nonprofit corporation called the Partnership for Student Achievement (a front organization with no official board of directors), set up in the Encinitas offices of F. Laurence Scott, Jr. a certified public accountant known for managing the campaign bookkeeping of Republican stalwart Pete Wilson. Moores, Walton, and Jacobs each gave \$100,000. Burnham gave \$50,000, as did Harvey White, the chief executive officer of Leap Wireless, a Qualcomm spin-off whose stock, now worth only pennies a share, was flying high on Wall Street. Manpower of San Diego, a temporary-help firm owned by Phil Blair and Mel Katz, two mainstays of San Diego's chamber of commerce, gave \$100,000.

Separate Bohemias

Fascinated by "Real Hardcore True Punk" article (October 17), on punk as ideology and lifestyle, not just fashionable posing. In the '80s I began to think that most post-hippie youths believe only in their music, split into competing camps. Yet all of these and the "arts community" and San Francisco's "sex community" and environmentalists and so forth could still be described as separate bohemias, plural. If anyone under 60 still cares to analyze life sociologically. Tortuga Bi Liberty

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Dirty Joke

K.I.S.S.: Keep it simple, stupid. Josh Board, in his effort to keep it simple, did a gross injustice to Jerry Herrera and the Spirit Club when he noted that Arthur Lee showed up at 2:00 a.m. for his gig at Brick by Brick ("Blurt," October 17). Just because Brick by Brick occupies the same physical space as the Spirit did does not automatically imply further similarities. Brick by Brick is a dirty joke scrawled on the men's room wall compared to the Spirit, Jerry Herrera, and the role they played in the local San Diego music scene, and any attempt by Mr. Board to ignore that fact does a disservice to your readers and to anyone seriously interested in San Diego music history. M. McDix

Oceanside

They Control All

In regards to Patrick Daugherty's article "Shooting Crippled Ducks" ("Sporting Box," October 17), maybe about a million or so Californians who voted in favor of Prop 214, beginning with those who are in medical need of marijuana, should file a

class-action lawsuit against the DEA and all other responsible agencies for the waste of our tax dollars and for depriving people who would benefit from the harvest of these plants. In incorrectly investigating and confiscating the marijuana, the responsible parties brought further injustice (medical marijuana is now a law, right?) to the Corrals and to the sufferers that Prop 214 was intended to help.

It does seem that these agencies can create their own job security by making bogus marijuana busts with impunity. After all, who's to stop them. The people? I'm not particularly fond of the idea of a class-action lawsuit either. That also can drag out and be costly. And how often do "the people" beat "the government"? But, it does seem to be our only choice. And it was a bogus bust, otherwise why were the charges dropped? They got what they wanted and made their point. They control all.

Just one question, the answer to which is obvious. If it was an individual in one of these agencies whose wife, mother, or other loved ones were suffering, and marijuana eased their pain, would they want them to have access to it?

> Aaron Spring Valley

Toast Their Feet

Kudos for Susan Luzzaro's great exposé on the landdevelopment octopus that is strangling the environmental welfare concerns of most Chula Vistans ("Octopus Devours Chula Vista," "City Lights," October 10). Politicians have greedily sold out their constituency in the name of so-called progress. Avarice seems to be the bottom line. We are residents of Chula Vista who recently addressed this issue in a letter sent to the editor of our local paper (not yet printed). And we urge you to continue to hold the feet of government and developers to the fire for as long as it takes to send the carpetbaggers and the local officials who are in bed with them packing.

Bill and Laura Roe

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Nonappearance While Union-Tribune editorial page editor **Robert Kittle** is busy on KPBS radio and Cox Cable, boosting the downtown business establishment's candidates for San Diego school board and flaying their foes, reporters for the newspaper have been missing in action at a number of school-candidate forums. A common complaint comes from Jerome Orlando Torres, who notes that the paper dispatched yet another editorial opinion writer, rather than a rank-and-file journalist, to cover a big event last week. "This morning I find myself very disappointed and disheartened that the Union-Tribune did not publicize yesterday's school-board debate that was sponsored by the San Diego County Latino Coalition of Education. Other than the appearance of Robert Caldwell, I didn't see ANY *U-T* reporter at the event. I cannot believe the *U-T* would not find the issues raised and discussed as newsworthy." The bow-tied



Malin Burnhar

Kittle, whose newsroom fight with ex-*U-T* cartoonist **Steve Kelly** garnered national attention last year, owns — with wife Luanne — the Rhoades School, an expensive private elementary and middle school in Encinitas, catering to fatcat Rancho Santa Fe par-

ents. A year ago, Kittle and San Diego State University president **Stephen Weber**, who controls state-owned KPBS, showed up together at a lunch hosted at the posh downtown University Club by Malin Burnham, the real estate mogul and partner of beleaguered Padres owner and Rancho Santa Fe denizen John Moores — all longtime allies of cityschools chief **Alan Bersin**. A story in the Union-Tribune dated October 21, 2001, which reported Kittle's and Weber's presence, suggested that one purpose of the meeting was to come up with ways to protect and expand the pro-establishment 3-2 school-board majority and pressure San Diego mayor Dick Murphy into endorsing board candidates favorable to the downtown real estate interests. Earlier this month, Murphy endorsed Clyde Fuller, one of the candidates backed by the group.

Murphy's lawyers The big downtown law firm of Luce, Forward, which successfully defended the San Diego City Council against a lawsuit over the Chargers' ticket guarantee, thus costing taxpayers millions of dollars, is getting another big bunch of cash from city hall, this time to defend the city's downtown real estate deal with Padres owner John Moores. According to a report to council by city attorney Casey Gwinn, Luce's original retainer fee of \$60,000 has now grown to \$750,000. Meanwhile, The Record, San Francisco's legal newspaper, reports that Luce's Charles Bird, who headed the pro-stadium legal battle, is busy on behalf of Annette **Friskopp** against erstwhile domestic partner **Sharon Silverstein**. Friskopp — once a top



Charles Bird

executive at Sorrento Valley's Boatracs — and Silverstein met at Harvard Business School. After they moved here, Silverstein agreed to have their children by artificial insemination, but the two later broke up, and Silverstein attempted to in-

validate Friskopp's adoption of their child Joshua. An appeals court ruled that there was no legal basis for the adoption in the first place, setting up Bird's bid to the state Supreme Court to overturn the ruling. Advocates of Proposition 22, the initiative adopted by voters two years ago that outlaws gay marriages, have filed a brief in favor of biological mother Silverstein. "Our case is about access to the cumbersome and expensive process of second-parent adoption," Bird told the paper. "It has nothing to do with giving unmarried people any privileges that the Prop 22 people think should be available only to married couples."

Golden ruler Mayor Dick Murphy, said to already be thinking about higher office, has his aides handing out expensive-looking cam-



From Mayor Murphy's bookmark

paign-style bookmarks with the city seal and his top ten goals, five on each side. Color photographs illustrate each goal. And Murphy's questionnaire for those seeking his appointment to city boards and commissions includes the following: "Have you ever written any particularly controversial books or articles? If yes, please explain." ... The criminal case of Rancho Santa Fe bail bondsman **Spencer Douglass** up in Riverside County got more interesting last week with the latest no-contest plea of one of his employees, Michael Testi, reports the Riverside Press-Enterprise. Testi is the 8th of 13 defendants to cop a plea to charges relating to allegations that the bail-bonds company owned by Douglass paid gratuities to various inmates who drummed up business while behind bars. Douglass, the biggest principal charged in the felony case, is due back in court later this month, the paper says.

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Playas de Tijuana sewer pump station

Tijuana Germs Surf North

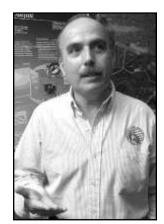
By Ernie Grimm

In San Diego County, treated sewage is discharged four miles out to sea from six treatment plants dotting the coast from the

border to San Onofre. In Mexico, one treatment plant at San Antonio de Los Buenos, 12 kilometers south of the fence, releases a mixture of treated and untreated sewage down a creek that flows into the surf zone. So it came as a surprise to some when Mexican newspapers reported that a municipal official, Miguel Angel Avila Niebla, in a talk to a civic booster group in the Playas de Tijuana area, called Grupo

Madrugadores, had boasted that the ocean water at Tijuana's beaches had tested cleaner in 2001 than at San Diego's beaches.

Avila, the director of the State Commission of Public Services in Tijuana (known in Tijuana by the Spanish acronym CESPT), told Grupo Madrugadores that, in 2001, the water in Playas exceeded permitted norms twice while one (unspecified) spot in San Diego exceeded the norms 13



Roberto Espinosa

times. Avila claimed the study had been "certified" by the International Committee on Limits and Waters (Spanish acronym: CILA), which is the Mexican half of a binational organization known in the United States as the International Boundary and Water Commission.

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Do I Live in the 53rd?

By Joe Deegan

arah Wells and Elizabeth Moore got a lesson in the way an American election works by assisting this year in the California

primaries at their Spring Valley polling place. Neither could vote at the time, since they had not yet turned 18. They have come of voting age in the meantime, however, and they look forward to casting ballots for the first time on November 5.

The efforts of Moore and Wells at the polling station were part of their homework for an advanced-placement class at Monte Vista High

Lemon Grove and La Mesa did not realize that the newly drawn 53rd District had

Bill VanDeWeghe

School called American Gov-

ernment and Economics. In

the class, they had learned

about the California Legisla-

ture's latest redistricting. On

the day of the primaries, one

of the things the two young

women did was to direct voters to the right polling sta-

tions. In the process, they dis-

covered that many citizens of



Matt Klemin



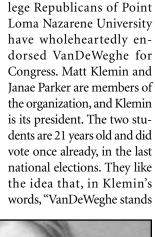
Rudy Duran

taken their communities into its territory.

Bill VanDeWeghe (R), a former Army officer and local attorney specializing in business law, is challenging one-term incumbent Susan Davis (D) for the 53rd's seat in the House of Representatives. Moore and Wells have heard of Davis but not Van-DeWeghe. In that respect, they are more informed than many of their first-time voting peers in the district.

In a small sampling outside the Starbucks in La Jolla's Costa Verde Center, three people who said they would vote for the first time on November 5 of this year did not know that they lived in the 53rd District and did not recognize the names of either VanDeWeghe or Davis. Another said he probably wouldn't vote because he hates politics. All four wished to remain anonymous. La Jolla is the northernmost community in the district, which stretches south along the coast to Imperial Beach and includes most of central, east, and southeast San Diego as well as Lemon Grove and Spring Valley.

At the opposite end of apathy about politics, the Col-





Janell Payne



Jennifer Bennett

Sarah Wells and Elizabeth Moore behind the President in just about anything and everything he does." Speaking several days before Davis voted against the House bill authorizing Bush's use of force against Iraq, Klemin said, "Anybody who can be against what Bush is doing right now is just ludicrous." Parker adds that Davis "doesn't seem to be supportive of the current administration at all. In most At SDSU, Janell Payne, 24, of her points, even in attacking VanDeWeghe, she attacks the president as well. Not supporting the president right now is very dangerous.

One of the most important issues in the campaign to Klemin and Parker is that of abortion rights.

I think she completely disre-

gards the threat of Iraq. She

only says we shouldn't go in

there unilaterally, but she

doesn't address the dangers

that are present."

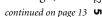
"Coming from a conservative background and a Christian paradigm," Klemin said, "I feel strongly that life, even before actual birth, is very important and ought to be protected. [Davis's] supporting what she calls choice, to me, is supporting the death of all those babies that could be born and come into the world."

In an interview, Van-DeWeghe criticizes Davis for supporting a woman's right to abortion "anytime, anywhere, anyplace." He describes himself as pro-life, but he thinks President Bush has

done the right thing in making abortion a back-burner issue. His supporter Klemin is furious, however, that "my congressman, from my district," voted against a bill that was passed in the House banning partial birth abortions. "She's not in favor of us going to war, and yet she's okay with killing kids. [Voting against that bill] is a good showing of her character."

has been taking a class this semester in political communications. She will vote in her first election on November 5 She doesn't know much about VanDeWeghe, except that he has never before run for political office. But coworkers at the restaurant where she works got her excited about Davis, with whom she agrees on a woman's right to choose. Reflecting on VanDeWeghe's desire to keep the abortion issue on the back burner, Payne says, "I understand why he thinks it's a good thing that [Bush] has done, because it gets it out of the way, and it's a nasty thing to talk about. But that's the problem. The issue is huge, and it's very hard for women, in particular, to put that on the back burner, because that's part of life, and it needs to be dealt with. I can't imagine ignoring it."

At City College downtown, candidate name recognition was not high, but a





Germs surf

same thing: bacteria. "There

are three different bacterial indicators that we test for," says Clay Clifton, San Diego County Department of Environmental Health's recreational water program coordinator, another group testing local ocean water. "All for fecal contamination. Unfortunately they are not very specific, because the bacteria is common to the intestines of all warm-blooded animals. So when you have a bacteria result that comes in above the

state's standards, you don't know if it is from urban runoff, an actual sewage spill, a flock of birds on the beach, or someone not picking up after their dog."

the water at local beaches and bays to conform with state law. "In the state of California," Clifton explains, "we have at least weekly monitoring required at any beaches next to a storm-drain outlet.

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That began in 1999 with a law known as AB411. And prior to that, a California Health and Safety Code directed the

local health office — which in San Diego County is the Department of Environmental Health — to collect water samples as needed to protect public health. In San Diego County we have 107 sites that are monitored at least weekly. And there are a handful, maybe 4 to 5 sites, that are monitored twice or more a week."

Clifton says one staffer spends Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of each week taking samples. "He does North

County on Monday, central on Tuesday, and south on Wednesday. Then we have a lot of data entry on Thursday and Friday.

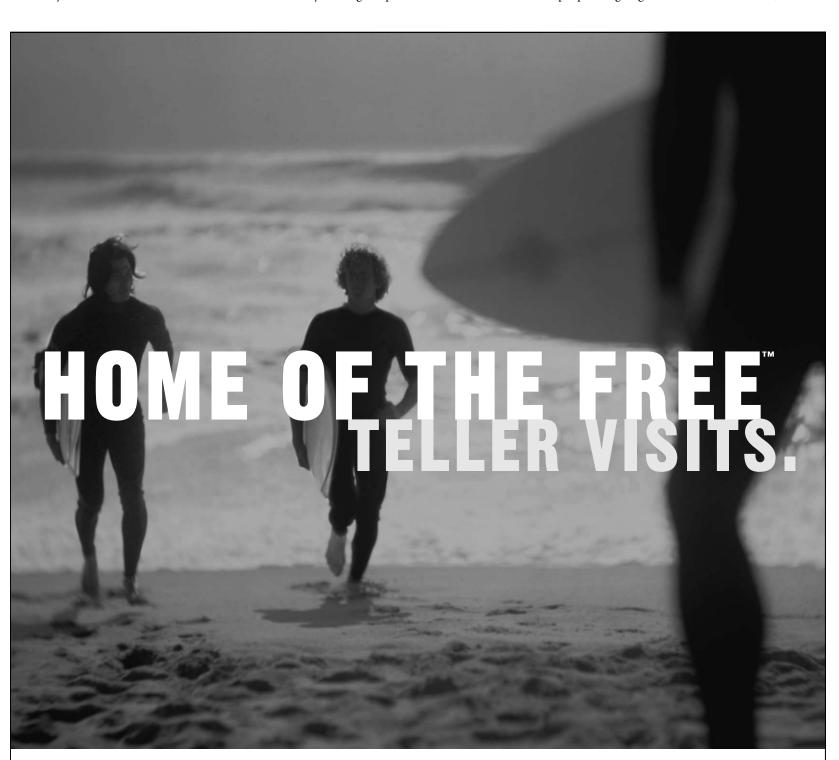
"The idea," Clifton adds, "is to protect public health. Because people are going to swim at these beaches. But the science and testing, unfortunately, is not as far along as the regulations are. Because these are bacterial tests, they have to be incubated. So you've got to take the test, incubate it at the lab, and then

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On its website, the Department of Health posts a downloadable chart of the number of beach advisories and closures at its 107 testing sites. However, as the department does not test Mexican waters, it offers no confirmation of Avila's claims. Avila could not be reached for comment, but another official from his agency, Jorge Alberto Castillo, indicated in an e-mail that Avila's claims were based on "the results of bacteriological analysis given to us by the Mexican Chapter of IBWC, from Imperial Beach and Playas de Tijuana through Punta Bandera during the year 2001. We compared those figures with the results of our laboratory, which analyzes samples on the Mexican side only."

Roberto Espinosa, who directs the International Committee on Limits and Waters in Tijuana, says Avila's comments were "based on the agreement IBWC and CILA have to monitor the quality of the surf zone along the international border line. We have several stations on the north side between Coronado and Imperial Beach and three stations in Mexico. One is right next to the fence. Then there are two of them in the Playas de Tijuana area, and there's one more that used to be at Punta Bandera, and it's being moved to an area called Playa Blanca."

The study, Espinosa says, "was actually done by the Metropolitan Waste Water



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Germs surf north

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Department in San Diego. We have a joint program in which the San Diego lab, accompanied by IBWC, goes into Mexico, where we are joined by the CESPT laboratory and we take simultaneous samples."

The results of testing in 2001, Espinosa says, show that on the Mexican side water quality "has been a little bit better than on the U.S. side [from Coronado to the border]. Why? Because some flows tend to go through the Tijuana River. It's a major source of conveyance to the ocean. Most of Tijuana is built in a basin that flows into the Tijuana River, which in turn flows northwest into the U.S. There's a portion of the western side of the city that flows directly into the ocean, basically Playas de Tijuana. But the rest of the city flows down to the Tijuana River, then flows into the United States. In trying to limit the flows that might reach the Tijuana River and enter the U.S., there is a system which captures the flows before they go into the United States. It's been operated by IBWC/CILA, and it works most of the year, except when we have storm runoff. During storms, it has to be shut off because there's a lot of sand, which would ruin the equipment. But normally the flows are captured there and pumped to a plant on the Mexican coast, at San Antonio de los Buenos. And part of it is conveyed to the international treatment plant just north of the border. But the Tijuana River is a natural drainage, and its mouth is where most of the beach closures will take place."

Espinosa warns against drawing definite conclusions from the testing results, which are subject to a long list of variables. "For instance," he explains, "we might have bad results whenever we have problems with the operating system in Mexico. On the U.S. side, the tests reflect what flows down the Tijuana River into the surf zone. The climate also affects testing, and so do natural occurrences like red tides. Also, the ocean currents have a strange way of manipulating the quality of the water in the surf zone. We've seen some

studies that indicate that the currents flow from north to south. But in the summertime, it tends to turn the other way. That's the pattern that we determined over the last ten years or so."

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as a recreational swimming destination, Espinosa answers, "Well, there are better beaches, I can tell you that. But in regards to being healthy or not healthy, there is a pattern of Playas being healthy." ■

Do I live in the 53rd?

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group of four students from an American government class, each living in the 53rd, were eager to hear about the

campaign's issues. Challenger VanDeWeghe thinks that first among those issues must be ones involving military preparedness. He accuses Davis of being soft on defense, despite her membership on the House Armed Services Committee. Problems of equipment disrepair are so great, he says, that some American planes can't get off the ground, nor ships out of harbor, due to insufficient military spending.

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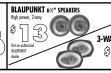
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dents have a mixed response to VanDeWeghe's sense of military urgency. "We don't need the [military expenditures]," says 19-year-old Ryan Loesch. "What threat is San Diego under now? We already have the Marines here and the

Navy to protect us. We're cool." On Iraq, however, Loesch says, "Definitely take out Sadaam." And guns in the cockpit, an advertising signature of VanDeWeghe, evokes an enthusiastic yes from Loesch, whose only qualifica-

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tion is that pilots need extensive training in how to use them effectively.

"Maybe some training would be necessary," says Rudy Duran, 18. "But you take a problem like 9/11 and you say, 'Oh no, we have to fo-

cus on security,' but security is tight. What methods can you take to avoid what happened? I mean, not very much. We are prepared for a terrorist attack."

"In order to provide [military] efficiency," counters James Ziegler, 25, "don't you have to spend a little bit of money to make sure that the management is doing their job? Build our efficiency back up to a level that's acceptable. But, of course, what is that level? We really don't know.

But get the efficiency up a little bit and then keep the money down to the level it was at before."

Jennifer Bennett, 27, questions the Bush administration's missile-defense program, which VanDeWeghe favors and Davis does not. "I thought I had read that those systems are really inaccurate right now," she says. But Ziegler, at first, defends them, saying, "We weren't very accurate in the first Gulf War at all. We were hitting maybe 30, 40 percent of the targets. Now we're hitting, like, 95 percent of the targets. In ten years, that's how much our technology has risen, like what can happen with missile defense." Then Ziegler surprises with his conclusion. "Anyone else in the world, they're not having that much of a jump in technology. So I don't think we even need to have this missile-defense program."

VanDeWeghe's platform has also proposed putting troops on the border as part of the war on terrorism, something that Davis opposes. "I think it would probably be a waste of money to send troops down there," says Duran. "What is it that the Border Patrol right now isn't doing that troops can do better?" All four of the students say that, in any such program, distinguishing between immigration control and keeping terrorists out of the country would be difficult but important.

On the economy, Duran thinks that "keeping taxes at the level they're at right now is important, because you start charging less taxes, and you won't have the money that you need. You still need to build roads and stuff like that. If you don't have the money, how are you going to keep doing the things you need to do every day?"

Duran's sentiments echo Susan Davis's contention that too many tax cuts will cause the deficit to grow to levels that will hurt the economy and provoke politicians to tap Social Security funds to pay bills. The war on terrorism is expensive, says Davis, but she favors spending money on many domestic programs, including restoring funding to the National Endowment for the Arts. VanDeWeghe chafes at the idea of spending money on the arts at a time

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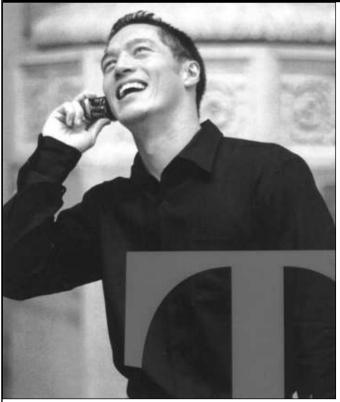
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"There are a lot of other high priorities," says Bennett. "This city has a lot of other art programs. There are always tons of art projects going on, tons of people putting money into projects, and it may not be necessary to put all this money into a big National Endowment."

But Bennett's idea of higher priorities runs in the domestic social direction. "There are so many problems here at home," she says. "Education, pollution, environ-

ment, mental stuff. We have a breakdown in families, and all we're doing is Band-Aid programs for kids in day care."

Loesch takes exception to the idea that art is a low priority, whether we're in a time of war or not. "Art is very important. Look at this architecture here," he says, pointing to a classroom building. "This is a work of art. Everything that we encounter each day has an artistic aspect. And if [VanDeWeghe] is a businessman, he should know that presentation is one of the most important things. You can't run a society, or a business even, without having good presentation. And artists bring that in."

Loesch is more favorable toward a VanDeWeghe proposal that allows people to invest some of their Social Security funds in the stock market. On the one hand, he views playing the stock market as gambling, but "if you better educate people, probably [allowing them to invest in the market] would be a good idea."

Davis is opposed to the Social Security investments, according to statements reflecting her sensitivity to recent market fluctuations. Bennett appreciates the point. "There aren't enough people educated on the stock market to wisely invest money in there," she says. "There would be a high proportion of people that would probably lose

Bennett and Ziegler also side with Davis on abortion rights. Says Bennett, "In a diverse population, regardless of where you stand on the issue, you have to allow people to have abortions if they want them." Says Ziegler, "Personally, I'm pro-life; politically, I'm pro-choice. Nobody's right to choose should be taken away from them. That's a God-given right."

The idea of school vouchers for parents who want to send their children to private school draws strong reaction from the City College students. VanDeWeghe advocates private schools as one option in educating children

who otherwise face a "broken" public school system. Duran understands. "The reason why a lot of people are turning to private schools," he says, "is because they do so much better than public schools."

And Bennett adds, "The voucher program is just a Band-Aid. Fix the public schools, then you won't need the voucher system. And if you do want to send your kids to private school, that's your obligation. I don't think that we should have to pay for that." Bennett agrees with Davis, who has argued that, since the public school system educates 90 percent of American children, all available tax dollars should go into it.

On the environment, Davis's website states she has the approval of organizations like the California League of Conservation Voters. But VanDeWeghe faults her for doing nothing about the cleanup of Mission Bay and the rest of the San Diego coast, where he says dirty water caused over 200 beach closures last year. He promises to solve the problem if elected.

Duran applies the issue to his own neighborhood. "A lot of kids have lung problems because of the pollution of the boats and the big machinery that are out by Barrio Logan. We should take into consideration that other areas don't have that problem."■

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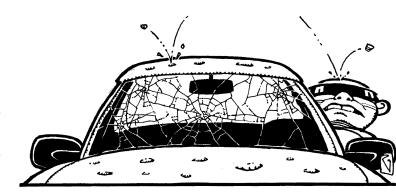
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Hevmatt:

Traveling down the freeway of life, the latest wrinkle on the road are sand and gravel trucks with a sign claiming, "Not responsible for damage to windshields." Huh? Did the truckers' lobby manage to convince the legislature and governor that they shouldn't have to pay for the dinged/cracked windshields resulting from carelessly loaded trucks? And if they are liable, how do I make a claim?

— Pitted, dinged, & cracked in Pine Valley

All the bad news is contained in Section 23114 of the state Vehicle Code. You'd expect 23114 to be good news, since it sets rules for trucks that haul dirt and aggregate. But when you're looking at it from the road in back of the truck, you see that the law's not a lot of help.

Since 1990 California companies that own trucks that move loads of dirt from one place to another have had to meet certain specifications: No holes in the container; enclose the cargo with four walls; seal the points where tailgates or bottom-release gates meet the container body; cover the tops of your tires with fenders; hang mud flaps behind each set of tires (dump trucks need center flaps too); and use shed boards when you load your truck so stones don't bounce out and build up on the truck body. So far, complete no-brainers. Who's going to haul dirt in a truck with big holes in the sides.

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When the legislation was written, it was dubbed "Stop the Rocks!" So is there anything in the law that might actually stop rocks? Well, it does say that the load must be covered with a tarp. Great! Well...not so great when you get to the exceptions. EXCEPTIONS: You don't need a tarp if the sand or gravel remains six inches below the upper edge of the filled container. And if your truck is filled (from a chute or conveyor) so the load mounds up in the middle, you don't need a tarp as long as the peak of the load is level with the upper edges of the container. Huh? Clearly not a law written by the tarp manufacturers.

Violation of 23114 rates a misdemeanor ticket. If you could prove that the truck in front of you was in violation and as a result broke your windshield, you might make a case in small-claims court. Your first problem, of course, is proving that the offending rock came from the truck body. And you would need to prove that because of the final ugly exception to the Stop the Rocks law. The big old loophole you could drive a truck through. Rocks thrown back by vehicle tires (either out of the tire tread or from the road surface) are considered road hazards, and 23114 doesn't apply to road hazards. Case closed.

I've always dreamed of coming back to life as a tow-truck driver with a perpetual contract with the police department. I guess if I can't have that, I'll choose to be an auto-glass replacer.

To: Heymatt

From: Foxman

Re: FW: Interesting Trivia!

1. Leonardo da Vinci invented the scissors. 2. Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing. 3. Shakespeare invented the words assassination and bump. 4. In the course of an average lifetime you will, while sleeping, eat 70 assorted insects and 10 spiders. 5. A duck's quack doesn't echo anywhere, and no one knows why. 6. The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid. 7. If the population of China walked past you in single file, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction....

1. Wrong. Egyptians, 3000 years ago. 2. Wrong. Our eyeballs do grow. Slightly. 3. Baloney (U.S. slang, 1920s, orig. unk.). 4. Idiotically wrong. Who's counting? 5. Baffled, perhaps, because the statement's not true. 6. Make that 1936, but even then it isn't true. 7. Doubtful, given the difficulty of reproducing while walking single file.

Matt

This is probably a really weird question, but when I work up a sweat at the gym, there's always some yellowish stain around the collar of my white T-shirt. Why does the sweat make those nasty yellow stains on light-colored clothing?

— Anonymous in East County

Weird at our house is a relative term. Sweat itself is colorless. But components of sweat, particularly fatty acids, oxidize once they soak into your T-shirt. Oxidization involves lots of electron swapping, and the resulting pit rings reflect yellowish light. Your shirts are sort of like old apples that turn brown after you bite them.

Matt:

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— Concerned San Diega

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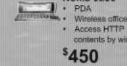


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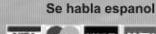
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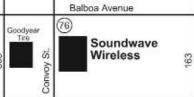
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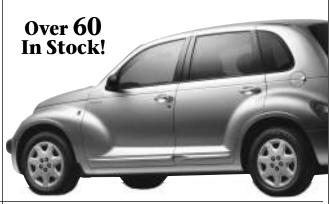
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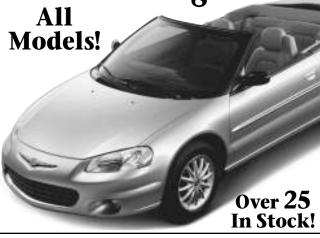
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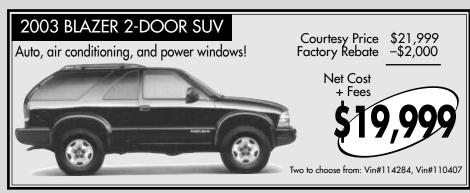
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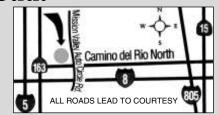
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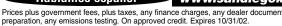
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Belly Of The Beast

was in the Bay Area on Sunday. Plans to watch the Chargers/Raiders game on TV were foiled due to a television blackout. Turns out, since the Raiders returned to Oakland from Los Angeles in 1995, 42 of 58 home games have been blacked out.

This is a legal, therefore, an ugly story. Soon after Al Davis moved his Raiders back to Oakland he began complaining about his contract. It got so bad that in order to shut him up, the City of Oakland and County of Alameda sued the Raiders, asking a court to rule that, indeed, Al was obligated to honor his recently signed 15-year lease. The Raiders counter-sued. A major leg of this lawsuit (there are others) was Big Al's declaration that civic officials promised him sold-out Raiders games. Apparently, Al is a simple country bumpkin who was foully taken advantage of by big-city slickers. Cynics say Al is making sure Raiders games don't sell out by constantly threatening to move his franchise (which offends locals), by bloated ticket prices, and by his hate-the-public marketing — make that nonmarketing — approach

Although Big Al is interesting, as major crime figures often are, he is not the point of this. The point is, I have discovered, 90 minutes before kick-off, that the biggest Chargers game of the year will not be shown on TV, at least on a TV I can get to.

Which is why I'm promenading about the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum parking lot. If I can't watch the game, I can, by God, tailgate with Chargers fans. There has got to

The massive parking lot is wall-to-wall tailgate. Everywhere are RVs and pickup trucks and white canvas event tents and smoking grills and blaring boom boxes. Dozens and dozens of flagpoles, serving as markers for their owners, dot the sky. Skull-and-crossbones flags rule, although I have seen American flags, Mexican flags, a Mississippi state flag, and, best of show, an Austro-Hungarian naval battle flag.

Ha-ha on you. I've found a Chargers fan. It took a mere 20 minutes of sticking my head into RVs, walking up to groups of Raiders filth, going campfire to campfire, always asking the question, "Is there a Chargers fan in here?" Looking back, I wonder how I did it.

On many occasions I received impolite responses and only rarely asked to share in the cole slaw, corn on the cob, and barbecued ribs that so many Raiders scum were eating in that greedy, greasy, obscene way Raiders scum eat. I expect to endure nightmares for months as a result of the following battlefield report.

This particular lawn party — or demonic conspiracy, you decide — consists of a group of 13 heathens eating their filthy Raiders food from picnic tables that are set up next to a 37foot RV. I inquire about a Chargers fan and everyone cheers good-naturedly — or, everyone reaches for his silver-and-black semi-automatic, you decide. I hear a woman's shrill voice exclaim, "You won't see him after the game!" Everyone laughs again, gleeful at the promise

Nevertheless, I press on and ask the female desperado, "Will you point out this

A dozen soiled fingers point toward the barbecue pit. Satan's spawn says, "Right there."

Ron Stroh is a blond-haired man in his 30s. maybe six feet tall and 180 pounds. I march up to him and whisper, "How's it going? Shall I contact the authorities?"

Strangely, Stroh chuckles. "It's okay. Haven't got my jaw wired shut yet.

Obviously, the fellow knows he's being watched. Attempting nonchalance, I inquire,

"Are you up here on a visit?"

"I live here. My cousin and I are Chargers fans.'

WHOA! Is Stroh a POW? "How long have you been living in the Bay Area?"

"All my life."

Stop the presses! "How could you possibly become a San Diego Chargers fan...UNDER THESE CONDITIONS!"

Stroh says, "I hate the Raiders. Just walk around here and you'll know why." I note that all the greasy, meat-eating Raiders thugs are laughing, or perhaps they're drooling spittle

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in anticipation of another gang homicide, you decide.

I ask, "Who's going to win today?" "The Chargers by five."

I nod agreeably. "As a Chargers fan surrounded by Raiders scum, when do you cheer? Do you cheer when the Chargers are ahead or when they're behind? I mean, you wouldn't want to be caught cheering when Brees throws a touchdown pass."

Stroh replies, "When I cheer I don't want to make a lot of movement. I just kind of yell out and hope nobody sees me.'

I require more detail. "In regard to your cheer. Is it something like a small yelp? Or perhaps, it's more like a low throaty sound you hear from wounded woodland birds? And do you wave your hand?"

"A throaty yelp. A quick wave."
Of course. "What made you stick with the Chargers during the last..."
"Fifteen years." Stroh considers the ques-

tion. "Well, the Chargers were a great team to watch back in the '80s. And anyway, how could you LEAF the Chargers?"

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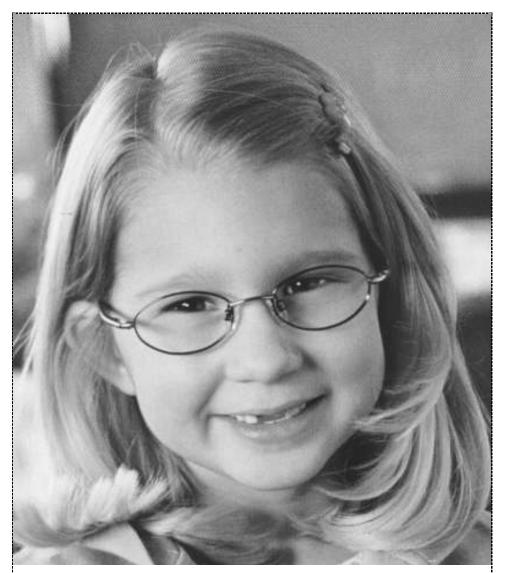
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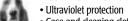


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First Unitarian

Universalist Church

Mission Hills

content.....no stars

delivery★

congregational.....★

Liturgy.....no stars

choir.....no choir Snacks.....****

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Denomination: Unitarian Universalist Association

Address: 4190 Front Street, Mission Hills, 619-298-9978

Year founded: 1873

Interim pastors: Andrew Backus, Heather Lvnn Hanson

Congregation: 1000 members Staff: 8 full-time, 5 part-time Sunday school enrollment: 100 Annual budget: \$997,000 Weekly giving: \$19,000 Singles program: yes (two)

Diversity: white **Dress:** casual to dressy

Services: Sunday worship, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

The last time I saw Tanja Winter was around the time the Reagan Administration was mining Nicaragua's harbors. Tanja Winter was in front of the Ken Cinema, ushering folks into a movie sponsored by the Friends of Nicaraguan Culture, a group somewhat at odds with Reagan's foreign policy.

Last Sunday morning, almost 20 years later, in the pleasant garden courtyard of the First Unitarian Universalist Church in Mission Hills, I saw Tanja Winter passing out antiwar pamphlets while she bickered with a gentleman about Iraq. Winter wore hearing aids.

Earlier in the week I spoke with Reverend Andrew Backus, one of two interim pastors now serving at First Unitarian. He explained that his denomination. the Unitarian Universalist Association, rarely issues direct pronouncements on social

issues.

"We're really not a religion in the traditional sense. We're more of a community that encourages and supports its members in their search for truth. We don't all hold to any one point of view. So, we encourage our individual members to organize within the church, to form action

committees on issues like racism, or the war with Iraq, for example. When our antiwar group participates in an antiwar demonstration, they participate as part of the church, but they don't represent the church."

Last Sunday morning, after the 9:00 a.m. service, folks lined up for coffee and donuts while a tape recorder played "Begin the Beguine." Elsewhere around the pleasant garden courtyard, Sunday school classes set up tables offering food from various nations — China, Mexico, Italy, etcetera. The pre-kindergarten class had adopted Turkey. A mother standing at the pre-kindergarten table considered a tray of baklava. She sighed, "When my son learned that we were going to represent Turkey, he said that's what he wanted us to make for today, turkey.

The children's unchecked enthusiasm, their antic willingness to yodel at complete strangers, "I know how to count from one to six in Spanish!" provide pep to an atmosphere

rife with gray ponytails and Birkenstocks. (The church book sale offered dog-eared works by Freud and Doris Lessing.)

The Unitarian Universalist liturgy itself is more Henry James than James Brown. Last Sunday morning at the 11:00 a.m. service, a very pretty mezzo-soprano warbled her way through a ditty called "The Negro Speaks of Rivers."

We all sang a few soporific hymns from the Unitarian Universalist hymnbook, which includes poems by sourpusses like T.S. Eliot and May Sarton. (T.S. Eliot? Haven't these people read The Idea of a Christian Society and Eliot's bitchy remarks about "free-thinking Jews"?) The hymnbook even includes verse by Starhawk, who paired up with Matthew Fox, the defrocked Dominican priest who held "rave Masses" in Oakland in the early

How dare I be so cranky about such well-intentioned people? About the values of the bien pensant middle-class? Because what I heard last Sunday morning wasn't

advocation of those values, but a reduction of those values to a studied self-pity, a ritual of the pathetic and misunderstood. (At the other end of the religious spectrum, Christian fundamentalists express an identical ethos.)

Reverend Heather Lynn Hanson, who serves as interim minister along with Reverend Backus, gave the morning's sermon. It wasn't a sermon, really, but a series of programmed readings enti-tled, "More Than a Drop in the Bucket: Antidote to Despair.'

Despair. Yes. Well. The Sunday school kids with their potstickers and salsa and baklava weren't much interested in despair. But the adults were sure as hell gonna hear about it. Liberals are sensitive to human suffering, but the rest of the world somehow is not. This special sensitivity is painful, very painful. It causes pangs of guilt,

acute feelings of despair. But liberals must remember that every little bit counts! Yes! By doing something as simple as joining one of the church's action committees, a person can hold at bay the evil forces of the irrational ultra-nationalist Bush Administration.

To hammer this point home, Tanja Winter and a few of her co-travelers performed a little skit. I hate skits. I hated the skit I saw at El Cajon's Shadow Mountain Community Church, Tim LaHaye's old roost. I hated Winter's skit about how folks should join her "Peace and Democracy" action committee, which is a group against war with Iraq.

I felt that much of the congregation was waiting for the spirits of Adlai Stevenson and Eugene McCarthy to materialize above the reflection pool in the courtyard. The same courtyard where very cute kids scrambled around, asking folks to please buy "Jamaican fruit kabobs" and "Italian lasagna."

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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My wife left me a year and a half ago for another man. Then he dropped her after we got divorced. She and I have a five-year-old son and share custody of him. My ex-wife cannot seem to get over her anger at me, even though she was the one that instigated our break-up. She takes out whatever is bothering her on me. I try everything I can think of to get her to be nice to me, or at least civil in front of our son. I always treat her decently, give her whatever she asks for, repair things around her house, and yet she remains perpetually hostile toward me, unless she wants some extra money that month. Then she acts sweet for a short time, and as soon as she gets what she wants it's back to her being rude and insulting. How can I get her to be nicer to me so that our son doesn't have to hear his mother always running his father down and berating him?

SAD LINDA VISTA DAD

Dear Sad Dad.

One of the nastiest outcomes of divorce is when former partners fight and speak disparagingly of each other in front of their offspring. Tell your ex that if she has gripes about you, you're willing to talk them out, but it's important for Junior's well-being that the two of you discuss them out of his hearing. If you can get her to agree, then when she starts dressing you down in front of your progeny again, gently remind her, "Remember our agreement about having these discussions in private? Let's speak about this later. When are you free to talk alone?" Under this system, you'll have to make time to hear her demoralizing grievances, but at least your kid won't be captive audience for repeated parental wrestling matches. If you can't get her to agree to this basic piece of civilized behavior, when she starts ripping into you, say, "I'm sorry, but I won't have this kind of talk in front of our kid. I'll be happy to discuss this another time." Then leave if it's feasible. You're not her punching bag. If you are giving her extra money, doing her favors, etc., thinking you'll get on her good side that way, and she is still consistently combative, you may have to face the fact that you're rewarding her bad behavior. Be considerate and civil to her, take the high road, but you might consider making any "extra" favors you do contingent upon her acting like the grown woman she supposedly is.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I teach at San Diego State University. I have a student who keeps asking me out for drinks after class. I'm not gay, and I don't think he is either. If I run into him off campus he repeats his request. I really don't want to socialize with this guy. Each time he's invited me I've made excuses, but the fact of the matter is this guy is a poor, lackadaisical student, and I have no desire to spend any more time in his company than I already have to in class. No matter how many times I say I'm otherwise engaged he never gets the message to stop asking. I wish he'd put more time into his coursework and less into trying to hang out with me outside of school. Sometimes I feel like he is attempting to make up for his lack of effort in the classroom by trying to be my "buddy." The other day I saw him in the supermarket when my wife and I were shopping. I found myself hiding in the toiletries aisle hoping he wouldn't see me, which made me feel stupid. I sure wish I could get him off my

SHEEPISH SDSU PROF

Dear Sheepish,

Come out from behind that display of mouthwash and talk straight to this young man. Ask for a private conference with your wannabe sidekick after class, making sure that no other students are around so he won't be embarrassed by what you're going to say. Tell him you appreciate all his invitations, but you have a non-negotiable policy of not socializing with students, if indeed that is true for you. If this is not your policy, then tell him that you're sorry, but you're too busy to accept any of his invitations and that it makes you feel badly each time you have to decline, so you'd appreciate it if he just stopped asking. You are under no obligation to allow this whippersnapper to dog you. He also sounds like he could use a pep talk about being a better student, but I leave that decision in your capable hands.

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l'll never forget the look on my oldest brother Bill's face the day he bagged the big bird. Everyone said it was the darnedest example of beginner's luck they'd ever seen: his first time ever hunting for wild turkey, and he got one. Bill says that the keen-eyed, keen-eared turkeys "are more like ghosts, almost invisi-

ble. I sat in front of some for two hours. and never knew they were there until I stood up and scared them away."

From that day to this, Bill has been an avid hunter. When I invited him to leave the heartland and pay me a visit this fall, I knew he'd bringhis gun along. He had his sights set on deer and was full of talk about leaving me with a freezer full of venison. My job was to find someone to butcher Bambi.

I found that someone at Bisher's Quality Meats in Ramona (760-789-1488). Manager Robert Pope told me, "We started getting deer in here the third or fourth week in September — that was the first archery season. Then there's about four weeks of rifle hunting from the middle of October to the middle of November. After that is black powder

I figured Bill knew what needed to be done before a deer could be brought to the butcher, but I wanted to check anyway. "It should be shot, bled, and gutted. That's done by slitting the throat and belly. The deer is hung upside-down by its back tendons to get all the blood out of the muscle. The other thing that should be done immediately is icing the deer down. You should put bags of ice inside the carcass. If the deer is shot at higher altitude, or if it's more into the winter season," you can forgo icing right away. "But during the early hunts, which start in late September, it's still pretty hot — especially around here. People are hunting at 3000 to 5000 feet; it could be 90 degrees. If they shoot a deer in a canyon at 7:00 a.m., they might

not get it up the hill until 10:00 a.m. They need to get it iced immediately." Once a deer is iced, "you can take a week to get home.'

deer

Most

arrive at Pope's door minus their skins; if not, there is a \$35 skinning fee. "The hanging weight on most" deer is only about 50 pounds, but if an animal is really heavy, we winch it up by the back tendons to skin it. Some hunters skin the animal themselves on the ground and don't rinse it off right away. That's a problem. They shouldn't roll it around on the forest floor; it should be done on a drop cloth or hanging from a tree, and

should be brought to me clean." Pope does most of his cutting with basic tools. "I can cut almost the whole animal with a six-inch boning knife —

"It gets really sloppy if you cut it when it's freshly killed."

unless the steaks are big, and then I use a ten-inch steak knife. Since deer can be shot anywhere on their bodies, there is some playing around with the meat. If it's hit right, there's a hole and maybe an exit hole. But some guys use these hot shells that bounce around and shatter bone. That's a lot of waste for them." If there is any bone. hair, or bloodshot (coagulated blood in the muscle) in a given cut of meat, "it's thrown away.

Pope charges a flat fee of \$95 for butchering a deer, regardless of size. It's a pretty simple procedure; a deer offers far fewer cuts than, say, a cow. 'A deer is extremely lean, so the meat tends to be dry. Only the really good, tender cuts come out well, unless we're going to cut for stew — but most guys don't want stew. What we usually do is bone out the loin or backstrap, which is between the neck and hips. We'll get the tenderloin out, and the loin chop out, and maybe some sirloin chops, which come from the transition between the leg and the loin.

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Sometimes we cut the legs bonein, but usually we bone the legs out to get leg steaks and roasts." The leftover meat — flesh from the neck, shoulders, ribs, and shanks - may become ground venison or sausage. "Since the meat is so lean," explained Pope, "we add 30 percent pork at \$2 per pound to the deer meat when we make sausage. Some people, however, don't

want sausage; they'll request neck slices for a soup.'

I had never tasted deer, so I did a little snooping on behalf of my taste buds. "Local deer, if you ask me, are terrible," confided Pope. "They are way too lean. It's not too cold here, so they don't store fat on their body. They have a sagey, scrubby oak scent and flavor to them. Deer from the higher altitudes that get to graze on grasses and maybe berries have more flavor, are more tender, and tend to be bigger. We get some in from the Sierras, but more from out-of-state: guys who live here and are bringing back an animal.

'Some guys ask me to hang their deer for a week before the butchering," sort of like aging beef. "But because there's not a lot of fat on them, they're not supposed to hang very long. If there's a lot of fat, you can let meat age and suck up on the bone a little bit. Then you cut off the fat, and the meat is protected inside. With a deer, the whole outside gets dried and has to get peeled off." Pope will, however, chill the carcass for about a day before butchering. "The meat needs to firm up. It gets really sloppy if you cut it when it's freshly killed, because there is a lot of water still in the muscle."

Once cut, the meat is wrapped in heavy-grade plastic and then wrapped again in wax-lined butcher paper. "It'll last six months in the freezer, because it's pretty well protected from the frost."

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to-basics school reform. Because it's working."

It made sense that the chamber of commerce had come out against Zimmerman. She was leading the charge against selling off the district's real estate for commercial development and was raising bothersome questions about the district's purchasing policies. Then, during the campaign, it had emerged that Dubick worked for a law firm that was lobbying hard for sweetheart district property deals, and local real estate interests were pouring money into the Dubick cam-







John Moores



Katherine Nakamura

paign. Moores and his associates clearly wanted a more "businessfriendly" school district.

But the two Eastern foundations, which between them gave a total of \$157,000, seemed an unlikely source of funds. Essential Information, Inc., of Washington, D.C., gave \$100,000. **Public Interest Projects** of New York City gave \$57,000. Founded in 1982, Essential Information was run by Russell

Mokhiber, a then-46year-old veteran of the left-wing turbulence of the 1960s and '70s who had made a career of bashing America's corporate culture. The foundation website announced that Mokhiber, who grew up in Niagara Falls, New York, the child of working-class parents, and who later went to work for Ralph Nader, was "one of the nation's leading authorities on corporate crime, is the

editor of the Corporate Crime Reporter, a legal weekly, and the author of Corporate Crime and Violence: Big Business Power and the Abuse of the Public Trust,"

"Corporations are the only criminal class that has so marinated the lawmaking process with their money that they both define the law and influence enforcement of the law," Mokhiber told Florida's St. Petersburg Times in 1997. In 1999 he told the *New York* Times that "Corporate crime is crime without shame. It's gotten to the point where when a corporation pleads guilty to

some criminal act, the stock goes up." Essential Information publishes a monthly magazine called the Multinational Monitor, which features articles with headlines such as "Corporate Pigs and Other Tales of Agribusiness," "Big Business Looks to Sew Up the Chinese Market," and "The World Bank: Fifty Years Is Enough!"

So what was Mokhiber doing in the company of corporate titans such as John Moores, Harvey White, Irwin Jacobs, and John Walton? And why did the anti-corporate activist care about San Diego's

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school board? Contacted by telephone in October 2000, Mokhiber said he was not familiar with the donation his foundation had made to the San Diego race and promised a reporter he'd investigate and call back. He never did and failed to respond to numerous follow-up calls. Charitable tax returns filed in 1999 with the Internal Revenue Service showed that Essential Information had the previous year raised \$672,000 from a variety of contributors and had net assets of \$166,000.

The second foundation, Public Interest Projects, was even more elusive. Its president, Donald Ross, is a wealthy, well-connected Democratic lobbyist and longtime liberal activist in

New York and Washington who had founded the Ralph Nader-sponsored New York Public Interest Research Group in 1973. He and his partner, attorney Arthur Malkin, lobbied for the New York state trial attorneys' organization, which often pitted them against the state's business community. Ross failed to return numerous phone calls from a reporter attempting to find out why the foundation he ran had given to the anti-Zimmerman cause.

Pam Maurath, who identified herself as an employee of Public Interest Projects, confirmed that the foundation had contributed the money to the Partnership for Student Achievement but said she was









John Walton







Alan Ziegaus, c. 1980



Roy Roemer

"not aware" of its negative television advertising campaign. "This was something we felt was of consumer interest," she said. Maurath added she didn't know how the foundation was approached for the money

but said the foundation's grants were not advertised to the public. "There would have to be some personal connection, oh, sure," she said. "We don't have a regular process by which we award grants. There

would have to be some personal connection. You would definitely have to know somebody."

Tax returns showed the foundation had collected about \$4 million from a variety of donors. Like Essential Information, Inc., Public Interest Projects had no history of contributing to education issues. Its largest donation was \$1.5 million to an environmental study in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Another \$1.3 million went to an "immigration advocacy" project. Under the law, neither foundation was required to disclose the names of those who contributed the funds.

Thus, because neither Mokhiber nor Ross responded to multiple requests to identify the source of the funds used

to pay for their respective foundations' contributions to the anti-Zimmerman commercials, the ultimate source of the money remained unknown. After Zimmerman's narrow November victory over Dubick, the controversy soon faded away, the funding questions unanswered.

Today, exactly two years later, in the midst of another closely fought school-board race, many of the same questions are being raised once more. This time attention has focused on public relations man Alan Ziegaus and his company, Southwest Strategies.

In August, sources inside the district revealed that he and his associate, Bernie Rhinerson, a longtime veteran of local political cam-







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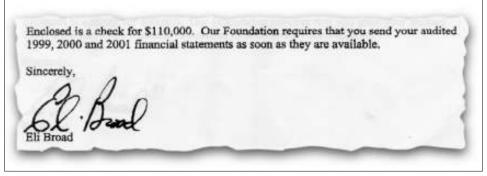


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paigns, had begun to meet frequently with Bersin and Bersin's inhouse public relations staff.

The purpose, according to the sources, was to plot campaign public relations strategy with an eye to the election of two Bersin supporters running for the school board: ex-FBI man Clyde Fuller and Katherine Nakamura, a lawyer employed by the University of San Diego. Although neither Ziegaus nor Bersin has responded to questions regarding the arrangement, district sources say Bersin told associates that the services of Southwest Strategies are being paid for by private donations. But he would not reveal the source of the money.



Letter from the Broad Foundation to Essential Information, 10/2/00

As the summer drew to a close, however, speculation began to focus on one man, Eli Broad, a powerful Los Angeles Democrat who had amassed a \$5 billion fortune, first as a home builder and later in the financial and insurance industry. Three years ago Broad, who had given millions to various modern-art museums, announced that he was shifting focus and establishing the Broad Foundation to improve public education in America; earlier this year, flanked by U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige and various congressional Democrats, he said that he and his family would quadruple the L.A.based foundation's assets to \$400 million.

Born in 1933, a child of Lithuanian Jewish immigrants, Broad graduated from Detroit's Central High School and Michigan State Univer-

sity in 1954. He reportedly stepped down from day-to-day leadership of his home-building business, now known as KB Homes, and financial services company, SunAmerica, Inc., to take personal charge of his charitable efforts on behalf of education. "We are going to seek out, identify, and fund action-oriented and promising initiatives," he told a Los Angeles townhall forum in April 2001.

A lifelong Democrat, Broad doesn't hesitate to use his wealth to gain political position. He contributed \$150,000 to this year's reelection campaign for Democratic governor Gray Davis, and Davis subsequently appointed him to the governor's Commission on Building for the 21st Century. The commission, made up mostly of wealthy Davis contributors, has recommended a series of infrastructure tax hikes. bond issues, and other pro-business deregulatory measures intended to boost real estate and industrial development in the state.

On the education front, Broad and the foundation he controls have embraced a variety of experimental pro-

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grams, including charter schools, and he has taken the lead in advocating the appointment of socalled "nontraditional" school superintendents, contending that hidebound administrators are resisting change and reform.

According to the Broad Foundation website, the organization's mission is to "redefine the traditional roles, practices, and policies of school board members, superintendents, principals, and labor union leaders to better address contemporary challenges in education."

Broad told the New *York Times* in July that the old-fashioned education model for superintendents was passé. "The skills necessary to run a huge urban school dis-



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trict have changed dramatically in recent years," he said. "They have to know or be trained in management, problem solving, finance, labor relations, systems operations, and so on."

Critics argue that Broad's charitable operation, like Davis's 21st Century committee, is really just the camel's nose under the tent for a number of various business interests, which seek to obtain lucrative contracts for educational "outsourcing" - schoolbond financing, office supplies, and construction. Teachers' union organizers also fear that the newly aggressive management will eventually toss them onto the street. But in the midst of the country's current desperation over the quality of public education, Broad's message has met very little skepticism or public questioning. He is frequently hailed by newspaper editorial writers.

At the top of Broad's list of "nontraditional" administrators, according to a page on the website of his foundation, is none other than San Diego's Alan Bersin, a lawyer who served as the

San Diego region's **United States Attorney** during the Clinton administration and who is the son-in-law of the late Stanley Foster, a wealthy local financier and landowner with longtime ties to the state Democratic Party.

Headlined "Our Heroes," the page proclaims that Bersin and his deputy, ex-New York public schools administrator Anthony Alvarado, are "making difficult but needed changes, including replacing several principals due to lackluster performance. They relish challenging the

status quo and are prepared to be judged by the results. The Broad Foundation is a long-term investor in developing a leadership academy for aspiring principals. We're betting on San Diego's leadership team to transform San Diego's schools.

"Alan's partner, Chancellor of Instruction Tony Alvarado, has a long record of success in raising student achievement levels and attracting high-quality professional educators during his ten years as superintendent of Manhattan Community School District 2 in New York City."

Since 2000, Broad's foundation has given \$4.7 million to the University of San Diego to operate on behalf of the San Diego Unified School District a "principals' school," known as the Educational Leadership Development Academy. It is run by Elaine Fink, who was Alvarado's professional associate in New York. Records show she now shares a Coronado Shores condominium with him. A big supporter of the Fink operation — a favorite Bersin project - is schoolboard candidate Katherine Nakamura, who is USD's assistant secretary of the corporation's board of trustees, reporting to the president of the university.

According to press accounts, Broad frequently consults with Bersin, often taking him to meetings with other "nontraditional" school superintendents, such as L.A.'s Roy Roemer, a former Colorado governor and another Broad favorite; and Paul Vallas, a former budget advisor to Chicago mayor Richard Daley, who named Vallas to run the schools there.



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Vallas later transferred to a similar post in Philadelphia.

Late last week, in the face of persistent rumors about Broad's financial support for Alan Ziegaus and his election-season public relations campaign on behalf of Bersin's policies, Broad Foundation spokeswoman Melissa Bonney Ratcliff, a former press aide to ex–vice president Al Gore, confirmed that the foundation has so far contributed \$20,000 to support the effort. The foundation, she added, has a contract with Ziegaus's firm. "It's my understanding that the district is going to seek money from other sources to supplement

that, but that is up to the district. We are responsible for \$20,000. I have no other information than that.

"It is no secret that Eli Broad is a big fan of Alan Bersin," Ratcliff continued. "We are working with Alan on a project down in San Diego, yes. We are very interested in getting the message out about how well the reforms launched by Alan Bersin are doing down there. This is not restricted to

San Diego. We work with a number of school districts around the country in the same way."

San Diego Unified spokeswoman Peri Lynn Turnbull acknowledged in a telephone interview late last week that Broad was the source of \$20,000 for the effort, which she characterized as a way to "improve communications" between the district and parents. The timing of Ziegaus's arrival, she said, was based on the departure of district public relations chief John Spelich, a veteran of Ziegaus's former firm, Ziegaus, Stoorza, and Metzger. Spelich was hired by Bersin last November but left to take a job at the Walt Disney Company in June.

"There was a need to replace John Spelich while we look for a permanent replacement." Turnbull quoted chief administrative officer Terry Smith — Bersin's right-hand man — as saying Smith was "not aware" of any other funds being channeled to Ziegaus. "None of the money is coming through the district," she said. "You have to ask Alan Ziegaus about that." Ziegaus did not respond to requests for comment left on his voice-mail system.

San Diego isn't the only place Broad has put up big money to run a public relations campaign on behalf of a school district - and raised questions of conflict of interest in the process. Broad often partners with local business interests, especially chambers of commerce, composed in part of school-district vendors, who frequently have more than education at heart. According to the Broad website, the foundation is paying for "community leaders in target cities to organize slates of highly effective school board candidates



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and to mount local voter education campaigns. We are currently piloting this initiative in Fresno, in partnership with the educational foundation of the Fresno Chamber of Commerce."

In Atlanta, Georgia, according to Broad's website, "The Foundation supported the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce's efforts to promote effective school-board governance through two local initiatives. First, the Foundation contributed to a nonpartisan public awareness campaign to educate the public about the characteristics of an effective school board and the importance of voting in the November 2001 election.

"Second, the Foundation sponsored train-

ing sessions for schoolboard candidates to familiarize them with the principles of policy governance and the roles and responsibilities of effective school board members. Board training was offered to 14 board candidates, including three challengers who were elected to the school board in November 2001."

Critics of Broad and his reform efforts complain that his frequent political interventions in school-board races are not as "nonpartisan" as he claims. This August, the Los Angeles Times reported that Broad's foundation provided a \$100,000 grant to hire Rose & Kindel, an L.A. lobbying firm. The company was retained to "educate voters" about the

merits of a \$3.3 million school-construction bond issue on the November 5 ballot. But while Rose & Kindel was working on behalf of the school district, at the same time it was also representing a series of developers and consultants who were seeking contracts with the district. That, according to ethics experts interviewed by the paper, represented a serious conflict of interest, a problem compounded by the L.A. district's lack of a lobbyist-disclosure law.

"The bottom line is that it's a conflict of interest for Rose & Kindel to be working for the district and have clients trying to lobby the district," L.A. school-board member Genethia Hudley-Hayes was quoted as saying. The district's ethics officer, Peter Bowen, told the paper he was not aware of the details of the Broad arrangement but added, "People who are acting as a lobbyist for us are not supposed to be lobbying to us."

Whether Ziegaus represents others who have business before the San Diego Unified School District is not known. Like Los Angeles, San Diego has failed to adopt a lobbyist-disclosure ordinance, and Ziegaus did not respond to questions regarding his clientele.

A lobbyist-disclosure statement filed with San Diego County on June 27 of this year by Ziegaus associate Bernie Rhinerson shows that Rhinerson lobbied both

the county board of supervisors and county assessor Greg Smith on behalf of KMPG Consulting of Costa Mesa. According to San Diego Unified School District records, KMPG LLP has a contract with the district to conduct the district's annual outside audit. Rhinerson did not return calls regarding the matter.

Also troubling to some, the Times reported, was "Coalition for Kids," a political committee formed by Broad and former L.A. mayor Richard Riordan to lobby the Los Angeles City Council regarding a school-board redistricting map favored by board president and Broad ally Caprice Young. The coalition paid Rose & Kindel

\$30,000 for its services. Young denied that the arrangement represented a conflict, but Bob Stern, president of the Center for Governmental Studies, voiced a warning. "Obviously, the public perception would be that they would tend to favor people or firms who are representing them privately," he noted of board members such as Young.

Meanwhile, back in San Diego, at least part of the mystery surrounding those anti-Zimmerman television spots may have been resolved. According to a tax return filed by the Broad Foundation in May 2001, both Essential Information and Public Interest Projects, the two groups listed as giving a total of \$157,000 to the Partnership for Student Achieve-





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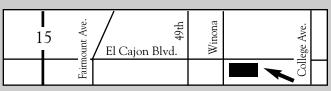




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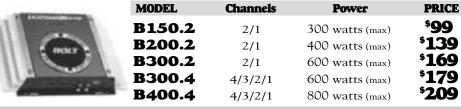
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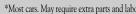
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The grants were memorialized in virtually identical letters from Broad to each foundation, both dated October 2, 2000, personally signed by Broad himself. Copies of the letters were supplied by Broad Foundation spokeswoman Ratcliff after a reporter's inquiry.

In his letter to Essential Information, Broad wrote that his foundation was making a \$110,000 grant. "I am pleased to inform you that the Broad Foundation has approved your recent grant request to support Essential Information's efforts to encourage citizens to become active in public education issues in their communities.

"We are impressed with your prior work in disseminating education and other urban economic development information through conferences, journal articles, books, and reports. We are pleased to be able to support you as you continue this important work."

In his letter to Public Interest Projects, Broad wrote that the foundation had approved a \$60,000 grant to support Public Interest Projects' "efforts to increase citizen awareness of the need for urban school reform.

"We are impressed with the mission of your organization and with your prior work in educating and informing the general public about community, health, and education issues. We are pleased to be able to support you as you continue this important work."

Records show that, soon after receiving the **Broad Foundation** money, both Essential Information and Public Interest Projects made their respective contributions to the Partnership

for Student Achievement, which in turn spent the money to produce and air the anti-Zimmerman hit spots.

According to a disclosure made by the Partnership dated October 21, 2000, and covering the disclosure period between October 1 and October 17, the group received \$50,000 from **Essential Information** and \$57,000 from Public Interest Projects. The partnership received another \$50,000 from Essential Information during the period between October 18 and November 27, according to a disclosure dated December 6, 2000.

Mark Dowie, author of a recently published book about charitable abuse entitled American Foundations: An Investigative History, says that there appears to be nothing outright illegal about the way the funds from the Broad Foundation traveled to Public Interest Projects and Essential Information, apparently winding up in the coffers of the Partnership for Student Achievement. But he adds that the process represents a growing trend of borderline illegality in the use of charities to support political causes.

"I would say it's pushing the envelope, no doubt about it," he said last week in a telephone interview from his office in Northern California. "It is legal, but it is a legal loophole. This is clearly a possible way to launder huge amounts of political money under the rubric of education."

Queried about how the grant proceeds were intended to be spent, the Broad Foundation's Ratcliff responded: "Both grants were unrestricted except for the purposes outlined in the grant letters. Both foundations are qualified charitable organizations, and we had no control over how the money was used." ■

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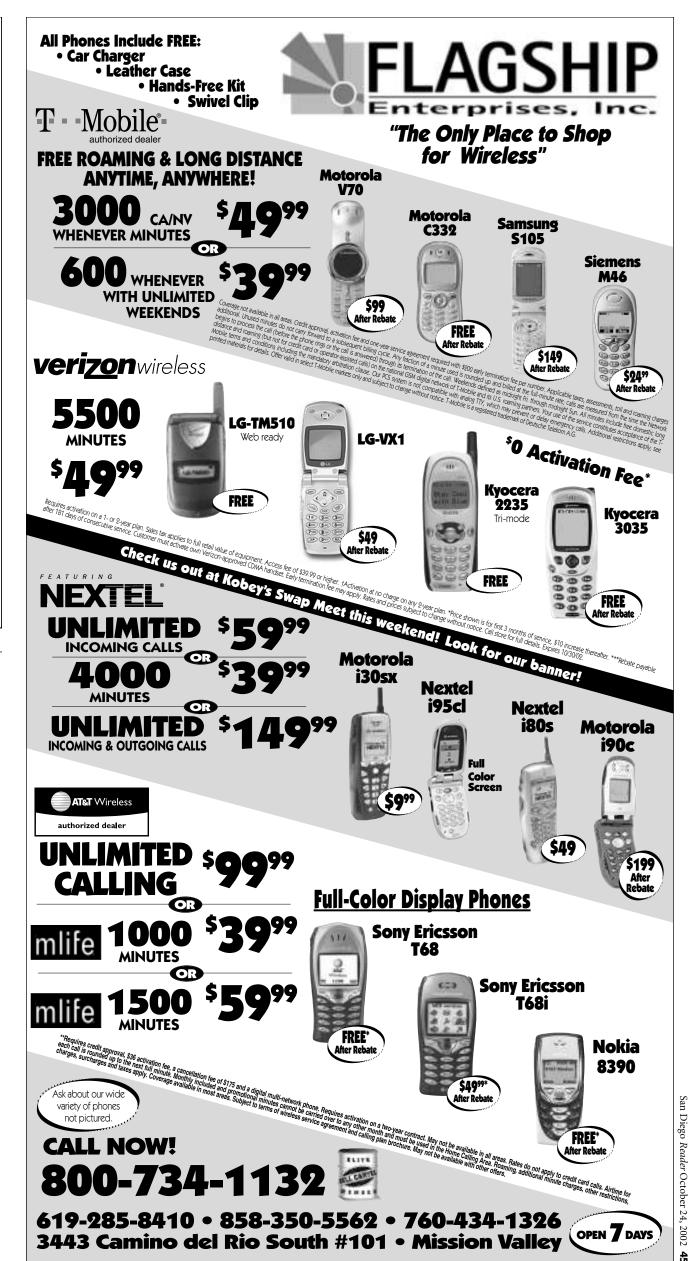
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UCSD graduate Justin Lin returned to San Diego October 3 for the third annual San Diego Asian Film Festival. Now a film director, Lin came to see his second full-length project, *Better Luck Tomorrow*, open the series. Earlier this year, it became the first Asian-American film to be



Derrick Chao

acquired at the Sundance Film Festival. Next year, it debuts on the big screen.

The movie's protagonist Ben Manibag (Parry Shen) plays the Asian-American overachiever. Living in a suburban world free of adult constraints, Ben tries to gain acceptance into an Ivy League university. Yet, once he meets senior valedictorian Daric Loo (Roger Fan), they form a gang, commit crimes, and experiment with drugs. Questioning the roles young Asian-Americans aspire to fill, the movie spotlights the darker side of a changing cultural identity.

For many high school and college students who attended the premiere, the portrayal of suburban Southern Californian Asian-American teens hit home. Roger Fan, who plays Daric in the movie, based his character on much of his own high school experience.

"I was sort of this guy who was hyper-organized, and wanted to get into a good college, but, unbeknownst to me, I was sort of a model minority dude," he said.

Fan achieved his Ivy League dream by attending Brown and worked on Wall Street for a year. Then, considering the future in which he might ask himself, "'What did I do?' I gave that up, and decided to go into acting. I had done theater and stuff on the side for years; it was just interest. It's what I was meant to do."

Mt. Carmel High School senior Derrick Chao, 17, saw himself in Daric — and not just because they share the same-sounding name.

"On the surface, [Daric] lettered in tennis, participated in academic decathlon and achieves well in school, just as I did," Chao said. "However, he also has this sort of cockiness to him that reminds me of myself. I feel like I'm more prone to be organizing something and convincing other people, than to be passive about situations."

Chao, who lives in band T-shirts and jeans, says he's assertive mainly outside of school. Like Fan, he has broken away from the academic crowd and pursued his passion by starting his own band and frequenting concerts.

"Just take a look at the ethnic breakdown of AP [advanced placement] and honors students in high school classrooms," said Chao. "The number of Changs and Wangs should say something alone about the overachieving Asian-Americans at school."

Chao admits feeling stereotyped as a good student, but he's not compelled to be that way.

"My parents are not typical Asian parents by any stretch of the imagination, which could quite possibly explain why I feel like I was able to break away from the vicious Asian-American nerd machine," he said. "They have never attempted to intrude on my life by controlling any of my influences or beliefs as a person and give me almost absolute freedom to do anything. They have yet to ask to see a report card, and they only occasionally nag about the SAT."

Grace Kang, 19, who is transferring to UCSD next fall and belonged to a group of overachieving Asian-Americans during part of high school, says that pressure originates from the group, not her parents.

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In Better Luck Tomorrow, Daric's accomplishments pressure Ben to strive harder. UCSD junior Annie Nguyen, 19, experienced the same dynamic within her group of honor-student

friends.

"I hung out with the smart Asian kids," Nguyen said. "I felt both envious of and pressured by them. One of them even complained about her score of 1300 on the SAT. After a lot of people started associating me with them, I just got sick of it and stopped hanging out with them. I'm really not that book-smart, and I didn't want to be classified by that."

Looking back at high school, Nguyen did "too much: newspaper, class council, floatbuilding, ecology club, National Honor Society, California Scholastic Federation — all the



things that the four boys in the movie were trying to do. I did so much to a point where right now I have a minimal load and I can barely stay on top of things. At that time, I felt like I wasn't doing enough." She now divides her time between interning at



Annie Nguyen

NBC-San Diego, tutoring, and volunteering for the Asian American Iournalists Association.

Handling such workloads can be overwhelming for many students, and Better Luck *Tomorrow*'s characters channel their frustration into violence and crime.



Charlie Tran

Ben and his friends Virgil and Han begin by robbing an electronics store; later, they join Daric to operate a cheatsheet system at school in which they obtain tests by breaking into classrooms at night. In one scene, Ben admits "it felt nice to do something for

once that wasn't going to go on my résumé."

According to Chao, similar felonies were committed at Mt. Carmel High School in the past two years — all by Asian-American honor students. One student was charged with credit card fraud. The following year, two students were caught breaking into a physics teacher's file cabinet to steal tests; other students connected to the crime were convicted of devising a program that changed grades in teachers' computers. In each case, the question of "Why them?" came up among parents, teachers, and students.

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Nguyen believes that Lin's film cites the desire to belong as the reason why ethnic minorities and youths, who may be "good kids," turn to violence. In one scene, after the main characters beat up the white football quarterback for making racist remarks, Han starts crying in the car.

"Han was always on the verge of tears because he denied how he really felt," Nguyen said. "He wanted to feel that high after pounding the white jock, but at the same time, he was held back by his perceived obligation to and fear of his parents."

Miramar College freshman Charlie Tran, 18, experienced similar conflicts in high school.

"I have swayed with the wrong crowds, mainly out of fear of rejection," Tran said. "Acceptance is one of the few things that teenagers need more than clothes, and whatever desperate link you can use to obtain it will be used"

Tran has been pressured to commit crimes, mostly electronic/computer-based because '[people] think that my nationality dictates that I should know how to do this kind of stuff. I have also cheated, but not even for the points. Frustration just takes over, and you feel driven to be the student everyone tells you you are." Tran, a Tae Kwon Do second-degree black belt and former member of the Key Club in high school, was dissatisfied with relationships and societal conditions. He wanted to make changes without being classified by his race.

"It's unfair to lump the Asian stereotype as just that overachieving type, although that's the only one the older generation knows," Tran said. "I think BLT is effective because the characters aren't defined by their overachieving tendencies, but by their imperfections."

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been pressured before to commit crimes or violence, none knew any Asian gang members. Future UCSD student Kang said that the main characters' involvement in a gang, among other practices rarely associated with Asians, was why the movie "had such a strong effect. You see white actors, Latinos, and blacks portrayed that way, but you hardly see Asians portrayed that way. Here, it's something that is more

However, actor John Cho, who plays Steve, the rich boyfriend of Ben's love interest in BLT, said, "I think a lot of people make the mistake that they perceive the film to be universal when for me, personally, I think it's a very specific film; it's about Orange County Asian-American kids.... The unusual thing about this movie is that their 'Asian-American-ness' is a fraction of their identity and not their whole identity. Sometimes mainstream media makes so much of our 'Asian-American-ness,' and...it either sucks or it's great."

Miramar College freshman Tran agrees that the media perception and portrayal of Asians beyond their race needs development.

"I think we as a society still have a ways to go in accepting Asian-Americans as just another sort of American," he said. "When we see someone Asian in a movie, we're always halfexpecting crazy martial arts or suave gunplay, and are almost always taken aback by an American accent."

Fan, the actor, believes that in the media and movies specifically, Asian-Americans are more often cast to fill a racial requirement than for their capabilities.

"Like, when you and I watch Friends, everyone identifies so clearly with Jennifer Aniston and all those guys, but even if you're Asian, your self-persona is not Asian. My hope is that when this film comes out, when people lay down at night and start dreaming of the Indiana Joneses and Han Solos, these characters might have an Asian face to them. When that happens, I think a lot is going to change for society in terms of making it cool to be Asian-American, as opposed to just being there for some Asian reason."

Justin Lin hopes to define Asian-Americans as participants in the evolving face of Americana.

"When I went out with the script, everybody said 'Oh we like the script, but can we change it from Asians or Chicanos?' You know, 'they're risky,' or whatever, and these comments were coming from Asian-Americans.... The movie industry knows that there are a lot of Asian-Americans out there, but there have never been any demographics for any Asian film, so if this movie goes out and we do have some muscle going after it, and Asian-Americans do show up, people will be more willing to fund other Asian-American projects." ■

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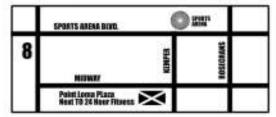
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Harvey's on Saturday



Saturday morning, October 6, 2001, 4:00 a.m.

Under a black sky with the windless air crisp and cool, Skyline Drive stretches forth wide and empty. The side streets are quiet. At South Meadowbrook Drive, on the crest of the incline, stands a wearylooking mini-mall. The neighborhood is a

scrim of tidy, sun-baked ranch-style homes, but this line of commercial buildings — a market, a cell phone store, a taqueria painted sunburnt orange — is decrepit and pasted with ads. The parking lot is empty except for a battered old pickup truck. Backed into place and parked on the

perpendicular, the truck faces Harvey's Barber Shop, the third storefront in. Slivers of light squeeze from around the edges of the miniblinds that cover the front window, and the shade drawn down behind the glass front door glows a dim golden.

Inside, Curtis Harvey,

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67, sits at a card table. He is busy with paper and pencil. He does not lean on the blue table, although it looks nearly new and could easily take his weight. Harvey has been a barber for 47 years: for nearly half a century he has run electrical clippers close to fidgety children's ears, sent razors down throats where the jugular vein pulsed, scraped close to the carotid artery that sends a blush to the cheek and blood to the brain. With pointed scissors, he has tweaked at the small hairs inside noses. He has straightened hair, applied grease and hot combs to the tender back of the neck, laid on the scalp chemical pastes caustic enough to scar. He has pressed hot towels, steaming hot, onto the face; cut close to the eye; snipped inside ears. Barbers offer their customers a chance to zone out while being ministered to. In Harvey's case, he acts like a yoga master, withstanding the long hours and always holding a little of himself in reserve. Which is why, now at the card table, he does not slouch or hunker down over his notations. His body will not allow it.

Brown-skinned, wellbuilt, with nothing of middle-age spread, Harvey wears dark slacks and a marooncolored smock with a small "C.H." embroidered in yellow. On his feet are dark, patterned wool dress socks and what is a fashion horror — though an accom-

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modation to what lies ahead — rubber sandals that bind with Velcro at the ankle and across the toes. These well-worn sandals tell the tale, for a barber spends his workday standing. Today, Harvey will stand for 14 hours, with less than a 30-minute break for lunch. He is out of a job the moment his legs and feet go; hence the rubber-cushioned sandals.

Otherwise, as befits one in his profession, Harvey is both well turned out and well groomed. He wears a gold chain, a watch, a ring with a ruby stone, and a diamond pinkie. His mustache is neatly trimmed; his hair is short, parted on the left, and thinner on top than on the sides. Its exceptional blackness may or may not owe something to Grecian Formula, but this subscription to agelessness suits Harvey to a T. Tribal elders, men who observe the world's cycles in the more or less exclusive company of other men, often obtain the impassive aspect of a mask. That's him. In the way of those whose lives are spent in service to others, Harvey has managed to nicely seal off his private life. He does not invite questions.

A midsized color TV, set in the corner at ceiling height, has local newscasters, taped yesterday evening, looped Today, Harvey will stand for 14 hours with less than a 30minute break for lunch.

to repeat themselves. The national news segment is all about the terrorist attack on September 11, New York's efforts to clear the wreckage of the World Trade Center, and the country's descent into an economic recession. The clock, which now reads 4:20, hangs over the doorway between the shop and the backroom, which is divided into a storage area, locker, and toilet. Twenty minutes later, at 4:40, Harvey checks his watch again.

"Last week, they were lined up by now," he says.

Harvey keeps regular business hours, 9:00 to 5:30, from Tuesday to Friday. But on Saturdays he arrives at 4:00. He unlocks the front door and locks it behind him. He turns on lights, sets aside the steel bar that secures the back door, and props open the barred window in the toilet with an old diet Pepsi can. He changes from his shirt and jacket into his maroon smock, exchanges street shoes for sandals, and



stows his clothes in the narrow locker that he shares with Red, the other barber.

Many barbers give good haircuts. Many remain as reasonably priced as Harvey's (a basic trim here starts at \$12). Harvey's shoe-shine man recently died and so there are no shoe shines, nor are there manicures or facials. Harvey has been at this location for 35 years, and the three barber's chairs, all with retro curves, painted a bronze with a marbleized green finish, may have been purchased for the opening. An ancient jukebox stands in the corner. There are mismatched chairs, low tables, a water cooler with bottled water, a coffeemaker without coffee, wall mirrors with their silver peeling. It is a sign of Harvey's appeal that he thrives with little of the spit and polish of newer barbershops. The well-worn aspect of the place, a result of years of use, offers customers a sense of personal history that is as authentic as it is hard to come by. For the price of a haircut, Harvey's customers get what European spas, island cruises, and honeymoon suites are meant to provide: a place of leisure, the enjoyment of sensual pleasures, and a chance to reclaim oneself for a little while.

The blue card table is the newest piece of furniture in the shop. It is a replacement for one that could no longer stand. When business was slow, Harvey liked to set up a game of dominoes. In the barbershops of his Texas youth, customers played dominoes. Now the table is used for paperwork or lunch. No one has played dominoes in the shop for years.

The walls display subjects, in descending order of their numbers, pugilistic, professional, and paternal, and, in the singular case of one snapshot, a bikiniclad brown beauty whose ample charms are of the kind politely described as "pneumatic."

Photographs of fighters — Archie Moore, Terry Norris, Thomas Hearns, Sugar Ray Leonard, and Reggie Johnson — are cut out and tacked to the wall, as are headlines: "Seeing Is Believing" and "Title Comes Tied in Bow." One article describes the Mike Tyson and Evander Holyfield fight of November 10, 1996, when Tyson lost on a technical knockout ("Underdog Holyfield with TKO Triumphs"). Beside it, another headline, "Holyfield Can't Match Strength of New Champ," gives a nod to the quick rise and fall of these titans.

An early '90s promotional shot shows Vincent Pazienza in an orthopedic truss, pins surgically placed in his skull, after a car accident. (To the surprise of the medical world, if not the boxing one, Pazienza, his name shortened to Vinny Paz, went on to win the welterweight championship.)

Far fewer in numbers and less prominent in display are the barber charts that show young men and women sporting impressive do's. For the men are the "Square Top Brush," "Modernistic,""Regulation,""Hustler," "The Process," "Conservative Point Sideburns," "Block Neck Brush," and "Close Back Brush." For women there is the "Circle Swirl,""V-Rounded Point," "Angle-Block," "Undercut Short-V," "Curved Point-V," "Angle-Block," "Razor-Edge,""Side Swirl," and the demurely named "Coed."

"The World's Greatest Barber Chart" includes two dozen photographs of men with superb hair, many with bright, iridescent dye jobs. This is the most recent acquisition among the barbershop's professional posters. The chart shows "Fades" and "Low Cuts," "Afros" (short, medium, and long), "Texturizers," the treatment of beards and mustaches, children's cuts, "Alternative Colors" (plum purple, lemon yellow, and scarlet), "Urban Cuts," and the neat, undistinguished treatment called "Professional."

Personal photographs line the walls behind the barbers' chairs. Some are peeling away. At Harvey's station, one shot of a dazzlingly beautiful woman in a bikini is set among family snapshots. Harvey has



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been married long enough to have fathered 10 children (2 are now deceased) and become the paterfamilias of 23 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. "I lose count," he says. In the shop, however, he stands outside his history; he casts little in the way of personal shadow. His customers come because they enjoy themselves; in this sense, Harvey is an entertainer.

When he opened his barbershop, the neighborhood was in transition; the panic of white flight had not yet left the area more or less all black. Harvey makes no distinction between straight and kinky hair, between black skin and white. But the shop, which caters to blacks, offers a benign take on racial profiling. Here the humor and pathos, the struggles, and the victories and setbacks that are particular to the African-American are known and respected. The economics are conservative and the politics moderately liberal. This is a place where blacks convene regularly and feel not only that they may speak from their hearts but that here they will be heard, which is to say understood.

While its authority may have dimmed some, the black church is still a significant force in the black community. Nominally Christian ethics — a mix of "an eye for an eye" and "love thy neighbor as thyself" - define how blacks have come to be with each other and have also endowed them with a wait-and-see attitude that is understood as wisdom. A weary cynicism ("Things never change") sits beside a more generous realism ("Things change, but they move woefully slow") that leads easily enough to a commercially defined optimism ("Stay in school and get an education so you can get out and get a good job and make something of yourself").

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domestic, that is to say, the spiritualized domestic or the domesticated spiritual this is the root of African-American folklore. The black barbershop is a barometer of cultural sentiment and guide to contemporary African-American thought. To take a recent example, while news of the philandering Reverend Jesse Jackson left him widely pilloried, at Harvey's he got a generous hearing. Sure, he messed up when he fathered a child to a woman to whom he was not married (no one at Harvey's would ever describe such a child as "illegitimate"). He is a preacher and should serve as an example. But he is also a man, and the heart of the African-American world is informed by the cautionary belief that the Faustian bargain is a daily, hourly, minute-byminute affair. Our earthly sojourn is made along a precipice. To stumble and fall is in the nature of the trek.

In an era of brightly illuminated hair salons with piped-in music, catchy names, and windows to the passing world, the neighborhood barbershop has gone the way of the local

bakery, the butcher, and the

mom-and-pop store. Fifty

Forgiveness is big here.

years ago, customers felt welcome to spend a long afternoon at the barbershop, where they could exchange gossip and sports tips and even catch 40 winks. Today, few customers have either the time or the inclination to hang out. Harvey opens before dawn on Saturdays because for many, this is the only time that conveniently fits into their busy schedules.

5:12 a.m.

A car is heard outside. There is a silence, then a knock on the front door. Harvey looks at the clock. Excited, he rises to unlock the door.

Wendell Trent and Harvey greet one another, then Trent takes the chair. A burly man, he removes his cap to an eruption — a bomb blast — of thick, flyaway hair

"Just clean my neck," he says, and settles in. Harvey wraps a maroon cloth over his chest, fits it into the collar of his shirt, and begins to work with scissors and clippers. Trent, who is on his way to work, is an old-timer to the shop. They exchange desultory remarks about the unhappy state of world affairs. Unhappiness is an opportunity to bring up God and to wonder at His

mysterious ways.

"If He calls you home," offers Harvey, "you've got to go. That's one bus you never will miss."

"But no one leaves before their time," adds Trent. "I just pray mine is another 50 or 60 years."

And they lapse into easy silence.

Dozens of magazines lie in slippery piles on the coffee tables. Ebony, March 21, 2001, "One Woman's Story: Why I Am a Lesbian." "How to Please Your Man Without Losing Yourself," "10 Most Powerful Black Women," "Self-Defense in Sisters." Jet, March 2000, "Sizzling & Sexy Male Singers: Eric Benet, D'Angelo, Tyrese, Sisqo." Jet, August 26, 2000, "Mary J. Blige Tells Why She Uses Fame to Help Good Causes," "Why Loneliness Is Bad for Your Health." Jet, January 21, 2001, "Are Lies More Believable Than Truth?"

5:25 a.m.

W.T. Jones has driven his maroon '94 Chevy Silverado the three blocks from home to the barbershop. "Good morning, gentlemen!" he says, "Good morning!" Harvey locks the door after him.

Jones, an ordained Baptist minister, is an associate

to the pastor at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church on 39th Street. He wears a cap, one of four he owns that read, "Jesus Died for You."

Jones grew up in Troy, Alabama, 40 miles southeast of Montgomery, and there committed himself as a Christian, he says, "but I let it go for a little while when I was in the Navy."

"W.T.," or "Rev.," as he is sometimes called, speaks rapidly and chews up his words some, but his remarks are tied with genial laughter and his cadence is full of pleasing drops and rises. Jones picks up a magazine and leafs through it. The television news replays in the background.

Jones is an area manager for National Steel and Shipbuilding Company, the largest shipyard on the West Coast. A customer of Harvey's for a decade, Jones likes the Saturday hours because he is in the habit of rising before 5:00. "This way," he says, "I can come in here, get a haircut, and be back home before my grand-children wake up. That way I have the whole day clear for them."

Jones and his wife have ten grandchildren, three who live full-time with them. The two-year-old, Dwyane, loves to come to Harvey's.

"He tells me, 'Can I go to the barber with you?' I have to keep him to every two weeks." It is unusual for a child to like to go to the barber, and young Dwyane did have a bad experience with another barber when the clippers pulled his hair. "And he remembers that too!" says his grandfather. "But with Harvey, he's so easy; he sets in the chair and he goes to sleep!"

5:40 a.m.

Richard Wright steps into the barbershop. At 45, he is younger than the others and he is lighter skinned. He sports a full beard. His name happens to be the same as the famed author ("the influential and infamous writer who changed the face of American literature") in whose most celebrated novel, Native Son, the protagonist, Bigger Thomas, kills a white woman and, to cover his tracks, his own girlfriend. "Seems sort of natural-like, me being here facing that death chair," says Thomas after his capture. "Now I come to think of it, it seems like something like this just had to be."

Richard Wright has driven the four miles from

Spring Valley. The father of three sons, he knows Harvey's son, Curtis Jr., and has been a regular in the shop for the past ten years. He is a native of San Diego, graduating from Morse High School in 1973. Today Wright, a supervisor at Goodrich/Aerostructures Group in Chula Vista, sends out modification re-engineering kits for Boeing 727s.

Trent's neck does not take long. Jones steps into the chair at 5:45.

The shop is quiet. The news plays while the men look through magazines.

6:20 a.m.

A city bus roars past. Wright says it is either a #4 or #11 and that its destination is San Diego State. Outside, the world is coming awake.

6:35 a.m.

Harvey gazes for a moment at the sky, then locks the door behind the Reverend Dwight A. Sykes. Now with two men in line and one in the chair, Harvey might be expected to move quickly, to speed up in anticipation of the crunch. Yet as he picks up his clippers and returns to Jones's head, his pace is not slow, but it is also not hurried. When he is through with Jones, Wright takes his



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place. He wants just a trim.

The videotaped news replays clips of cleanup activities in New York.

Someone mentions that Muslims, now defined as terrorists, are this country's newest "blacks."

"There you go!" agrees Sykes. "There you go!"

The silence that follows is broken when Reverend Sykes offers another thought: that blacks, so widely abused, will one day find heavenly favor from a kind and just God. He looks to his Bible as the Word of God and the current state of American society for how that Word

is manifested. Sykes works in education because he is a realist. Opportunities do open up, and when they do, he says, those who are educationally prepared are the most likely to take advantage of the moment.

6:50 a.m.

Frank Bell steps inside the shop and takes a seat. He is dressed in sports clothes, not work clothes, and has an academic's abstracted air. He carries himself carefully. For the past 17 years, Bell has been the parts manager for Rose Toyota in Mission Valley.

On the news, words are traded about the Boeing 767s that crashed into the towers of the World Trade Center. Richard Wright, who knows something about airplanes, might offer a commentary at this moment, but neither is he the type nor is the shop the place to show off one's specialized erudition. Besides, it's still too early to break the quiet. When he leaves here, Wright says he'll go back home to

Stuck among the magazines are newsletters and throwaways. One, for Eva's Gospel Gems, advertises

itself as the "Place to Shop for Your Cassettes, CDs, and Videos." The shop also offers Bibles, books, "ladies' lap scarves and evangelists' absorbent handkerchiefs for sale." At the bottom of the page is a tag line that is a play on words: "Come Buy and Be Blessed."

Harvey turns off the news and puts on a videotape of the middleweight championship fight on September 29, televised on HBO, between Bernard "The Executioner" Hopkins and Felix "Tito" Trinidad. The commentator reports that Hopkins was paid \$100,000 to tattoo an advertisement on his back and that he used the money to bet on himself. The fight is a week old and the outcome is well known, but what appeals to the men in the barbershop is the fact that Hopkins bet the tattoo money on himself. They speak of the purse and how little, comparatively speaking, Joe Louis and Muhammad Ali earned.

"I bet on Trinidad and lost \$40," says Harvey.

Sykes turns away from the screen. Sports on the tube invites free-floating associations. "What about that Barry Bonds?" he says.

Under the maroon bib, Wright murmurs agreement. Someone notes how anxious the pitchers are to keep Bonds from breaking Mark McGwire's record of 70 home runs in a single season. The fact that Bonds, a black man, is certain to soon pass McGwire's record — in other words, a black man about to best a white man — is lost on no one in the room, just as it is felt that this is not lost on the pitchers who face him.

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The men recall how in the course of a season or

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On the TV screen, announcers, sports figures, and fighters talk into microphones. Both fighters step into the ring. Ray Charles's rendition of "America the Beautiful" is piped in. The applause that follows is tremendous. Next comes the Puerto Rican national anthem, and the cameras zoom in on Felix Trinidad as the massive amphitheater vibrates with the sounds of Puerto Ricans singing. Twice, Bernard Hopkins threw down the Puerto Rican flag. He did it once in a news conference in early July in New York, grabbing a miniature flag from Puerto Rico. That time, the crowd only taunted the 160-pound

matter two days later at a promotional event in San Juan, Puerto Rico. There, an estimated 5000 people were at the basketball stadium to greet Trinidad. They waved hand-held flags and chanted his nickname, "Tito," while Hopkins announced, "It will be a sad day for Puerto Rico when you see your hero fall." This time Trinidad vowed revenge. "My Puerto Rican flag is the only thing that I don't allow anyone to touch or throw to the floor." Trinidad had only just said "and you will pay a high price for that" when Hopkins grabbed the microphone from him and slammed it down along with a flag he had plucked from the stage. Dozens of police officers were required to hold back the enraged fans who threw bottles and tried to break through the line. It was a fight promoter's dream. As Lou DiBella, advisor to the World Boxing

Hopkins. But it was another

ing Federation champion said, Hopkins is a "guy who is not only a great fighter, but a personality."

Hopkins had his mojo going, effecting psychological warfare on his opponent. Just before the fight, Hopkins's people requested that Trinidad, whose father painted mask, like a cowl, that covers his full head. This last is more likely to be found in the world of wrestling, but once again, its effect on Trinidad is not apparent. The odds, after all, are on him. (Harvey went with the odds.) Hopkins's robe is removed and

When Harvey pulls away the maroon bib, he does it with the aplomb of a magician stripping away a veil to expose his pretty assistant.

(his trainer and manager) usually tapes his hands, have them taped under fight-management supervision. But if this has had an effect on the younger fighter, it is not in evidence. And now, in the arena, Hopkins has produced yet another distraction. He wears a brightly

his back exposed. It's nearly black with a hennaed inscription that runs from shoulder to trunks. The inscription is not readable to the TV audience, and it will soon wash off from his sweat. But for the moment it is very much of the moment, for it has the mysterious illegibility of Arabic script.

The midsized screen in the corner of Harvey's barbershop blazes as flashes go off inside Madison Square Garden. The fight has long been fought, and decided, but the excitement is still palpable. The two champion athletes are at their prime. Although the goodguy-bad-guy scenario is not clear, it is true that the younger Trinidad is seen as wholesome while Hopkins served four and a half years in Pennsylvania's Grateford Prison.

Hopkins was forth-coming: "I've been stabbed three different times by three different people; once close to my spine, once by my lung, and once just under my heart. I was a tough kid, working the street, wanting a little gold chain and some money in my pocket. You know, a hard case. I thought it was bad, thought it was hip. It's the route I took, from the streets, to reform school, to the pen-

itentiary, to a world title."

The TV cameras pick up a clean-shaven man with an anonymous fleshiness. In a fireman's dark dress uniform, he takes his place in the middle of the ring. He is an Irish tenor, and his voice sparkles and is bright as he begins, "Oh, say! can you see, by the dawn's early light..." A hush falls over Madison Square Garden with the words of "The Star-Spangled Banner"; the terrorist attack took place just 40 blocks from the arena and just 26 days before this Saturday morning in the barbershop. Toward the end of the anthem, when the tenor hits the line "land of the free, and the home of the brave," the horde erupts in waves of delirious sound.

7:20 a.m.

The bell rings. While the fighters step away from their corners and circle each other, Harvey unlocks the front door, opens the blinds, and raises the shade.

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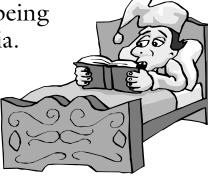
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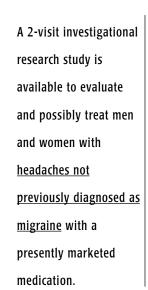


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7:21 a.m.

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Two men now wait patiently.

Frank Bell mentions the PT Cruiser parked outside. Sykes says that it's his, and Bell adds that he has one too. They are both parked outside and, it turns out, each bought his (one taupe and the other Navy blue) from McCune Chrysler in National City.

"My wife recently passed away," says Bell, and there is a sudden loosening, a moment of disconnect. The careful way in which he moved to the chair and sat, how he picked up a magazine, were the signs of a man in grief trying to hold it together. Three months ago Theresa, his wife of 33 years, had visited her sister at University Hospital and was behind the wheel of her car with her daughter when she suffered a heart attack. She had only time to slide to a stop next to Lincoln High School; it happened that quickly. "My wife recently

passed away" is his only remark, but it is enough. A sympathetic chorus rises around him. The remarks are limited but not cursory. "I'm sorry to hear that, brother," offers Dwight Sykes. And with this, Frank Bell lapses into silence. He has given the reason for his silence. He has been a customer for 15 years, off and on. Today, for a few hours, this place is his home and these men are family.

Richard Wright, the author, wrote often of death and its place in race relations: "And, curiously, he felt that he was something, somebody, precisely and simply because of that cold threat of death. The terror of the white world had left no doubt in him about his worth; in fact, that white world had guaranteed his worth in the most brutal and dramatic manner. Most surely he was something, somebody in the eyes of that white world, or it would not have threatened him as it had. That white world, then, threatened as much as it beckoned. Though he did not know it, he was fatally in love with that white world, in love in a way that could never be cured. That

white world's attempt to curb him had dangerously and irresponsibly claimed him for its own." (*The Long Dream*, 1958).

The white world seems far distant from here. Wright's thematic preoccupations appear, more than 40 years later, peculiarly irrelevant, not because of the recent tragedy in New York and the war that has followed in Afghanistan, but because a lone man has lost his wife and must come to terms with this. No one here knew Theresa Bell, and Frank is a stranger to everyone except Harvey. But nei-

ther fact matters. Everyone is quiet while the two men hit at each other inside the ring.

7:35 a.m.

Elliot Foster, a large man, comes into the shop and sits down. Of a rangy build, he looks to cover three chairs.

7:42 a.m.

Elton Williams enters and takes the barber chair next to Harvey's. He is a smallish man of uncertain expression.

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Sykes has spent many hours in such a line. Harvey first cut his hair when he was 17. His parents lived in the Skyline area, and he was a student at Morse High School. Harvey also cut his hair in 1973, before he and Jackee Harrington stood with Pastor Timothy J. Winters before the altar of Bayview Baptist Church. For 10 years, Sykes worked with the youth of the church, and for the past 15 years he has served as the youth pastor. In 1998, Harvey cut Sykes's hair for the Africanstyle ceremony in celebration of the couple's 25th wedding anniversary.

Sykes, with two advanced degrees, is currently principal of Kellogg Elementary School in Chula Vista, a magnet school for the visual and performing arts. He has devoted his life to education, within the church, as the first principal of the Nubia Leadership Academy in Encanto, and now the Kellogg school.

7:48 a.m.

The bell clangs, and the fighters retreat to their respective corners over the cries of the arena crowd. "Round 6 was a beauty!" an unseen commentator announces. Much is made of the past three minutes, while cameras home in on the boxers, who drink from straws and spit while their cornermen cool them off with sponges and towels and offer words of encouragement.

The bell rings and the two men go at each other

some more.

The relationship between death and the black man that Richard Wright posited in his Long Dream finds a vigorous example on the TV screen. A man trains to batter another while he takes grueling punishment himself; then he is set in a ropedoff ring before a paying and betting crowd. It is a brutal exhibition that harks back, like no other, to the circuses and gladiatorial contests of ancient Rome. While Rome's combatants were not her citizens, today's prizefighters are generally recruited from a particular socioeconomic niche with a distinct racial and economic profile. Bernard Hopkins is prototypical. Poverty bears a direct relationship to academic achievement,

and, say criminal justice researchers, there is no clearer index of future involvement with the judicial system than failure to go on to higher education. It is not college grads who fill our prisons but high school dropouts. There is a more or less direct relationship between race, poverty, and the sport of boxing. Wright's examination of the relationship between the black man and the death sentence delivered to him by whites hits home with what is shown on the screen.

The seventh round is uneventful, but in the eighth, Hopkins cuts one foot over in front of the other in a fancy display, a kind of mambo move. Trinidad follows with smooth footwork of his own: he scoots back-

and-forth motions on the canvas as if he is cross-country skiing. "Sometimes it takes a long time to be young!" approves an offscreen announcer of the 36-year-old Hopkins and his display. But what we have witnessed is not gratuitous. Between these two well-matched opponents, this is a signal. Hopkins was the first to declare — then Trinidad followed — that despite the blows taken and the pain inflicted, despite the visible weariness, each wants the other to know that he still has plenty in

7:53 a.m.

reserve.

The announcer says Hopkins is sure to win unless Trinidad has a knockout. In his corner, Trinidad asks his father in Spanish if he won the last round. "¡Sí!" his father assures him. The announcer tells us the round went to Hopkins.

Few spectacles better

point to the presence of the male's Y chromosome, or of his testosterone, than the scene of men intent on a prizefight that took place a week ago and which they watch with interest before they have had their morning coffee.

7:55 a.m.

Winsbert Felicien, a slim West Indian with dread-locks to his shoulders, takes a chair. He is an autobody technician employed at Greenwald's Autobody on Roosevelt Avenue in National City. A private man who does not like crowds, he finds the barbershop comfortable, especially at this early hour. He has been a regular for six months.

8:00 a.m.

A man enters the barbershop. He is close to Felicien's age, which makes him younger by at least 20 years than all but the West Indian. "Just got off work!" he

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announces. Fretful, nervous, he sits under the TV, opens a magazine, then closes it. There are now six men in line.

When Sykes got into the chair, he mentioned to Harvey, by way of instructions, that he had a couple of important meetings next week. This was all that he said, but it was enough. After the better part of an hour spent on him, Harvey hands him a mirror (framed in down the middle) to study his reflection. Sykes, a handsome man with a full mustache, certainly fits the bill as the head of an innovative elementary school. When Harvey pulls away the maroon bib, he does it with the aplomb of a magician stripping away a veil to expose his pretty assistant. Sykes looked fine when he sat down, but as he stands up, he looks like a million

blue plastic and cracked

bucks. It was unclear until now what a haircut and a mustache trim might do. Under Harvey's hands, Sykes's eyes appear larger and brighter, his smile wider; his complexion even looks clearer.

8:06 a.m.

The knockout comes in the 12th round. Bells ring and men surge inside the ring. "Bernard Hopkins has done it! Bernard Hopkins is the

undisputed middleweight champion of the world!"

8:10 a.m.

Harvey pours water into a cup and pops a couple of pills into his mouth. "Not that I'm sick, you all," he says. No one comments.

On the screen, the cameras are on Hopkins, who stands on the ropes and yells at the audience, "USA!" He urges them to take up the cry. When an

announcer attempts to engage him in front of the camera, Hopkins ignores his question and yells, "I am the American Dream! I am the American Story!"

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this one from a Spanishspeaking island, a commonwealth in union with the United States, whose last name is that of the West Indian island where Africans were once delivered for slave

A voiceover reminds viewers that Hopkins spent time in the penitentiary but that he has paid his dues. George Foreman, who earlier admitted that he had put his money on Trinidad,

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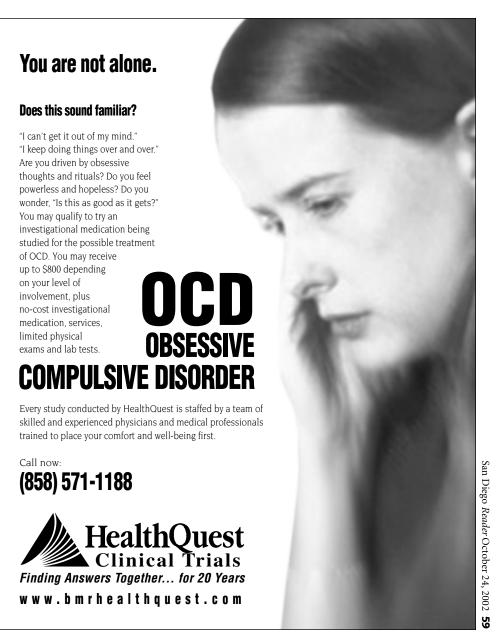
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comments to viewers, his tone mildly censorious, that Hopkins is an invitation to "forget your past." The American way, says Foreman, is simple: "What do you have to say today!"

Hopkins, on screen, says that he wants to apologize to the Puerto Rican people. His words are translated for Trinidad. He does not hate the Puerto Rican people, he says, in reference to his flag-downing."I love the Puerto Rican people!" says Hopkins. "I love the Puerto Rican people because they're part black! You can see that! They're my peo-

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ple too!" he says.

The men in the shop make sounds of wry amusement, while on the screen, a glut of people has filled the ring. Even if they do not know that "catasta" was the name for the platform from which slaves were sold, the men at Harvey's get the picture. In America, any act in which a black man participates carries with it the specter of slavery.

At the time Harvey was downing his pills, Sylvester Love slipped into the barbershop. Love, 34 years old, six foot three, has the woebegone look of a big man who would rather not attract attention. He sits long enough to establish his place in line and then steps out front to smoke a Newport cigarette.

Love is a native of Memphis, Tennessee. He came to San Diego in 1989 and today lives in El Cajon. A friend referred him to Harvey's three years ago. "It's the first good haircut I got here," he says. He likes the atmosphere, the discussion of politics and sports. Love, who works in telecommunications, saw evidence of more black entrepreneurs in the South. He is especially happy to visit Harvey because this also supports black business. "It's getting two for the price of one," he says, and offers a doleful smile.

8:15 a.m.

Herb Packer takes a chair against the wall. He has a modified flattop that fits his squarish face. He wears a black leather jacket, European square-toed half-boots, dress slacks, and a dark green print shirt. His brown complexion suggests the delectable smoothness of a piece of See's chocolate. Packer was Mister Black San Diego 1996.

8:28 a.m.

There are seven men in line and one in the chair. Harvey glances at his watch.

Red appears with a toothpick in his mouth. "Good morning!" he announces to the room, and he retreats into the back room to remove his jacket and shirt and change into a maroon smock. Two minutes ago, Harvey checked his watch. For the first time, he seemed concerned about the growing number of customers. But this was not the case. The men have worked together so long that Harvey can time Red's appearance.

Harvey used to cut hair with Red when Red had a barbershop downtown at Fifth and Market. But then Red closed his doors and for the past ten years has rented a chair here.

8:38 a.m.

A local drunk steps to the door. He does not cross some invisible barrier that would put him inside the shop. "Got any work?" he says. Harvey answers that he hasn't anything for him to do today and adds that when there is work, the man doesn't do the job right. The fellow blusters that this is not true. "Then you tell me what's true," says Harvey. "That's not true," the man repeats and disappears.

"Who's next?" says Red, at his chair. Rangy Elliot Foster is happy to have a second barber in the shop. With exaggerated politeness, "Anyone?" he asks, because he does not want to be accused of jumping the line; and then, "I'm there!" and with two steps he falls in Red's chair.

While the majority of those who come to the barbershop call themselves Harvey's customers, Red has his own following. If asked to consider the matter, most would concur that both men are equally experienced, give a good haircut, and offer a nofuss, low-key exchange. Red, who is around Harvey's age, is a handsome, well-built man of light complexion and straight

With Red in the shop, Harvey no longer initiates conversation as readily. Now he is quiet and speaks when spoken to.

Frank Bell, in for only a trim, is soon replaced by Larry Whitney. Red works on Elton Williams.

The young, unnamed man has left and returned. There are two telephones at the barbershop, a public telephone installed near the backroom and a telephone that sits at Harvey's stand. The young man makes a call on the public phone; then he heads for the door. He checks the line to figure his place.

"One ahead of me, right?"

"That's right," says

The young man leaves and Harvey looks and realizes that he might have made a miscount.

"Sometimes I just forget!" he says, laughing.

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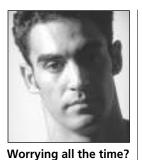
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8:55 a.m.

The diva arrives.

In tight jeans and a jacket, a baseball cap pulled low, platform shoes, and dark sunglasses, Tiresia Butler sweeps into the shop. A tall, light-brown-skinned woman in her 30s, she offers Herb Packer a friendly kiss on the cheek. Harvey leaves off work on Larry Whitney to ask if he gets a kiss too. He does. Then Tiresia Butler surveys the shop and makes a few sounds of distress about the wait before she settles into a seat next to Packer.

It is noteworthy that nobody had to gulp down a remark, leave off the punch line of a smutty joke, or stuff down the angry laughter that accommodates men when they are with each other and that, for politeness' sake, is set aside in the presence of a woman. Nothing had to be suddenly cleaned up.

Butler is an actual diva in that she is a singer who has done backup work for Johnny Otis, Ike and Tina Turner, Brenda Holloway, and more. She is here to have Harvey work on her eyebrows. Like her first name, which has the sweet roll of a gumdrop on the tongue, Butler has had a sparking effect on the room.

Folks get in and out of the barbers' chairs; it's the honor system, for the order seems permanently awry. Hair — soft, kinky masses of it, much of it gray — fall in heaps to the floor.

9:00 a.m.

Mario Regaldo, here from Florida for just five months, has driven half an hour from Mission Valley to get to Harvey's. With his brown hair and green eyes, Regaldo, a native of Honduras, has little of the Indian blood of his people. (A dark tattoo that runs in a bracelet around his right forearm, what he calls a "tribal band," is more an indication of the culture within his age community — Regaldo is 30 than a signifier of his forefathers.)

An electrical engineer, Regaldo worked for Sprint PCS in Florida but is happy to have left Miami for San

"It was too humid there," he says.

The cost of living is higher here, but otherwise he is happy to be settling in.

"I've always gone to black barbers," he says. "They're the only ones who know how to do fades."

His experience in Red's chair will give him one more reason to feel at home here.

9:02 a.m.

Yesterday evening's news is on again, with reports of the terrorists' attacks. Harvey, who has heard the report before, chooses this moment to comment, "We should hit him if we got to do that," to which there is general agreement. In the room, there is a restiveness, and when the news report attempts to raise money for the victims of the World

Trade Center attacks, contrary thoughts are voiced:

"How long have they been hanging us? How long they been burning our churches?"

"You don't see anyone

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trying to raise money for black folks—!"

"Now someone has hit the white man with some of his own stuff, and he's feeling it's unjust."

"They stop who they want to stop. So they'll stop terrorist stuff, but they won't stop skinheads or Klansmen..."

9:08 a.m.

The public phone rings. Harvey picks up and listens. "Well, come on, then," he says, and hangs up. He returns to his chair.

9:19 a.m.

The young man who has come and gone has come again. He carries the largest package of Huggies disposable diapers ever seen. Williams is done. The young man steps into Red's chair and asks for a haircut, not a trim. Red will fix him up.

9:40 a.m.

The Reverend Donald

Goodwill is a lean man whose light brown hair gives him a golden aura that makes him look a decade younger than his 39 years. He steps into the barbershop and takes a seat near the door. This is the third barbershop he has tried today. The other two were closed. "I wish I'd known this was open," he says. "It would've saved me a lot of running around."

Goodwill is the pastor of Elohim Church of God

in Christ, a Pentecostal church. This afternoon he is to serve at a wedding in Del Mar. His wife told him to get a professional cut. "Otherwise, I usually just cut my hair myself."

Goodwill, who graduated from Morse High School in 1980, has three children. He was raised as a member of nearby St. Paul's United Methodist Church but was "led," he says, to the Pentecostal Church.

"Everyone has a way of worship that allows them to experience the full Gospel and apply this to your life." But not everyone, Goodwill cautions, speaks in tongues. "And always there needs to be an interpretation," he says. The interpretation part, that's his job.

10:00 a.m.

Felicien gets into Harvey's chair and settles back while his beard is trimmed. It took the West Indian four years to grow his dreadlocks past his shoulders, and now he nurtures his beard with the same attention. He visits here every other week.

Dalton Duplechan, sporty in a green-and-brown jumpsuit and a Kangol hat, steps in from the parking lot

"My grandson has my days," he tells Harvey. "I'm on baby-sitting duty."

The two like to put a little down on football games. Harvey gives him a bill, and Duplechan leaves.

In five minutes, Sylvester Love is in the chair and six minutes later, he is out and Herb Packer has replaced

Packer's picture as Mister Black San Diego hangs on the wall between the two barber's stations. He comes every two weeks for the same cut, a fade, and takes care of his mustache himself. Packer is a quiet man, self-contained. For the past 20 years, he has served in the Navy as a deep-sea diver and will re-enlist for a last

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2 years. Then he will retire to devote himself, full time, to his real estate business and the Gallery on Broadway, a fine art gallery he coowns

Packer upended his busy schedule to serve out his tenure as Mister Black San Diego because he believes in the idea of the New Revolution, which the Black Entertainment Group, a San Diego-based organization, declares as its mission: changing the image of the black male. Before church groups, schools, colleges, and prisons, Packer explained that the African-American man was more than the shiftless, dangerous figure he'd been made out to be.

A native of Indiana, Packer came to San Diego in 1982 and feels this is his home. As Mister Black San Diego, he says, he had an opportunity to give something back to his community.

When Packer is finished, Tiresia Butler stands and takes off her cap and dark sunglasses. Harvey drops the back of the chair so that the singer lies almost supine. With clippers of a midget size that whir only a little louder than the wings of a hummingbird in flight, he bends over the woman and begins to shape her eyebrows.

10:28 a.m.

Patrick Fox parks his white Jeep Renegade. A smart man, articulate and well informed, he has been a customer at Harvey's since 1972.

"I may have to start combing my hair back," he says, in reference to the loss of his hair.

10:30 a.m.

A youngster of indeterminate age, weighty with Down's syndrome, enters the shop and goes back to the toilet. When he returns to the main room, he sits for a while, then quietly leaves.

10:33 a.m.

Joe Louis, 27 years old, appears at Harvey's for the first time. A graduate of Morse High School and a

student at Southwestern College, Louis is currently a teacher's assistant at Bell Junior High. Louis recalls how lots of high school students used to come by Harvey's. He is here for a trim-

No photograph of Joe Louis, the "Brown Bomber," hangs in the barbershop. Louis's 1938 rematch against Max Schmeling, which ended two minutes and four seconds into the first round, provided powerful symbols for the war then growing in Europe. But that was more than 60 years ago.

10:40 a.m.

Gene Ellison and Calvin Berry enter one after the other.

Ellison, 56 years old and of wiry build, has been an independent contractor since 1980. The president of Controlled Environmental Systems, Inc., he is licensed to remove hazardous waste such as asbestos and lead paint. He has just come off a big "bread-and-butter" job: the construction of ten houses at Los Coyotes Indian Reservation at Warner Hot Springs. "But not so much 'bread and butter,' "he smiles, "if you consider that I had to make the low bid to get the job."

"I come to Harvey's because there's a family feeling here. Everyone gets treated good, everyone gets treated well. There's no bad language. Sailors used to be in here a lot because Harvey knew the rules, about how they had to look, and he gave them the right haircuts. But not so much anymore."

Ellison has some papers to pick up in an hour. The men in line assure him that he will not be out by then, but if he has an hour to waste, what better place than here? He opens a magazine and settles back.

Calvin Berry is 44, a native of Chicago, and he has been a customer for five years. On the staff of National University, he wears a dark zippered jacket, slacks, and a rumpled white shirt. He comes to Harvey, he says simply, because he is good.

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itics of chairs," he says, referring to the uncertain advancement into the barber's chair.

For the moment, however, Berry is less interested in where he is in line than in getting some shut-eye. He hunkers down in the chair nearest the door, puts his hand up to his face, closes his eyes, and is gone. Outside, the traffic light goes green and a kid burns rubber. The sound is wrenching, but Berry does not stir.

11:05 a.m.

Enter Everett Johnson, an older gentleman whose dark skin and white hair are a handsome contrast. Nattily dressed in beige, Johnson is a former civil service employee upon whom retirement rests easily. He arrived here from San Fran-

cisco in 1952 and has never lost his sophisticated air.

Why does he come to Harvey's? The question strikes Johnson as slightly absurd."I would never come if I didn't like it!" he says, his back stiff. Pushed, he states that Harvey cuts hair well and that most of the time the atmosphere is nice. "Quiet and peaceful," he

11:15 a.m.

Derrell Pierce and his fiveyear-old son Reid step into the shop. The boy runs to a chair under the television, but his father sits more toward the middle of the long line of chairs. The youngster jumps down and rushes to sit next to his father.

11:20 a.m.

When Joseph Gaiter floated

into San Diego harbor in 1962 aboard the USS Kitty Hawk, he was a man of average height, but somewhere along the way he got himself a gold tooth with a star design and lost a few inches. Not too many, to be sure, and certainly not enough to warrant the title "short," which is what Harvey says when he sees him enter the shop. With a stiff hip and the need of a cane, Gaiter has a wary look and a harsh manner; his laugh is a tobacco-stained crack.

Years ago, Harvey, who knows his customers well, chose to make reference to Gaiter's height. He calls him "Shorty," which makes the other man bristle and retort that the barber is looking for a good ass-whupping. This exchange is familiar to both, and if they were asked,

both men might say that they are only joshing with the other, but their remarks carry a sharp edge. Yet never once, even much later in the day when Harvey is urged to move quickly ("Chop! Chop!" he is told), does he let slip that unusual equanimity that makes it possible for him to deal so well with so many different people under conditions that others might claim were stressful. Indeed, it might be this very equanimity that allows Harvey, like a long-distance runner, to keep stride. This may be his secret weapon.

Gaiter went to Harvey when he worked at Red's barbershop downtown. And later, when Gaiter lived on Market Street, he liked to drive here. He has several months' growth of hair pressed down under a black cap that reads "A Breed Apart." Inscribed on the back of his denim vest is the name of the African-American motorcycle club "Black Sabbath, San Diego Chapter." Gaiter says that he still rides but that his 750cc Honda is in the shop. This is hard to believe since he uses a cane. What is more reasonable is to assume that the brusque cast of his features is owed to the fact that he is in pain. He does not hold others' glances but looks quickly away.

"My mind works like lightning!" he offers with self-deprecating humor. "One brilliant flash and it's gone!"

In one of those odd mixes of relationships that a barbershop like this one encourages, Gaiter attaches himself to Patrick Fox, whom he evidently knows from elsewhere. The two men trade pleasant remarks. Before Gaiter appeared, Fox, up on world issues, was in easy conversation with Everett Johnson, the welldressed older gentleman. Now Fox and the former motorcyclist step outside. Joseph Gaiter will disappear for several hours and Fox does not return.

11:34 a.m.

There are now 11 people in the shop. One man sleeps, one woman is in Harvey's chair, and a five-year-old is in Red's chair. There had been a pause in movement from the gallery to the barber's chair. Red had looked at Derrell Pierce, who said, unbelieving of his good luck, "Are you free?" Red had

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nodded and soon young Reid was in place, a wide grin for his father.

Pierce, a 35-year-old native of Chicago, is six foot five and of a lean elegance that calls to mind National Geographic photographs of Watusi warriors. Yet Pierce's keen profile shows evidence of Native American ancestry. "I keep meaning to look into that," he says. However, with his job at Pacific Bell, his wife, and Reid and twoyear-old Ryan, there is not a lot of time.

Father and son have been steady regulars for two years because, says Pierce, it is close to home and they get good results.

Red cranks up his chair so that young Reid, a pupil at Zamorano Fine Arts Academy in Paradise Hills, sits well above everyone in the room. From his perch, he offers full grins at his father. He sometimes fidgets, and Red holds his clippers away from the boy's head and waits. When Red is done, he angles the mirror so the father can okay

"Looks fine," says Pierce. Reid jumps down and his father takes his place in the chair, still unable to believe his good luck, that he will be in and out of here in less than an hour.

Harvey levers his chair and hands Tiresia Butler the cracked mirror with the blue plastic handle. For a minute she gives herself up to the study of her face, in particular her eyebrow line. No man here would look in public with such pitiless attention at his image.

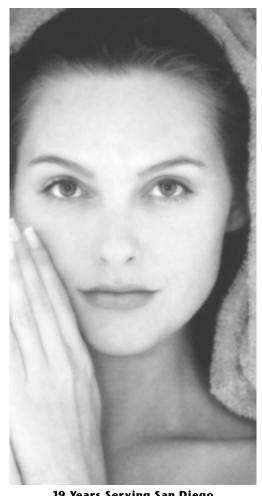
"Harvey, you did it again," she says, and stands. She goes into her jeans and pays, then she is under her cap and behind her dark sunglasses. Leaning on Herb Packer's shoulder, she promises to bring Harvey some of her cooking.

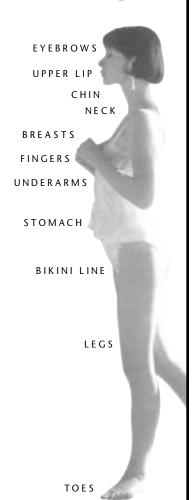
"Now, you promise?" he asks. "You won't forget me, now?"

"No," she smiles, "I

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her promise. In a few weeks, when she regards herself in her mirror with that same frank and unembarrassed assessment, and she notices that her eyebrows have lost their clear line, their angle, she'll know she is due for another visit and may throw something in the oven. In fact, this very afternoon she may go home and do just that. But no one is betting on it. They don't know if she has children or a man in her life, or about her life's frantic pace — only that suddenly she is gone. For a little while, just by her presence, Tiresia Butler has made these men's lives richer, more complicated. As in most experiences, there is a price to pay for this: before she

appeared, there was an easy silence here; but now, with her gone, an unhappy void seems to vawn open. Deliberately, the men pick up their magazines. The news continues its loop. It was nearly 9:00 when Butler entered the shop and the unnamed young man went in search of his bag of Huggies.

The sun is close to its apex. The order in which the men stepped into the barbershop is never certain, as it was earlier. Calvin Berry sits slumped in a chair, his eves closed. One man's choice to forgo his turn, compounded by the fact that some customers are waiting for Harvey and some for Red, upsets the What-number-am-I? order of things. Men have been here for close to two hours, but Derrell Pierce has watched his son get his hair cut after only 19 minutes and is now in the chair himself. Little matters. Harvey and Red are on

The Reverend Donald Goodwill takes his place in Harvey's chair. Will his first haircut from Harvey be significantly better than what he might have given himself? "A haircut," he says. He doesn't mention that he's to preside at a wedding in Del Mar later this afternoon. Harvey attaches the bib to him, fastens it at the back, and goes to work.

11:35 a.m.

Gene Ellison leaves to pick up his papers.

Robert, a gregarious man (who prefers to go only by his first name), steps into

the shop. He passes a woman who has just pressed herself against the door, on the outside. Robert looks for a seat while she whispers, "Harvey!" Harvey does not notice, and she tries again. "Harvey!"

He looks up.

"Here's your food!" she hisses. Harvey cannot hear

"What?" he asks.

She holds up a wrapped package. "I have your food!"

"Come in!" he urges.

The woman shakes her head and folds in on herself. "No! I can't go in there!"

"Come in!" he says again, and smiles because he now sees that she is immensely uncomfortable at the prospect. "What, you shy?" he says, and she shakes her head in dismay.

By now everyone in the shop wants to know who is at the door, and the poor woman, plump in her blue capris, can all but feel the heat of their curiosity. To refuse to enter would only spur greater interest; but to go into the shop filled with men — she, a churchgoing woman, imagines this with the same dizzy fear as one might approach the precipitous edge of the Grand Canyon! She silently begs for him to come outside, but Harvey will not budge. "Come on in," he says. She has no choice and steps inside, her head averted, so that she does not glance at the line of men.

This mini-drama has been a delight to the gallery. The men have not intended to make her uncomfortable, and so, free of all guilt, and each tarred a little with the brush of the bully, they don't mind watching her writhe on the red-hot coals reserved for the intensely shy. A short woman,

rounded and with ample curves, she is obviously uncomfortable with her body and makes attempts to hide the portion most on show, the part covered by those sky-colored capris. But if she turns away to hide all that blue, she will find herself facing the gallery of men. She is someone who, however large, remains light on her feet, and whichever way she twists, the men don't mind. Not a lioness like Tiresia Butler, rather less dangerous, less demanding, more playful; she is like a painting of a fleshy Rubenesque maiden depicted in flight. And her discomfort has aroused in the men that other vital component of those forest idylls, the satyr. From the looks of her body and the heavy bag that she carries, the woman can cook. A good cook, someone who knows the right way to burn

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"What is it, food?" observes Harvey. "How much is it?"

"Ten dollars," she murmurs under her breath.

"Ten dollars! For a meal!" yelps the barber, as if he'd just been stung by a bee. For this he has to turn off his clippers. Red continues to work at his station, but the noise factor has been cut in half and the sudden diminution only increases the woman's dismay.

"Well, give me eight then, Harvey," she says.

"Let me see what you got there first."

"Just give me what you think," pleads the woman. She spreads back the tinfoil so that Harvey can see.

"Good God almighty!" he exclaims.

In the barbershop, all ears prick up. "What's all that? Fish?"

"That's catfish, and see, we gave you plenty! Don't you think that's worth \$10?"

Vindicated, she reminds him that he'd bought a ticket last week for a meal as part of her church's fund-raising effort. He dismisses this. "I get so many of those," he says, his eyes glued on that pile of deep-fried fish with a side portion of corn bread and collard greens. "Why, that's enough for lunch, and what I don't eat, I can take home for my dinner!"

She wraps the package up again, sure to press the tinfoil tight to keep the fish warm. He goes into his pocket and hands her a \$10 bill. "I'd say it's worth it," he admits. "Thank you, Harvey," she says. While her painful shyness has not fully dissipated, she is proud of the meal she has presented. In a twinkling, she is gone. As for the men in their chairs, they are immediately less curious about her than about what she has left behind.

"You got a lot of fish there, Harvey," someone

"Yeah, they sure gave me plenty," he answers. This is nothing they haven't already heard, but it would be impolite to ask him to let them see, so no one asks.

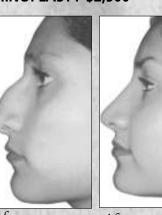
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There is a click as Harvey's clippers hum to life. He returns to Donald Goodwill's head.

Noon

The shop is warm, the unseen sun overhead has rendered conversation disconnected and redundant. The topic of American war policy comes up.

"They bombed the Japanese and then built them up."

"Yes," says Robert, "and did blacks ever get their 40 acres and their mule?"

Remarks like these reminders of long-standing racial inequities — are tossed like pebbles into a pond where they sink with only a quiet ripple.

Robert, a burly man with an open face, spent more than 28 years in the Marine Corps. He dates his first haircut at Harvey's to 1976. He introduced his sons and grandsons to the barbershop.

"My oldest grandkids won't go anywhere else," he says.

Robert comes to the shop to relax and talk to friends but remembers how, years ago, when business was slow, they'd start a game of dominoes."That was like it was where I grew up. You'd always find a game of dominoes, and they'd give you some lemonade."

Today, Robert drives a bus. He is a Christian who says young people are afraid to push themselves and excel. "They shouldn't be scared to do something." "Don't restrict me!" Robert says, reflecting on the changes he has observed in his life and the possibilities that have opened for blacks. "If God wants me dead, I'll be dead. But otherwise, don't restrict me."

The public telephone rings and Red picks it up, says a few words, then lays the receiver down and tells Harvey the call is for him. It turns out that one of Harvey's sons is on the line. Harvey speaks for no more than a minute, but when he returns to his chair he has a fixed look on his face. His children may be grown, but he is still their father and they have the power to draw from him some of his extraordinary reserve.

12:15 p.m.

Red has finished with Derrell Pierce. Father and son leave as Robert prepares to take his place in the chair. Harvey catches sight of him.

"You put on a lot of weight, didn't you?"

"What?" asks Robert, who is not quite sure he's heard correctly.

Harvey repeats his remark that is phrased as a question. "You put on a lot

of weight?"

Robert appears flustered. "I used to be around 215 pounds. Now I'm 250."

"All those pork chops," observes Harvey, about finished with Goodwill. "All that chitlins and red beans and rice."

Robert, now wrapped in the bib, feels the need to defend himself. "Harvey, I be walking!" he says. "I don't see you walking!"

"He was skinny when

grateful to sit quietly while Red goes to work.

A patchwork of odd remarks hangs in the air. Someone mentions how adrenaline surges in times of crisis. "You'll see people start to respond when those body bags start coming back," another man offers. This allusion to Bush's recently declared war on the terrorists bumps up against an observation that rises without context else-

One menu, from Juanita's Place on Imperial Avenue, offers a sandwich, "Died, fried, and laid to the side: Country-fried chicken breast with the works (mayo, mustard, pickles, tomato, and lettuce)."

he was in the Marine Corps." Harvey ignores the man's comment; instead he pours salt in his wound. "Now he's a little tub," he says and smiles. The atmosphere here is generous enough, and Robert is amiable enough to accept this kind of attention. Still, he is hard-pressed to defend himself. But what can he say? The evidence is there for all to see. "Yes, I was skinny and mean," he announces, and sits back,

where in the room: "I'll be looking at the little girls." The remark hangs desolate and nutty without context.

12:25 p.m.

The young man with Down's syndrome is back. He sits on the curb outside the shop. He smiles, perhaps taking in the voices of the men inside, and then he stands and disappears, this time for good.

Harvey removes the maroon bib and Donald Goodwill stands up. He has seen himself in the hand mirror, says it looks fine, and goes into his pocket and pulls out a bundle of cash. Harvey casually eyes the bundle, accepts the bills offered, and thanks him. Throughout the day, it is unclear from his response who gives him a tip and who does not. Every time he receives money, he looks down, checks the amount and prepares to offer change; when the exchange is complete, he thanks the person and stashes the bills in his pockets. Red works the same way. Those who know Harvey will say that he knows how to hang on to his

money.

Goodwill's most salient feature is that for a man about to turn 40, he is unusually young looking. Harvey's haircut has exposed his youthfulness. Undoubtedly Goodwill would like to look the part of a leader of a church congregation, but this afternoon, at least, he will have the appearance of someone almost too young to perform the duties at the wedding at which he is soon to officiate. He has been here for almost three hours, but has the wait been worth it? He thanks Harvey and hurries out. This is his first visit to the barbershop. Will he return?

For the moment, Har-

vey is more concerned about his lunch

"Will you let me eat first?" Harvey asks the room.

Everett Johnson says sure. Calvin Berry, who has slumbered throughout the morning, mutters noises of accommodation and closes his eyes again.

Harvey takes his food to the card table. The package includes napkins and a plastic knife and fork. "Would anyone like some?" he asks. No one accepts the generous offer, of course, but it is enough for the men to do what they've been eager to for the past hour. "Let's see what they gave you - "someone says, and the men gather over his plate to inspect the several pieces of fish.

"They sure did give you plenty."

"Yes, indeed!" says Harvey, pleased with his portion.

Gone is the memory of the painfully shy woman. All interest is on what she has delivered.

"You sure got your money's worth this time," they agree and return to their chairs. Harvey, who has worked on the majority of the 19 customers who have passed in and out of the shop, begins on his food, his eyes trained on the TV that plays a program he has seen countless times before. It is quiet. The men gaze at

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the TV or look at their magazines. Stuck in the midst of all that reading material are menus from local eateries. One menu, from Juanita's Place on Imperial Avenue, offers a sandwich, "Died, fried, and laid to the side: Country-fried chicken breast with the works (mayo, mustard, pickles, tomato, and lettuce)." Juanita cooks up "Aunt Bessie's Chicken Basket" and "Bite-size gizzards fried in our special batter." A second menu from Lee Style Grill on North Euclid in National City offers ribs and pork chops, pig's feet, hog maws, bar-b-q hot links, salmon croquets, onion rings and lumpia, whole buttermilk pie, peach cobbler, sweet potato pie, and slices of cake.

Only one voice offers a warning to this scrumptious vision. At the very bottom of one of those magazine piles, so long there that its pages are permanently creased, is a nine-page printout from an herb company.

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"How's the food?" someone asks.

Harvey wipes at his mouth. "Pretty good," he says.

12:30 p.m.

Roderick Brantley, 20, arrives in his parents' 1993 burgundy-colored Cadillac. A

1999 graduate of Serra High School, with plans to go into the Marines, at the moment he holds down a job at McDonald's on Broadway in Lemon Grove. Brantley, thin and unobtrusive, has just had a haircut elsewhere an hour ago and is very unhappy.

"I went home and washed my hair. I thought it would look all right, but it doesn't."

Roderick has been invited to a birthday party tonight, and his fade has to be right. In black pants and blue T-shirt, he sits stone still, looking neither left nor right. All that is on his mind is whether his fade is made right. He knows about Harvey's because he has friends who come here. He has never been here before, but he is hoping.

12:32 p.m.

Mark Robson, a customer for more than 30 years, steps into the shop. A man of indeterminate distinction —

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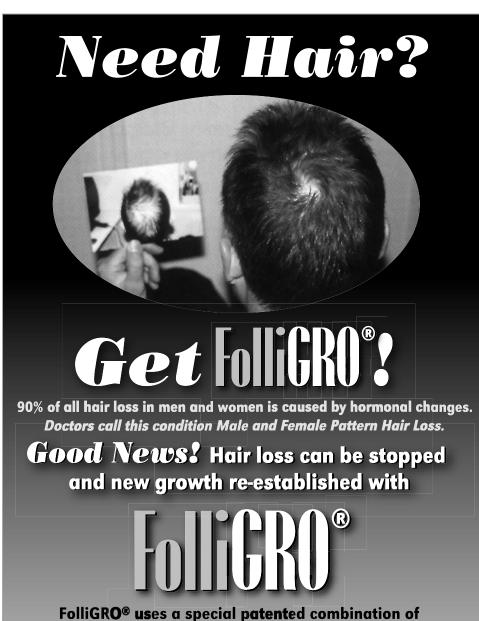
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middle-aged (55), middle height (5'9"), and somewhat more than middling weight (295 pounds) — he takes a seat, opens a magazine, then looks over at Harvey. "Having your lunch?" The barber says yes. He asks how it tastes.

"Pretty good, but it could do with a little of that sauce. You know that kind you use for fish?"

"You mean tartar sauce? Maybe there's some in the store at the corner."

Harvey says there might be

Mark Robson jumps up. His voice husky, he offers to get some. His desire to please is an aspect of his natural easygoing disposition, his religious views ("Do unto others..."), and the fact that he and Harvey are friends. This said, the barber does not hand Robson a five-dollar bill that would surely cover the cost, but three singles. "And bring me back my change," he calls out as Robson leaves.

Considering what Harvey has already earned this morning, and has in his pocket, this might serve later as fuel for more jokes about his famed parsimony. But Harvey has his reasons. Anyone who peeps into the shop knows that he is earning money. For those so inclined, how great is the temptation to pop inside, sidle close,

and ask for a handout, a loan, "a little to get by until the first of the month." In his time, Harvey has heard it all, and he has done his share of doling out money. He likes to give local downand-outs a dollar or two to clean up his shop or sweep the front area. This is work that he is capable of doing himself, but it is a way to give a little while he holds the other party responsible for a task — an exchange rather than a giveaway. There are people in real need who walk past, and in his time Harvey has given out his share of quarters and dollar bills. A single mother worried that her telephone is about to be cut off is desperate, a man on the verge of delirium tremors is, first, sick, and only secondly a drunk.

"I do pretty well," Harvey will say, offering an estimate of the protracted drama he has with those who want some of his money. Though it is not easy to con him, Harvey will admit that he has been taken. The last time it happened, the con artist was a woman.

"She came in saying she needed a dollar or two for something, maybe her son's bus." Harvey didn't remember exactly what her problem was, but he gave her exactly the amount she asked for and expected that

he'd never see it nor her again. She, however, said it was a loan and that she would return the money at the end of the week, and to his surprise, she showed up on a Friday and did. The woman reappeared less than a month later. Again she was a little short, and again she promised to return the money at the end of the week. Harvey gave her \$10 and said he'd be looking for her.

"And she was here, right on time. So you know the story," he goes on. "She showed up again and by now I think she's good for what she says, and so she asks if she can borrow \$75 and I let her have it and she says she'll be back on Friday." He laughs, shaking his head. "And I'm still waiting."

Robson returns from the grocery store on the corner with word that they carry no tartar sauce.

"Thank you," says Harvey, pocketing his money.
"The fish is pretty good without it. I've got some sauce at home and can get it later."

Robson returns to his seat and his magazine. Married and a stepfather, for the past 35 years he has worked for Solar Turbines, where, as a planner with engineering teams, he helps in the manufacture of gas turbine engines, some the

size of a house and weighing as much as 100 tons. He is also a minister at Saint Stephen's Church on Imperial Avenue. The way he tells it, he was 15 and had just drunk a half-pint of Seagram's 7 whiskey plus a quart of Bulldog ale when he waltzed into a revival meeting in City Heights and fell into the last row.

"And listening to the service, that's when I became a Christian," he says. "I gave my heart to Christ that evening and it's been His ever since."

12:50 p.m.

After less than half an hour for his lunch break, Harvey has returned to his chair. "I'm back!" says Gene Ellison, who earlier went for some papers. He looks around for familiar faces and sees only Calvin Berry, with whom he entered the shop over two hours ago. Ellison expects that he is now at the end of the line, but Berry, who has continued to catnap, opens his eyes, recognizes him, and says to take his place. "Thank you," says Ellison, and climbs into the chair.

Red nods to young Roderick, who slides into his chair. He needs his fade cleaned up, he says. Red sees the recent work and nods with a confidence that must give hope to the 20-year-old.

Everett Johnson, the dapper senior citizen who entered the shop not long after Berry and Ellison, and might have taken Red's chair, looks benignly on the scene and stays comfortably put.

1:00 p.m.

Judy Pannell enters the shop. A tall, well-built woman, she wears a white sleeveless T-shirt, maroon slacks, and open-toed sandals that show off gold-painted toenails. She alone of all those who have come here today wears a short Afro.

Pannell is a single parent (she has two sons, 19 and 16, and two daughters, 14 and 13) and works full time in clerical support at Kaiser Permanente. This is the reason for her Afro.

"Time is a real issue," she says. Her van is parked in front of the shop, the side panel open wide for ventilation. Inside, her daughters study their books. "The work part is staying on top of things," says Pannell.

It was the amount of time required at the beauty parlor that convinced her a couple of years before to go to an Afro. "You step in the shower and wash your hair, and that's it."

Still, it was not easy to watch her hair fall from her shoulders onto the floor. She stepped out of the shop with an Afro she was satisfied with but not happy about. Later, she saw a girlfriend whose 'fro, she says, was a marvel.

"She told me she'd just come from Harvey's, and that was how I got here. Harvey hooked me up. He cleaned up the lines."

Harvey looks over his first head of the afternoon. "I fell in love too," he reminds her

"He always talks that mess," says Pannell. She beams an affectionate smile, promises to be right back, and darts off to the market to buy drinks for her daughters.

1:10 p.m.

Gene Ellison checks himself in the mirror and pays Harvey. He leaves, and finally Calvin Berry rouses himself from his chair and takes his place at the same time that Washington Waddell steps out of the glaring midday sun into the shop. He is an immediate presence. Lean and casual in jeans and a light gray-blue sweater, the middle-aged Waddell was a customer when the barbers worked at Red's downtown. He followed them up here because, he says, they take their time and they both give a good haircut. "I get 100 percent satisfaction." He does not mind a wait. He knows that

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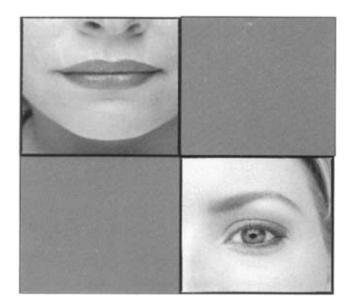
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1:20 p.m.

Judy Pannell has returned. Her daughters remain in the van, studying. Horace Taylor next materializes, his entrance so quiet he seems to come out of nowhere. A native of St. Louis who retired from the Marines in 1972, today he works at the North Island Naval Air Station, has grown children, is married for the third time, and has been coming to Harvey's since 1978. This is his history in a nutshell. A light-brown-skinned man, his good looks are along the lines of the actor Ronald Colman's. In the movie for which Colman is best known, the 1937 film Lost Horizon, he plays a worldweary diplomat whose plane crashes in a Himalayan paradise called Shangri-La.

"Yes, I am quiet," Taylor confirms, in Midwestern understatement.

Taylor offers a public comment only once while in the shop. He remarks on



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the weather. After he climbs into Harvey's chair and gets his haircut, he leaves as quietly as he appeared.

1:30 p.m.

In the meantime, nature has hit upon a balance. Ten minutes after Horace Taylor has found a seat near the door, Granger Sellers shows up. Harvey takes a phone call from the man who is cutting trees for him at his home. ("Just cut the stuff that's in the way of the neighbors, but leave me some shade," he says.) Meanwhile, Sellers takes the barber's chair that has remained empty since Elton Williams claimed it at 7:42 this morning. From this vantage point, Sellers surveys the shop.

A large, Falstaffian figure of a man, he is not only handsome but he has, with a diamond stud in his right ear, the raffish suggestiveness of an old movie star, Errol Flynn. Ronald Colman played gentlemen. Errol Flynn won swashbuckling stardom in the role of a pirate. (The 1935 *Captain Blood* is a cult classic and said to be the greatest pirate adventure film of all time.)

Sellers returned here from Chicago two years ago. He'd been a regular at Harvey's since 1990, but the five-year hiatus makes him a relative newcomer to the shop.

"My son comes here," he says. (Stephon, who is 11 years old, began as a customer of Harvey's when he was 4.) "Harvey is his man!" Sellers laughs. His dark eyes lively, he launches in on a discourse that invites the inclusion of everyone in the shop. He comes to Harvey's, he says, because "he's cheap!" The men in the shop nod and smile in agreement. Like a stand-up comedian, Sellers uses his reference to money as a takeoff on what it is like to keep his children clothed and fed. He has three children, two girls plus his son, and, he says, his kids go through

a gallon of milk a day.

"Cows see my kids," he tells the room, "they go for a shotgun, telling them to get away!"

Harvey has returned from the telephone, and while he uses clippers on Berry's hair, he and Sellers launch into a brief discussion of the New York Jets-Pittsburgh Pirates football game. Sellers comes here for a haircut every other week, but he visits the shop two or three times a week just to talk. Over time, he and Harvey have developed a couple of routines:

"Harvey used to walk me to school," says the 45-year-old Sellers, poking fun at the older man.

"Yes, I did," Harvey says, and points with his clippers for emphasis. "As you can see, he was big for his age. We called him Baby Huey!"

Sellers, a security officer at the Clarion Hotel at Seventh and K, is remarkable for the bold joy he takes in human connection, the pleasure he finds in talking.

While both men laugh, a young on-duty police officer slips into the shop, takes a seat, and closes his eyes. He will sit in Red's chair, get a trim and, like Horace Taylor, quietly disappear.

There are seven customers in the shop.

1:40 p.m.

Red whips off the bib and Mark Robson steps out of the chair. While Washington Waddell takes his place, the minister goes into his wallet and hands Red a couple of bills. "I'm glad you were free," he says.

"Me too," answers Red, and accepts the money. "I hope the chair is free the next time you come in."

Mark Robson opens his mouth to answer and there occurs between the two men one of those tricky moments that pass constantly in a day and which go unnoticed because both parties have a thorough understanding of the cultural propositions from which the remark will flow. The moment has a frisson, fraught as it is with a dangerous beauty, because if one of the parties fails to understand the intention behind the remark — the opportunity for misreading is essential to its allure — a social gaffe will have incurred.

Earlier, when Robson went out to buy tartar sauce for Harvey to eat with his fish, the barber had called out to him, "Don't forget to bring me back my change!" While the remark transcends culture (folks all over the globe call out variations of this remark), the phrase in this case carries a peculiar imprint — the "bring me back my" double assertion of personal possession sounds with the echo of some African tongue. At the time Robson said nothing; he left and returned and handed Harvey his money, saying there was no tartar sauce to be had. Now

Red has politely rejoined that he hopes his chair is free when Robson next returns, and the preacher eyes his wallet and offers a remark that, in itself, is not especially funny.

"If it isn't, I know what to do!" he says.

The statement has come with a delayed delivery, a lengthened pause to give the remark significance. It also included a burlesqued glint of the eye and an everso-slightly exaggerated gesture of returning his wallet to his pocket. But none of this is obvious; indeed, this kaleidoscope of social cues would have gone unnoticed by someone not privy to such cues. This jazz riff, repartee that drew unconsciously upon the same cultural associations that went into a remark made more than an hour before, was, in fact, the way the one serviced was able to thank the server. In saying, in effect, we understand each other, Robson offered the barber

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1:53 p.m.

Berry is out of the chair and Everett Johnson, the gentleman, at last takes his place. He has been here three hours, has enjoyed the giveand-take, but the afternoon interval promises a winding down of energy. Maybe it's time to go home.

Berry, who has spent the afternoon half-asleep, now engages Sellers in animated discussion. While Harvey and Red retreat into silence and focused work, the two men, who are apparently friends, share remarks about their jobs. Berry slips on his jacket, ready to leave, when Sellers surprises the shop and steps out the door ahead of him. The affable talker was not here for a haircut after all; this happened to be one of his afternoons to come by and chat.

2:35 p.m.

Red is almost done with Washington Waddell. Harvey attends to Judy Pannell. He has trimmed her hair close; now he uses the same small clippers he used on Tiresia Butler's eyebrows to edge around Pannell's face.

The Padres game plays on the TV, and the shop has an air of quiet, undisturbed occupation.

2:46 p.m.

Harvey hands Pannell the mirror and answers the tele-





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phone. He assures the man on the other end of the line, Ted Thompson, that the wait for a chair is not too long. "Sure, come now," he

Judy Pannell hands him back the mirror when he returns. "Looks good!" she says. And indeed it does. The change is remarkable. Pannell is the 27th person to sit in one of the two chairs today, and nowhere is there greater evidence of the barbers' transformational skills than now. He has cropped the hair close and then edged it, which has brought the woman's face into high relief and identified her character. No longer does she look like an overworked single parent of four teenagers with grocery shopping and cooking to do. She appears as a person in her own right, with the labels of "mother" or "employee" as just addons. And not just her face, but her body looks different, more distinctive.

"I'll see you in two

weeks," she promises, but she knows this is unlikely with her schedule. She has not been here for a month. "I owe it to myself," she tells him, and Harvey agrees.

2:55 p.m.

"I hear, Mr. Harvey, you're giving free haircuts!" Derrick Wade steps into the shop followed by Eric, his 19-year-old son.

Harvey looks up. "Is that what you heard?"

"That's sure what I heard." Father and son take

"Well, you heard wrong!" Wade, 35, laughs, and grabs a magazine. He is an upbeat, burly man, while his son is lean and introspective. A native of Texas, Derrick Wade counts 12 years that he has been coming here. Retired after 17 years in the Navy, he is today an electronics repairman. In addition, Wade owns an entertainment management and consulting business called Ultimate Exposure.

3:00 p.m.

Robert Greer arrives and takes a seat. Graying since the age of 21, his full head of salt-and-pepper hair looks in need of attention. A customer for five years, he describes Harvey's as "my barbershop." He goes to Red because "he knows from tradition what I like."

3:05 p.m.

Ted Thompson called earlier to find out what the wait was. Now the 48-year-old sweeps the room with one of those brilliant smiles shy people learn to draw upon to keep the world at bay. A graduate of Morse High School, he comes here because he likes the service. "And I like to look presentable," he says. He has a nice head of gray hair that he keeps cut short.

Thompson, who handles luggage at Southwest Airlines, offers an account of the effects of the September 11 terrorist attack. He says he sees a slowdown at the airport.

3:10 p.m.

A disheveled man in his 30s leans against the door frame. "Hello!" he calls in. No one answers. He gives a wide sweep of his arm and then heads down the mini-mall to the orange taqueria stand.

3:12 p.m.

As the police officer steps out of Red's chair, Joseph Gaiter, who arrived before noon and then quickly disappeared, returns. He has a few cusswords to offer. It is significant that his language is pretty tame, but there has been only an occasional "damn" or "hell" until now. Harvey cuts in, "You back, Shorty?" and this sets the little man shivering. Still, he subsides into indignant silence.

Outside the shop, a cluster of schoolgirls has gathered. Their books pressed to their chests, they have their heads together. Finally, one of the girls sticks her head inside the shop. "Is there a public phone in here?" Her voice skitters along a nervous register.

Harvey says sure, he's got a phone. The girl stands still three beats. Finally, Harvey says, "Do you want to use it?" The girl answers yes, and he points to where the public phone is kept on the other side of the room. How very far the distance must seem to stretch as the girl enters the shop. She is maybe 16, in her first ripeness. Her rayon skirt is short and shows an expanse of leg. The prettiest girl in her group, with the last vestiges of baby fat, she stands at that place where innocence is about to be overtaken by curiosity. For their part, the men appear to hardly pay her a glance. They make a good show of reading their magazines, but the shop has taken on a prickly stillness. A minute later she heads for the door.

"You make your call?" Harvey asks. The girl shakes her head. (The instructions attached to the telephone are not easy to follow.) "What? You lose your money?"The girl nods. She might say more, but she appears too uncomfortable to speak. "Here, use this one," says Harvey, and hands her the phone at his station. She takes the receiver and makes her call quickly, then hangs up. "Thank you," she calls, and hurries out of the shop. It is as likely that she called her parents as that the call was to a boy. (Actually, it is more likely she called a boy.) The girls hurry away, and the barbers continue to cut hair. Someone brings up the subject of taxes. Harvey says that the way things are going with the payment schedule, "Nothing but the last 30 minutes are mine!"

Derrick Wade passes an uninterested eye up at the Padres game, then asks if Harvey had seen the Hopkins fight.

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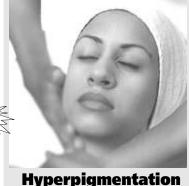
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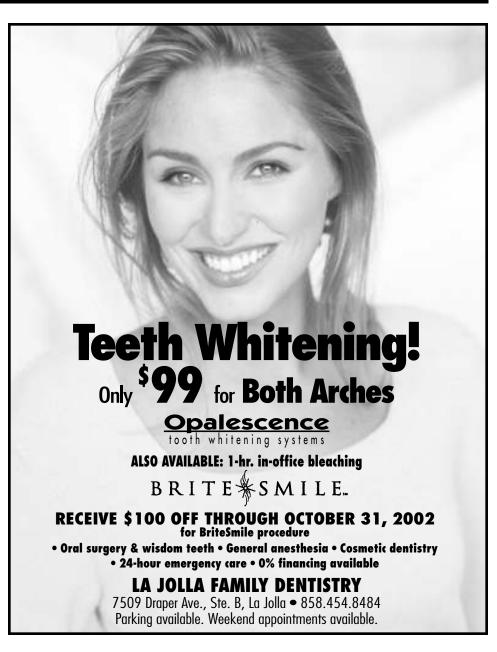
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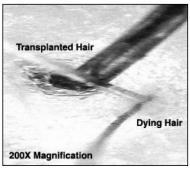
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3:20 p.m.

Dalton Duplechan comes into the shop. He was in at 10:00 this morning to collect Harvey's bet for a football game. His spiffy jumpsuit and cap suggest a history outside of San Diego, and, in fact, for 29 years, Duplechan worked as a social worker in protective services in Sacramento. He retired and came here three years ago. He has spent the week baby-sitting his 17-month-old grandson, Ricardo, who has been staying with him and his wife for the past three months.

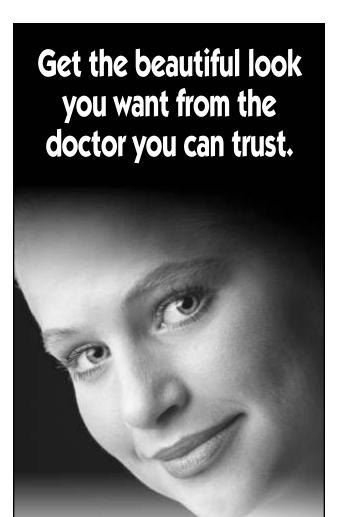
"The little man, he's got my heart! I don't know what I'm going to do when his parents come for him," he admits. (His son and daughter-in-law are both Army enlistees stationed in Germany. They have left Ricardo with his grandparents while they see to housing and day-care needs.) Duplechan's affection for his grandson seems vaguely out of character, but there is no telling the wonder of the individual. And you discover this at Harvey's. It is Duplechan who compares Harvey's to the street corner in Tally's Corner, a classic sociological study by Elliot Liebow of urban black men in the early '60s.

"But Harvey's is more like what you find down South, where the barbershop would be next to the laundromat," offers Duplechan.

He likes San Diego for its weather, he says, but finds that life for blacks is better in Oakland and Sacramento. "And Los Angeles is 20 years ahead of San Diego in employment and management possibilities for blacks."

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people can do that. But Harvey, he makes you look younger!"

The remark is right on the money. Yes, Harvey *does* make his customers look younger. In the case of the minister, Donald Goodwill, who was at this very moment at a wedding in Del Mar, looking younger was perhaps not what he was after. But for others in and out of the shop, the majority of them middle-aged, shaving a few years off would not be unwelcome.

And there is the business of touch. Both Harvey and Red offer a touch that is safe and nonthreatening. The customers find themselves returned to a time in which they were not burdened with the responsibilities of adulthood, when they had nothing but their futures to look to.

3:40 p.m.

James Pinkney sits down on the wall near Red's station. Dark-skinned and handsome, with an air of reserve, he has driven here from Bonita. A surveyor for the City of Chula Vista for the past ten years, Pinkney works as an architectural draftsman. His wife Lynne teaches fourth grade at Saint Michael's Academy in Paradise Hills, where their daughter, Letisha, is a first grader. Their 14-year-old son, James III, plays basketball at Saint Augustine's.

"We wanted them to get a quality education." Pinkney says of the decision to send their children to parochial schools.

Fifteen years ago, Pinkney's wife told him about Harvey's, and he has been a customer ever since. He says that the barbers take their time and do a good job, the atmosphere is pleasant, and a haircut "lasts two to three weeks, not just four or five days."

He looks through the pile of magazines and, unlike many of the customers who simply flip through the slick pages, finds one he wants to read, opens it, and begins to do so.

4:00 p.m.

"Well, that's that," says Wade, at the fight's conclusion. Again, Hopkins has won over Trinidad, again he cries out that he is the "American Dream!" the "American Story!" and again, he apologizes to the Puerto Rican people whom he cherishes because, he says, they have black blood in them. The men in the room offer appreciative noises just as they did this morning. Harvey turns off the television. Harvey has been here 12 hours, and the TV set has been on that same many hours.

"Harvey, I know why you let that girl use your phone," someone says.

"You do?"

"Yeah, you were looking at her legs!"

The schoolgirl has been gone for almost an hour, but with this remark, the image of her suddenly blooms afresh. If the woman in blue who brought Harvey his lunch may have recalled a Rubenesque episode, this girl-woman is straight out of a painting by Jean-Honoré Fragonard, the 18th-century Frenchman who depicted aristocrats in innocent play. The suggested image needs only the presence of a young man to complete the scene. Observing her, the men in the shop — no matter how old or infirm — are invited to remember when they themselves were just such a presence.

"Yeah, Harvey, you were looking at her legs!"

The remark, while mild enough, threatens to taint not just the recollection of the girl but the memory of themselves as well. No longer a Fragonard idyll, suddenly it is Michelangelo's *Pietà* attacked with a hammer in Rome in 1972, Picasso's *Guernica* spray-painted red in 1974, Rembrandt's *Danae* doused with sulfuric acid

in 1985: in a word, desecration. If, as psychoanalytic theory holds, the best way to expunge painful memory and move toward mental health is to first give it voice, here the opposite is about to take place. The vision of a schoolgirl is about to be sullied by the roughand-tumble of men's discourse. This will mean nothing for her — she has long ago gone off with her friends - but for these men, the stakes are high. What is to be won from the punch line of a smutty joke is not a greater appreciation of life, a greater sensitivity, but a coarsening.

"What legs?" says Harvey.
The rejoinder is perfect. As irony, it assumes the answer to its own question; yet, at the same time, it claims true innocence of the facts. "What legs?" he said, and the men laugh. For not only does the memory of an unnamed girl who has already passed forever out of their lives remain

unsullied, but the men get to keep the refreshed memory of their own youth's virtue.

4:05 p.m.

M.E. Williams steps into the shop. He is about Harvey's age and shares a private relationship with the barber. "What's happening, Mr. Harvey? I thought you'd be in Texas."

"Not Texas." He speaks over Joseph Gaiter's shoulder. "But I've been back to South Carolina twice."

"Why twice?"

Harvey explains that the second time was for his aunt's funeral.

Williams is an old-time customer of 30 years. ("It's been a long time, and that says a lot there!") The company, he says, is good, "and Harvey doesn't throw anything at me." Someone decides to throw something at the barber. "What about credit, Harvey?" The question has the play of a comedy routine. The room antic-

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ipates Harvey's remark, but before he can respond, Williams cuts in. "Credit makes enemies," he says.

"I only come once every eight months," announces

"Cheapskate!" says Harvey. His scissors are at his right ear.

4:06 p.m.

Jason Stephens, who has shoulder-length straightened hair, and his friend, Jamal Binns, enter. They have come to hang out with Eric Wade, Stephens's cousin. Binns, 19, used to come here ten years ago. This is his first time back. A recent graduate of Morse High School, he usually goes to a barber in North Park, but he is leaving for the Universal Technology Institute, an auto mechanics school in Phoenix, Arizona, and wants a haircut to look clean. "You know what I'm saying?" he says. He wants to take the two-year program that will certify him to do work on Mercedes-Benzes, the Cadillac of cars. "You know what I'm saying?" he repeats.

While they wait for Red's chair to free up, the three young men step outside to talk privately.

4:07 p.m.

Dr. John Barnes, pastor of New Faith Baptist Church on Imperial Avenue, arrives. Pastor Barnes gets one of Harvey's widest smiles of welcome.

"The atmosphere here is superb," says the 67-yearold Barnes, returning the unspoken compliment. "Harvey's work is superb, and he's a darned good man."

Harvey has been cutting Barnes's hair since 1955.

In the ministry for 35 years, and a senior pastor for 12, Barnes declares, "I love people and I love God!"

His mother died in childbirth. "She was 23 years old, and when she was told of the danger, she told my grandmother, 'Let him come." Her death has given definition to his life. At 14, young Barnes got "the call."

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Barnes's family had four ministers on his mother's side, and four on his father's side, but he says that he "ran" for 18 years, saw combat in Korea, and tried hard not to take the calling.

"I was 34 before I really accepted. The Lord said, 'See, you can't leave Me!' "

Vera, his wife, suffered an aneurysm and died in 1999. As a widower, Barnes heads a family of 5 children, 14 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren. (His youngest son, Danny, has followed him into the ministry.) Barnes, a mechanical engineer, is retired from Solar Turbines, where Mark Robson works. (The two have been friends for 30 years.) Barnes leavens the description of himself with humor. "First thing, I'm broke!" he says. "Second, I'm an honest man. And I'm easy to be with others."

Harvey's obvious affection for the man may lie in

the fact that they offer a mirror to each other. Like Barnes, Harvey is easy to be with, an honest man, and he'll tell you in a minute that he hasn't got any money. And they agree on what Barnes puts forth as his overall philosophy of life. "There is no big U or little i, or big I and little u," he says. "We are all one people and I, for one, am color-blind."

Barnes is grateful that at Harvey's there is no smoking, no drunks, and nobody "gone crazy." He offers a joke to the room about a wino in an alley with his bottle tucked away. "All at once some hoods run past with the police in hot pursuit. The bullets are flying back and forth! And the wino, he jumps up and the bullets are whizzing past and all of a sudden he feels his leg go wet. 'I sure hope that's blood,' he says, 'and not my wine!"

The room murmurs with cordial pleasure.

Ted Thompson, who

is about to go in Harvey's chair, takes a broom and gives the floor around both barbers a quick sweeping. He gathers a small mountain of soft hair into a dustpan and deposits it in the trash can in the back.

4:20 p.m.

"Bill" comes into the shop and makes for Red's end of the room. He sits, reads for a while, then when Red's chair is free, he moves into it without an invitation.

4:23 p.m.

Harvey whips off the bib and Joseph Gaiter stands. Throughout their time together, in and out of the chair, Harvey has called him "Shorty," and Gaiter has managed to repeat how Harvey, whatever he might say, was "askin' for an ass-whuppin'." Among a host of relationships that are genial, theirs is thus exceptional.

Harvey, apparently in response to the man's sensitivity about his height, has given Gaiter a high-rise flattop — close on the sides and a good inch or two of unnecessary hair on top. This was a hair version of Cuban heels.

Gaiter, satisfied, pays and leaves.

Harvey puts on the Hopkins-Trinidad fight for the third time. He fast-forwards to Round 1.

4:35 p.m.

"Bill" steps out of the chair, hands Red a \$20 bill, gets a 10 in return, and leaves saying, apropos of nothing, "Every job I had, I made more money when I was laid off than when I worked."

Harvey, with Thompson in his chair, watches Bill leave. "He's kinda warm," he remarks, then recounts how, last week, when he was in the shop by himself, "Bill" came in and then left without saying that he meant to return. But he did come back; and unfortunately, there were more people then and he'd lost his place; so he left again. He said he'd return, but when he did, it was 7:00 and Harvey had to tell him that he was sorry but the shop was closed. "That's why I think he's kinda warm."

4:40 p.m.

Dalton Duplechan was here earlier just to chat, not for a haircut. He left and now returns with Ricardo, his grandson. He is a cute child, dressed for his visit to the barbershop, and he has powers unseen but profound, for his grandfather is rendered speechless with adoration.

A middle-aged woman, nervous and out of sorts, takes a seat. She has been by here another day, but the shop was closed. She knows Harvey's sister, she says, and hopes today he can give her a trim. "Not a haircut, just a trim. That's all I want."

4:52 p.m.

Travis, of Trees by Travis, comes into the shop. He is 39, muscular and sweaty and covered with green grime, evidence of a long day of tree work. He falls into a chair next to Harvey's chair and explains to him the effort that was required to cut down a 90-foot pine tree and two 80-foot Mexican fan palms.

"Normally, it takes three days to take care of the pine tree, but I got them cut and hauled for you in one day,"

Harvey asks how much all this speed is going to cost him.

"For you — " says Travis, and Harvey stops

"When you start with 'for me,' " he says, "that means I'm getting a special price. I don't want a special price. I want to know how much you told my wife you'd charge to do the job."

"For you —

Harvey stops him again! He repeats that he wants to know how much his wife agreed to pay. "You may

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quote her \$80 and then want to charge me \$125," he says. "Besides, I didn't want the trees cut anyway. I only wanted them pruned."

Travis, with nine years' experience in the tree business, reads the signs and takes another tack. "I'm a businessman just like you," he says. He can see that Harvey is tough.

"That's right. You're a businessman, and I want to know what price you quoted my wife."

In the end, Travis cannot budge Harvey who, learning the earlier agreed-upon price, decides to give no more. Travis, who is to get no extra compensation, is annoyed. As Harvey goes for his money, he says, "Well, come on, then! Chop! Chop!"

This stops Harvey cold. "Well, if you're in a hurry," he muses, "maybe you better come back another day." (Harvey already knows that Travis has promised to pay his men, who are out in

his truck.)

"Come on, Mr. Harvey!" But Travis is not even to be allowed whatever satisfaction might have come from venting his irritation.

"Well, you talk like you're in a hurry," says Harvey, "and I'm thinking you'd rather wait on your money."

But Harvey does give him the money and Travis thanks him.

5:01 p.m.

"That's the time to stop it!" says Pastor Barnes, studying the TV screen where Trinidad is shown on the ropes. Barnes boxed for 12 years and in the military went from middleweight to light heavyweight. He recognizes that he is lucky not to have suffered extensive injuries or brain damage, and he does not suggest that anyone go into the sport; but he admits that he enjoys watching a match. He talks about some of the finer points of boxing, like how a fighter rotates his fist

just before impact to get power.

"And never look at your opponent in the eye when you have him on the ropes. All men, except a beast, they have compassion, and if they look their opponent in the eye, you'll start to lighten up, and then he gets you!"

5:30 p.m.

Bruce Scott, 72, enters the shop. He presents a sort of mythical figure with a full white Santa Claus beard and nautical gear that includes a red net T-shirt and sandals. A former songwriter, he worked on "You're No Good" with Betty Everett in 1963 and with recording artists on the Vee-Jay record label: Jerry Butler, Gene Chandler, and Dee Clark. Unfortunately, his thoughts are jumbled and his speech is disjointed as he struggles to include all the highlights of an eventful life. He has been staying on the Campo Reservation

since 1994.

"The Indians saved my life," he says. He shows his guest card to the Golden Acorn Casino.

5:48 p.m.

Harvey has finished with his sister's friend when another woman rushes into the shop with her two young children in tow. The woman is strikingly attractive with pale brown skin and silky brown curls. (It turns out that her father was Ghanaian and her mother a European from Brussels.) Her son looks Latino, with pale skin and straight black hair, while her three-year-old daughter has sun-kissed skin and hair that falls down her back.

"Can you give him a haircut?" she asks Red, who has just finished with Jamal.

The barber invites the child to climb up on the chair, while the mother takes a seat at the card table. She watches closely as her son's hair gets cut. She lives

around the corner, she says. It struck her five minutes before that she wanted the boy to have his hair cut for his first day in preschool on Monday.

"And I see the shop all the time. I'm just around the corner. I'm glad they're open."

6:02 p.m.

While Red takes care of the child, Harvey has Scott in his chair. (Pastor Barnes remains in his seat.) With just a half-hour for a break, Harvey has been at it for 14 hours straight.

"This is it," he tells Red.
"I'm closing the shop after this one."

Each of the men, with some germicide disinfectant, hair tonic, bay rum, spray disinfectant, towels, a couple of hand mirrors, nine clippers each, with some old magazines, a news tape, an old fight, and a Padres game, have together worked on 43 people.

The sun is a flaming

streak reflected in the southern sky. At 7:00, when Harvey twists the blinds shut and drops the shade down the glass door, the sun will be gone. Red will also be gone, and Harvey will straighten up a little. Then he will change his clothes and slip out of his sandals; the Velcro will tear away with a scream. It will be dark when he gets in his truck and goes home to eat the rest of his fish, heated up and served this time with tartar sauce.

But for the moment, while he works on Bruce Scott, who has lost some of his memories to the forgetfulness of age, Harvey leaves the shop door open. Someone might show up suddenly, in urgent need of a quick trim, and the truth of it is that Harvey is good for a couple of more hours. He sometimes cuts hair until after 9:00. This, it turns out, has not been one of his longer Saturdays.

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Lavender Basket-Weaving Class

ne can just imagine that the smell of lavender permeates Nadine Spier — her clothes, her shoes, herself. Even as she drives down the freeway, her very vehicle must smell of it. Is that a good thing?

"Well, it's a soft fragrance," says Spier, a fiber artist who uses the herb fresh to weave baskets. "So it's not as if someone just broke a bottle of perfume in your car, and you want to roll down the windows. Fresh lavender is not like what you get in a cheap little bottle of synthetic lavender oil."

The fake stuff has been bad for

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lavender's public image, hasn't it? "Synthetics are obnoxious," Spier agrees.

"I'm hypersensitive to perfumes; I can get a piercing headache from those scented candles. But real lavender isn't cloying or heavy. It's a light, sweet fragrance known for having properties that relax you. It's used by lots of holistic people. My husband and I make smudge bundles with it. When they're lit, they create a smoke that can cleanse an area of negative energy."

Coiling is the weaving method that Spier uses to make baskets of all kinds. She coils rows of fiber, then stitches them together with waxed linen thread. "The wax coating is nice to weave with," she says, "because it protects the thread from getting roughed up as you pull it through the plant fibers."

Beginning coilers do well with fresh lavender, according to Spier. "All the different textures hide a multitude of stitching sins." Coiling with pine needles, by contrast, is much more difficult. "Pine needles are very smooth, very refined. Blunders in pine-needle baskets show. With the lavender, most of the stitching disappears, because you've got all the leaves and blossoms sticking out all over the place."

Lavender basket



The Lavender Fields

To make just one lavender basket, Spier gathers an entire grocery bag full of plants. And she uses all the parts — stems, leaves, and blossoms — although they do get compressed during the weaving process. Compression is key, says Spier. "I urge my students to squeeze the materials as they're weaving. That way they will produce a rock-hard basket. My lavender baskets are not the slightest bit squishy." Besides, squeezing "is a pleasant thing to do, because you'll release even more of the scent."

Quick gratification is another reason why the fresh-lavender medium is good for beginners. Working with pine needles, for example, takes time,

because the material is so delicate. With bulky lavender, the work goes more swiftly.

Everyone will leave Spier's class with a finished basket this weekend.

One of the best parts of the class comes in the first hour, says Spier. Students harvest their own plants as they wander the organic fields that are owned by Paul Bernhardy and Ellen Sullivan. The couple distills lavender oil at the ranch, and Spier's students can watch the process. "They have a huge variety of lavender plants,

including ones with blossoms that are white, yellow, and pale mint green."

The differences, says Spier, aren't only chromatic; they're also aromatic, at least to connoisseurs like Sullivan, who describes the scents as ranging from "highly camphorous to honey-sweet, with a note of mint in all."

What do students use their lavender baskets for? "Some use them as a place to put jewelry after taking it off in the evening. Some students cut off the blossom heads of their leftover material and fill their basket with them; the baskets are a natural vessel for potpourri. Others weave shallow baskets, so they can hang them on the wall"

Is there room for art in these classes? Or is weaving a lavender basket only a craft? "Because the results are rustic, I wouldn't call it fine art," says Spier. "My coiled pine-needle baskets are considered museum quality; the lavender baskets are just a fun thing. But if people can master this kind of coiling, they may want to pursue coiling with a more challenging material."

You can coil just about anything that grows, says Spier. "I've coiled rosemary, sage, jacaranda stems. I've coiled vines. I've coiled corn husks, after having collected them through the corn season until I had enough to

make a basket."

Thinking about all that activity, one wonders: does Spier worry about carpal tunnel syndrome? "I quit my job at an insurance company to weave full-time in 1996," she says. "No more fluorescent lights! No more time cards! Typing on the keyboard and using that darn mouse was a lot harder on me than weaving has been. I also had to handwrite forms in triplicate, pressing through the carbons, gripping a ballpoint pen. As for weaving, I used to be obsessive about it. Weaving is my passion and was from the very first basket I ever made. But I have learned to honor my body and know its limitations. I don't do weaving marathons anymore."

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Expo Fiesta Viva 2002, this festival of music, food, and entertainment continues through Sunday, October 27, at the Riviera Hotel (on Boulevard Costero). For further information, call 011-52-646-172-3022. (ENSENADA)

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"La Cultura de Tequila" is the subject when José María Muria, dean of Jalisco State College, speaks on Saturday, October 26, at the Riviera Cultural Center. The presentation — hosted by the San Diego Museum of Man and the Galería Perez Meillon — will include the elaborate process of making tequila and identify what to look for in fine tequila. Participants make sample tequila and hors d'oeuvres.

This "Fiesta de Tequila" continues with a short walk to the Centro Artesanal Ensenada and the Galería Perez Meillon to view the new collection of handmade clay "tequila shooters" designed by the master potters of Mata Ortiz. There will be entertainment and tours of the Hermanos Martinez Distributors.

The day culminates with a four-course gourmet dinner at La Tertulia Restaurant. Tickets for the day-long event are \$75. For information and reservations, call 619-239-2001.

All the Way from Spain, Joaquín Sabina performs in concert on Saturday, October 26, at 8 p.m., at the Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). For reservations and information, call 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

Bulls from Begoña meet their ends at the hands of matadors Eulalio "El Zotoluco" López, Jorge Gutiérrez, and Paco González on Sunday, October 27, starting at 3 p.m. at the Monumental Bullring by the Sea. For information, call 619-428-9517. (PLAYAS DE TJUANA)

"La Casa de Bernarda Alba" by Federico García Lorca is being presented on Wednesday and Thursday, October 30 and 31, at 7 and 9:30 p.m. both nights, at the Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). For information on this play, call 011-52-664-687-9600 (TIIIIANA)

Covet Camarónes? Chefs share their best recipes during the shrimp festival planned from Thursday through Sunday, October 31-November 3, along the seawall on Cansada Hetumal Street (where Mexican Highway 5 ends in downtown San Felipe). Games, music, and dancing are part of the fun. The fee varies at each "sampling station." For further information, dial 011-52-686-577-2300 or 011-52-668-577-1155. (SAN FELIPE)

Venture Into Amazing Caves when the film screens at the Omnimax Tijuana Cultural Center Monday through Friday at 3, 5, 7, and 9 p.m., with an additional screening at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The center is located at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río. For showtimes and other information, call 011-52-664-687-9600 x50. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Dense Ground Fogs are a trademark of the autumn season along San Diego's coastal strip. These happen during the night and early-morning hours when moist marine air that has settled in valleys and low areas is chilled below the dew point. These ground fogs are distinct from the low overcast that usually blankets the coastal strip on late-spring and summer mornings.

Spider Webs, decorated with myriad tiny dew droplets, are a beautiful sight on foggy autumn mornings. Look for them in San Diego's wild canyons and park areas, or in your own back yard.

Autumn Color in San Diego County's mountains will likely reach its greatest intensity in late October this year. The display will be muted, however, due to drought conditions that have persisted over several years. Cuyamaca Reservoir, on Highway 79 just north of Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, offers some of the best "leaf peeping." Black oaks on the hillsides surrounding the reservoir are exhibiting yellow and brown hues. The shimmering leaves of the Lombardy poplar, an Italian import that has taken root at the south end of the lake, delight the eye with their golden radiance.

The "Mother of All Hikes" is being offered on Saturday, October 26, at 8 a.m., in Daley Ranch. Naturalist Don Parnell leads this four- to five-hour 15.5-mile hike with stops along the way for flora and fauna observation. Bring loads of water and energy snacks. Free, but call 760-839-4680 to make the required reservations. (ESCONDIDO)

The Kumeyaay Indians made their homes along the San Diego River for centuries. Take an easy-paced hike to explore how the Kumeyaay lived and used the available resources with the Canyoneers on Saturday, October 26, at 1 p.m. To reach the trailhead, exit I-8 north on Mission Gorge Road; continue to the 1800 block, then turn left (north) onto Jackson Drive and park in the lot. Free. Call 619-232-3821 x203 for information. (TIERRASANTA)

Strange and Fun-Filled, enjoy the Halloween campfire program planned by ranger Kyle Icke on Saturday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m., at Dos Picos County Park (17953 Dos Picos Park Road). For more information, call 760-789-2220 or 858-694-3049. Free. (RAMONA)

Bizarre Trees, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll to the desert garden on Saturday, October 26, at 10 a.m., starting from the park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

Get to Know Downtown during the historic walking tour led by the Escondido Citizens Ecology Committee (in conjunction with the Escondido Historical Society) on Saturday, October 26. The outing starts at 10 a.m. at the southeast corner of Broadway and Grand Avenue. Call 760-739-8703 or 760-743-8207 for details. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

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Enjoy an Autumn Campfire when the staff at Kumeyaay Campground presents a campfire program at the amphitheater at 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 26. Find the campground at Two Father Junípero Serra Trail; noncampers should use the day-use parking lot. For information, call 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

S-s-s-s-s! Get the skinny on "Sensational Snakes" and other reptiles when trail guide Alicia Berg makes a presentation on Saturday, October 26, at 7 p.m., at the Mission Trails Regional Park visitors' center (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

Autumn on the Coast, take a two-mile coastal hike in search of fall vegetation, a variety of birds, and perhaps some animals in San Dieguito River Park on Saturday, October 26, at 9 a.m. For reservations and directions to the trailhead, call 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (DEL MAR)

A Bird Walk for Beginners is planned by birder Wayne Harmon along Tecolote Creek on October 26. Participants will look for red-tailed and Cooper's hawks, Cassin's kingbirds, and common yellow-throats. The outing starts at 9 a.m. at Te-

colote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9961. These outings take place on the fourth Saturday of each month. (CLAIREMONT)

Trekking the Refuges, view the migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of Otay/Sweetwater National Wildlife Refuge when the series hosted by the Chula Vista Nature Center continues on Saturday, October 26, at 8:30 a.m. Free. To make the required reservations and obtain directions, call 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Walk Through Wyatt Earp's Old Neighborhood when Patty Fares leads an Urban Safari exploration through the Gaslamp Quarter on Saturday, October 26, 10 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$10. For reservations and directions to the walk's starting point, call 619-944-9255. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Support Your Local Wildlife Helpers! Wildlife Assist volunteers rescue wild animals in trouble. Two orientations are planned on Saturday, October 26, at 2 p.m. Get the information at the Escondido Public Library (239 South Kalmia Street) and at the Tijuana Estuary visitors center (301 Caspian Way). Participants are involved in all aspects of the work. Free. 619-921-6044. (ESCONDIDO, IMPERIAL BEACH)

Hoot, Howl, and Prowl, head to Blue Sky Ecological Reserve for the festivities planned on Saturday, October 26, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Guests will meet native "wildlife" along the trails and learn about their habitats. Participants will park at Lake Poway and catch a shuttle into the Reserve. Groups will leave the trailhead at 15-minute intervals on this one-mile round-trip hike, and enjoy hot chocolate or hot cider before heading back to cars via the shuttle. For reservations, call 619-679-5469. The donation is \$2 per person. (POWAY)

Go Birding, a docent-led bird walk is offered at the Tijuana River National Estuarine Reserve on Sunday, October 27, at 3 p.m., at the visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). For reservations, call 619-575-3613. Free. Bring binoculars and field guides if you have them. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Jupiter is the bright, steadily gleaming orb dominating the top of the sky at dawn. Note the last-quarter moon some four degrees north of Jupiter on the morning of Tuesday, October 29. By late December, Jupiter will be appearing over the east horizon in the late evening and will remain visible almost all night long. Turn a small telescope toward Jupiter and enjoy the dance of its four large "Galilean satellites" (the four moons first discovered by Galileo). You will readily notice hour-by-hour changes in the configurations of these moons as they speed around the planet.

The Usual Suspects, all of the usual wintering species should have arrived when the Audubon Society birders head to Santee Lakes on Wednesday, October 30. Possibilities include golden eagle, osprey, and a variety of ducks. Expect considerable hiking of a moderately strenuous nature. Join the group at 8 a.m. at the parking area between the first and second lakes within Santee Lakes Regional Park. For directions and information, call 619-692-3246. Bring a field guide and scope. Free; there is a vehicle day-use fee. (SANTEE)

DANCE

Dance Jam! Organizers of this freeform dance party welcome all ages onto the 2500-square-foot dance floor at the Center for the Moving Arts. The event takes place at 9 p.m. on Friday, October 25, and at 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29. Find the center at 3255 Fifth Avenue; 619-298-2687. Admission ranges from \$5 to \$7. (HILLOREST)

Disco Nights Hustle Dance Party, Pattie Wells' Dancetime Center hosts dancing on Friday, October 25, for singles and couples of all ages. The DJ plays music for dancing from 9 to 11 p.m., with a dance lesson at 9:30. Find the center at 1255 West Morena Bouleyard Call 619-275-3533 for information. Admission is \$5; free for first-timers. Costumes are optional.

"An Evening for the Senses," international Latin dancers Tsha Marie and Steve Vasco are the featured dancers on Saturday, October 26, at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard). Works by visual artist Norma Michel are featured. The evening begins with a rumba dance lesson at 7 p.m., followed by music and dancing. Tickets are \$12.760-809-6279. (ENCINITAS)

Jump to Dance when JoAnn Koppany calls and Jump Fingers make the music for a contradance on Saturday, October 26, at the Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Dancing begins at 8 p.m., following beginners' instruction at 7:45 p.m. Admission: \$6. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

Make Like a Turk and head to the Folk Dance Center for a Turkish workshop led by Ahmet Lüleci on Saturday, October 26. Lüleci is currently choreographer and artistic director at Boston's Collage International Dance Ensemble.

The workshop runs 5 to 7 p.m., followed by a potluck (7 to 8 p.m.) and dancing from 8 p.m. on. Pay \$6 for the workshop only, or \$8 for the workshop and dance party. Find the center at 4569 30th Street; 858-638-1810. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Ballet in the Galleries, the San Diego Ballet performs in the "Axis Mexico" galleries at the San Diego Museum of Art on Saturday, October 26. Performances begin at 12:30, 2:30, and 4:30 p.m. and are included in regular museum admission. Call 619-232-7931 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

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swing movement routine" (no partners needed) on Tuesday, October 29, 7:30 to 9 p.m., at the Portuguese Hall (2818 Avenida de Portugal, just off Rosecrans).

The workshop is followed by open dance from 9 to 11 p.m. Beginners' lessons start at 9:30 p.m. The fee for the workshop is \$12 in advance (call to reserve), \$15 at the door; admission to the dance only is \$5. 619-291-3775. (POINT LOMA)

Dance Argentine Tango every Wednesday night, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., at the San Diego Center for the Mov ing Arts (3255 Fifth Avenue). Admission is \$5. There's an introductory dance lesson from 7:30 to 8:30 for no additional charge. Call 619-970-6620 for details. (HILLCREST)

FILM

Not for Those with Refined Artistic Palates, Spike and Mike's Sick & Twisted Festival of Animation resurfaces at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street) with screenings on various dates through November 3. This year's titles include Cubism, The Inbreds, Teach Me, Happy Tree Friends, Gack Gack, The Doll, and many others.

This week, see the 29 short animated films at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26, and at 7 p.m. on Sunday, October 27. Admission to screenings is \$9; tickets are available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). For information, call 858-454-0267. Viewers must be at least 18 years old. (LA JOLLA)

Two Guatemalan Teenagers narrowly escape a massacre in their village and then venture north to create new lives for themselves in the United States in El Norte, Gregory Nava's heartbreaking 1983 film. See

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the film - in Spanish with English subtitles — when it screens at 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 26, in the Oceanside City Council Chambers on the second floor of the north tower of City Hall (300 North Coast Highway). Free. 760-435-5635. (OCEANSIDE)

The Plight of Migrant Laborers living in North County is examined in local filmmaker Paul Espinosa's Uneasy Neighbors (1990). The documentary screens for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library on Monday, October 28, at 6:30 p.m. Espinosa leads the following discussion. The library is found at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Orphaned as a Result of AIDS, the lives of several Zambian boys living on the street are chronicled in Kaspar Bisgaard's documentary Choka! (Get Lost). It's estimated that as many as 1.2 million Zambians under the age of 15 are in the same situation.

Choka screens on Tuesday, October 29, at 6:30 p.m., in the thirdfloor auditorium at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Tanver Bush, the film's cinematographer, will be on hand to lead the following discussion. Free. Call 619-236-5800

for information. In Bemba with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

"Vincent Price: The King of Horror" is showcased in this month's selections for the Carlsbad Library's film series. Enjoy Tales of Terror (1962) on Wednesday, October 30, at 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

"Marrakech Express" by Gabriele Salvadores screens for the Italian film series on Wednesday, October 30, at 7 p.m., at the Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). Call 619-237-0601 for information. Admission is \$2 for nonmembers. In Italian without English subtitles. (LITTLE ITALY)

"San Diego, I Love You!" This film series at the Museum of Photographic Arts boasts a collection of films shot on location in and around the county. For this week's titles and showtimes, call 619-238-7559. Tickets are \$5 general. (BALBOA PARK)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, National Geographic's IMAX film Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West dramatizes the first perilous threeyear, 8000-mile expedition into the unknown west of America 200 years ago, from the Missouri River overland to the Columbia River and the Pacific Ocean. The film reveals how the success of the trek was dependent upon the generosity of Native American tribes. Make the trek through Friday, February 14, 2003.

Spend "Fridays at the Fleet" and

ing audiences "up close" to the action and excitement of ESPN's Summer X Games. The film features competitors in skateboarding, street luge, wakeboarding, downhill BMX, aggressive in-line skating, and more, sharing their experiences as they prepare for and compete in their sports. 'Fridays at the Fleet" includes a double bill of Ultimate X and Wild California, along with refreshments, through November 29; the film also screens on Saturday afternoons through December.

The in-orbit construction of the International Space Station is chronicled in *Space Station*. The IMAX cameras filmed seven shuttle crews and two resident station crews as they transformed the station from a tiny outpost to a permanently inhabited scientific research station. Take this trip to outer space through December.

For ticket prices and showtimes, call 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

The Use of Ofrendas, Altars, and the cultural traditions of the Davs of the Dead will be illuminated when Danza Mixcoatl presents a lecture by Iraís Piñon on Thursday, October 24, at 7 p.m., at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Piñon is the director of Culturales Populares (Conaculta) of Tijuana, Mexico. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

take in Ultimate X: The Movie, bring-

tober 25, at 4 p.m., at the UCSD Cross-Cultural Center. Free. 858-534-9689. (LA JOLLA) The Prevalence of Organic Forms in mid-20th-Century art and design is the subject when curator Brooke Rapaport focuses on "Vital Forms" for the docent guest lecture series at the San Diego Museum of Art on Friday, October 25, 10 a.m. Admission

> "Healing as a Sacred Path" is the subject when L. Robert Keck presents a lecture and workshop on October 25 and 26, at Christ Church Unity (3770 Altadena Avenue). He'll present his "true healing adventure" at 7 p.m. on Friday, exploring his spirituality in healing and his own "miracle healing." The fee is \$15 in advance, or \$20 at the door.

is \$10. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

"California's Important Bird Ar-

eas" provide the subject when Daniel

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speaks for the Audubon Society on

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"Of Heretics and Interlopers: Chi-

cano/as in Higher Education" is the

subject when Arturo Madrid from

Trinity College speaks on Friday, Oc-

619-275-0557. (CLAIREMONT)

Keck will demonstrate "the practical and spiritual means of awakening the sleeping giant of our inner healer...self-wholeness, and self-holiness" and explore the "three crucial means of cultivating miracles" from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. The fee is \$80 in advance, or \$90 at the door.

For both events, pay \$85 in advance, or \$95 at the door. For reservations and information, call 619-280-2501 x109. (EAST SAN DIEGO)

Media Arts Fall Workshops, the Media Arts Center San Diego presents "Beginning Final Cut Pro" on Saturday, October 26, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Students will learn to log and name clips, to "batch capture," organize, and use a media manager The fee is \$70 for nonmembers. Find the Media Arts Center at 921 25th Street (between Broadway and E Street). To reserve a spot, dial 619-230-1938. (SAN DIEGO)

Whose Problem Is It? Is your parrot having a problem, or are you having a problem with your parrot? Find out what can be done when the Parrot Education and Adoption Center hosts a seminar on Saturday, October 26. Parrot safety is the subject for the seminar planned on Sunday, October 27.









Both talks run from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Marina Village Conference Center (1936 Quivira Way, off West Mission Bay Drive). Admission is \$10 per seminar. 619-287-

A Fall "Feast"-ival is promised when Mindy Goldis presents this cooking class on Saturday, October 26, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the School of Healing Arts (1001 Garnet Avenue #200). The fee is \$45. To register, call 858-581-9429. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Introductory Land Navigation Skills will be taught when the San Diego Natural History Museum hosts a class in Mission Trails Regional Park on Saturday, October 26, 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will use compass and map, using both latitude-longitude, UTM grids, and elevation finding.

The museum also offers "Inter mediate Land Navigation and GPS Skills" in Mission Trails Park from 1 to 4 p.m. on the 26th. The fee for either class is \$35 for nonmembers. To register, call 619-232-3821 x203.

Sweet Skulls, ever wondered how to make sugar skulls? Back from Tomboctou plans a series of Day of the Dead sugar skull workshops, wherein participants will learn to design and make traditional and lasting sugar skull offerings.

The next sugar skull workshops are set for Saturday, October 26, at 3 p.m., and at 10 a.m. on Sunday, October 27, and finally, at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 30. Mask making is taught on the Tuesday the 29th at 4 p.m. Find the shop at 3564 Adams Avenue. The fee is \$15 per person, and the minimum age is



eight years old. For registration, call 619-282-8708. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Survivors of Torture, the lecture series continues when Carlos Mauricio, an El Salvadoran torture survivor and a leader in the fight to hold torturers responsible for their crimes, speaks on Saturday, October 26, at 11 a.m., at the San Diego Museum of Man. The program, entitled "Bringing Torturers to Justice" includes a lecture by Mauricio, followed by a discussion with two legal experts on the prosecution of torturers. Admission is \$5. For more information, dial 619-278-

Explore Essential Bookbinding Techniques through demonstrations and practice when the Arts College International hosts a beginning bookbinding class on Sunday, October 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participants will complete books during class time using materials provided (\$14) and acquire skills to create unique originals. The fee is \$51. Call 619-231-3900 to register. Find the Arts College at 840 G Street, (DOWNTOWN)

Beyond Rugs and Carpets, floor mats and cloths are said to be very popular now as an alternative to traditional floor coverings. Make a durable vinyl floor cloth when the Arts College International presents a workshop on Sunday, October 27, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Find the college at 840 G Street: call 619-231-3900 to reserve a spot. The \$87 fee includes

He's Concerned About Bioterrorism and U.S. preparedness, and on Monday, October 28, at 1 p.m., Chris Holmes, M.D., focuses on "Anthrax, Bioterrorism, and The Medusa Strain' at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). His presentation will be followed by a question and answer period and signings of The Medusa Strain. Admission is free. For more details, dial 760-434-2881. (LA COSTA)

Q: What's Xeriscape? Find out when nature photographer Phillip Rouillard presents a slide-illustrated lecture focusing on California native landscapes, xeriscape, and the photography of plants for the Lake Hodges Native Plant Club on Monday, October 28. The meeting commences at 2 p.m., in the upstairs seminar room of the Rancho Bernardo Library (17110 Bernardo Center Drive). 760-741-0829. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

As Bishop of San Cristobal de las Casas, Chiapas, Samuel Ruiz Garcia has been an advocate for poor and indigenous people; he was the central mediator between the Zapatistas and the Mexican government in 1994. Ruiz presents "The Pursuit of Justice from the Perspective of the Poor" on Monday, October 28, at 8 p.m., at Hojel Hall at the UCSD Institute of the Americas. Free. 858-534-2521. The lecture will be in Spanish, and there will be an English translator. (LA JOLLA)

Classical Guitar Reached an Incredible Popularity in the 19thCentury salons of Vienna, Paris, and London. Teacher and performer Claudia Tornsäufer presents "Guitaromania" at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, offering an insider's look in the world of the classical guitar, including the vast history and expansive repertoire of the instruments.

The series continues when Tornsäufer crosses the ages between Mozart's Figaro to the composing virtuosos of the romantic period. Celino Romero of the Romeros will be featured. This program starts at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29. Nonmembers pay \$17 per talk. Find the Athenaeum at 1008 Wall Street. To make the suggested reservations, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"Dangerous Dogs: Vicious or Victim?" Learn about the law regarding the circumstances under which dogs may be declared "dangerous" or "vicious," what the implications of those titles are for the canines and their people, and what responsible dog owners can do to protect their dogs - all this when animal law attorney Robyn Ranke speaks on Tuesday, October 29, at the San Diego County Bar. Ranke will be joined by a lieutenant from the San Diego County Department of Animal

The talk starts at noon in the third-floor ballroom at the San Diego County Bar, 1333 Seventh Avenue. The fee is \$15. For information, call 619-231-0781 x110. (DOWNTOWN)

"The Struggle to Earn a Living **Wage** — 1930s and 2002" — this panel discussion commences at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, at the Linda Vista Library (2160 Ulric Street). The challenges of organizing migrant workers in the 1930s and the obstacles to learning a living wage are the subject for UCSD sociologist Jeffrey Haydu; Rabbi Laurie Coskey will

discuss the 2002 San Diego Living Wage Campaign. Free. For details, dial 858-573-1398. (LINDA VISTA)

When the Atheist Coalition Gathers on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m., the speaker is Diane Anshell, atheist and former head of San Diego NORML. The group meets at the North Park Recreation Center, 4044 Idaho Street. Free. 619-524-7193. (NORTH PARK)

"Religion and Homosexuality" is the subject when the Welcoming Congregation Committee at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito presents a talk by the Rev. Ned Wight on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m. Wight will explore how Judeo-Christian thinking has shaped beliefs towards sexual orientation. Find the church at 1036 Solana Drive; call 858-755-3162 for information. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Story-Writing and Sea-Changes: The Nature of Personal Writing" is the subject when self-described "literary ecologist" Joy Elvey Bannerman presents an introductory lecture on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m., at the Living Room Coffeehouse (1018 Rosecrans, at Talbot). Admission to the lecture is \$15.

The introductory lecture is followed by a series of workshops on the four Tuesdays of November; the fee is \$140 for the series. To reserve a space for either or both, call 831-278-6507. (POINT LOMA)

"Comments on a Culture Out of Whack" is the subject when Barbara Ehrenreich takes part in a panel discussion on Wednesday, October 30, at 7 p.m., in UCSD's Price Center Theater. Ehrenreich is a political essavist, columnist, and social critic; her books include Fear of Failing: The Inner Life of the Middle Class and her most recent, Nickel and Dimed: Surviving in Low-Wage America. Free. For more information, dial 858-822-0510. (LA JOLLA)

"A Century of Stargazing: The First 100 Years of Mexican Amateur Astronomy" will be illuminated when Alberto Levy speaks for the Eyes on the Universe series at the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center on Wednesday, October 30, at 7 p.m. Levy is from

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the Sociedad Astronómica de Baja California. Admission is \$6.75 general. Call 619-238-1233 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

Using a Radical Lesbian Chicano Feminist Framework, Professor Karen Mary Davalos examines "Mestizaje and Diaspora in Museum Representational Practices" when she speaks on Wednesday, October 30, at 3 p.m., in room 107 of UCSD's Social Sciences Building. Davalos will address the "alternative" interpretive styles of Chicana/o museum representation within the context of the history and function of the public museum. Free. For directions and information, call 858-534-3276. (LA JOLLA)

"Is Writing as a Daughter of Survivors Different? The Holocaust as Personal Explanation" is the topic for Esther Fuchs of the University of Arizona when she presents the next lecture in the ongoing "New Perspectives in Judaic Studies" series on Wednesday, October 30. The talk starts at 3 p.m. in 100 Nasatir Hall at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-5338. (SDSU)

"Witches, Women, and the Day of the Dead: The Historical Reasons for Tricking, Treating, and Celebrating" is the subject for a presentation planned by Susan Gonda on Wednesday, October 30, at 7 p.m., at the Women's History Reclamation Project. Learn why witchcraft accusations focused on women in Europe and in the American Puritan colonies and led to the eradication of the woman-based power of midwives, female elders, and healers. The event includes a screening of the film *The Burning Times*, offering an analysis of the European witch-hunts from the 15th through the 17th Centuries.

Admission is \$5 for nonmembers. Find the project at 2323 Broadway, suite 107. Call 619-233-7963 for details. (GOLDEN HILL)

Bring Mementos, Photographs, and Objects that remind you of deceased loved ones to the Dia de los Muertos celebrations planned on Wednesday, October 30, at San Diego State University. The event begins with a slide-illustrated lecture by Professor Emeritus Janet Esser at noon in room 4450 of the Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. The altar will be on view in Love Library room 126 through Friday, November 22. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

What's in a Name? Patent attorney Karl M. Steins presents "Naming Your New Business: Important Legal Issues Surrounding the Choice of a Business Name and Persona" on Wednesday, October 30, at 6:30 p.m., in the second-floor auditorium at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. To make reservations, call 619-238-6630. (DOWNTOWN)

What If They Threw a War and Nobody Came? Blase Bonpane, director of the Office of the Americas and author of *Guerillas of Peace*, presents "Building a Peace System: Resisting the Methods of War" on Wednesday, October 30, at 7 p.m., at the First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street, across from the UCSD Medical Center). Blase will also speak about the U.S. Army School of Americas. Free. For more information, call 858-459-4650. (HILLCREST)

Decorate a Sugar Skull with special icing for the Days of the Dead when this Binational Project 2002 workshop takes place on Wednesday, October 30, at 6:30 p.m., at the Paradise Senior Center (1880 Logan Avenue). The fee — \$5 for adults, \$2 per child — includes materials. To register, call 619-264-4083. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

IN PERSON

"Scots on the Rocks" — this parody of Shakespeare's *Macbeth* by Richard Nathan may be enjoyed when the Coronado School of the Arts theater department performs Thursday through Saturday, October 24-26, at 7 p.m. each night. Find the Coronado High School Theater at 650 D Avenue. Tickets are \$8 general, \$6 for students and seniors. Call 619-522-8907 x2425 for reservations. (CORONADO)

War and/or Peace, air your poetic, musical, or narrative views on this theme for Carpe Nota on Thursday,

October 24, at 7:30 to 10 p.m., at the Other Side (4096 30th Street, at Polk). According to organizers, "A foundation of poetry supports all performance forms including skits, short-short stories, humor, and music." Sign-ups start at 7:30 p.m. No cover. Call 619-521-0533 or 619-418-1963 for information. (NORTH PARK)

Tumbling, Flying, Twisting, Gravity-Defying...it's time for the arrival of Cirque Éos, with 20 jugglers, acrobats, balancing artists, and highflyers from Quebec performing October 24-November 10 in the big top found at Presidents Way and Park Avenue

Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays through Fridays, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. on Saturdays, and 1 and 5 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets range from \$24.95 to \$34.95 for children, \$34.95 to \$44.95 for adults, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS) or by calling 800-361-4595. (BALBOA PARK)

The Grossmont Guitar Guild presents Blurring the Edges — a concert by Peter Sprague, Tripp Sprague, and Fred Benedetti — on Friday, October 25, at 8 p.m., in the Grossmont Recital Hall room 220. Tickets are \$10 general. Find the campus at 8800 Grossmont College Drive. For information, call 619-644-7254. (EL CAJON)

Éloize, Not to Be Confused with Éos, yes, there's another Canadian circus troupe — Cirque Éloize — performing in our county this week. Éloize blends theater, music, and dance in its production of *Nomade*.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 27, at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets are \$25 and \$50. For information, call 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

There's a Benefit Concert to assist cancer patient Evan Drescher planned by Eve Selis, Randy Pile, Christopher Dean, Suzanne Reed, and Tom Boyer on Friday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m., at St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church (11451 Blue Cypress Drive). The requested donation is \$15, or pay what you can. For information, call 619-258-2699. (POWAY)

Imprisoned and Tortured for 33 Years by the Chinese in an effort to force him to accept the Chinese communist ideology, Tibetan monk Palden Gyatso has spoken out since 1992 against the Chinese occupation of Tibet. Gyatso will speak on Friday, October 25, at 7 p.m., at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at the University of San Diego. Free. USD is found at 5998 Alcalá Park; 619-260-7509. (LINDA VISTA)

Radio Talk Show Personality Sean Hannity surveys the current world situation in *Let Freedom Ring*. Does America's greatest challenge come not from foreign attack but from a compromising of our national character? Hannity signs copies of his book on Friday, October 25, at noon, at Costoc (4605 Morena Boulevard). 858-450-3502. (MORENA)

Got the Creeps Yet? Former Oceanside homicide detective and author John Lamb signs San Diego Specters: Ghosts, Poltergeists, and Phantasmic Tales from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday through Sunday, October 25-27, in the garden at the Whaley House (2482 San Diego Avenue). Free. Call 619-297-9327 for details. (OLD TOWN)

Hiss the Villain and Cheer the Hero when the annual Julian Melodrama and Olio is presented on weekends through October 27. This year's 90-minute comedy is Felony Most Fowl, or Frauds of a Feather Flock Together, written by Iola Barbee. The Floozies play songs between acts.

Performances begin at 7:15 p.m. on Fridays, at 1:15 and 7:15 p.m. on Saturdays, and at 1:15 p.m. on Sundays. Find the fun in the Julian Town Hall, at the corner of Washington and Main. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for children. For information, call 760-765-3911. (JULIAN)

Instrumental Musical Magic is on offer when local flutist/saxophonist Adrienne Nims performs on Friday, October 25, at 8 p.m., at the 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). Nims will be joined by cellist Stan King, guitarist Jimmy Patton, violinist Paul Castellano, and percussionist Bastos Moenho to perform a wide range of musical selections. Tickets: \$5. For information, call 760-944-6027. (ENCINITAS)

The Featured Poet is Seretta Martin when Poetry Unlimited Art and Music convenes on Friday, October 25, at 6:30 p.m., at the La Jolla Recreation Center (615 Prospect Street). Open readings follow. Free. 858-552-1658. (LA JOLLA)

Burke Redux, crime fiction author Andrew Vachss visits Mysterious Galaxy Books to sign and discuss Only Child: A Burke Novel on Friday, October 25, at 5 p.m. Find the Galaxy at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard and by dialing 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

Busy at 5 p.m.? Vachss will again discuss and sign books on the 25th at 7:30 p.m. at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). Free. Call 619-295-2201 for information. (MISSION VALLEY)

Masters of the Spoken Word, the Watts Prophets perform "for all who seek a message of hope and progress" on Friday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m., at the East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Tickets are \$20; dial 619-440-2277 for reservations. (EL CAJON)

Haunts in Your Own Back Yard are explored by Gail White in *Haunted San Diego*, which the author will sign and discuss at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 25, at Borders Books and Music (668 Sixth Avenue). Free. Call 619-702-7420 for details. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

"Young at Heart," the 18-piece Ira B. Liss Big Band Jazz Machine and Steve Sublett will pay tribute to Frank Sinatra during this concert slated for Friday, October 25, at 8 p.m., at the Cannibal Bar (in the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard). Tickets are \$25 general, \$40 preferred, benefiting the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation. For reservations, dial 760-787-9402. (MISSION BEACH)

The Students Are in Charge when the "Fall Student One-Acts" are presented on Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26, at 7:30 p.m., in room 3601 at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). The program includes *The Jewish Wife, Sociability, The Guillotine,* and *Night of the 23rd,* among others. Tickets are \$3. For information, call 760-795-6815. (OCEANSIDE)

Undermining the Foundation of Southern California! Chris Cutler (percussion and electronics) and Thomas Dimuzio (live sampling and processing) perform for the Fresh Sound concert series on Saturday, October 26. The concert begins at 8 p.m. at the Spruce Street Forum, 301 Spruce Street. To make the suggested reservations, call 619-295-0301. Tickets are \$15 general. (HILLCREST)

Blues, Gospel, Roots, and Folk Music are said to blend wonderfully in the music of Ruthie Foster, who plans a San Diego Folk Heritage concert on Saturday, October 26. Her current release is *Runaway Soul*. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at the San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena. Tickets are \$12. Call 858-566-4040 for reservations. (ENCINITAS)







Unrelenting Faith in the Power of the Word, described as a "multiethnic, multigenerational collective of poets," the womyn of the Full Moon Phases take the stage at Voz Alta on Saturday, October 26, at 8 p.m. Admission is \$7 general. Find your Voz at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues); 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

Tradition! Tevye and his family sing their way through misfortune and happiness in the village of Anatevka in *Fiddler on the Roof*, the next production for the J*Company. Over 70 local children are presenting the musical, with direction by Becky Cherlin.

Performances run October 26 through November 3 in the David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Saturdays, October 26 and November 2; at 1 and 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 27; and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 3. Tickets range from \$11 to \$15.50 for nonmembers. Call 858-362-1348 for reservations. (LA JOLLA)

Who's Been Dubbed the Father of Stride Music? Who provided a link between jazz and ragtime and wrote "Yamekraw: A Negro Rhapsody"? The answer is the late composer and performer James P. Johnson, who wrote hundreds of popular tunes, including "The Charleston," and collaborated with poet Langston Hughes on a short opera entitled *De Organiser*.

Pianist Bob Pinsker joins the MiraCosta College North Coast Symphony to perform "Yamekraw" on October 26 and 27 in the MiraCosta College Theatre (One Barnard Drive). Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$7 general. For more information, call 760-795-6815. (OCEANSIDE)

"Haunting Tales for Halloween" may be enjoyed when the Storytellers of San Diego gather for a concert on Saturday, October 26. Enjoy the chills and thrills at 7:30 p.m. in the Manchester Conference Center on the campus of the University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). The program is suitable for adults and children over 12. Tickets are \$7. Dial 619-298-6363 or 619-260-4584 for reservations. (LINDA VISTA)

Local Author Victor Villaseñor offers a presentation and book signing on Saturday, October 26, at 7 p.m., at the Oceanside Civic Center Community Rooms (330 North Coast Highway). Villaseñor is the author of *Rain of Gold* and *Thirteen Senses*, among other books. Free. Call 760-435-5575 for information. (OCEANSIDE)

The 80 Musicians of the Kearny Mesa Concert Band perform under the direction of James Romeo on Sunday, October 27, at 2:30 p.m., in Crill Performance Hall on the campus of Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive). The concert includes vocals by baritone Cleve Genzlinger. Tickets are \$8 general. For information, call 858-455-3418. (POINT LOMA)

A Plethora of Published People will be on hand for the Halloween event planned at Mysterious Galaxy on Sunday, October 27. Participants include Chelsea Quinn Yarbro (Night Blooming: The Chronicles of Saint Germain), Tamara Thorne (The Forgotten), comic and novel illustrator Ashley Wood (Guns, Drugs, and Monsters), and Buffy publishers and illustrators Tom Fassbender, Jim Pascoe, Brian Horton, and Paul Lee.

Events begin at 2:30 p.m. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747. Admission is free. (CLAIREMONT)

American Bluegrass Gospel Music is promised when Lighthouse performs on Sunday, October 27, at 4 p.m., at the La Mesa First United Methodist Church (4690 Palm Avenue). An offering will be collected. Child care is available on request by calling 619-466-4163. (LA MESA)

The Fourth Annual Props and Costumes Slam is planned at the Urban Grind for the Last Sunday Poetry Slam on October 27. Sign-ups start at 7 p.m., with slamming at 7:30 p.m. Find the Grind at 3797 Park Boulevard. For information, dial 619-294-2920. The requested donation is \$2. (HILLCREST)

Self-Described "Zen Cowboy" Chuck Pyle performs for San Diego Folk Heritage on Sunday, October 27, at 7:30 p.m., at the San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). Pyle's music is said to be a mix of New Age and "straight-from-the-saddle poetry." Tickets are \$12. For information and reservations, call 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

A Native of the State of Bahia, Caetano Veloso is considered one of the most important figures in contemporary Brazilian music. Veloso presents a concert on Sunday, October 27, at 7 p.m., at Spreckels Theater (121 Broadway). Tickets are \$35, \$55, and \$85, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Photographers Carol Beckwith and Angela Fisher will discuss and sign their book *African Ceremonies* on Tuesday, October 28, at 3:30 p.m., at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Hazard Center (7610 Hazard Center Drive). Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

San Diego Playwright David Hogan's play *Capital* is being presented by the Carlsbad Playreaders on Monday, October 28, at 7:30 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Admission is a \$5 donation. Call 760-729-3383 for details. (LA COSTA)

"Magic to the Outer Limits" is offered when magician Michael Johnson appears — and disappears — every Monday night, 6 to 8 p.m., at Killer Pizza from Mars (3915 Mission Avenue). Johnson's props include a fossilized dinosaur fang, pieces of eight, and two types of meteorites. The magic is free, the food is not. 760-747-4627. (OCEANSIDE)

Open Poetry, sign-ups begin at 7:30 p.m. and open readings run from 8 to 9:30 p.m., on Monday, October 28, at Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard, at Madison). Call 619-296-0616 for information. Free. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

"Scream With the Machine," the Music Machine Show Choir from Bonita Vista High School presents its annual concert Monday through Wednesday, October 28-30, at 7 p.m. each night in Bolles Theater. Tickets: \$4 for children and seniors, \$5 for students, \$6 general, \$8 reserved. For reservations, call 619-656-0404. Find the campus at 751 Otay Lakes Road. (CHULA VISTA)

Music of Vietnam may be enjoyed during programs beginning at 6 and 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 28, in Smith Recital Hall at San Diego State University. Tickets are \$10 general. Call 619-594-6031 or 619-594-6020 for further information. (SDSU)

Who and Why? It's what detective Alex Brandon must discover in Jan Burke's latest novel, Nine. Burke will sign and discuss the book on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. For information, call 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)



The Challenges of Straddling Cultures is one theme in Asian-American poet Priscilla Lee's work. She'll read from her latest collection, Wishbone, at the Laurie Okuma Memorial Reading for the Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m. The event takes place in room 2203 of the Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. 619-594-5318. Free.

Travel to the Jungle of Nool and to the land of the Who's when Seussical — The Musical is presented October 29-November 3 at the Civic Theatre (202 C Street). This production stars Cathy Rigby as the Cat in the Hat in this exploration of the wild world of Dr. Seuss.

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The Bluegrass Jam Band known as the String Cheese Incident plans a concert on Tuesday, October 29, at 7:30 p.m., in UCSD's Rimac Arena. Call 858-534-8497 for information and reservations; tickets are also available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LA JOLLA)

"Ebbing the Luna Sea," six writers bring their words to voice, gesture, props, and movement in a performance planned on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m., at the 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). The per-

formance is the culmination of a class led by Jill Badonsky. Tickets range from \$5 to \$15.760-414-1949. (ENCINITAS)

Make It Macabre, spooky, or Gothic, 'cause "Everything's Aloud" during the open-mike festivities for performers of all styles and skill levels hosted by local writer/performer Victor Payan on Wednesday, October 30, 7 to 10 p.m., at the Hot Monkey Love Cafe (5960 El Cajon Boulevard). Free. 619-582-5908. (COLLEGE)

Author David Faber witnessed the murder of his parents, five sisters, and one brother during the Holocaust and eventually survived eight Nazi concentration camps. He'll sign and discuss his book *Because of Romek: A Holocaust Survivor's Memoir* (in its sixth printing) on Wednes-

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day, October 30, at the San Carlos Library (7265 Jackson Drive). Free. 619-527-3430. (SAN CARLOS)

Restore, Renew, Relax... Staving Calm in the Midst of Chaos is the book by Carolyn Gross, which she'll sign and discuss on Wednesday, October 30, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Gross is a "certified time manager trainer for Day-Timer." Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

Traditional Celtic Blends with Pop and Funk in the music of Mary Jane Lamond, critically acclaimed singer of Gaelic songs. Her most recent release is a traditional recording dedicated to the Gaelic singers of Calpe Breton Island in Nova Scotia. Lamond presents a free concert - using instruments such as fiddle, bagpipes, and an Indian tabla — on Wednesday, October 30, at 6 p.m., in room 240 of the Arts Building at CSU San Marcos. The campus is found at 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road; 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

The Power of Youth, this bilingual youth theater, poetry, and music event hosted by Teatro Con Safos starts at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, October 30, at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). Donations accepted. 619-230-1869.

The Sounds and Soul of Scotland may be appreciated when the pipes and drums of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards perform both traditional highland music as well as contemporary selections at the East County Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, October 30, at 7:30 p.m. The Guards will be joined by Jane Burgess on electric violin.

Tickets are \$21 and \$26. Find the center at 210 East Main Street. For reservations and information, call 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

"Word Spoken," this all-age event starts at 8:30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month, including October 31, at Cafe Crema (1001 Garnet Avenue, at Cass). Free. Expect poetry and open-mike opportunities. 858-273-3558. (PACIFIC BEACH)

The "Lifestyle Tour" by the Katinas hits the Journey Community Church on Thursday, October 31, at 7:30 p.m. The Katinas will be joined by Natalie Grant and Kara. Tickets are \$12.50 in advance, \$18 at the door. The church is located at 8363 Center Drive: 619-464-4544. (LA MESA)

Latin Jazz Jam, this event hosted by Bill Caballero takes place at Voz Alta on Thursday, October 31, from 8 to 11 p.m. You're invited to bring your instrument and jam onstage with local Latin jazz musicians. Find Voz Alta at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues); 619-230-1869. Admission is \$7 general, \$3 for mu-

The Jazz Quartet Hear No Evil per forms for the Concert Hour at Palomar College on Thursday, October 31, at 12:30 p.m., in the Performance Lab (D-10). Free. Find the campus at $1140\,$ West Mission Road; 760-744-1150

A Haunting Late-Night Halloween Performance of prose, poetry, music, and more is promised when the 6th@Penn Theatre presents Unspoken Word. Readings and performances include "The Raven" by Edgar Allan Poe and excerpts from Bram Stoker's Dracula and Land of Nod by Mark A. Clements, as well as live music and song. Thursday, October 31, 10:30 p.m. Tickets: \$10. Find the theater at 3704 Sixth Avenue; call 619-688-9210 for reservations. (HILLCREST)

SPORTS

All Lubed Up With No Place to Go, the San Diego Surfers Women's Rugby Club is featured during the lube wrestling planned on Thursday, October 24, 7 to 11 p.m., at the Flame (3780 Park Boulevard). \$5 cover, 619-295-4163, (HILLCREST)

Sockers Soccer, the San Diego Sockers host the Cleveland Crunch on Friday, October 25, at 7 p.m., at the San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets range from \$10 to \$25. Call 619-224-4171 for information and tickets (also available through Ticketmaster, 619-220-TIXS). Listen to the game on KSDO (1130 AM). (POINT LOMA)

Unity Walk and Roll, the 20th annual United Cerebral Palsy Unity Walk and Roll event is slated for Sat urday, October 26, with 8:30 a.m. check-in and 9 a.m. start at De Anza Cove (at the northeast end of Mis sion Bay). The 5k route is great for walkers, wheelchair rollers, and hand cyclers. For more information, call 858-571-7803. (MISSION BAY)

Flat, Fast, Walker-Friendly! It's time for the 14th annual Arturo Barrios 5k and 10k, slated for Sunday, October 27, along the Chula Vista waterfront. The 5k people's run starts at 7:30 a.m., the 5k people's walk steps off at 7:35 a.m., and the 10k people's run commences at 8:30 a.m. The 5k team championship starts at 10 a.m.; the kids' one miler (for those 8-12) begins at 11 a.m., and the kids half-mile (for those 7 and under) starts at 11:15 a.m. Race-day registration opens at 6:30 a.m. For more information, call 858-450-6510.

Ice Hockey, the San Diego Gulls host the Long Beach Ice Dogs on Sunday, October 27, at 5 p.m., at the San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets range from \$5 to \$18, available by calling 619-224-4625. The games are broadcast on KSDO (AM 1130), (SPORTS ARENA)

Testing Both Horse and Rider, the Sunnyside Saddle Club hosts horse shows throughout the year. The next event is a Halloween show on Sunday, October 27, starting at 8:30 a.m. Find the arena in Rohr Park (4548 Sweetwater Road, at Central Avenue). Admission for spectators is free. For more information, call 619-479-1125. (BONITA)

This Loop May Be All Uphill! Join San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders for a scenic 40-mile loop through the nearby unspoiled outback on Sunday, October 27. This "Outback Express' ride begins at 9 a.m. near the Starbucks in the Rancho San Diego Town and Country shopping center (on the northwest side of Jamacha Road at Willow Glen). You're advised to use a triple crank for the challenging climbs; bring two or three water bottles and money for snacks and a light lunch afterwards. 858-483-5877, (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

SPECIAL

America's Most Haunted? Meet at the front porch of the Whaley House (2482 San Diego Avenue) for the "Ghost Tours and Cemetery Walks" planned Thursday through Saturday, October 24-26. The events include candlelight vigils to El Campo Santo Cemetery replete with historical narration and a return to the Whaley for a "special ghost tour." Tours run 10 p.m. to midnight, each tour is limited to 30 guests, and reservations are suggested (619-297-7511). The fee is

All Hallows Eve tours are planned at the Whaley House on Thursday, October 31, from 8 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$10; reservations are not required. (OLD TOWN)

Back in the USSR, the American Institute of Graphic Arts exhibits "Poster Art of the Soviet Union" beginning with a grand opening on Thursday, October 24, at 6 p.m. The exhibit showcases approximately 50 graphic posters designed in the 1970s and 1980s offering a glimpse into the cultural, social, and political realities of what once was the modern-day

Admission to the opening recep tion is \$20. For reservations, call 619-233-5470. The show continues through Sunday, December 22. Find the San Diego Center for Design at 344 Seventh Avenue. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Pooches and Their People are invited to take part in the "doggie cafés" planned by the San Diego Humane Society on the last Friday of each month at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). Dog-friendly trainers will be on hand to offer training tips on how to keep dogs calm and civilized while around

distractions such as food, people, and other canines. The requested donation is \$5. To reserve a spot, call 619-299-7012 x230. (MISSION VALLEY)

The Ghastly Family Returns to populate the Monster Manor with its creaking floors, fog, and tombstones October 25, 26, 30, and 31 (and November 1), at the Target shopping center located at Mira Mesa Boulevard and Camino Ruiz. Admission is \$6 (proceeds benefit the Mira Mesa community Fourth of July festivities). Tours begin at 7 p.m. For more details, call 858-693-8536. (MIRA MESA)

Go Home! Head to the Del Mar Fairgrounds for the 26th Annual Home Decorating and Remodeling Show, October 25-27. Over 450 booths will offer interior and exterior design, windows and doors, landscaping, fine art, and furniture. Show hours: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. 800-999-5400. (DEL MAR)

Soaps and Detergents: Chemistry Keeps Us Clean!" It's the theme for this year's "Chem Expo 2002," taking place on Saturday, October 26, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Casa del Prado (just east of the reflecting pool). Highlights include live chemistry demonstrations, interactive displays from science-based companies, chemistry bingo, and more. Free. For information, call 760-815-1419. (BALBOA PARK)

History, Mystery, and Scandals, the living history tours in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park planned on Saturday, October 26, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., promise scandalous and spooky stories and children's activities. 619-220-5422. Free. (OLD TOWN)

California Artist Christy Repasy is the guest of honor during a "Meet the Artist" champagne tea reception planned on Saturday, October 26, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bon Bon Home and Garden (118 South Cedros Avenue). Free. 858-792-1668. (SOLANA BEACH)

The Semi-Annual Threshing Bee and Antique Engine and Tractor Show returns to the Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum on Saturday and Sunday, October 26 and 27. See blacksmith and wheelwright demos, grist and sawmill operations, and other vintage skills, along with food, gifts, music, train rides, and displays of antique cars and steam engines. Tractor games are followed by a parade of antique equipment at 1 p.m.

Find the fun at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. Gates are open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$7 general, \$4 for those 6 to 12, and kids under 6 free. For information, dial 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Fond of Felines? The third annual Purina Cat Chow Way of Life Tour hits Seaport Village on Saturday and Sunday, October 26 and 27, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. There will be cat training demonstrations (noon, 2, and 4 p.m.) both days, advice from experts, adoptions, and an "interactive area." Admission is free. For more information, call 619-299-7012 or 619-685-3536. (SEAPORT VILLAGE)

Dias de los Muertos are being celebrated all over town this week. Bazaar del Mundo has festivities planned from Saturday, October 26, through Saturday, November 2, with traditional decorations, activities, and artists' demonstrations. Hours: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Find the bazaar at 2754 Calhoun Street; call 619-296 3266 for details. Admission is free. (OLD TOWN)

Book Bargains Galore are promised during the book sale on Saturday, Oc tober 26, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Benjamin Library (5188 Zion Avenue). 619-533-3970. (ALLIED GARDENS)

Gettin' Hot Out There, the Seventh Annual Hot Licks Festival is slated for Saturday, October 26, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., at Seaport Village (on West Harbor Drive at Kettner Boulevard). A variety of hot sauce makers will be offering their wares, and there's an amateur salsa competition planned as well. Admission is free. 619-235-4000. (SEAPORT VILLAGE)

Covet "Carpenteria Californica"? How about Trichostema lanatum (wooly blue curls)? These plants and many others will be offered when the Back Country Land Trust hosts its sixth annual California native plant sale. Most of the plants are one-gallons. The sale is slated for Saturday, October 26, at 10 a.m., at 2120 Alpine Boulevard (across from the Chamber Triangle). 619-590-BCLT. (ALPINE)

Halloween — Not Just for Humans Anymore! There's a Halloween pet costume party planned from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 26, at Pet Me, Please! (3401 Adams Avenue). Enter your pet in a costume contest benefiting the Friends of County Animal Shelters for \$3 per category. For information, call 619-283-5020. (KENSINGTON)

Dress the bulldog as a ballerina, or your cat as Cleopatra, when the Daily Pet hosts its Second Annual Halloween Pet and People Parade and Costume Contest on Sunday, October 27, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participation is free. The contest will take place in the Del Mar Highlands Town Center amphitheater (at El Camino Real and Del Mar Heights Road). Prizes will be awarded in five categories. For more information, call 858-481-2065. (DEL MAR)

Trick or Treat? The 14th Annual Hallo-Wiener Dog Picnic is slated for Sunday, October 27, from noon to 3:30 p.m., at the corner of Park Boule vard and Presidents Way. Bring your costumed dachshund, a picnic lunch, and snacks to share. Free. For informa tion, call 858-755-9270. (BALBOA PARK)

Be Sure to Wear Some Plaid, the lawn program at the International Cottages is hosted by the House of Scotland on Sunday, October 27, at 2 p.m., with music, cultural costumes, and dances. Admission is free; food will be for sale, 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

Commemorate the 1956 Hungarian Revolution by visiting the photographic exhibition of the "King Cities of Hungary" - Buda, Szekesfehervar, Viesgrad, Esztergom, and Veszprem - when it's on display from noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays, October 27 and November 3, at the House of Hungary (2159 Pan American Plaza). Admission is free. Questions? Call 858-457-3207 for answers. (BALBOA PARK)

Batmania hits the Tijuana Estuary during the program on Sunday, October 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a slide show and bat facts. crafts, and a live bat or two on hand. Bring a T-shirt (or pay \$2 for one) to decorate. Find the Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center at 301 Caspian Way; 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Support Your Local Sacred Spaces, the Ecumenical Council of San Diego County plans its first Sacred Spaces Benefit Church Tour on Sunday, October 27, from 1 to 5 p.m. Each of the four highlighted churches features a distinctive architecture and ministry; the included sites are Founders Chapel at the University of San Diego, First Lutheran Church, Westminster Presbyterian, and St. George's Serbian Orthodox Church.

The fee — \$50 per person, or \$75 per couple — includes bus transportation and reception with a performance by the USD Choral Schol-For reservations, call 619-238-0649. (SAN DIEGO)

Cajon Classic Cruise, this weekly classic car show concludes with a Halloween costume contest on Wednesday, October 30, 6 to 9 p.m. on East Main Street. More than 500 classic, custom, and hot rod vehicles are featured, along with live music and food and craft vendors. Admission is free. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

Help Build a "Public Ofrendra for Muertos" with volunteers from the Peace and Dignity Project and Southwestern College on Wednesday, October 30, from 4 to 6 p.m., at the McDonald's massacre site (on San Ysidro Boulevard). For more de tails, call 619-987-8063. (SAN YSIDRO)

Time to Read a Classic, have you heard about the statewide reading and story-sharing event taking place in October? "California Stories: Reading The Grapes of Wrath" has begun, a program designed to "get Californians talking — to each other." Libraries across the county are hosting book discussions, film screenings, musical performances, and lectures based on this John Steinbeck book. For specific information, call your local library. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

The Cultural Traditions associated with Mexico's Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebrations are documented in photographs by Annie Lemoux. The exhibit "Celebración de Ofrendas: Día de los Muertos" is on view through Sunday, November 24, at the Centro Cultural de la Raza (2004 Park Boulevard, north of Presidents Way). Free, 619-235-6135, (BALBOA PARK)

Tales of Mutiny and Mayhem may be heard during this year's Haunted Star of India, continuing through Thursday, October 31. Visitors will be led through the ship on lantern tours, meeting costumed characters portraving victims and shipmates of famous pirates.

Hours are 6 to 10 p.m. weeknights and until 11 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays, and Halloween. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for children. Find the spooky Star at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero. For reservations and information, call 619-234-9153 x101.

Fright Nights, start your Halloween celebrations at the Haunted Hotel (424 Market Street; 619-231-0131) and Frightmare on Market Street (530 Market Street; 619-231-3611). The rooms promise "terrifying special effects and illusions" created by "some of the top artists and technicians in the business." Hours are 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday, (GASLAMP OUARTER)

Or take a stroll along the Haunted Trail, an "all-outdoor haunted attraction." Find the trail at Marston Point (just east of Sixth Avenue and Juniper Street). Admission to each of these attractions is \$11.95. None are recommended for those under ten years old, and all are open through November 2. (BALBOA PARK)

Have a Ghoulishly Good Time when the second annual Monster Bash in the Gaslamp takes place on Thursday, October 31, from 5 to 11 p.m. There will be street entertainment, food and beverages, and

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Reading

Only Child: A Burke Novel



Andrew Vachss

Alfred A. Knopf, 2002; 276 pages; \$24

FROM THE DUST JACKET: After years on the run, Burke is desperate to return to his native New York, the only way he can reconnect with his outlaw "family." But to survive in their part of the City, where reputation is everything, Burke must take major risks to reestablish his presence. So when a Mafia man contacts him about the murderas-message of his 16-year-old daughter—the offspring of what he calls an "outside the tribe" affair that

he must keep secret at all costs — Burke's depleted bankroll persuades him to step out of the shadows and do something he hasn't done in years...actually investigate a crime.

Burke needs cover to penetrate the teenage subculture of the Long Island town where the girl lived and died, so he puts together a crew of gifted role-players, including a pair of lesbian "power exchangers" who market their special brand of sex on the Internet. When Burke himself surfaces as a casting director, seeking tomorrow's stars for a movie to be shot on location, the investigation quickly spins off into uncharted depths. What he discovers is a new kind of filmmaking, a new kind of violence, and a predator unlike any he's ever known. When they meet head-on over a brutal work of cinema verité, only one of them will survive the final cut.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Andrew Vachss (rhymes with axe or tax) has been a federal investigator in sexually transmitted diseases, a social services caseworker, and a labor organizer and has directed a maximum-security prison for youthful offenders. Now a lawyer in private practice, he represents children and youths exclusively. He is the author of numerous novels, including the Burke series; two collections of short stories; and a wide variety of other material including song lyrics, poetry, graphic novels, and *Another Chance to Get It Right: A Children's Book for Adults*. His books have been translated into 20 languages. He lives and works in New York City and the Pacific Northwest.

Further information about Andrew Vachss and his work is available on his dedicated website, "The Zero," at www.vachss.com.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Before we talked about his newest book, I was interested to hear what Mr. Vachss had to say about *California v. Westerfield*. Asked about David Westerfield's pornography cache, Mr. Vachss said, "It was child-torture pornography. Films, tapes, pictures of children being sexually tortured. I don't care how far you stretch *Lolita*, it doesn't get down to cattle prods. He would download from the Internet to CDs, so he had his own library. That's very different from 'Oh, I clicked on a website...I didn't know what was there.' There's a lot of ignorance about the case, including the fact that, because he didn't have a record, therefore this was his first offense. I don't think it was a brilliantly tried case, but fortunately, thanks to some splattering DNA, it didn't have to be."

I asked Mr. Vachss what would happen to Westerfield in prison. Was it true that because Westerfield was a child molester and murderer that other prisoners would try to kill him?

"People kill people in prison all the time." As to Westerfield's being killed because he was guilty of sexual crimes against and mur-

der of a child, Mr. Vachss said, "is all crap. I've been saying that for book after book. The most despicable creature I think I've ever met was a guy in prison that I knew, when we were doing this giant class action against the parole board. He would literally become excited to the point where it was obvious, when he was describing what he called his 'wish-boning technique,' which is he'd grab little children and take one ankle in each hand, and split them like a chicken. He used to giggle about sliding in on the blood. When this guy walked down the corridor people said, 'Good morning, sir' to him."

I asked why this was so.

"He was just an incredibly confident, violent man who could kill you with either hand. He was a dangerous, deadly person. So he comes in there with the lowest-status crime you could possibly have and people defer to him. There was a bank robber in the same prison; bank robbery is supposed to be the highest-status crime; he was repeatedly raped. It was because he was physically weak and had no sort of power emanating from him."

As for Westerfield, Mr. Vachss said, "If he goes to death row, the chances of him even being among other prisoners is very small. The second thing is, he's got money. By prison standards, he's got money. I mean prison. I mean, you get somebody whacked for a carton of cigarettes in prison. I mean, the economy is entirely different. Somebody who can count on what you might consider a measly sum like, say, \$500 a month — well, he could buy anything he wants in there. Plus, because he's notorious and because people are going to want to do book deals and movie deals, he's going to be some sort of celebrity as well. He won't have the same high status that a Richard Ramirez had. If the girl had been ten years older he'd be high status. Because the rape, torture, murder of young women is the highest-status crime among that group. You know, if you look at the fan mail, it's the serial killers who get all the stuff. And they all have girlfriends. I don't just get letters from them. I've gotten letters from their girlfriends. All the same thing, you know. I'm the person to collaborate with on a book.'

I had noticed on Mr. Vachss's website — www.vachss.com—

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lots of live music. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door; you must be 21 to enter. For information, call 619-233-5008. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Dare to Be Scared, the Haunted Haven haunted house is found at 1956 Hacienda Drive. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$7 for kids under 12.

For days and hours, call 760-724-5000. (VISTA)

Frightening Fun is promised when the Del Mar "Scaregrounds" hosts the Scream Zone. The entire 25-room zone has been crafted using 3-D effects, each using a "gothic Frankensteinish" theme, designed and handpainted by former Disney artist R.J. Ogren.

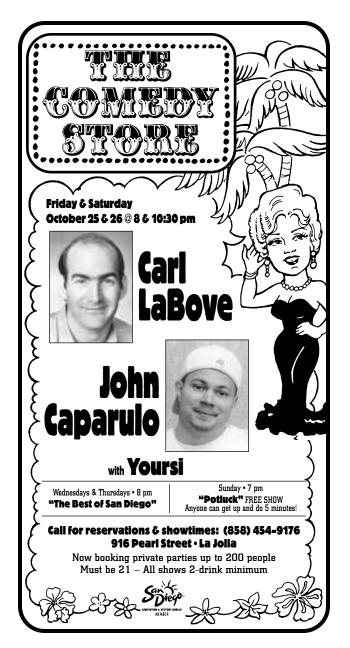
Hours are 7 to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to midnight on Friday and Saturday. Visit the Scream Zone (designed for teens and older) through November 2. Admission is \$10.95. For information, call 858-793-5555. (DEL MAR)

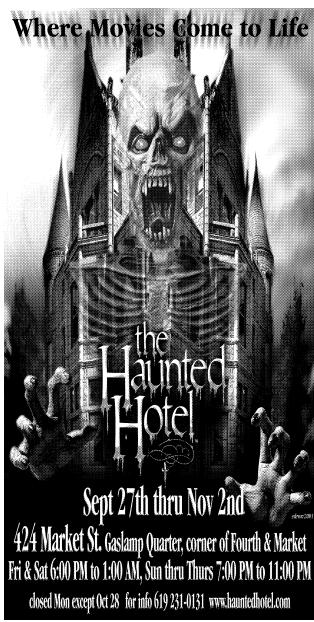
"Rose Canyon: A Walk through History" — this San Diego Archaeological Center exhibit explores the geologic, natural, and cultural history of one of San Diego's loveliest places. See the show through January 2003, in

terminal two at San Diego Lindbergh Field. Artifacts included in the show were excavated from Rose Canyon. For information, call 760-291-0370. Viewing is free. (SAN DIEGO)

Visit the Day of the Dead Altar on view through Thursday, November 7, at Back from Tomboctou $\begin{array}{lll} (3564 & Adams & Avenue). & Free. \\ 619-282-8708. \, (\text{NORMAL HEIGHTS}) \end{array}$

Trick or Treat Tea, the Westgate Hotel is serving up ghost stories by Melody, afternoon tea, and more during events planned on Thursday, October 31, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Children are invited to wear costumes.







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a mention that the state of North Carolina had signed the "Close Incest Loophole" bill into law. "Humans who rape their own children in North Carolina," Mr. Vachss's website offers, "are no longer given any special bonuses for growing their victims — they're subject to the same punishment as the stranger who rapes a child." I asked Mr. Vachss about the incest exception.

"I'll illustrate it for you with New York law. In New York State, let's say a male has sex with the next-door neighbor's nine-year-old daughter. That is first-degree rape, and it's punishable by 25 years in prison, regardless of whether any force is used. The age is what raises it to that level. However, if that nine-year-old is his own child, the DA, at his sole discretion, can charge the perpetrator with incest, which is punishable by a maximum of four years and is automatically probation-eligible. So what that means is we have a criminal justice system that gives you bonus points for growing your own victim."

According to Mr. Vachss's website, the incest exception is still in place in 37 states. Why that is, he said, is "atypical of historical artifact. The North Carolina law, for example, that was just overturned was written in 1879. It has no concept of children being sexual abuse victims. The incest laws were written to prevent first cousins from having babies. They wanted to stop first cousins from mating. Essentially it's a Biblical admonition — if you're too close in blood, you can't marry. They got that information from looking at horses and cows and sheep and seeing how that turned out. We're in a culture where — oh, God, it's certainly been the last, maybe 30 years that there's been any acknowledgment that children are sexually abused. It certainly wasn't contemplated 125 years ago."

"But," I said, "certainly children were being sexually abused 125 years ago."

"Of course, but there was no press coverage. You know, journalism is the first to cause social change. And if you get journalism out of the mix, nothing happens. When I've given speeches, one of the most scary things I tell people is if I were an alien, and

I came to this country to study it and report back, and it was, say, 1956, and I read every newspaper in America for one year, I listened to every radio program, watched every TV show, and then when I reported back, what I would say is, 'I've monitored everything. There is no child abuse in America.' And that would be true. So, you know, legislation is reactive; it's not proactive."

Mr. Vachss sometimes speaks of his books as being "Trojan horses." As he explained to an Arkansas interviewer, "My novels are Trojan horses, an extension of my law practice, my way of reaching a bigger jury than I could ever find in a courtroom." Mr. Vachss's last novel, *Pain Management*, dealt with the problems that many people have in obtaining proper and sufficient medication for chronic, severe, intractable pain. I asked what the response was to this book.

"I got a ton of mail, but almost all of it was people saying, 'I can't believe you've written about what I'm living.' It wasn't mail saying, 'I'm going to change my mind as a result....' So it takes longer than that. When I wrote about modem trafficking in kiddie porn in 1987 [in *Strega*], all I got from book reviewers is what a sick mind I have.

"Well, okay [in the case of *Pain Management*], there's been some change. But change requires some public recognition. I did an interview with a station in Chicago, and they said, 'We've read the book and we're angry, so why aren't people angry?' And I said, 'Well, the constituency dies.' Literally.

"The book [Pain Management] actually got reviewed on the biggest pain website — painonline.org. It spoke right to them. And certainly my views about medical marijuana are no secret. But until this country shifts on its axis, you can have states like California pass enlightened laws, and then the feds overturn them. It's psychotic. As far as I'm concerned, you prove to me somebody has a medical condition producing intractable pain, I would give them a pass to the heroin pharmacy. I don't understand what the issue is. I really don't."

Only Child is Andrew Vachss's 15th novel narrated by Burke. This dark story has some bright spots. One of the brightest is lit

by ten-year-old Hugh, who lives alone with his mother in a modest and worn Long Island tract house. Hugh has a "short, bluntbodied, mostly black" dog he's named Brains of the Outfit. When Burke first meets Hugh and the dog, the two are sitting in their back yard beneath "one wiry little tree" that grows out from "a few patches of burnt grass." I said to Mr. Vachss on the afternoon that we talked how much I liked Hugh, his dog, and that tree.

"That's a true story. I admired Hugh. He was tough. And he was going to make it. You've never seen houses like those in Levittown, have you?" (I hadn't, but I learned, later, that Arthur Levitt, after World War II, built the first Levittown on Long

"But until this country shifts on its axis, you can have states pass enlightened laws, and then the feds overturn them.

It's psychotic."

Island. By 1951, some 50,000 people were living in 15,000 identical 800-square-foot \$8000 Levittown homes.)

Mr. Vachss explained, "These were the houses that Levitt built after the war. If you got a tree to actually grow in that yard, it was an act of God. No amount of horticulture would do it, because the soil was typical of what you'd find in the Sahara. And the sun was either relentless or nonexistent. But places like Levittown were

a brilliant concept. A man like my father could get his children out of the city for 49 bucks a month — on the GI Bill, of course. I think that was an all-veteran community. Occasionally you would see somebody that wasn't a veteran, but it was very rare."

Hugh is a fan of old gangster movies. Hugh's dead father is one of Hugh's heroes. The ten-year-old, however, is convinced his dad's not dead, that he is one of the Edward G. Robinson—type old-fashioned noble thugs. Hugh's sure that any day, his father will return. I said to Mr. Vachss that Hugh was such a great kid. Mr. Vachss agreed. "And the kid was entitled to his delu-

Tickets are \$19.95 for adults, \$12.95 for those 4 to 12. Find the hotel at 1055 Second Avenue; call 619-557-3655 for reservations. (DOWNTOWN)

Art for the Dead, the 11th annual Art for the Dead Altar Tour is slated for Saturday, November 2, from 4 to 7 p.m. It's an opportunity to visit a variety of home and community sites where altar offerings created by local artists are exhibited. The fee to take part in this car caravan is \$5 per person. The tour starts at the Sherman Heights Community Center (2258 Island Avenue) and finishes at Voz Alta with voting on the best altar site. For reservations, call 619-264-8063. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

"Moonlight Sonata: A Tribute to Italo Scanga" is on exhibit through the year at the Carlsbad Sculpture Garden. The show includes seven Scanga pieces, including the very last piece he finished before his death, Moonlight Sonata. The artist's sculptures combine found and salvaged objects, telling tales "of the human existence."

Find the garden behind the Carlsbad Arts Office, 2955 Elmwood Avenue, next to the Cole Library. 760-434-2920. Viewing hours are

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Free. (CARLSBAD)

FOR KIDS

There Are Halloween Shows planned by Puppet Express through Sunday, October 27, and on Wednesday and Thursday, October 30 and 31, in the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Shows begin at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday and at 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. For more information, call 619-685-5990.

Theater for Children...by Children, singers, dancers, and actors aged 8-18 perform in the Christian Youth Theater productions. *Peter Pan* may be seen on Friday, October 25, at 7 p.m., and at 2 and 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 26, at the Ruth French Chapman Performing Arts Center (on the campus of EastLake High School, 1120 EastLake Parkway). Tickets are \$7. For reservations and information, dial 619-588-0206 or 800-696-1929. (CHULA VISTA)

Social Dance

Pulse, it's described as "the tightest event in North County for high school and college students aged 13-22," and it takes place on Friday, October 25, at 7 p.m., at His Church Christian Fellowship (620 South Andreason Drive). Expect live music, skate demos (by Ocean Snow), and live "pumpin' atmosphere to brighten your weekend" with music by Embrace the Ashes and Josiah's Hope. Admission is free. For more details, call 760-480-6233 x154.

There's a Trick-or-Treat Scavenger Hunt and a reading of Eve Bunting's Scary, Scary Halloween planned on Saturday, October 26, at 11:30 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10775 Westview Parkway). Kids will make jack-o'-lantern masks. Free. 858-684-3166. (MIRA MESA)

Mathilda the Witch Storyteller shares *Big Pumpkin* and other Halloween stories on Saturday, October 26, at 11 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Guests will make a scary spider. You're invited to arrive in costume. 760-943-6400. Free. (ENCINITAS)

The Delightful Bunny Max visits the Halloween story-time events sched-

uled for Saturday, October 26, at 12:30 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (7610 Hazard Center Drive). Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Howdy, Pardner, put on your cowboy boots and get ready to dance when Buck Howdy performs for the "rockin' cowboy" costume party planned on Saturday, October 26, at 11 a.m., at Borders Books and Music (159 Fletcher Parkway; 619-593-5119). Free. (EL CAJON)

"The 13 Days of Halloween" may be enjoyed when the San Diego Actors Theatre present their "Children's Classics" on Saturday, October 26, at 11 a.m., at L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino del Mar). The program includes an interactive Witches from MacBeth, Hansel and Gretel, and Halloween poetry and songs. 619-268-4494. Admission is \$4 per person. (DEL MAR)

The Eyes Have It, explore the world of sight when the San Diego Natural History Museum hosts this class for children in grades four and up on Saturday, October 26, 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will see the current "Animal Eyes" exhibit, then view the eyes of insects, spiders, squids, and a mammal in the lab, as well as dissecting a preserved cow

eye. The nonmember fee is \$24. Reserve a spot by dialing 619-232-3821 x203. (BALBOA PARK)

Ms. Frizzle Goes Batty at the San Diego Natural History Museum on Saturday, October 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants will learn about bats with the Frizz, enjoy live bat and raptor presentations, storytelling, Halloween crafts, and costume parades. Activities are included in regular museum admission (\$8 general, \$5 for those 3 to 17). For information, call 619-232-3821 x203.

Hoot and Howl at Bay Park Elementary School's 52nd annual Halloween carnival, set for Saturday, October 26, from 4 to 8 p.m. Organizers promise a haunted house, games, DJ music, cake walk, and more. Admission is free. Find the school at 2433 Denver Street. For more information, call 619-276-7618. (BAY PARK)

Carnivals and contests are planned at many of the City of San Diego Recreation Centers on Saturday, October 26, or Thursday, October 31. For specific details, call your local rec center. (SAN DIEGO)

A "healthy Halloween celebration" is planned at the Ocean Beach People's Organic Food Co-Op on Thursday, October 31, from 4 to 6 p.m. Enjoy a costume parade, healthy goodies for kids in costume, fortune telling, face painting, and magic tricks. Free. For information, call 619-224-1387. (OCEAN BEACH)

Spooky! Put on your costume and creep down to the East Valley Community Center for an evening of ghoulish games, prizes, candy, and the "Haunted Zone" (for those six and older; \$2). There will be costume contests for adults and children. The fun runs from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 26, at 2245 East Valley Parkway. Admission to the carnival is \$1; tickets for games and food are 25 cents each. (The Haunted Zone is also open for business on Friday, October 25, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.) For details, dial 760-839-4382. (ESCONDIDO)

Halloween at Heise, there's fun planned "Until the Bats Fly Home" on Saturday, October 26, at 4:30 p.m., at William Heise County Park. Organizers plan carnival fun and games, treats, a costume contest, jack-o'-lantern carving, candy, and rome. The day-use fee is \$2 per car. Find the park at 4945 Heise Park Road. 858-694-3049. (JULIAN)

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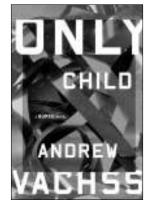
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sion that his dad was going to come for him."

Hugh's mother has a boyfriend. Hugh doesn't like the boyfriend. Mr. Vachss said, "The whole point of that [Hugh] sequence was the diagnosis of what a man has to do, if he wants to be with a woman, because that woman had a man who loved her, but he was never going to be successful with her because he hadn't figured it out. He was a good guy in every way, but he hadn't figured out that unless he could connect with that boy it wasn't going to happen. And there

is a way. If you look for it."

Burke, I said, is typically portrayed by reviewers as cold. Yet, he, unlike Hugh's mother's boyfriend, makes a strong connection with young Hugh and his dog. This connection seems to give Burke

"Right. And Hugh's not an abused kid. What I do is I just cobble the pieces from life. That scene where you drive up in the driveway and the damn dog charges right up the hood. That hap-

I mentioned the recent arrests of four men — three of them Las Vegas residents and one a longtime La Mesa resident. The four were charged by the San Diego DA's office with soliciting a violent act. The men are accused of making a tape titled Bum Fights: A Cause for Concern that allegedly was sold through an Internet site. Among scenes shown on this tape are those that show homeless men fighting one another. I asked Mr. Vachss when he first became aware of this kind of "reality" filmmaking.

"Quite a number of years ago. There's always been a market for so-called 'rape tapes.' That's why I had that scene with this guy saying, 'There's a market for this, there's a market for that.' But for

a long time certain kinds of porn has been marketed as 'the real thing.' And this porn sells for much more." Mr. Vachss added, then, "I met a person — I don't know if you want to say he's crazy or just psychopathic — but he told me this whole story about these crimescene tapes that you get in the 7-Eleven. From the security cameras. [He talked about] how if you could only 'direct that scene.'

I mentioned a story about dog-fighting that recently had appeared in the New York Times Magazine. I asked Mr. Vachss if he had seen that story.

He had. "And it's amazing how many people sent me letters saying, 'Are you ever going to write about this?' I say, 'Well, you know, I did. I wrote a story called "Dead Game" many years ago that lays it all out. Every single piece of it.' It isn't life imitating art. The timing alone will tell you that.

"When I first send the manuscript in, nobody ever argues with me anymore, but they said, 'Are you saying people actually would tape one of these things [a dog fight]?' So now the article comes out in the sacred New York Times, now they know it's true. And any of those S&M tapes, any variance on them, if you can convince the buyer that it's the real thing, the camera poked through a wall, they're worth a ton. Whereas if it's acting, it's, you know, \$5.95.

"What is the Trojan horse in your newest novel?"

"If I did it right there's really more than one because I'm telling you that there are cases in which crimes have been orchestrated so they can be filmed. And I'm also telling you the public has no clue that that's actually happening. But the real one to me is the extent to which everyone is saying, 'Oh, children are so vulnerable to the Internet.' But where they're really vulnerable is movies. I could, with no more of a costume than a T-shirt, go into any big city, and I could have 13-year-olds taking off their clothes in an hour. As long as I had a camera and said I was making a movie. And I'm not talking about wannabe Rita Hayworths. I'm talking about, you tell teenagers, 'This is going to be a slasher movie, okay, and your role is you're going to get to be raped and then stabbed to death.' And some of these teenagers might answer you, 'Cool.'

"The second Trojan horse in the book is this whole 'up-skirt' crap [surreptitiously made films that "look" up women's skirts]. You'll notice that there are specific statements about 'the law.' So it's not against 'the law' to do that as long as you don't have a soundtrack. So that's also what I'm planting in there."

Many Internet sites offer to sell films that peer up past a woman's skirt hem. I asked Mr. Vachss why anyone would want to watch something like the "up-skirt" films.

'Why do people want to do that? You're asking me why people watch these insane shows on television where a bunch of worthless human beings sit around the house for six months."

I said that in the matter of violent porno I was always amazed that people would pay to watch people beat each other half to death.

"Not only watch but participate." Mr. Vachss mentioned two characters in his new book, the lesbian "power exchangers." know those girls, and they have such a business. And basically if you're a subscriber, you can pay them to do this or do that. It's a booming damn business. I mean, they're doing really well. The only people who have made a success out of selling content on the Web are people like that. We are the culture where people will pay more to be on a sex phone line than it would cost them to call up an escort service and have them send over the real thing."

Why did Mr. Vachss think this was so?

"Do I have an insight into that? There are people that just are not comfortable within the realities that can force conduct from them. If they can observe it and in some cases control it, that's when they're most comfortable."

"Only Child," I said, "quickly gets to be a pretty scary book." "It's supposed to be a scary book," said Mr. Vachss. "And I hope it does scare some people.

Iudith Moore

Mr. Vachss will be in San Diego on Friday, October 25, for two readings: at Mysterious Galaxy, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302, at 5:00 p.m. and at Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino Del Rio North, Mission Valley, at 7:30 p.m.

backcountry safety and what to do if you're lost on the trail or in the city. Pam Medhurst presents this program on Saturday, October 26, at 6 p.m., at Lake Jennings Park (10108 Bass Road). Call 858-694-3049 for details. (LAKESIDE)

Simple Crafts for Fall and Winter will be made by kids three and older during the program planned on Saturday, October 26, at 10 a.m., at the shade structure at Kumeyaay Lake Campground (Two Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

The Great Snoopy Stelzer Pumpkin Hunt is slated for Saturday, October 26, at 11 a.m., at Stelzer Park (11470 Wildcat Canyon Road). Children 4-12 will search the park for hidden jack-o'-lanterns, with prizes awarded, and a costume contest. There's a pumpkin-carving contest at 11:30 a.m. To make the required reservations for either event, call 619-561-0580. The day-use fee is \$2. (LAKESIDE)

Theater Arts Workshops for children four to nine years old are conducted by the San Diego Actors Theatre on the fourth Saturday of every month, including October 26, at L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino Del Mar). Workshops run from noon to 1 p.m., and reservations are required. The fee is \$10. Dial 858-268-4494 for registration. (DEL MAR)

Breakfast with the "Littlest Pumpkin" (if you're in preschool or elementary school) on Saturday, October 26, from 7:30 to 11 a.m., at the San Marcos Community Center (3 Civic Center Drive). Bring your quarters for carnival games. The pancake breakfast costs \$3, \$2 for kids under 11. For information, call 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

Halloween Fun Day is slated for Saturday, October 26, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the San Diego Automotive Museum. Admission is free for children, and costumes are encouraged (there's a contest for those seven and younger). Competitors in the scale model car-building contest will be on display, and there will be museum tours and demonstrations. For information, call 619-231-AUTO. (BALBOA PARK)

All Aboard for Railroad Mysteries when the San Diego Model Railroad Museum hosts Halloween Family Day fun on Sunday, October 27, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will also be face painting, Halloween railroad crafts, and refreshments. Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building. Admission is \$4 for adults, free for those under 15. 619-696-0199.

Falling Back in Time, grab your cowboy duds and head to the 1800s in the Gaslamp Quarter during the Fall Back Festival. There will be western music, an Old West show, puppet shows, carriage rides, blackcandlemaking, smithing, soapmaking, archaeological digging, and more. The festival runs 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 27, at the William Heath Davis Museum. 410 Island Avenue. Tickets are \$3 per person. For information, call 619-233-4692. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Are You a Neanderthal? An Australopithecine? Join the staff at the San Diego Museum of Man for the "Footsteps through Time Family Day" planned in conjunction with this anthropology exhibit scheduled for Sunday, October 27, from 1 to 4 p.m. Participants may dress up to parade through the exhibit, hear stories about science and archaeology, and then make "prehistoric" takehome souvenirs. The event is included in regular museum admission. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Decorate Some Sugar Skulls in celebration of Dias de los Muertos from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, October 27, in the courtyard of Bazaar del Mundo (2754 Calhoun Street). The event is free, but register by calling 619-296-3266. (OLD TOWN)

Memorable and Inspiring, Mawi Asgedom visits White Rabbit Children's Books to make a presentation and sign his book Beetles and – A Boy's Remarkable Journey from a Refugee Camp to Harvard on Tuesday, October 29, at 4 p.m. The presentation and book are suitable for students from middle grades and older. Find the shop at 7755 Girard

Avenue and by dialing 858-454-3518. (LA JOLLA)

"Charlene Loves to Make Noise" is the latest picture book by Barbara Bottner, who is the author of several popular beginning reader titles. Meet Bottner when she makes a short presentation and then signs books on Tuesday, October 29, at 10:30 a.m., at White Rabbit Children's Books (7755 Girard Avenue), Free, For information, call 858-454-3518. For those four and older. (LA JOLLA)

"Fairy Tales of the Brothers Grim" are on tap when the San Diego Guild of Puppetry presents Prestons Foerder in performance on Tuesday and Thursday, October 29 and 31, at 10:30 and 11:45 a.m., at the Sunshine Brooks Theater (217 North Coast Highway). Tickets are \$4 for children, \$6 for adults. For information, call 760-433-8033 or 800-954-6696 (OCEANSIDE)

Probers of the Mudflat, what adaptations do shorebirds have that help them in their productive habitats? Find out with the Junior Rangers on Thursday, October 31. The program starts at 3:15 p.m. at the Tijuana River Estuarine Reserve visitors' center (301 Caspian Way) for kids 7 to 11 years old. 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; call (SPRING VALLEY)

619-469-1480 for more information.

California Surf Museum, "Early California Surfriders, 1900-1940' honors Doc John Heath Ball, the first

surf documentarian, telling the stories of those pioneering surfers in photographs by Ball and text. Many of the photographs, surfboards, and $\,$ other artifacts have never been on public display before.

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia - such as

MUSEUMS

(Art museums are listed in the Reader's Guide to Art.)

Bancroft Ranch House Museum houses indigenous Indian artifacts

and memorabilia of early settlers in the area and is run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave



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surfboards and clothing — of local legends Phil Edwards, John "L.J." Richards, and Peter Johnson, and that way-cool megastar from Hawaii, Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, is located in the middle of Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. The facility is home to fish and invertebrates that inhabit the mud flats and marshes of San Diego Bay. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. At other exhibits, visitors can pet sharks and rays, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. For more details, call 619-409-5903.

Computer Museum of America,

"Secrets, Lies, and Teletypes: A History of Cryptology" explores the development of cryptology and code breaking from ancient times to the present, focusing on the role of machines and computers. The National Cryptologic Museum, part of the National Security Agency, has loaned the German Air Force Enigma Machine; the three-rotor Enigma was used by the Nazis in World War II to secure messaging. Also on view, the M-209, a U.S. Army Signal Corps machine used by American troops to send and receive encrypted messages. Visitors will learn about the use of semaphore, punch card equipment, teletypes, and other machines.

Ongoing exhibits include vintage video games like Pong and Space Invaders, punch cards, a rare "millionaire calculator," and a Hectotron, described as "a 1970s vacuum-tube sound-responsive electronic kaleidoscope." Find the museum at 640 C Street (at Seventh Avenue). For ad-

ditional details, dial 619-235-8222.

Flying Leatherneck Museum, the museum is dedicated to the Marine Corps who provided air support, from the propeller-driven fighters and bombers of the 1940s to the modern jets and helicopters currently in use. Static displays of a variety of aircraft are included, along with equipment, insignia, paintings and photographs, scale models, and a research library. The museum is located in building T-2002, at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar. For information, call 858-693-1723. (MIRAMAR)

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Heritage Museum, an interpretive wall, replicas of the early post office and general store, and a school room are part of this museum. A mural painted by Michael Strong depicts six periods of Poway's past. Find the museum in Old Poway Park, at 14134 Midland Road; 858-679-8587. (POWAY)

Heritage of the Americas Museum. more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 BC) through the Ming periods (1368-1644 AD) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China." From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments in death or as proudly worn ornaments in life. Jades were symbols of dignity and rank (as early as the Late Stone Age) and were status symbols closely connected with the conviction that jade brought long life. A new acquisition is now on exhibit: a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 BC to AD 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). The jade suit continued the quest for immortality. Ongoing.

The museum features art and ar-

FROM ONLY CHILD: A BURKE NOVEL BY ANDREW VACHSS

I'd been gone for years. Dead and gone, the whisper-stream said. But that stream always carries more than one current.

Just past midnight, I slipped back over the border, moving downwind out of the darkness. Because Hollywood's got one part right — the dirty, scheming, heartless bitch never does sleep.

Especially now.

The alley behind Mama's restaurant was as immune to time as the chamber of a pharaoh's vault. A pair of dull-orange oil drums stood sentinel. I nosed the Subaru's dechromed black snout carefully into the opening between them, over to an empty patch of oil-stained asphalt. On the filthy wall above it, a square of pure-white paint. Inside the square, Chinese characters, in perfect, fluted-edge calligraphy. It was signed with the chop of Max the Silent, the Chinatown equivalent of a skull-and-crossbones on an unmarked bottle.

I slid the Subaru against the wall, not bothering to lock it. Directly across from my spot was a rust-colored steel door with no handle. I slapped my hand against it three times, hard, and stepped back, slitting my eyes against what I knew was coming.

The door opened outwards. A sudden spray of grimy yellow kilowatts framed me in place. A man's shape, backlit, blocked my way. I slowly moved my hands away from my sides, keeping them down.

The man said something in Cantonese. I didn't move, letting him study me. The door closed in my face.

I heard them moving in behind me, but I didn't change position. Felt their hands going over me. Didn't react. The door opened again; no lights, this time.

As I stepped inside, I saw a man in a white restaurant apron standing to my left. He had a meat cleaver in his right hand, his left hand locked over the wrist. On the other side of the

kitchen, two more men. One of them sighted down the barrel of a pistol, as if I were a piece of land he was surveying. The other flexed his hands to show me he wouldn't need anything else.

I heard the door shut behind me.

The men watching me were professionals, about as nervous as a yoga class on Xanax. More waiting. Not a problem for me; it's what I do best.

"You come home?" I heard her voice before I saw her. "Yeah, Mama."

"Good!" she snapped, stepping out of the darkness. "You eat now, okay?"

My booth was the last one toward the back, closest to the bank of pay phones. It had the same look as my parking spot. Like it had been waiting for me to show.

I slid in. Mama stood with her arms folded. I hadn't heard her yell anything out to the kitchen, but I knew what she was waiting for.

The guy who hadn't needed weapons came to the booth, carrying a heavy white tureen in one hand — thumb on top, no napkin between him and the heat. He lowered the tureen gently to the table, underscoring the message he'd given me earlier.

Mama sat and took the top off in the same smooth motion, releasing a cloud of steam. No tea ceremony for her; she ladled out a small bowl of the hot-and-sour soup as quick as they ever had on the chow line back in prison. I took a sip, knowing better than to wait for her.

My sinuses unblocked as I felt the familiar taste slam home.

"Perfect," I told her.

"Everything same," Mama said, finally helping herself to a bowl.

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tifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. A mural by Mona Mills depicting ancient Teotihuacan in its days of glory is now on exhibit, resulting from the artist's extensive study of this ancient "City of the Gods" that was once home to 200,000 people in central Mexico. The museum also features wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art.

Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Heritage Walk Museum, the museum includes the restored Victorian House, the city's original Santa Fe Train Depot, a railroad car with

model train, working blacksmith shop, and a barn. Find Heritage Walk in Grape Day Park, at 321 North Broadway; 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. On exhibit are Indian artifacts from the Kingery family. The museum is open on the last Saturday and Sunday of every month from 2 to 4 p.m., at 2116 Tavern Road. For information, call 619-659-8740 (ALDINE)

Museum of History and Art, "Open Doors: Vietnam POWs Thirty Years Later" is the current show. The show includes 30 portraits and personal profiles of Vietnam-era POWs and information on where they are now, 30 years later. The stories tell about how they rebuilt their lives after adversity. Photographs are by Jamie Howren Quinn and profiles by Taylor Baldwin Kiland. The show will travel to Pensacola, Annapolis, San Francisco, Norfolk, and Washington, D.C., when it closes on November 12

Ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

Museum of Making Music, the past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Find the museum 5790 Armada Drive; 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. Women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800 are also on display. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.





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San Diego Aerospace Museum, known for his aviation art and miniature three-dimensional sculp-

tures, Robert Karr also produced artwork for the bands Fleetwood Mac and Cheap Trick in the 1970s. An exhibit of his two- and three-dimensional aircraft nose art sculptures, in addition to his calendar work, book covers, and private commissions, is on view through December.

The U.S. Air Force and the Boeing Corporation have donated a global positioning satellite (GPS) for the permanent "GPS Satellite" exhibit. This GPS is "the only one of its kind on display in the world." Members of the women's flying club the Ninety-Nines have donated personal memorabilia, trophies, flight logbooks, and photographs for inclusion in "Pacific Air Race"; items on view alternate every six months to highlight the accomplishments of local women aviators from the six local chapters of the group. Other permanent exhibits include "You're in the Pilot's Seat" and "Global Hawk" (UVA).

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including a replica of the Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III). a World War I Spad VII, the flight deck of the USS Yorktown, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviationrelated items, and memorabilia from the Montgolfier hot-air-balloon era to the Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. For additional information, call 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego County Sheriff's Museum, the 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

San Diego Model Railroad Mu-

seum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and tov train exhibit" in North America. View four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading.

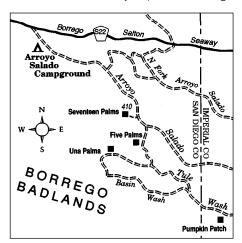
See "Lionel Town" in the tov train gallery, described as "an animated Lionel train exhibit featuring city buildings which come to life such

Roam-O-Rama

A Guide to Unexpected San Diego and Beyond • By Jerry Schad

Although Garnet Peak isn't the highest peaklet along the steep eastern escarpment of the Laguna Mountains, its exposed position makes it a fine place to view both the pineclad high country and the raw desert below. For the next few weeks - or until the coming winter rains soak the ground — that view of raw terrain will include the mountain itself. Summer's Pines fire burned the mountain and the desert-facing slope of the northern Laguna Mountains to a crisp.

In late fall and winter, whenever east or north winds chase away air pollution and

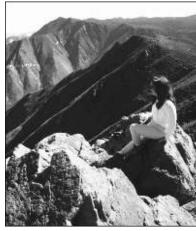


haze, Garnet Peak is simply the best spot in the county to greet the morning sun, which pops up over the desert wastes of northwestern Sonora, Mexico, some 150 miles away. On the clearest mornings, you can witness the almost-mythical "green flash," an optical phenomenon commonly associated with the sun's disappearance over the Pacific Ocean in the west and less noticed when the sun reappears in the east.

The Garnet Peak Trail, 1.2 miles long, starts near mile 27.8 (as reckoned by the green milepost signs) on Sunrise Highway.

This is about 5 miles north of the small resort community of Mount Laguna. Park your car nearby, off the pavement, and take the signed Garnet Peak Trail north. After several hundred yards in unburned Jeffrey pine forest, you enter the burn zone and cross the Pacific Crest Trail. Continue north on a rocky path slanting upward through what used to be (and will again be in a few years) lowgrowing chaparral vegetation. This uphill segment of the trail can be an ankle-twisting experience, especially at dawn when the seemingly substantial, angular stones caught in your flashlight beam still manage to roll unexpectedly underfoot.

From the rock outcrops at the summit, the mountain falls away



33 tanks containing marine life of the

Pacific Northwest, the California

coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and

the South Pacific. One highlight is

the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a two-story-

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nearly 30 species of local marine life.

abruptly, revealing a vertiginous panorama of ashen Storm Canyon. Far below and well beyond the burned area, Storm Canyon's alluvial fan spreads eastward across the desert floor. On clear fall or winter days you'll spot the Salton Sea in the east and Baja's Laguna Salada dry lakebed in the southeast. To the south and west, the Laguna Mountain crest, dusky with oak and pine forests, singed here and there by the fire, seems to roll like a frozen wave to the edge of the escarpment.

The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

In "Secrets of the Seahorse," guests explore the unique adaptations and biology of seahorses and their relatives while learning about the current threats to their survival and what can be done to conserve this diminishing creature. The exhibit showcases 13 species of live animals, both local species and those from abroad.

Technology, motion, and illusion combine to create a realistic environment to "challenge and stimulate the mind" in Morphis: Movieride. Morphis is described as "a 20-seat motion theater featuring three ride films: Riding With the Dolphins, The Water Cycle, and Astro-Canyon Space Roller Coaster." Each film is around three minutes long. Tickets are \$4 (in addition to the regular admission fee). Children must be 42 inches tall to ride.

The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). For more information, call 619-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

Wells Fargo Bank History Museum, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. There's an audio-visual theater presenting short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the 1800s; an exhibit of Concord Coach #251, a restored stagecoach built in 1867; and the Davies watch. The museum is located in the reconstructed Colorado House, at 2733 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

as a fire station, car wash, movie theater, train store, and a scale model replica of the Lionel train factory in Lindenwold, New Jersey." This exhibit continues through December.

The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. For admission and museum hours, call 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Natural History Museum, Tyrannosaurus rex — predator or scavenger? Guests use scientific methods to recreate a "crime scene" to determine the meat-eater's guilt or innocence in "T. Rex on Trial." World-renowned paleontologist and T. rex expert Jack Horner weighs in, acting as judge in the case. Complete casts of fossil skeletons of Tyrannosaurus, Allosaurus, and Deinonychus are included in the exhibition. One series of exhibits shows how paleontologists uncover evidence, develop hypotheses, and excavate items at research sites. Guilty or innocent? Make the call through

Do dogs see in color? Do cats see what we see? Find out in the exhibit 'Animal Eyes," on display through Tuesday, December 31. The exhibition explores what is known about human and animal vision and the ongoing quest to understand what animals actually see.

Sunday, January 5, 2003.

The traveling exhibition "California's Native Grandeur: Preserving Vanishing Landscapes" features

more than 40 oil paintings of California landscapes from the late 19th and early 20th Centuries by artists whose works inspired early environmentalists. See this show through Sunday, January 5, 2003.

An assemblage of museum specimens, rocks, fossils, live plants, and animals tell stories about the region's prehistoric and current habitats in Natural Treasures: Past and Present." The ongoing exhibition is said to "display old treasures most loved by the community and to introduce new fossils that have never been seen by the public," as well as highlighting the museum's extensive paleontological collections. Visitors will also discover why dinosaur fossils are rare in San Diego (the region was underwater during dinosaur times).

The museum also offers the "gi-ant-screen films" Lost Worlds: Life in the Balance and Ocean Oasis, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Desert. For more information, call 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Dieguito Heritage Museum, the museum offers informative displays on the North County coastal history including Native Americans, early homesteaders, and recent times. as well as photographic collections

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and archives. Find the museum 561 South Vulcan Avenue; 760-632-9711. (ENCINITAS)

Serra Museum, "Treasures Uncovered: Trade and Exchange at the San Diego Presidio" features artifacts recovered from the Presidio archaeological site, dating to the first European settlement in California (in 1769) when Father Junípero Serra established the Basilica San Diego de Alcalá. "Treasures" in the form of ceramics, religious, and personal goods representing just a fraction of the more than one-half million excavated to date at the Presidio site are on view. See the show through summer.

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish Colonial furnishings, art, and artifacts. It's located at the site of the West Coast's first European settlement, found at 2727 Presidio Drive, 619-297-3258. (PRESIDIO PARK)

Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is an educational component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for



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Would It Have Been Such a Crime?

The 19th Century is filled with hidden musical riches not composed by Beethoven or Brahms.

JONATHAN SAVILLE

hope the Takács Quartet will pardon me (not that they care about such things) for not really reviewing their La Jolla Chamber Music Society concert. This group has played here several times in the past, always with the same intelligence,

the same shapeliness, the same warm, ripe tone, the same mastery of their instruments and their repertoire. I have written at length about their performances, and —

frankly — I $\bar{h}ave$ nothing new to say in that regard. On the other hand, the program they presented at Sherwood Auditorium got me thinking. It consisted of Beethoven's Opus 18, No. 1, the Ravel Quartet, and Schubert's G Major, D. 887. These are all well-known masterpieces. All of

them have been played before in San Diego concert halls, the Ravel and the Schubert quite frequently in recent years. Most of the programs we encounter are like this: the same masterpieces, chiefly from the late 18th and 19th Centuries, constantly recycled.

It's true that works of this supreme quality are worth hearing again and again, especially when interpreted by a variety of artists, and that each time you hear them you hear something new. It's also true that some performers - orchestras, chamber groups, instrumental soloists — make a point of now and then adding a relatively unknown work to the familiar mix. This is almost always something by a very contemporary composer, giving the audience a chance to hear a new voice whose very name is strange to them. The experience is generally interesting, sometimes engaging, occasionally enraging, but — in principle, at least — always to be welcomed.

Something gets left out, however: virtually everything between the standard masterpieces and the contemporary unknowns. There is an enormous amount of excellent music, in all categories, that concerts in San Diego never touch. Things are different if you live in New York or London or anywhere in Germany. But for those of us happy to be enjoying the climate of America's

Finest City, if it were not for recordings and books of music history we would never hear — or hear of — hundreds of skilled, attractive, and imaginative composers whose works could give us great pleasure, along with the stimulus of fresh-

ness. When you listen to another fine performance of Schubert's D. 887, you are not surprised to find yourself pleased and happy. Yet if some enterprising chamber

group in Sherwood Auditorium or Mandeville Auditorium or elsewhere in town were to offer a performance of the Piano Sextet, Opus 8 by William Sterndale Bennett (1816-1875), you would not only enjoy the music enormously, you would also be touched by the excitement of discovery: "This piece is terrific! Where in the world did it come from?"

The 19th Century is filled with hidden musical riches not composed by Beethoven or Brahms. Couldn't chamber music players just once in a while pass up on another Beethoven trio or another Brahms quartet or another "Trout" or "Death and the Maiden," and give local audiences a taste of a piano trio by Johann Nepomuk Hummel (he wrote 7), or a string quartet by Wilhelm Stenhammar (he wrote 6), or one of the numerous quintets (for strings or for strings plus a wind instrument) by Beethoven's talented friend, Anton Reicha? Couldn't our resident orchestra, or one of the orchestras visiting from elsewhere, program one less Scheherazade or "Eroica" (marvelous as they are), and try a symphony by Felix Draeseke or Étienne-Nicolas Méhul (5 symphonies) or Franz Paul Lachner (who wrote 8 of them, plus 7 suites and 6 quartets) or Josef Bohuslav Foerster (4 symphonies, 3 piano trios) or Joachim Raff (11 symphonies)? Couldn't some performing organization program a single piece — in any genre — by Max Reger, or Louis Spohr (10 symphonies, 15 violin concertos, 36 string quartets), or Alphons Diepenbrock, or Georges Onslow (4 symphonies, 71 string quartets, 10 piano trios), or Louise Farrenc, or Sergei Taneyev?

If this collective amnesia for so many 19thcentury composers is disconcerting, the neglect of 20th-century composers is even more so. I'm not talking about the biggies whom everyone knows (Bartók, Stravinsky, Prokofiey, Shostakovich, Berg, Messiaen, Hindemith), and not about the various shock-the-bourgeoisie avant-gardes (of the Varèse-Cage-Nono-Xenakis-Stockhausen-Boulez sort), but about beautiful, accessible, and often thrilling music by the German-Swiss Othmar Schoeck, the German-Jewish Viktor Ullmann (who died at Auschwitz), the Japanese Toshiro Mayuzumi, the Danish Rued Langgaard (15 symphonies), the Swedish Gösta Nystroem (6 symphonies), the Estonian Heino Eller (3 symphonies, 5 quartets), the French Florent Schmitt, the Czech Bohuslav Martinů (6 symphonies, 5 piano concertos, 7 quartets, and a million other pieces), the Hungarian László Lajtha (9 symphonies), the Austrian Franz Schreker, the Danish Vagn Holmboe (13 symphonies), the French-Swiss Frank Martin, the Italian Gian Francesco Malipiero (11 symphonies, 5 piano concertos, 8 quartets), the Estonian Eduard Tubin (11 symphonies), Darius Milhaud (yes, you hear Le Boeuf sur le toit and La Création du monde, but when do you ever hear his 12 symphonies or his 18 string quartets?), Ottorino Respighi (yes, you hear The Pines of Rome, but when do you ever hear his symphony, his ballets, his concertos, his quartets, his piano works, his orchestral song cycles?). I pile up these names to let you know what most of you are missing. To take a characteristic example: what could you know, from performances in our local halls, about 20thcentury Finnish music? There is Sibelius, and then there is Esa-Pekka Salonen (whose works we hear because he himself conducts them). In fact. Finland in the 20th Century produced an extraordinary number of wonderful composers. But when have San Diegans heard performances of music by Einojuhani Rautavaara (8 symphonies), Uuno Klami, Leevi Madetoja, Aare Merikanto,

phonies), Selim Palmgren? One would think that, living in America, we would have special access to the serious music of our own country. Yes, a concert program will sometimes include the Overture to Candide or Barber's Adagio for Strings or An American in Paris or Appalachian Spring. Institutions specializing in the music of right now let the latest

Aulis Sallinen (6 symphonies, 5 quartets — and

no, this isn't a misspelling of Salonen), Joonas

Kokkonen, Kalevi Aho (11 stupendous sym-



American composers (even the most talentless ones) have their say. But it is a rare concert indeed where you can hear symphonic or chamber music by those generations of composers who helped to create the central tradition of our serious music: Walter Piston, Paul Creston, Howard Hanson, William Schuman, Peter Mennin, David Diamond, Norman Dello Joio, Harold Shapero, Irving Fine, Vincent Persichetti, Elie Siegmeister (for a total of 69 symphonies and 32 string quartets — and this is only part of the story). We don't even get much of Charles Ives!

And then there is the whole British tradition. Wouldn't it be nice if the new conductor of the San Diego Symphony, whoever he turns out to be, would forgo one piece by Mendelssohn or



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Don't get me wrong. I love Mozart and Brahms and Debussy and Bartók. I love Beethoven's Opus 18 Ouartets, and the Ravel Ouartet, and Schubert's D. 887. But if the Takács Ouartet had offered a program at Sherwood Auditorium consisting of the Fifth String Quartet by Robert Volkmann (1815-1883), the Third Quartet by Ernst von Dohnányi (1877-1960), and the Second Quartet by Roger Sessions (1896-1985), would it have been such a crime? Would the audience have run screaming from the hall, demanding their money back ("Who are those composers?")? Or would they have felt that the secret chamber at the heart of the pyramid had been opened to reveal fabulous treasures?

And, by the way, when was the last time a pianist gave a performance in San Diego of Sorabji's Opus Clavicembalisticum? Yes, it takes five hours — but when one is in Utopian mode, who cares? ■

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Richard Wagner's Piano Transcription of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony with soloists and chorus has its North American premiere when Gustavo Romero joins the Pacific Academy of Ecclesiastical Music (PACEM) in concert on Friday, October 25, at 8 p.m., at Saint Paul's Cathedral. In this transcription, "The pianist is the orchestra, accompanied by soloists and chorus."

Tickets range from \$15 to \$100. Find the cathedral at 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Fifth and Nutmeg), For reservations and information, call 619-298-7261. (MIDTOWN)

"The Power of Myth," the Point Loma Nazarene University Concert Band presents this concert on Friday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m., in Crill Performance Hall. The "musical decoupage" includes the overture to Offenbach's "Orpheus in the Underworld," "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" from Wagner's Lohengrin, and the "Symphony No. 1 (The Lord of the Rings)" by de Meij. Admission is free. Find the campus at 3900 Lomaland Drive. 619-849-2325. (POINT LOMA)

"Opera for Two: A Festival of Duets" may be enjoyed when a cast from the San Diego Opera Ensemble presents favorites from Beethoven's Fidelia, Donizetti's Don Pasquale, Norma by Bellini, Bizet's Pearl Fishers, Die Fledermaus by Strauss, and others. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, October 25, at the Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex (3795 Fairmount Avenue). For information, call 858-278-6139. Free. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Fall Fantasy Concerts, the Palomar Symphonic Orchestra plays Tchaikovsky's "Symphony No. 4 in F Minor" on October 26 and 27 in

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Howard Brubeck Theatre, Pianist Cynthia Darby plays Beethoven's "Concerto No. 3 in C Minor"; the program includes the "Overture to the Impresario" by Mozart. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$10 general. Find the Palomar College campus at 1140 West Mission Road. For reservations, call 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

"Aaron Copland's America" offers an innovative look at the life of Aaron Copland, one of America's most beloved, and simultaneously controversial, composers. Murray Sidlin and the San Diego Symphony present this concert for the Light Bulb Series on Saturday, October 26, 8 p.m., with video of the composer, re-creations of Copland's 1953 appearance before McCarthy's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, and performances of "El Salón México," "Appalachian Spring: Suite," "Lincoln Portrait," and the "Symphony No. 3." Tickets range from \$10 to \$55.

The program is repeated on Sunday, October 27, at 2 p.m., for the San Diego Symphony's Family Festival Series. This hour-long concert is designed for younger audiences, and pre-performance activities include face painting and a musical petting zoo. Tickets range from \$10 to \$30. Both concerts may be heard in Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. For reservations, call 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Mozart's "Quartet in D Major" is on tap when the all-female Moscow String Quartet performs on Saturday, October 26, at 7:30 p.m., in UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium. The program includes the "Quartet No. 8 in C Minor" by Shostakovich and Tchaikovsky's "Quartet No. 3 in E-Flat Minor." Tickets are \$25 general. Call 858-534-8497 for information and reservations; tickets are also available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LA JOLLA)

"Music for Strings, Flute, and Harp" may be enjoyed when the Cabrillo Chamber Orchestra performs on Saturday, October 26, at 7 p.m., at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (890 Balour Drive), Composers Albinoni, Scarlatti, and Vaughan Williams are represented,

and Mozart's "Concerto for Flute and Harp" will be featured. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. For information, call 619-582-6189 or 619-300-5520. (ENCINITAS)

"Love and Death," take in a "collection of creepy scenes from opera and musical theater" - including West Side Story, La Bohème, and Sweeney Todd - when the Point Loma Nazarene University Lyric Theater performs on Saturday, October 26. The concert begins at 6:30 p.m. in Crill Performance Hall. Find the campus at 3900 Lomaland Drive. Call 619-849-2325 for details. Free. (POINT LOMA)

One of Today's Most Acclaimed Flutists, Carol Wincenc is joined by pianist Stephen Gosling when the chamber concert series hosted by the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library commences on Sunday, October 27, at 7:30 p.m. The duo will perform works by J.S. Bach, Debussy, Foss, Schoenfield, Varèse, and others.

Find the Athenaeum at 1008 Wall Street. Tickets are \$23 for nonmembers, \$118 for the six-concert series. For reservations, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

The Fall Concert Series hosted by the Carlsbad City Library continues with "a rare musical instrument from France, the pardessus de viole," played by Tina Chancey on Sunday, October 27. Chancey will be joined by Webb Wiggins on harpsichord to play baroque music for pardessus and harpsichord. The concert begins at 2 p.m. in the library's Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

Millennia Too! This group, described as the small ensemble of the Millennia Consort, performs for the Clairemont Lutheran Vesper Concert Series on Sunday, October 27, at 7 p.m. Listen for music from the baroque to the 20th Century played by ensemble members Susan Barrett . (oboe/English horn), Alison J. Luedecke (organ/harpsichord), and John Wilds (trumpet).

Find the church at 4271 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-273-7423. Nursery care is available. An offering will be received. (CLAIREMONT)

Classically Trained Baritone Jubilant Sykes presents the first concert of the series hosted by the La Jolla Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 27, at 7 p.m. Find the church at 7715 Draper Avenue. An offering will be received. For information, dial 858-729-5531. (LA JOLLA)

The Combined Choirs of Pioneer United Church of Christ, St. An drew's by-the-Sea, and St. Mark's United Methodist Church plan a concert on Sunday, October 27. The choirs perform Mendelssohn's "Hear My Prayer," Schubert's "Mass in G," and other selections; organist Carlene Befort and James Hansen will perform Mendelssohn's "Sonata No. 3 in A Major" and "Prelude and Fugue in C Minor."

The concert starts at 7 p.m. at Pioneer Church of Christ, 2550 Fairfield Street. An offering will be received. For more information, call 858-273-3022 or 619-276-4881. (CLAIREMONT)

"Four Women on Brahms," Grace Allen (piano), Joanne Regenhardt (piano), Barbara Tobler (soprano), and Mary Val Twist (narrator) gather to present the life of Brahms from the perspective of four women who knew him — interwoven with his music including Hungarian dances, waltzes, intermezzos, and lieder on Sunday, October 27, at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). The music begins at 2:30 p.m. in the third-floor auditorium. 619-236-5810. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Organ-ic, civic organist Carol Williams presents a concert on Sunday, October 27, at 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. For more information, call 619-702-8138. (BAL-

Young Artists Concert, Peter Jacobson (cello) and his brother Benjamin Jacobson (violin) will perform works by Eugene-Auguste Ysaye, Fritz Kreisler, Claude Debussy, and Niccolo Paganini for the San Diego Mini-Concert on Monday, October 28. The concert begins at the Lyceum Theatre in Horton Plaza. Free. The music lasts about 50 minutes — bring your lunch! 619-236-1980. (DOWNTOWN)

Student Ensembles at San Diego State University present a concert at noon on Wednesday, October 20, in Smith Recital Hall. For information, call 619-594-6060. Free. (SDSU)

The U.S.A. Premiere of "Slow Dance" by guest composer Toshio Hosokawa is on offer when SONOR performs on Wednesday, October 30. The program also includes a piece by Ishmael Wadada Leo Smith, with contrabass virtuoso Bertram Turetzky performing solo accompanied by a small orchestra, and a premiere of a piece by graduate student composer Chris Mercer.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. in Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD. Admission is \$10 regular. For information, call 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)





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Atomic Blonde

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he iconic image the sculptor Jacob Epstein made nearly a century ago, *Rock-Drill*, now looks rather quaint. The seven-foottall male figure, arched over and helmeted to look like a praying mantis, looms aggressively

above his jackhammer. Rock-Drill isn't only a vision of man-as-machine; it draws on a formal vocabulary of mechanical forms — rods, cylinders, shafts,

and pistons. Epstein, American born but British by choice, made *Rock-Drill* in 1913, though it was later destroyed and had to be recast from a plaster model in the 1970s. He was one of many early 20th-century artists who took over the materials, shapes, and velocities of an increasingly machine-tooled civilization. Epstein knew that images we make report back a vision of ourselves. He put it bluntly when he said he wanted to create "a machine-like robot, visored, menacing. No humanity, only the terrible Frankenstein's monster we have made ourselves into."

A new exhibition at the San Diego Museum of Art, Vital Forms: American Art and Design in the Atomic Age, 1940-1960, argues that in the postwar era, "The promise of the machine was replaced — or at least exponentially expanded — by the promise of the atom and the energy it produced." After decades of Depression and bloodshed, America was primed for life-enhancing prompts. The new age gave us an awful reality in the atomic bomb and ambiguous metaphors in things atomic. The actual effect of nuclear detonation, the "mushroom" cloud, was a monstrously organic form. In his long poem "Asphodel that Greeny Flower," William Carlos Williams, always eager to absorb new facts into poetry, said, "The bomb, too, is a flower." The bikini was named by a French designer after the Pacific atoll test site. Life magazine ran a photograph of a Hollywood starlet, the "Anatomic Bomb," her newly popular curvaceous shape stretched out beside a swimming pool, and the onetime Ashcan painter Reginald Marsh showcased the same fleshy female type in a 1952 drawing titled Atomic Blonde.

Old styles don't vanish overnight. Versions and modifications of the mechanical vocabulary persisted into the 1940s in American design as well as in our art. Cars were still built to look a little like tanks or helmets, with a hint of rocketry in streamlined chrome trim. But by the early 1950s another design idea had superseded it. Mineralized angularity and sharpness soft-

ened into more elastic, pliable forms. An inorganic sensibility, so to speak, gave way to an organic one. De Kooning, whose career took off with his tablet-toothed, bosomy *Woman* pictures of the early 1950s, was an aggressive

painter, but his work wasn't modeled on the mechanical sublime. It could be jagged, but it was carnal and florid — he made the female figure into a kind of

manic bucolic. The same goes for Alexander Calder, Jackson Pollock, Adolph Gottlieb, de Kooning's great friend Arshile Gorky, and David Smith, whose sculpture took the materials of industrial design and transformed them into a restored nature.

The term that stuck to this new vocabulary, "biomorphic" — bios-morphos: life-forms announced a return to life, from angle, rectangle, straight line, and rigor to oval, sphere, crescent, and a cultivated instability and looseness. Protozoa, kidneys, lily pads, corpuscles, beans, root systems, pistil and stamen and bloom — these were some of the forms applied by classic painters such as Gorky and, a bit later, Rothko, whose big, nebulous fields look like cellular smears seen under a microscope. The premise of Vital Forms is that the new visual lexicon of fine art and everyday objects — ashtrays, wall clocks, swimming pools, furniture, and the tail fins of the 1959 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz (O Winged Victory!) — all nicely reproduced in the catalog — had its philosophical grounding in Vitalism.

Vitalism hasn't been taken seriously as philosophy, though it's rooted in Aristotle's description of the *psyche*, the soul, as a vital force or life principle. Its 20th-century advocate was Henri Bergson, who believed that all matter, even inorganic, possessed a mysterious quality, an *élan vital*, which empowered existence. Bergson's ideas are now regarded more as literary conceits than philosophical notions, but his thinking found its way into 20th-century art discourse via the historian Sir Herbert Read. The artist, Read believed, handles inorganic matter such as pigment, chalk, stone, wood, or steel in order to release life-sensations from it or to represent the vital force that inheres in it.

It's very difficult to reimagine recent cultural history without recycling clichés, and the essays in the *Vital Forms* catalog succeed only now and again in rethinking in an original way materials such as the relation of nuclear technology to pop culture. But it's the stuff on view that gives us an opportunity to construct models of our

own for what happened in the American imagination between 1940 and 1960. Culture is a process, a work-in-progress, not a fixed state, and this exhibition is a demonstration of how style and substance bleed into each other and how the membrane we imagine separating high (fine) and low (pop) art is so porous as to be useless.

We see immediately the porousness between representation biomorphic abstraction among American painters. Gorky's form language from 1935 to his death in 1947 is abstracted from nature and recomposed into suggestively figural patterns and sometimes even anecdotal content. (My favorite picture of his is titled How My Mother's Embroidered Apron Unfolds into My *Life.*) Almost the moment Georgia O'Keefe's and Arthur Dove's pictures come onto our nerves as dense figurations of the natural world, they break down into forms in flux. All of these artists are streaked in some way by Surrealism. Paintings by Matta, the Chilean immigrant to America who influenced surrealist prac-

tice here, are often hard to tell apart from pictures by Gorky. The tropical viscosity of the dream life, which Surrealism wanted to represent, is apparent in all their work.

One delight of this show is the nonstop chiming of design motifs. The organic bulband-bloom form repeats itself in wasp-waisted lighting fixtures popular in the 1950s, in the Chemex coffeemaker, and in the Barbie doll. The kidney or boomerang figure is the shape of Elvis's Graceland pool, Miami Beach's Fontainbleau Hotel, and the pattern scattered across the surface of Formica tables vintage 1954. With the postwar construction of the interstate came the cloverleaf; with or without it came Charles James's Four Leaf Clover gown, its skirts flaring down in four directions and its velvet "Petal Stole" rising high and sculptural, as if it were Ming the Magnificent's collar. Salt and pepper shakers designed by Eva Zeisal (who also designed "Cloverware" table settings) are ringers for Al Capp's roly-poly



Woman I, Willem de Kooning

Vital Forms: American Art and Design in the Atomic Age, 1940–1960
San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, Balboa Park
October 26 through January 26, 2003. For additional information, call 619-232-7931.

Shmoo character in Li'l Abner. Consider the Slinky, Irving Harper's "Ball" wall clock, and the Hula Hoop. The creamy sculptural lines of much decor and architecture of the time candy dishes, chairs, cocktail bars, the swooping aerodynamics of the TWA terminal at JFK created by the great Eero Saarinen (whose table design can still be found on patios all over the country) — reached some kind of apotheosis in the 1953 Chevrolet Corvette. Which brings me back to those Caddy fins. (It's worth the price of the catalog to catch an eyeful.) Around 1945, Harley Earl, chief of General Motors' styling division, was given a glimpse of the twin-tailed Lightning pursuit jet, and thus was born the idea for the discreetly bumped fishtail fenders that first appeared on the 1948 Caddy. By the time of that 1959 Eldorado Biarritz, the tail fin assembly rose three and a half feet above ground level. For some snobs it was the low point in postwar automotive design; for others of us, it was the tops.



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GALLERIES

the events section.

Art and Furniture by Michael Borrelli and Terry Hutton are on display through Wednesday, November 27, at the Park Boulevard Artworks Gallery (4421 Park Boulevard), Meet the duo during the opening reception planned on Friday, October 25, at 6:30 p.m. Regular gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and by appointment. 619-692-0734. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

"The Alchemy of Devotion" is an exhibition of new paintings by Ciel Bergman, a Northern California artist now residing in New Mexico. Meet Bergman at the reception slated for Friday, October 25, at 6 p.m., at the R.B. Stevenson Gallery (2400 Kettner Boulevard, suite 103). Regular viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. 619-595-0558. See the exhibit through November. (DOWNTOWN)

Known as "Memo," Guillermo Jauregui exhibits work at the World Beat Center beginning with a reception on Friday, October 25, at 6 p.m., and continuing through Sunday, October 27. Find the center at 2100 Park Boulevard. Call 619-230-1190 for hours and information, (BALBOA PARK)

Original Watercolors and Acrylics are featured, along with limited-edition giclee prints and note cards, when the 10 North artists' group celebrates the opening of its first gallery with a reception on Saturday, October 26, 4 to 7 p.m. The ten women paint together, exhibit their work, and provide emotional support for their artistic endeavors.

Find the gallery inside the Artisan's Gallery, at 224 East Grand Avenue; 760-432-8995. Viewing hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, with hours extended until 8:30 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. (ESCONDIDO)

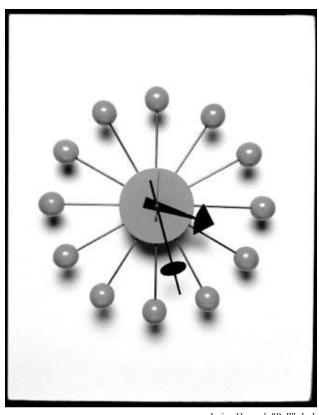
"Circus of My Youth: New Works on Canvas" by Vachagan Narazyan who's described as a "nonconformist artist" from Kislovodsk, Russia opens at the Lillian Berkley Collection Gallery with a reception on Saturday, October 26, at 5 p.m. See his "epic and intimate paintings" through Saturday, November 16.

Find the gallery at 128 East Grand Avenue. Regular hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. To RSVP for the receptions, call 760-480-9434. (ESCONDIDO)

The Annual Southern California Regional Award Exhibition opens with a reception on Saturday, October 26, at 6 p.m., at the San Diego Art Institute. It was juried by Michael Krichman, who also judged the members "One Foot" show.

Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call 619-236-0011. Regular admission is \$3. (BALBOA PARK)

Master Surf Photographer Art Brewer has work on exhibit through Saturday, November 23, in the Keller Art Gallery at Point Loma Nazarene



Irving Harper's "Ball" clock

University (3900 Lomaland Drive). Meet the artist during the reception slated for Sunday, October 27, at 3 p.m. Regular gallery hours are a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. 619-849-2396. (POINT LOMA)

"The Protector — We Are All Wearers of Masks" opens with a toga party and reception for the six San Diego artists on Thursday, October 31, at 6:30 p.m., at the Mixed Media Art Gallery (4576 Federal Boulevard). The show explores "the mystical image of the mask, a symbol of ceremonial and sacred rituals." Admission to the party is \$5. View the work from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and on weekends by appoint ment, through Saturday, November 9, 619-527-2508, (SAN DIEGO)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, "Everything Can Be Different' presents a new trend in contemporary art practice that features optimism and experimentation. The artists included in the exhibition are said to use personal relationships as a means of addressing art, society, and how we organize our lives within both. The show - a traveling exhibition organized by Independent Curators International — demonstrates art being used to create something new out of the plasticity and malleability of social situations and settings. This exhibit closes on Sunday, December 8.

"Public Projects" is a series of sculptural installations of temporary and semi-permanent sculptural installations on the center's 12-acre campus. Through Monday, June 30, 2003, see the work of San Diego public artist db smith. The show was curated by Sally Yard, professor of art history at the University of San Diego.

In "the playground," the artist explores themes of childhood and childhood memories from the perspective of an adult. "the instruments," on display in the museum's Tower Gallery, is a swing and a seesaw designed specifically for adults. The remaining six works are rendered as two-dimensional shadows that could be cast by some of the objects and activities associated with youth: jacks, marbles, hopscotch, and jump rope, also on adult scale.

The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard. For information, call 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, "Fantasy and Play: Dolls, Toys, and Objects of Amusement" is a new show continuing through the end of the year. Featured are examples of the fine carousel animals carved by the Dentzel family of Pennsylvania, considered classics of their kind. Also on view are an oversized American toy train, Japanese toys, international dolls, and a fivefoot-tall Italian Pinocchio.

"Jack Lenor Larsen - The Company and the Cloth" is on exhibit through Sunday, January 12, 2003. The



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included items are from the renowned textile designer's company archives, made up of more than 100 textiles, including some samples meant to be touched. Larsen is described as a gardener, designer, colorist, author, and the "consummate collector of decorative, primitive, design, and folk arts."

Few Westerners have explored Guizhou, the last province opened to tourism by the People's Republic of China. Guest curator Phila McDaniel was the first American to escort a group from America to this "mysterious and terraced land"; she's made 49 visits to China, "Silver and Silk — Textiles and Jewelry of Guizhou, China" is an exhibition of intricately embroidered, handwoven textiles, and silver headresses, necklaces, and bracelets. View these artifacts through spring 2003.

The Mingei is located on the square with the San Diego Museum of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. For additional information, call 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown, "Language: Form and Function" explores the use of written language as a fundamental component of visual art. "For many artists, working with text is simply another way to conjure images in the mind of the viewer." Work featured in the exhibition — by artists including Lorna Simpson, John Baldessari, and Edward Ruscha uses text as a central element. See the show through Sunday, November 17.

"Cerca" is a Spanish word referring to things nearby, or the process of bringing things closer. It's also the title for a new, year-long series of exhibitions at the museum, presenting works created by regional artists specifically from San Diego, Los Angeles, and Baja, California — and to create a forum in which artists will explore common cultural issues. Los Angeles artist Jeremy Blake's Winchester project "exploits the history and architecture of the house constructed by rifle-heiress Sara Winchester." In his piece, Blake embarks upon an abstract, emotional tour of her insanity, executed through a "frame-by-frame digital painting" created from old photographs, ink drawings, and vector graphics. Blake's paintings are said to provoke debate about the persistence and mutability of painting as a contemporary art form." Join the debate through Wednesday, November 27.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot, adjacent to the America Plaza trolley transfer station. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art, La **Iolla,** some of the most visually breathtaking works of art in the 20th Century are on exhibit in "Christo and Jeanne-Claude in the Vogel Collection from the National Gallery of Art." The artists have used fabric to transcend the traditional bounds of painting, drawing, sculpture, and architecture. Spanning 40 years in the artists' joint career, the exhibition features 61 objects, including several early wrapped packages, models for large-scale public works, preparatory drawings and collages for projects in urban and rural sites, and photographs of completed projects. This show closes on Sunday, January 5, 2003.

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Museum of Photographic Arts, Sir John Herschel was a prominent mathematician, astronomer, and scientist of the 19th Century and a friend of William Henry Fox Talbot. Herschel began experimenting with the camera lucida, an optical device used for exact drawing, in 1816. "Sir John Herschel's Camera Lucida Drawings," opening on Sunday, October 27, and continuing through Sunday, January 5, 2003, features a number of his drawings, as well as a camera lucida.

Photojournalist James Nachtwey has spent over 20 years photograph ing regions in turmoil throughout the world; his work has brought him close to war, racial conflict, famine, and all manner of human rights abuses. The 140-print retrospective "James Nachtwey: Testimony," opening on Sunday, October 27, covers Nachtwey's long career on the front lines of suffering. View the horrors through Sunday, January 5, 2003.

Several large- and medium-format photographs by contemporary South Korean photographer Bohn chang Koo are on exhibit through Sunday, January 12, 2003. Taken from two of his most inspired and minimalist photographic sequences, the "Pencil of Nature" and "White' series, Koo is said to draw heavily from the natural world.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado. For information, call 619-238-7559 (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Museum of Art, postwar designs in America were dominated by curvilinear forms inspired by nature. Just how ubiquitous organic form evolved and made its way into almost every facet of American life during the 1940s and 1950s is explored in "Vital Forms: American Art and Design in the Atomic Age, 1940-1960," opening on Saturday, October 26. With more than 265 items, this exhibition organized by the Brooklyn Museum of Art includes painting, sculpture, architectural photography, fashion, textiles, ceramics, jewelry, furniture, glass, toys, and graphic design. The show, closing on Sunday, January 26, 2003, boasts paintings by Jackson Pollock and Willem de Kooning, furniture and sculpture by Charles and Ray Eames and Isamu Noguchi, and ceramics by Eva Zeisel, among many other items.

Significant works by the current generation of Mexican artists are included in "Axis Mexico: Common Objects and Cosmopolitan Actions, on view through Sunday, March 9, 2003. Nineteen artists are included in the show, including Francis Alÿs, Sylvia Gruner, Monica Castillo, Rubén Ortiz Torres, Eduardo Aboroa, and Daniela Rossell, working in a variety of media. "Axis Mexico" is said to reveal the impact of Mexican art on the evolving global art scene while highlighting Mexico as an axis for the circulation and exchange of art and ideas.

The diversity of print techniques practiced by artists working in San Diego over the past 100 years is revealed in "A Good Impression: A Century of Printmaking in San Diego." The show boasts approximately 60 prints, 30 of which are rarely seen works from the museum's collection; artists represented include Harry Sternberg, Italo Scanga, and Françoise Gilot. The show concludes on Sunday, October 27.

At once erotic and ascetic, both supreme god and intoxicated recluse, the figure of Shiva is one of the most compelling and contrary in Indian mythology. Images of Shiva and his family exploring Shiva's many forms and manifestations are included in "Shiva: Destroyer of Time," concluding on Sunday, January 12, 2003. The images are from the museum's Edward Binney III collection of South Asian paintings.

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Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. Beehive celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Jov Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Iill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin'" back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's fourpiece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. What are those big black round thingies all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency.

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Mary McCarthy (1912-1989) and Lillian Hellman (1905-1984) only met twice but became inseparably entwined January 25, 1980, when McCarthy told Dick Cavett's TV audience that "everything Hellman writes is a lie, including 'and' and 'the.' "Hellman sued for \$2.5 mil., and the literary figures waged a verbal war that started ugly and then got mean. The facts of the case make for good fiction — and have, in Richard Nelson's Sensibility and Sense. But Nora Ephron's "play with music" feels more like notes for a comedv-drama than the real deal. Part of the problem's simple logistics. Before it can come to the point, Imaginary Friends feels obligated to create two biographies. That's double the usual exposition for a show. And the evening's full of info-bytes that reach an absurd low when Muriel Gardiner, the real "Julia," takes 20 minutes - it seems — to explain herself for a scene that never took place (she then psychoanalyzes both women on the spot; one was too false, the other too true, in case anyone missed a point the play and songs hammer you with incessantly). The Globe's production's as polished as the script is uncertain. The actors and designers, an allstar team of talent, make the show worth seeing, if not worth hearing, Harry Groener's an Everyman figure, every man in the women's lives. Swoozie Kurtz edges Hellman toward caricature: a chainsmoker on her last match. The incomparable Cherry Jones, however, is so assured, so empyrean as McCarthy, that the duel's too one-sided. Where is the

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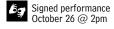
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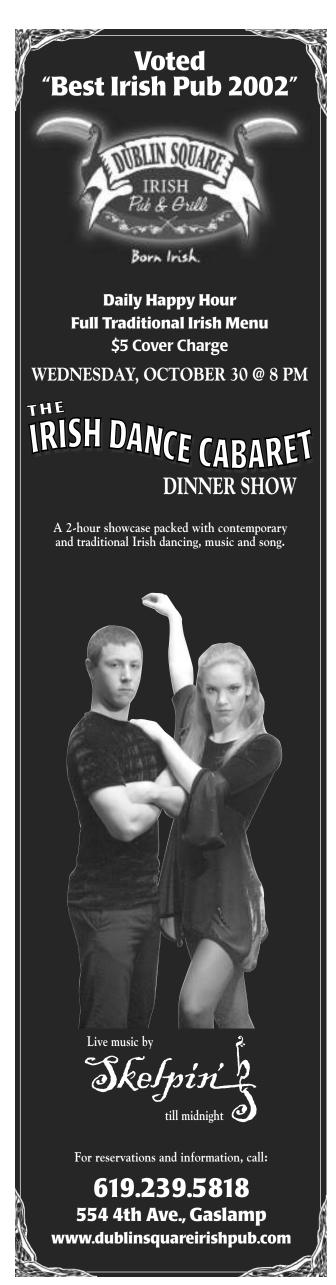
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ferocity? The two women rarely "make a scene," or even play one together. Instead they face front and defend themselves, as if finalists at a *Survivor* tribal council, each pleading not to get her torch snuffed out.

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Into the Woods

Theatre West stages the Stephen Sondheim musical (with book by James Lapine) about the other side of fairy tales. Paul Kehler directed. HEARTH THEATER, SAN MARCOS COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER, 3 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, SAN MARCOS, THROUGH OCTOBER 27; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 760-744-9000

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Sledgehammer Theatre presents Susan Yankowitz's drama about "a mother's worst fear" coming to fruition. Kirsten Brandt directed. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, THROUGH NOVEMBER 24; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Latinologues

The San Diego Repertory Theatre presents Rick Najera's collection of monologues about the Latino experience in America.

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Major Barbara

South Coast Repertory Theatre opens its new season with George Bernard Shaw's comedy about an armaments manufacturer whose children are appalled by his "munitions over morals" philosophy. Martin Benson directed.
SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, SEGERSTROM STAGE, THROUGH NOVEMBER 17; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M.

The Miracle Worker

A competent staging of the familiar drama about intrepid Annie Sullivan's efforts to educate Helen Keller. Though "virtually blind," Sullivan hand-signed — and sometimes wrestled — the idea of language into the deaf, blind, and mute Keller. D. Candis Paule makes Sullivan a pillar of patience, while revealing the frustrations underneath. Young Abbey Grace Howe's Keller sees a bit too clearly, and moves too freely around the stage (and drifts in and out of character), but cap-



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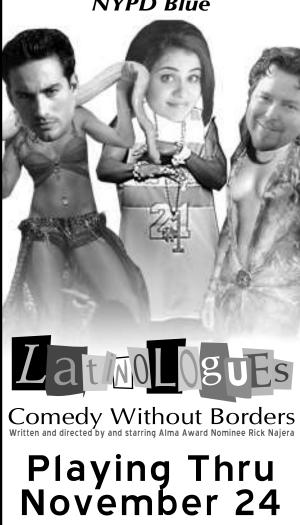
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tures the chaotic tantrums of the woman destined to become one of America's most eloquent figures. The rest of the cast, directed by Carolyn Keith, varies in quality, Southern accents included, and verges on the melodramatic. The play takes place in Tuscumbia, Alabama, in 1887, and Corey Johnston's excellent costumes nail period and place with glorious precision. Marty Burnett's set brims with detail and, typical of this fine designer, is sturdy enough to withstand a WWFstrength battle in the Kellers' dining room. George Ye's surrealistic music contributes, and Chris Rynne's lighting, which shaves the three-part stage — framing, illuminating, even magnifying demonstrates once again why he's becoming one of San Diego's best. WORTH A TRY. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE,

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6th @ Penn Theatre's "off-night series" presents the world premiere of Mike Dempsey's "goofball comedy of self-discovery and little demons." Dempsey directed.
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The Mystery of Irma Vep

The La Jolla Stage Company presents Charles Ludlam's comedy in which two actors play "all the roles, men, women, animals, and others." LA JOLLA STAGE COMPANY, THROUGH OCTOBER 27; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

National Comedy Theatre

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian. Worth a try.

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One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest

Poway Performing Arts Company stages Dale Wasserman's drama, based on the Ken Kesey novel. Dimitar D. Marinoff directed. POWAY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY, THROUGH NOVEMBER 3; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Passion and Honey

The Ira Aldridge Repertory Players stage their Aubrey Award—winning choreo-poem, written and directed by Calvin Manson.

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Peter and Wendy

At first they look like Victorian beekeepers - off-white outfits, wide-brim hats, silk veils. They are actually puppeteers, yet in Mabou Mines's Peter and Wendy, as they perform their craft, retelling the story of Peter Pan, the puppeteers weave past each other, spring in white blurs, float into framing tableaux, and do a dance almost as enchanting as the tale itself. They work with humble, "found" items, the way children make magic from the everyday: rippling blue cloth becomes an ocean; another sheet's the bow of Hook's ship. Many effects come out of books, literally, like the flapping pages that soar like flying penguins. The piece probes the familiar story for deep structure revelations about lost innocence and initial hurts ("no child ever gets over that first unfairness"). The piece's only manipulative note: in the end, Wendy cries, cueing the audience that it should too. Accompanied by lilting Scottish music, Karen Kandel narrates the story, speaks at least 25 different voices, plays some of the characters, sings, and, along with percussionist Jay Peck, makes background sounds. It's a two-and-a-half-hour tour de force almost unimagineable in scope. Critic's pick.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH NOVEMBER 10; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Polyester

The La Jolla Stage Company's latenight show brings back the '70s with a musical revue that includes "Play That Funky Music," "YMCA," "Lady Marmalade," and

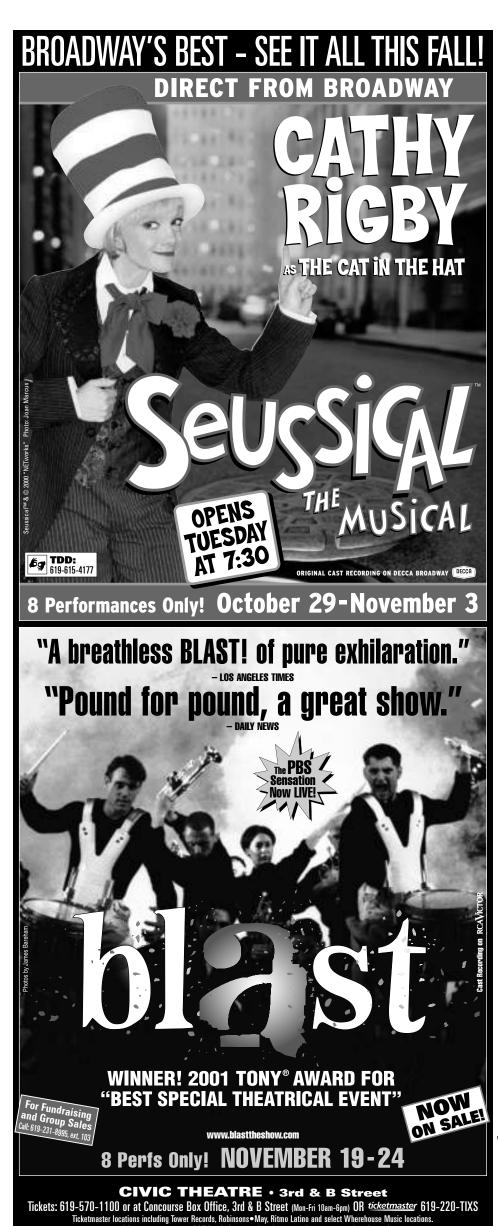
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San Diego Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and Family Feud. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene-making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" - two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" - five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough;

I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (*Improv*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art." Worth a try.

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Seussical: The Musical

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Seven MORE Weeks of Greeks!

What a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek drama, 6th @ Penn offers a series of staged readings, produced by Linda Castro and David Cohen. I caught the first, Euripides' *Medea*, and it was a huge success. The approach is refreshing. There is no attempt at polished work or choices set in stone. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal: the threshold of exploration. They read in a semicircle. There's some movement, a sugges tion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek drama, on an unfolding story at once hair-onfire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading and admission is free — though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates dona-

Worth a try.

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1776

Sherman Edwards and Peter Stone's 1776 is a rich history lesson, but never feels like one. It's also a Broadway musical, but never plays like one. Long sections have no music at all (though the debates, like songs without notes, unfold with orchestrated precision). It recalls the signing of the Declaration of Independence but makes it a mystery. Benjamin Franklin complains they must "get a nation started against greater odds than a more generous god would have allowed." Even though we know the outcome, the question grows:

how'd this fetid menagerie of egos and agendas ever pull it off? The musical takes an unvarnished look, showing the paradox at the heart of the signing: the colonies joined by omitting the "slavery clause" from Jefferson's original text. To create a "democracy," the Founding Fathers looked away from their inhumanity, a compromise that would almost shred the country years later. The Lamb's Players Theatre has put its largest cast ever - 25, by my count — on the resident stage. Costumer Jeanne Reith outdoes herself with 18th-century knee-britches, roller-curled silver wigs, and brusque finery so accurate you'd swear the event itself was taking place. The night I caught the

show, Act Two sagged (it could

have been the 20-minute intermis-

sion after a 90-minute first act), and what was a very good performance became a fairly good one. The sag was probably a one-night micro-event. And the Lamb's production has enough fixings to merit a recommendation.

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Songs for a New World

Actor's Asylum Productions, with support from Beacon Theatre, presents the San Diego premiere of Jason Robert Brown's musical revue about "community, relationships, and life changes." Danny Campbell directed.

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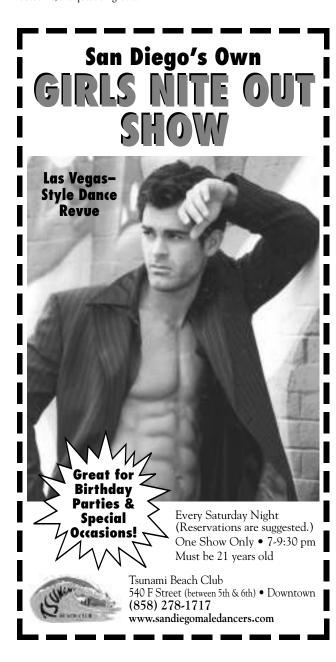
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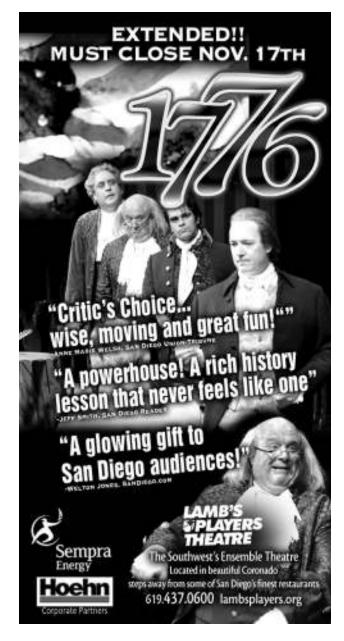
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Miss Macinternie's Acquaintances

"Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" -Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from Forever Plaid. There's also the Forever Plaid problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudodrama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

Worth a try.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, SAN DIEGO, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-234-9583.

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ward Albee on the theatrical map in the early 1960s. The American Dream satirizes its title. If you don't count the empty picture frames in their garish apartment, which come to represent them eloquently, Daddy and Mommy must have it made. But they solve problems by eliminating them, act with selective amnesia, and dwindle into nightmarish, "hell is other people" lives. Although the performances had an over-thetop, opening-night energy, the Glynn Bedington-directed production (and it's great to see her back in a theater!) found its feet

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"what if" exercise, not a life-anddeath "what is." The piece stays on the surface. It needs more subtext (Peter's reactions should be more varied), and much more underlying menace. For both plays RTC continues its tradition of quality production values (you could almost call the designers North Coast Rep South, since four of the five also work for NCRT) and, with Albee, its tradi-

tion of mounting American clas-

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"I am no fan of mass **e-mailings,** but in this case it's simpler. After my radio show this evening, I was let go by Clear

As part of the release agreement he signed with Clear Channel, McInnes was prohibited from talking

said Tony Sisti, who worked as a DJ/program director of

KSDS for 11 years. "They are

replacing high-priced talent

with minimum-wage college

students to run the [control]

boards while they run voice

That may be true with

some of the 14 local stations

that Clear Channel owns and

operates, but that is not what

is happening with McInnes's

old 3–7 p.m. shift — he is

Nixon, a white-trash, spaz-

rappin' hillbilly who, along

with the Beat Farmers, was a

being replaced by Mojo

tracks of DJs from other

markets.'

the inside track

Channel/101.5 KGB FM. It's the end of the greatest 28 years of my professional (and personal) life.... I love you, Jim McInnes (formerly known as JM in the PM on the FM).'

That's how Jim McInnes told his friends on October 11 he had just been canned by KGB after 28 years.

The reaction was universally negative.

"The last great tree in the forest has fallen," said DJ Bill Hergonson, who had three KGB tours of duty.

about his firing. Others were not so reserved.

"That's why they got the nickname 'Cheap Channel,'

JM IN THE PM NO LONGER ON THE FM

key part of the local music

scene in the '80s and early

'90s. For the past four years

morning show host on WEBN

Nixon has been a top-rated

in Cincinnati. Last week he told his Ohio fans he was returning home to San Diego to work at KGB.

McInnes emceed last week's San Diego Music Awards, where he was frequently praised onstage for his inspiration.

However, the latest Arbitron ratings were not as complimentary. Among listeners 25-54, his show was in 12th place. His KGB morning counterparts, Dave, Shelly, and Chainsaw, were number one.

— Ken Leighton

"God bless the thieves."

That's how Scott Bergen, bass player of Christian band Dogwood, reflects on the person(s) who stole \$20,000 of his band's equipment and merchandise.

Dogwood had just won the Best Punk Album award at the San Diego Music Awards hours earlier when Bergen dropped off his white Carson 5' x 8' Racer trailer at 1:00 a.m. October 16 at an El Cajon business park.

"I usually park it at my house, but my sister was moving out so there was no parking....I left it at my church.

Gateway Church is housed in a business park at 1280 North Johnson. "They don't have a guard there. The El Cajon Police are supposed to patrol it every hour.... I locked the tongue [where it attaches to the vehicle]. Someone broke the lock and towed it." The contents included a Truth Drums kit, a Mesa Simul 2:90 power amp, a Groove Tubes Trio Preamp, a Sennheiser wireless guitar ĥookup, an Ampeg head and cabinets, and three Marshall cabinets. Dogwood shirts, sweaters, and CDs were also taken.

"The drum set is

multicolored. It's the only one like it in the world." Anyone with info should call El Cajon police at 619-579-3311.

– Ken Leighton

I asked Harry **Belafonte** after his recent concert here October 12 if he regretted making those statements about Colin Powell wanting to come into the "master's' house, meaning the White House.

"No, no, I don't." I asked him if he realized how big those words had become, and he said, "They are talking about it all over the world. That surprised me."

I asked if he saw Powell on Larry King the next night. (Powell told King he thought Belafonte's statements were "unfortunate.")

Belafonte said, "I'm going to go on Larry King [October 15], but I wanted him to come on with me and debate the issues. And he wouldn't. He's a coward. A tragic figure.'

Belafonte has since released a statement that said, "This was not a personal

attack on Colin Powell, but I speak for a lot of black men when I say I find him to be a tragic figure.'



BELAFONTE SPEAKS FOR BLACK MEN

According to CNN.com, Belafonte said his comments also apply to National Security Adviser Condoleezza

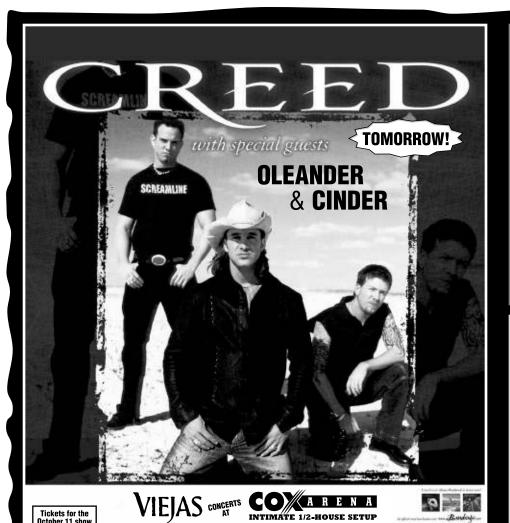
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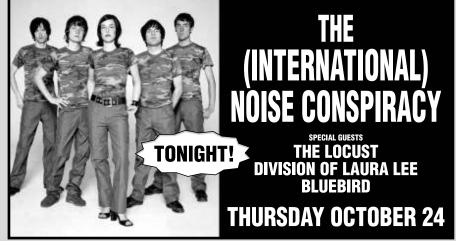


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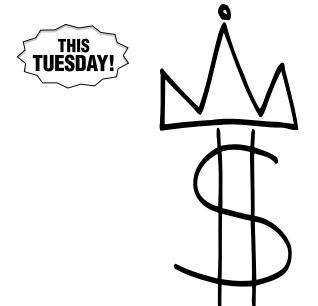






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Country Band. It's disappointing that cover bands get nominated and we don't."

Singer/songwriter/guitarist Frank Sullivan says he is at a loss as to why his original country band, King Country, was neglected at this year's San Diego Music Awards held last week at Humphrey's.

Even nominated bands had questions — like why upand-coming Vertibird was listed in the "Adult Alternative" category.

"It's nice to be nominated," said Vertibird singer/songwriter/guitarist Jack Reynolds, "but I don't understand what the category [adult alternative] is really about. I don't think we're an adult alternative band."

One of the insiders involved in making the nominations wondered about the category called "Best Punk."

"The SDMA academy does not really know the San Diego music scene if they think GoGoGo Airheart and the Locust are punk," said the insider. "They should come up with a new category like 'Best Indie Rock' or something, but these bands are not punk."

A radio insider wondered why no full-time DJs from 91X or Rock 105 attended this year's awards ceremonies.

"Last year I saw Chris Cantore [of 91X] and [Rock 105's] Shannon Leder [at the event]. I don't know why they didn't show this year, but I'm not surprised. What are they gonna gain by supporting local music? They haven't done it so far. Why should they start now?"

Another insider thought the event has become a schmoozefest for musicians or those who work in the music industry.

"No one who was there gave a shit about the actual ceremony.... Your average music fan did not show up.... If they would have had Unwritten Law play, they would have a couple hundred fans show up, not just music industry geeks."

"I would have loved to have had Unwritten Law perform, but they turned us down because they were overseas on tour," said Kevin Hellman, SDMA executive director. "In '94 we had Jewel. Two years ago P.O.D. flew in from Boston to play. We get the big names to do the show when it is physically possible."

Regarding the wrong

band/wrong category assertion — "That's just a matter of opinion. The committee felt this was the best place for these bands."

About the missing Clear Channel DJs from 91X and Rock 105 — "Chris Cantore was sick that day, or

was sick that day, or he would have been there. Chris Muckley had to do his show, and Hilary had another commitment," he said of the missing 91X jocks.

Hellman admitted the SDMAs were an event for industry insiders. "It's the same way with the Grammys...but I was wondering at the show how we could get more regular fans to come next year."

King Country appears with Merle Haggard November 3 at 4th & B.

Vertibird appears November 12 at the Casbah with Brendan Benson.

— Ken Leighton

Unwritten Law, who along with blink-182 spearheaded the early-'90s Poway punk explosion, has just been dropped by Interscope Records.

"They are no longer with

the label," said Interscope staffer Janette Boxa last Thursday.

Unwritten Law released two albums with Interscope, starting with their self-titled 1998 CD and ending with Elva, which was released this



UNWRITTEN LAW FREE TO FIGHT

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"I blame it on Interscope and not the band," said one insider not connected with Unwritten Law but knowledgeable about their history.

"I think Interscope has too much going on to break a band like Unwritten Law. They have Weezer, No Doubt, Puddle of Mudd, and Nirvana. Why try to break a new band like Unwritten Law when they know they can sell a million Puddle of Mudd copies to every hick in Alabama who will buy a copy for each of their 11 illegitimate kids?"

Unwritten Law formed in 1993, playing many of the same backyard parties as blink-182. Their first record, *Blue Room*, was released in 1995, which led to their getting signed to Epic, which released the band's *Oz Factor* a year later.

"That record was supposed to be huge," said the insider. "It flopped. Epic dropped them." But Interscope picked them up.

The insider estimates that Elva sold in the neighborhood of 400,000 copies, not exactly a low figure for a new band. But Unwritten Law waited four years after their first Interscope release before releasing Elva.

Unwritten Law also has the dubious distinction of having public friction between singer Scott Russo and founding member drummer Wade Youman.

"They've both gone at it onstage, many times," said the insider.

Unwritten Law is represented by longtime local promoter-turned-manager Bill Silva, who just saw another of his artists, Jason Mraz, release his first album on Elektra last week.

— Ken Leighton

"He bedazzled women...He loved attention," says Susan Cuervo, recalling her 1980s boyfriend Darryl DeLoach.

DeLoach, the 1965 Clairemont High grad, was the original lead singer of Iron Butterfly, credited by many as the first heavy metal band. DeLoach, 55, died October 3 of liver cancer. His wake was last Saturday at Mariner's Point.

Just two years out of high school, DeLoach and Iron Butterfly were signed to Atlantic/Atco, which released the band's first album, *Heavy*.

"They started in San Diego, but they got their big break in L.A.," says Cuervo. But DeLoach left the band after *Heavy*. "He had a falling out over how the writing was going."

Bad move. The next Iron Butterfly LP in 1968 made rock history. The 17-minute title track from *In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida* ("In the Garden of Eden") became a standard on the new underground FM radio. It was the first album ever certified platinum (sales of one million) and spent 81 weeks in the top ten of *Billboard*'s album chart. Iron Butterfly toured with Cream, the Who, Jefferson Airplane, and the Doors.

"When he left the band,

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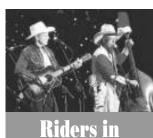
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he moved to L.A.," said Cuervo. "He played in a band called Flintwhistle and another band whose name I

can't remember. He told me he had to leave the [music] scene because it was eating him up. He told me there was far too much drugs.... He said he had to get out of it and come home.

Cuervo said he came home to San Diego in the early '70s and opened two restaurants.

"He opened a French restaurant called Chez Loma [in Coronado], which is still going to this day, and another one called the Bull Ring in La Jolla. He had personal problems, so he got out of restaurant [ownership]... When I met him [in 1982] he

was a waiter at Guilio's in PB, and I was cleaning houses. He was at Guilio's until 1986, then he decided to work doing odd jobs. We broke up in 1990. I don't know how he earned money after that.'

Cuervo said DeLoach had no children. "He was married three times. But I wasn't one of them.'

Cuervo said her ex-mate never tried to cash in with an Iron Butterfly tribute band.

"He wasn't shy. He would



ORIGINAL BUTTERFLY DIES

say, 'I was in the Iron Butterfly.' But when he was done with it, he knew it was time to move on. He hadn't performed in ten years when I encouraged him to get back onstage in 1984. He started sitting in with local bands like the Siers Brothers. He started writing again. His CD The Hands of Time came out in 1995."

— Ken Leighton



"Maybe I'll have to start learning how to say noventa y dos/uno.'

That's how one 92/1 DJ joked about a published report that suggested the station may soon be dropping modern rock for Spanish

The report centered around Lieberman Broadcasting, a Burbankbased group that owns two

programming.

TV and ten radio stations in L.A. and Houston, All stations broadcast in Spanish. The report said Lieberman was making an offer to buy three more Southern California stations.

Two different radio station general managers in San Diego say those three stations are owned by Art Astor and include 92/1.

An insider at Astor Broadcasting who commented but did not want to be mentioned by name said the common assumption is that those three stations were Astor's two North County stations — KFSD-FM (92.1), KFSD-AM (1450) as well as his KMXN-FM in Orange County.

"There is nothing signed at this time.... Someday we may have news to tell you. We will be happy to tell you the news when there is any."

Since the firing of program director/DJ Mike Halloran and nighttime DJ Anya Marina last month, 92/1 has been operating with two full-time DIs - Rick Rome and Rick Savage.

— Ken Leighton

Last week's Blurt

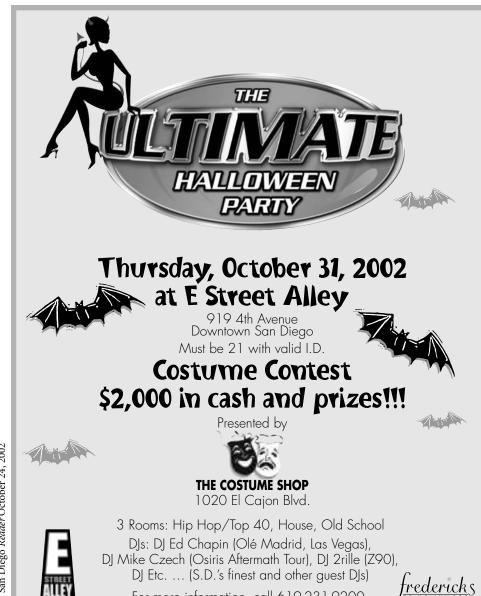
column contained a story by Josh Board that stated that "[Arthur] Lee's last two appearances in San Diego were over a decade ago. This is incorrect — Arthur Lee and Love played at the short-lived Flash Café in Mission Valley on July 23, 1994, opening for another legendary L.A. band, Spirit.

Board's story makes mention of the mercurial guitarist's refusal to be interviewed and Lee's subsequent rude comments. I can state for the record that not much has changed in the eight years since Arthur Lee last came to town. I interviewed Lee outside the Flash Café as part of a Love comic book project being planned for the Rock 'N'

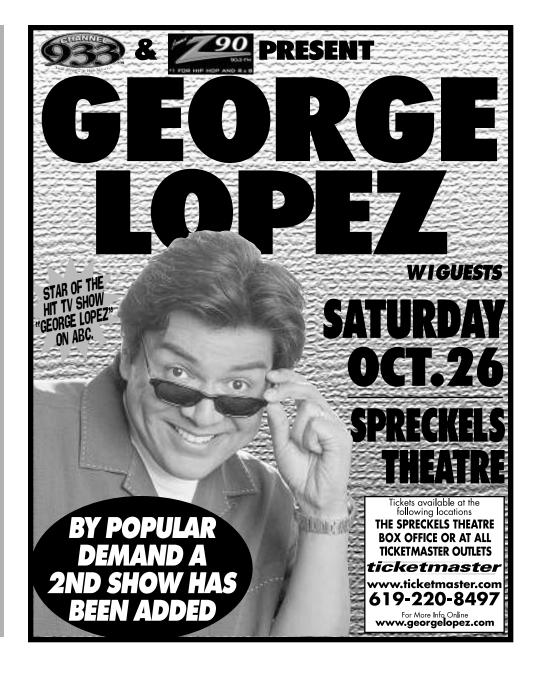
Roll Comics line of publications. About ten minutes into the interview, Lee became hysterical and accused me of working for the police, saying that I was trying to trick him into giving recorded evidence of crimes he'd committed (my questioning never touched upon the arrests he was subsequently jailed for). He snatched a \$200 recording machine from my hands and smashed it to the ground, kicking it across the floor, and leaving the unit in pieces.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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JAY ALLEN SANFORD

ear 2000 and Point Loma High School student Amber Dodson, 16, was both a practicing vegetarian and practicing for her driver's license. She listened to pop punk bands like Bikini Kill, the Don-

nas, Le Tigre, and Vice Squad. She was the kind of typical teenage girl who frequently changes the color of her hair.

Her friend and schoolmate

Ashley Degan was five months older than Amber. Ashley was into snowboarding and classic cars, while her musical tastes ran toward more hardcore acts like Social Distortion, Naked Aggression, and Tsunami Bomb. When Ashley and Amber discovered a mutual fascination with allgirl bands like the Runaways, the Go-Go's, and the Bangles, the pair decided it was their destiny to form one of their own. Ashley began playing guitar and Amber was going to be the singer, but she got a bass guitar for her birthday and that became her position in the band they decided to call — provocatively but appropriately — Jailbait.

A few month's later, Amber met University City High School student Nicky Friedman at a concert and recruited her for the band. Nicky is a fan of Green Day, blink-182, and No Doubt. She loves to eat spaghetti, can't live without coffee or boys, won't kiss someone after they've eaten meat ("That's just wrong!"), loves the films Detroit Rock City and American Pie, and says the thing she most wants to do before she dies is "Move out of my parents' house." Nicky was originally to be Jailbait's second guitarist but ended up as the band's singer.

The three girls practiced at Ashley's house every Sunday and were writing original songs from the beginning, determined to not be just another cover band. As to what inspirations provided the subject matter, Ashley says, "Originally boys.... Now our songs are mostly about our good friends, inside jokes, being girls, and stuff."

Finding a female drummer was difficult until Nicky asked fellow UC student Mikki Olson to play drums with the group. The foursome played the University City High Talent Show.

They played two songs: "Get Rid of That Girl" by the Donnas, an all-girl band from Palo Alto, and the Chipmunks' theme song. Mikki liked Weezer, the Queers, and the Sloppy Meat Eaters,

and she brought to the table a valuable contact — while at 'Canes checking out a Swindle show, she'd met a promoter named Mark Lee of NoNeck-Records.com. Lee was looking for

a band to open for Total Chaos at the Epicentre, and Jailbait ended up with the gig.

"It was a disaster of a show," says Ashley of their set, which was made up of original songs and one cover tune. "We were not ready, but it was fun. Unfortunately, that was our 'big show.' All our friends and others who were excited to see us came for a disappointing display of poor musicianship. Despite bad reviews and few people [attending] our next shows, we kept with it."

A year later, in February of 2001, Mikki went off to college and left Jailbait. Immediately stepping in on drums was 15-year-old Alexandra Lautenen.

"A friend from school, Patrick, knew Jailbait and was aware of their drummerless situation," says Alex, "so he got me in contact with Nicky, and they all came over to my house for our very first band practice. We are very lucky that the chemistry was right, and it worked out on the first try." Alex is the youngest Jailbait member. She once won third place in a Southwest regional figure-skating competition, and she's also a former Girl Scout. Her favorite bands include Tiger Army and the Bouncing Souls.

"Our first show with Alex was on May 11 [2001] at 'Canes," informs Ashley. "Once again, we weren't ready and the show was a total bust. Oh well." She says promoters weren't exactly banging down their door to offer gigs and that things haven't changed much over the ensuing year. "It's hard for them to take us seriously because we used to suck, and it's hard to convince them that we are better now."

The four began intensive rehearsals, and several months later, in August 2001, Jailbait went into Track Star Studios to record their first

CD, entitled *Laughing in Your General Direction*. The demo sells at Jailbait shows for "around \$4" and features four original tunes — "Greetings from California," "Disposition," "7 Minutes," and "To the Sky and Back." By fall 2001, the songs were available on MP3.com, which reported a steady flow of hits (around 1800 total plays to date), though nothing like the kind of response other local female performers like Eve Selis and Wendy Bailey enjoy.

Ashley says that it doesn't matter if their songs aren't exactly setting the music world on fire — yet. It's still great being in Jailbait. "We're all girls and best friends. Sometimes we get people at our shows just because they wanted to see an all-girl band...it's good publicity.... Occasionally, people pass judgment on us, saying we're sluts and that we can't play our instruments because we're girls, but we don't let it bother us."

Alex weighs in on the gender bias by saying, "Yeah, I don't know that I would recommend being in a girl band to many peo-



Jailbai

from California.' It's catchy or something." Among their other song titles are "Burnt E-rolls" and "Evan's Bucket."

"The best show we've played was with the Eyeliners, one of our favorite bands," says Ashley. "We played all right, but the rest of the show was awesome. Our best show for us performance-wise was an all-girl-bands benefit show

at Xanth. No one was there except for the other bands, but we rocked."

As for their worst gig — "We played at a bar once. We played in the outside part — we aren't old enough to be in the bar — It was raining and water was dripping through the tarps, and we were getting wet and feared electrocution. There were three people there to see us."

The band's website, www.jailbait.8m.com (mostly run by Ashley), has links to playable MP3s, group photos, and a message board where all four band members participate with frequent posts. Ashley makes mention of hobbies like photography and graphic design. Amber admits she's

ple...but in the long run, it's completely worth everything."

All four girls take part in the ongoing songwriting process. According to Ashley, "Nicky usually writes some rough-draft lyrics and brings them to practice. Alex and I usually come up with some basic music outline, and Amber usually starts with root notes. After we have a first draft of the song, Amber adds crazy bass lines, Alex adds exciting fills, I add stuff with the guitar, and Nicky works on final lyrics and better ways to sing it."

I asked Ashley which Jailbait original seems to be most popular, and she said, "'Greetings









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into vegan cooking, talks about playing with her boyfriend's band Youthanized, and recently announced with jubilation that she finally got her driver's license. Asked which Jailbait song is her favorite to play, she cheekily replies, "The one where I do the thing with the stuff and the things.

Not all their songs are about boys, or about being girls. Everyday life has forced some serious issues:

I can't go to skool today/ scared of how the others play/ solve their problems with a gun/ one gets shot and they all run/ A high price to pay for fame/'cause in the end you still get blamed — lyrics from "Another Day"

"That song is really old," says Ashley. "We wrote it the day of or the day after the Santee shootings. Maybe we'll resurrect it, it could be a rad song. It was a song about how kids are jumping on the 'I'm gonna kill everyone who has made fun of me' bandwagon."

Alex just turned 17 in September, and Amber turns 18 this month. Ashlev celebrated her 18th birthday in May. Nicky, the oldest, turned 19 in early June. "Fuck yeah," Nicky says, "I am getting old...soon I'll be the one to buy us booze! But that's not for a few years!'

Not that being underage keeps them from partying. After a particularly hazy April gig, Nicky posted a message on the website that groaned, "Ahhhhh...I think I'm not going to drink again for awhile...I was a little sick."

Another of Nicky's recent postings announced, "I drank too much coffee and I can't fall asleep now...any fine pieces of ass looking to go on a date, call 1-800-nicky-is-bored!"

"Some people criticize us more because we're girls, saying we use our tits and ass to get what we want and that we have no musical talent," says Ashley. "We don't dress provocatively, and we don't overly flaunt our sexuality. We're serious about our music, but we're all about having fun."

Despite their relative inexperience, Jailbait manages to land occasional "pro" gigs at Club Xanth, the Ché Café, and the Playhouse, often, they admit, based on the novelty factor of their youth and gender. "There are fewer girl bands than boy bands," according to Ashley.

So how does the average amorous guy impress a teenage riot grrl?

"Male groupies that approach us are usually quite pleasant and become our friends," confides Ashley. "Males that yell out, 'Show us your tits!' while we are onstage are not as pleasant." ■



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Clearly, the dream of a 1000-year Reich had gone completely, and very publicly, to hell.

erlin: Last week I wrote about the conductor Michael Tilson Thomas's visit to the American Academy in Berlin and a talk

he delivered on Aaron Copland. Tilson Thomas, who is Jewish, discussed at length Eastern European musical influences on Copland, also Jewish, and that music's affinities with African-American jazz and blues. It was a very Jewish, soulful evening, on the whole, spent in a room where Adolf Hitler would often dine and take his ease with his good friend the Nazi Minister of Finance, who had taken over the villa when its previous owner, a Jew, was forced to leave.

But that is Berlin, culture and horror frozen in a

grotesque embrace. The Jewish-Nazi thing is never really out of psychological range. Berlin intellectuals talk about it obsessively, morbidly. They talk about talking about it. It. It's like a hairball they keep trying to cough up but never quite succeed. Wannsee, the district in Berlin's south-

west, where the Academy is situated on an enormous, magnificent lake, is still rotten with old Nazis, near as I could tell, some of whom have reinvented

themselves, some not. It's an affluent area, Almost directly across the lake from the academy is the notorious Wannsee Conference Center, the villa where officials of the high German command came upon the Final Solution. Now it's a museum, with school bus after school bus emptying out children so they can view the atrocities perpetuated by their great-grandparents' generation in blown-up photos on the walls. The museum is next to the exclusive Wannsee Yacht Club, where I shouldn't imagine Jews were allowed in the '20s and '30s, and where I doubt they're welcome now.

Berliners filled the symphony halls during the war years as they fill the new Berliner Philharmonia (completed 1963) today in the Tiergarten's Kulturforum. Goebbels was a great music lover. The atmosphere would have been

somewhat different with Furtwangler conducting Beethoven or Brahms on a Saturday evening in 1943 than it was when I attended an evening of Alban Berg's orchestral music 57 years later in the company of Franco-American composer Betsy Jolas, also in residence at the Academy.

Of course, Berg's music would have been disallowed, regarded as "degenerate" by the cultural watchdogs of the time with its use of the 12-tone row and other loathsome mod-

ernist devices Berg would have learned

from the Jew Schoenberg. Also objectionable would have been the featured violinist in a performance of Berg's "Violin Concerto," Viktoria Mullova, a Slav. The conductor, Kent Nagano, also would have been problematic but per-

Alban Berg

REVIEW

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haps all right since Japan, after all, was an Axis partner. Still, it's a stretch to imagine Goebbels in his special

box watching a Japanese conducting Wagner or Mozart, much less Berg, without at least discomfort. There was, probably, a Jew or two in the orchestra. perhaps even a homosexual. I can tell

you the audience was rotten with suspect characters. Clearly, the dream of a 1000-year Reich had gone completely, and very publicly, to hell.

Kent Nagano, though born in Japan, emigrated with his family to the U.S. as a child, later attending UC Santa Cruz and after that the University of San Francisco. Over time he would conduct the San Francisco Chamber Orchestra, the Oakland Ballet Orchestra, and the Berkeley Symphony Orchestra, where he conducted the

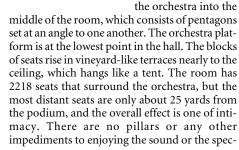
entire orchestral oeuvre of Olivier Messiaen, My companion, Mme. Jolas, it so happened, studied musical analysis with Messiaen at the Paris Conservatory and later replaced the great French

composer as a professor at the Conservatory in the 1970s. Kent Nagano, for his part, had conducted an opera composed by Mme. Jolas not many years before. So it was not unexpected when Mme. was invited to a party after the concert for Nagano and the orchestra. Out of my depth, I demurred and slunk away into the night.

I almost never attend symphony concerts; I'm somewhat allergic to crowds. But if one were to be selective and attend one every 20 years or so, he'd be hardpressed to improve on this particular evening of music. The program included three Berg compositions: his "Three Orchestral Pieces" (1914-1929), the "Concerto for Violin" (1935), and the "Lulu Suite," a symphonic piece from Berg's opera Lulu (1934).

First of all, the space is among the most unique listening environments in the world. The Philharmonia is the masterwork of architect Hans Scharoun, who liked to conceive of his

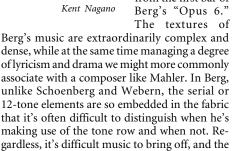
buildings developing 'organically" outward from their interior use without any of the restrictions associated with convention or orthodoxy prevalent in the architecture of the time. Scharoun's idea was "to give an appropriate form to a place for making music and the joint experience of music. He dispensed with the traditional stage/orchestra divide, moving



tacle. The acoustics from all points of the hall are splendid. Finally, it's a very democratic space without the conventional balconies or galleries distinguishing among the classes and impor-

tance of patrons. Goebbels would have despised it.

The orchestra was superb as well, the Deutsche Symphonic-Orchester Berlin — not even the city's finest orchestra, that being the Berlin Philharmonic. The Germans take their music very, very seriously. This was evident from the first bar of



orchestra was breathtaking. As for Ms. Mullova, who is very beautiful and also about 6'2", she has long been a favorite of mine, especially in her performance on the

Philips label of Bach's "Partita in B minor" and Bartók's "Violin Sonata," both for solo violin. Berg's "Concerto for Violin," despite its modernist serial elements and dissonances, is a staple of many orchestras and has been frequently recorded. It's a highly emotional piece, written on the occasion of the death of Alma Mahler's young daughter, of whom Berg was fond. There are few, if any, 20th-century concertos so powerfully affecting or beautiful. Ms. Mullova performed it exquisitely, as did the orchestra. Together they enjoyed several much-deserved curtain calls. Quite an evening of music, by any standard.

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International Noise Conspiracy: The Scene, Thursday, October 24, 7:30 p.m., 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-505-9111 or 619-220-8497.

FRIDAY

Joan Osborne [428] and Sissy Siero: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, October 25, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Creed, Oleander, and **Cinder:** Cox Arena, Friday, October 25, 6:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

The Cramps [110] and the **Lords of Altamont:** 4th & B, Friday, October 25, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

SATURDAY

Gov't Mule and the **Drive-By Truckers** [*462*]: 4th & B, Saturday, October 26, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Chris Cutler and **Thomas Dimuzio:** Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, October 26, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

TUESDAY

Keb' Mo' [937]: California Center for the Arts, Tuesday, October 29, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or

The String Cheese Incident [439]: RIMAC Arena, Tuesday, October 29, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Tom Petty [600] and **Jackson Browne** [488]: Open Air Theatre, Tuesday, October 29, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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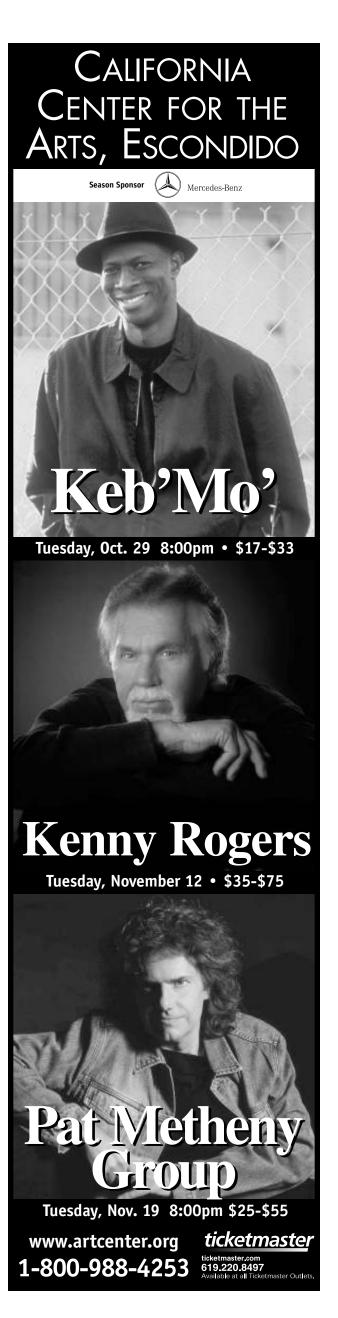
George Clinton [193]: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, October 30, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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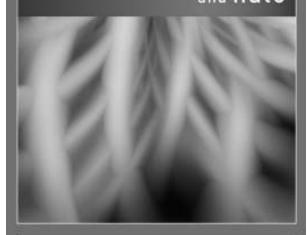






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Rochelle, Rochelle [570]; the Dragons [115]; Furious IV [107]; Million Dollar Shufflers; Devoid; Ilya; Frank the Baptist; Sgt. Skydiver's Lonely Hearts Club; the Fookin' Wankers; and the 21st Century Lepers: Westin Center Ballroom, Thursday, October 31, 8 p.m., 910 Broadway Circle, downtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

The Dismemberment Plan [175], Engine Down, and Hot Like a Robot: The Scene, Thursday, October 31, 7:30 p.m., 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-505-9111 or 619-220-8497.

NOVEMBER

Berlin [608] and the **Fixx** [610]: 4th & B, Friday, November 1, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Dismemberment Plan [175] and **Engine Down:** The Casbah, Friday, November 1, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 618-220-8467

Merle Haggard [774] and King Country: 4th & B, Sunday, November 3, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Glassjaw, American Nothing, Open Hand, and the Blood Brothers: The Scene, Sunday, November 3, 6:30 p.m., 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-505-9111 or 619-220-8497.

O.A.R., Maroon 5, and Matt Nathanson: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, November 4, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Aerosmith [485] and Kid Rock [198]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, November 5, 6:45 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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Badly Drawn Boy [609] and Adam Green: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, November 7, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Shakira: San Diego Sports Arena, Friday, November 8, 7:30 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.









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Convoy: The Casbah, Friday, November 8, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown, 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Thrice [491] and Hot Water **Music** [545]: The Scene, Friday, November 8, 7:30 p.m., 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-505-9111 or 619-220-8497.

Flogging Molly [316], Andrew W.K., and **Throw Rag:** 4th & B, Saturday, November 9, 345 B Street, downtow 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers [770]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, November 9, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

The Anniversary [181] and Burning Brides [550]: The Casbah, Saturday, November 9, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Hoobastank and **Greenwheel:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, November 11, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or

Kenny Rogers [785]: California Center for the Arts, Tuesday, November 12, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

Vanessa Carlton [607] and Ben Lee [425]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, November 13, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

The Rolling Stones [506]: San Diego Sports Arena, Thursday, November 14, 7:30 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Neko Case & Her Boyfriends, Jim & Jenny, and the Pinetops: The Casbah, Thursday, November 14, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Lisle Ellis [525] and Chris Brown: Spruce Street Forum, Friday, November 15, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

The Young Dubliners [438]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, November 15, and Saturday, November 16, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

DIO, King's X, and **HammerFall:** 4th & B, Sunday, November 17, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Pat Metheny Group: California Center for the Arts, Tuesday, November 19, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

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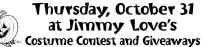
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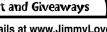
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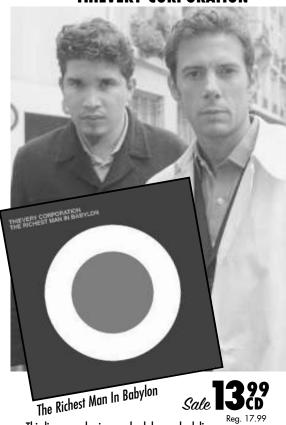
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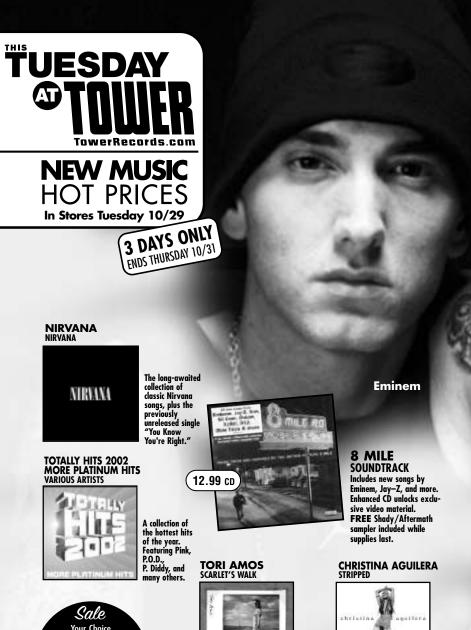
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Bob Schneider [112]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, November 21, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Slightly Stoopid [352]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, November 22, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

The John Lindberg World Star Trio: Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, November 23, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

Pedro the Lion [183]: The Casbah, Saturday, November 23, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

No Doubt [159], Garbage [160], and the **Distillers:** Cox Arena, Tuesday, November 26, 7:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Boxcar Racer, Finch, H2O [281], the Used, and Taking Back Sunday: Cox Arena, Wednesday, November 27, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Steve Poltz [815], Andy Gaunt, and Anya Marina [118]: The Casbah, Friday, November 29, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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Acts of Aggression: Brick By Brick,

The After Party: The Casbah Agent Orange [195]: Brick By Brick

A.M. Vibe: The Casbah

American Tragedy: The Scene Antiquark: Brick By Brick

As I Lay Dying: The Scene

The Big Dictator: The Casbah

The Bitty Bums: Lestat's Coffeehouse

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The Classified: Brick By Brick

Cold Harbor: Brick by Brick

The Cramps [110]: 4th & B The Creepy Creeps: Brick By Brick

The Crew: Vista Entertainment

Critical Me: Brick By Brick

Daemos: Brick By Brick

Damballa's Toy Box: Dream Street

The Damned: 'Canes Bar and Grill

The Damnwells: The Cashah

Dead Man's Party: 'Canes Bar and

Deadbolt [114]: The Kensington Club Deploi: Blind Melons

The Desolation Angels: Vista

d.fRost /389/: Blind Melons

Disappointing Joseph: 'Canes Bar

Disgorge: The Playhouse

The Displaced: 'Canes Bar and Grill Dogmatic: Brick By Brick

Down in the Lab: 'Canes Bar and

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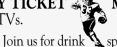
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ALTERNATIVE

Friction Switch: Brick by Brick

The Furious IV /107/: Martini Ranch

Habit of Mine: Dream Street

Hatchback: Dream Street

Hello World: Dream Street

High School Sweethearts: The Scene

The Hill Street Stranglers: Vista

Horse Power: Victor's Restaurant &

Idiot Box: The Playhouse

Innocent Bloodshed: Brick by Brick Inruin: The Playhouse

Iron Sharpens Iron: Brick by Brick

Jack Tripper Solution: Dream Street

Mason Jennings: The Casbah

IHC: Dream Street

Karate: The Casbah

The Kissfits: The Kensington Club

The Lords of Altamont: 4th & B

Lualta [124]: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Maudlin: The Casbah The Mean Nothing: Lestat's

Melt Banana: The Cashah

The Mice: Brick By Brick, The Casbah

Mother Mae I: Dream Street

Mother Russia: The Casbah

Move: Dream Street

Murderous Red Glare: Dream Street

Nausea: The Playhouse

Neglected Melody: Dream Street

A New Dan Regas Band: Dream

Nimbus: The Playhouse

Nixon Rules: Dream Street

O.B. Kanobe: Dream Street

Open Trench: The Playhouse Ozma [111]: Epicentre

Gregory Page [186]: The Ould Sod,

The Peppermints: The Casbah

Progeria: The Playhouse

Pushed: Brick By Brick

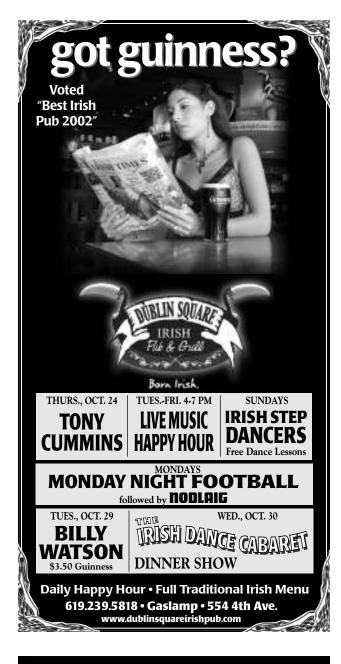
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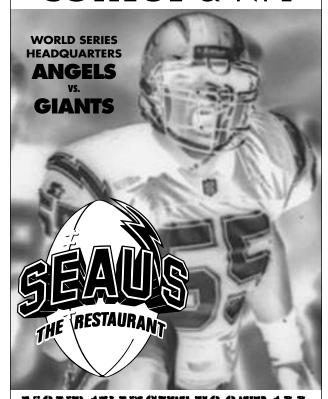
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Shut Up & Drive: Dream Street The Sights: The Casbah

Silent Screams: The Scene

Sinaloa: Vista Entertainment Center

Smile [382]: Epicentre Spoken Gun: Blind Melons

Spoon [387]: The Casbah

Stretcher: Brick By Brick

Sunday Afternoon: Blind Melons

Sunshine: The Casbah

Superunloader [208]: Winstons

Swelter House: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Three Foot: Brick By Brick, The

Throw Rag: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Tori Cobras: The Casbah

The Travel Agents: The Kraken

Uncalledfor: Brick By Brick

Undefeated: The Scene

Universe: Blind Melons

VIII Fraud: The Playhouse

The Walking: Lestat's Coffeehouse

War Face: The Playhouse

Wither: 'Canes Bar and Grill

The Wonderland Murders: Brick By

The Yellow Miseries: 'Canes Bar and

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

Animal 32: Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)

Big Wheel Wipeout: Tiki House

Blind Luck: O'Connell's Pub and

Blue Spring: Winstons

Bone Thugs & Harmony: 4th & BBoneyard: Coyote Bar and Grill

Bordertown: Coyote Bar and Grill

Bottomline [597]: Fogerty's Pub

The Joey Bowen Band [498]:

The Danny Brant Band: Winstons

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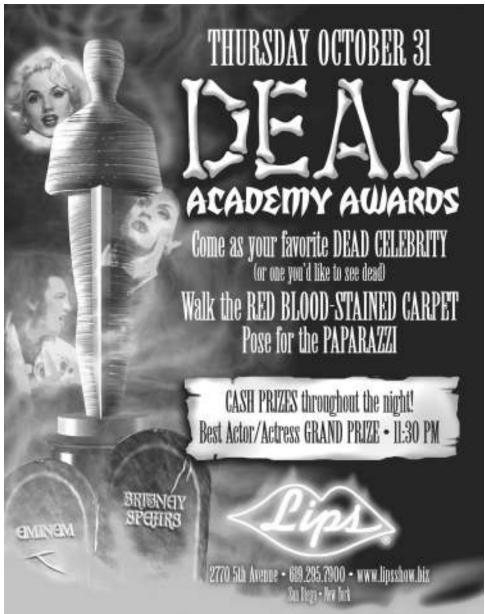












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EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

D.J. Turbo: Sham Rocks Shack

Deadline Friday: Blind Melons, Winstons

Detroit Underground: Viejas Casino **The Drive-By Truckers** [462]: 4th &

8 Ball: 4th & B

The Electric Waste Band: Winstons

Ellis [525]: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

Emaue [467]: Belly Up Tavern

The Evil Twins: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

Footloose: The Del Dios Country

Fryday: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

The Full Circle Band: Tiki House

Full Xposure: Dirk's Niteclub Ghost Town Deputies: Tio Leo's

Lounge **Goldfish** [262]: Belly Up Tavern

Gov't Mule: 4th & B

The Groove Cats: On The Rocks

Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last Resort

Hot Rod Lincoln [547]: Tio Leo's Lounge, The Gordon BierschBrewery

The Jackson 3: Surf N'Saddle

JND: Belly Up Tavern

Lady May: 4th & B

Laguna: Carvers

Larger Than Life: Blarney Stone Pub Lighter: Winstons

Lil' Jon & the Eastside Boyz: 4th & B

Danielle LoPresti & the Masses [452]: Baccus House

MJG: 4th & B

Manic Hispanic: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Nemesis: Second Wind (San Carlos)
The Neon Beat: The Kensington Club

Now City: 4th & B

Joan Osborne [428]: Belly Up Tavern

Point Blank: Zip & Zack's Filling Station

Private Domain [489]: Zip & Zack's Filling Station, Dick's Last Resort

Pseudopod: Blind Melons

Quetzal [543]: Belly Up Tavern

Random Order: Fannie's

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Simply Complex: Winstons The Spanish Bombs [639]: Bub's

The Stilettos: The Raintree, Henry's

Synygy: Bub's Whiskey Dive

The Tall Dudes: On The Rocks

Tea-Bag [433]: Brick By Brick 3 Simple Words: Winstons Urban Gypsies: Buffalo Ioe's

Christy Wilson & Powerhouse: The

Zone 4: Winstons

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

Cafe Savoy: Hot Monkey Love Cafe

The Disco Pimps: Buffalo Ioe's Leslie Gold: The Westgate Hotel Stephen Knight: Shooters Bar and

Danny Lopez: The Butcher Shop Makai: Viejas Casino, Humphrey's The Mix: Mr. D's Cocktail Lounge NRG: Dick's Last Resort

The New Breed Band: The Alley Northstar: McP's Irish Pub and Grill Jack Pollack: Shooters Bar and Grill **Rising Star:** Humphrey's

The Westgate Hotel

Peter Robberecht/Pianoman [622]:

Superfunk Fantasy: Henry's Pub

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

Absinthe: Bayou Bar & Grill Afinity: Il Forno

The B-Side Players [649]: Buffalo

The B-3 Three: Bayou Bar & Grill

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The

Big Time Operator [652]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille

Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado

Susie Burns: Danato's Ristorante John Cain [703]: Hotel del Coronado,

The Jorge Camberos Quintet:

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Gilbert Castellanos [667]: Bayou Bar

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The Cradit Union: Neimans Bar and

Jo Dark: The German-American

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Glen Fisher con Alma [638]: Croce's

5 O'Clock Shadow: The Beach House, La Costa Coffee Roasting Co.

Larry Fogel: Moray's Lounge

Hollis Gentry [644]: Dizzv's

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The Chris Klich Jazz Quintet [695]:

Dizzy's, Coyote Bar and Grill Brian Koehler: Lestat's Coffeehouse

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Lady Dottie: Bayou Bar & Grill Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado

The Mark Lessmen Trio: Inn

Tim Maglione [718]: Danato's

Masterpiece: Jimmy Love's

Jared Mattson: Miracles Cafe

Bill Mavers: Hot Monkey Love Cafe

The Coral McFarland-Thuet Jazz

The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce's JazzBar

The David Mosby Trio: Bayou Bar &

Mystique: Jimmy Love's

Francisco Ojeda: Bayou Bar & Grill

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Primo: Sevilla, Croce's Jazz Bar

The Darren Raser Band: Bayou Bar

The Mike Reilly Band [978]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille

Rick Ross: The Beach House

Rick Ross-Piano [659]: Moray's

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Robert Walter's 20th Congress [665]: The Casbah

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The Jerry McCann Band: Coyote Bar

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Shine Eye: Buffalo Joe's

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Annie Betancourt: Blind Melons

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BY DAVE GOOD

Patterson Hood of the Drive-By Truckers sings about, of all people, George Wallace: "Now he said he was the best friend a black man from Alabama ever had/ And I have to admit, compared to Fob James, George Wallace don't seem that bad/ And if it's true that he wasn't a racist and he did all them things for votes/ I guess Hell's just the place for kiss-ass politicians." Hood concludes with this final epithet: "Now the Devil's got a Wallace sticker on the back of his car."

"Wallace," says guitarist/writer and

sometimes-historian Hood in an interview, "was a fascinating and ultimately frustrating figure because he was capable of getting good things done, and then he'd turn around and do something so god-awful you'd just shake your head." No argument there. The Drive-By Truckers are a thinking-man's Southern-rock band. Last year, the Truckers released their best-known work to date: Southern Rock Opera. The '70s-style roots-rock songs describe the tragic career of a fictitious Southern rock band called Betamax Guillotine (said to be patterned loosely after Lynyrd Skynyrd). In "Days of Graduation," a teen couple perish in a car wreck after a wild joy ride to the strains of a Skynyrd hit: "Everyone said that when the ambulance came/ The paramedics could hear . 'Freebird' still plaving on

the stereo/ You know, it's a very long

Southern Rock Opera was made over a period of six years and at a high cost to the band. "It was brutal," recalls Hood. "Of the band's four couples, two got divorced and another guy broke up with his longtime girlfriend." The opera seethes with images of Robert E. Lee, glue sniffing, Martin Luther King, Bull Connor, infidelity, racism, Southern economy, and reformation: "Ain't about no foolish pride / Ain't about no flag / Hate's the only thing that my truck would want to



drag." Are the Drive-By Truckers for real, or are they being politically correct? I'm not sure that they know. "The most consistent thing about the South," says Hood, "is how contradictory it all is."

Gov't Mule headlines.

(To hear a sample of the **Drive-By** Truckers, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4462.)

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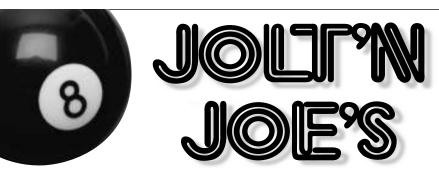
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BY WILLIAM CRAIN

"Like a Tom Petty...(Tom) Cruise falls into that category of competent if ubiquitous public figures that have never won my love or hate and therefore never truly caught my eye." That's Sarah Vowell in her new essay collection The Partly Cloudy Patriot. I've never thought the two Toms had much in common. but I can see her point. If you missed the lat est Cruise movie or Petty CD, a new one will come along soon enough. And the new one probably isn't noticeably different from the old one, so what's the rush?

That's not to say that the Toms are bad

at their respective jobs. Certainly, Petty at his best is really great. You can't argue with songs like "American Girl" and "The Waiting." But his band, the Heartbreakers, is so steeped in classic rock tradition that every new song sounds like something you've heard before.

Even when he's getting uppity, it's usually for a losing cause. His new CD, The Last DJ, finds Petty ranting - and I do mean ranting against the state of the music business: the generic pop stars, the tightly restricted radio playlists, and most of all the music that fails to mean anything to listeners. I know just how he feels. But the best way for a songwriter to tackle these problems is to start with that last one - to make music that's emotionally affecting.

Jackson Browne opens

(To hear a sample of **Tom Petty,** call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then



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Friday, *Laguna*, classic rock. Saturday, call club for information.

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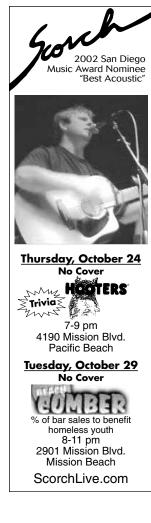






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Album name: Stereo Vibrator (2002)

Artist: Rotator

Label: Pop Groovy Records

Songs: 1) Stereo Vibrator 2) Glass Jaw 3) Beatz That Go Boom 4) Vinny 5) Doorman 6) Anykinda Thumpin' 7) Anne Atomic 8) Shiva 9) Jack'D Bass 10) Get Off Mv Drums 11) Afrochik'n 12) Orb of Light

Price/Where Available: mp3.com for \$7.98

Names of Band Members: Mark Sgarbossa and Jeff Trageser (samplers, synthesizers, groove boxes, drum machines,

and assorted boxes wired with MIDI cables)

Extra Info: Rotator has opened for Afroman and the Sneaker

Website: mp3.com/RotatR

The bumping beats of futuristic electronica complete with all of the bells and whistles mark Rota-

tor's second album, Stereo Vibrator.

Partners Mark Sgarbossa and Jeff Trageser provide an intense mix of pulsating electronic sound through samplers, synths, drum machines, and vocal distortion. Rotator's fusion of techno, hiphop, and funk with '80s pop influences, similar to techniques found in Dead or Alive's "You Spin Me 'Round" and "Pop Goes the World" by Men Without Hats, gives the music a surging intensity.

The CD remains flowing until it reaches the tenth track, entitled "Get Off My Drums." The song, described by the duo as a "song to sing on a Vespa," is an out-ofplace departure from the rest of the album. Guitars generating a '60s "feelgood" rock style similar to that of the Monkees replace the synthesizers and drum machines. This is also the only track in which it is possible to decipher live vocals. Trageser and Sgarbossa singing, "The



rhythms that you beat in my heart down to my feet/I love you, you know it's true/ with every breath of my drums." only makes the listener thankful for the vocal distortion found in the previous tracks. Rotator has a good thing going with electronica. Why not stick with it?

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DRESS ➤ casual

DANCE FLOOR ➤ none; entire bar is about 300' by 30'; barely enough room for the band to set up in corner by the entrance

BATHROOMS ➤ clean; walls had lots of framed family photos; two

urinals and one toilet; women's was clean also, with two toilets and paper towels; signs on the doors read "MNA" for women and "FIR" for men – a passerby suggested that this was Gaelic - I used the stick figures as my guide

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The Ould Sod was packed on a weekday when I was there, and somebody said, "This is actually one of the smaller crowds." When I hear a patron with an Irish accent, I ask him how this place compares to places in his homeland. He

smiles, and what comes out of his mouth are words that sound part Gaelic, part English, part pig latin. It was worse than Brad Pitt in the movie Snatch. I didn't understand a word he said. But he bought me a shot of Irish whiskey, which I gladly downed. I did see one neon Guinness sign, but the walls weren't designed to look like Americanized pubs.

A sign that read "End of Days" had numbers electronically counting down – to the hundredth of a second – the days until St. Patty's Day.

The owners have had this place for over ten years and are from Ireland. If you want an authentic place for a pint or two, head to Normal Heights. The only difference between this place and the pubs I saw in England was that it wasn't filled with smoke. And no one spilled drinks on me shoes!

–Josh Board

Edelweiss Restaurant, 230 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-426-5172. Friday and Saturday, 6 pm, Gordon Kohl, Kjell Holmes, or Vicki Eriqat, European and ethnic accordion

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rock.

Borders Books & Music, 159 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon. 619-593-5119. Saturday, 7 pm, Celticana,

Dirk's Niteclub, 7662 Broadway Lemon Grove. 619-469-6344. Friday and Saturday, *Full Xposure*, classic

Don Primo's Bolivian Restaurant, 9570 Murray Drive, El Cajon. 619-466-2912. Saturday, 8 pm, the Rhythm Kings, Latin.

Don's Cocktail Lounge, 13321 Business Highway, El Cajon. 619-443-2444. Friday and Saturday, *Chess Set*, Fannie's, 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley. 619-698-2204. Friday, Random Order, rock.

The German-American Societies,

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The Heartbreak of Haliotis

Once upon a time, wild abalone (scientific name haliotis) were plentiful in every cove of California from La Jolla to Muir Beach on north. Everybody who owned a snorkel mask — my boyfriend, my neighbor Ichido, your aunt Ethel and cousin Ethelred, everybody — harvested them by the gunnysack, thinking there were plenty, no prob. Poached wild abalone sold for 50 cents a big one, a quarter for a small one. You had to detach the bodies with a sharp knife at some risk to your hand. After intense pounding, they were tender enough to be cooked fast (but carefully), and their taste was clean, buttery, and memorable. And one day, they were gone — down the hatch. To taste abalone nowadays, you pay a fortune, and you still can't taste them, because they don't have the flavor that they used to. They're farm-raised these days. Softer. Almost insipid. Not the same animal.

One of the few restaurants in town that consistently serves abalone is Cafe Pacifica, which gets them shipped live from Ensenada. But these are teeny-weeny cultivated pink abalone, threeinch infants all tender and mild. In the dim twinkly lighting of the dining rooms you can barely see them. It makes no difference the size portion you choose; the abalone are all served "piccata," smothered in a thick, wet breadcrumb batter and assaulted by an acidic sauce, so you can't even begin to savor them before they vanish down your gullet. "What was that?" you may well ask, if your tongue isn't otherwise occupied in the vain search of your mouth for some ghost of residual flavor. The answer could be: That was \$13 down the hatch — about the same price per spoonful as the finest endangered beluga caviar from the Caspian Sea. But at least with caviar you get to taste something before you swallow your hardearned nest egg.

Happily, abalone isn't Cafe Pacifica's only catch. This, the only seafood house in Old Town, offers a variety of fish and shellfish cooked (per the menu) "medium rare unless specified otherwise." They generally make good on that promise, so that their products are moist and succulent when they come from the kitchen. (For fish fearers there are also five terrestrial entrées — filet mignon, lamb chops, chicken breasts, and a couple of pastas.)

The setting is an open-beamed structure



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divided into three dining rooms, with high rafters decorated by strings of little white Christmas lights. It's a fake-antique building, built in 1979, a reproduction of 1849 architectural style, on the site where San Diego's municipal water distributors once stood back when Old Town was San

Diego. It's next to the Old Town graveyard but apparently unbothered by ghosts. (The best, quietest, brightest dining room has large windows overlooking the ceme-

tery; it's worth requesting when reserving.)

The menu is unevenly divided between two opposite cooking styles. A few items are the essence of straightforward fish-house cookery. But Pacifica also pioneered "fusion" cuisine in San Diego. The head chef is currently Tijuana-born Eddie Zamarripa, the café's longtime former line cook.

He succeeds a long line of ambitious culinary school graduates that, until a few years ago, ran the kitchen, and the menu's more elaborate selections are an anthology of "pick hits" from their collective opus.

Everybody has an opinion about what makes

a great clam chowder. To me, Pacifica's home-style version is the best I've tasted in a long time and you don't even have to fly to Boston for it. Made from scratch,

it's clean, buttery, slightly creamy, and good 'n' clammy, without an excess of starch thickener for the natural flavors to trip over. With a slab of the soulful house sourdough (from San Diego Artisan Bakers), it'd make a perfect lunch, if only Pacifica served lunch. Other simple starters include ovsters (raw or broiled) and four classic Califor-

Cafe Pacifica

★★½ (very good)

2414 San Diego Avenue (at Harney), Old Town; 619-291-6666; www.cafepacifica.com

HOURS: Daily 5:00–10:00 p.m. (to 9:30 p.m.

PRICES: Appetizers, \$6-\$12; entrées \$15-\$25. Farmed baby abalone \$13 per half (one bite) to \$68 (six bites). Local lobster, \$28 for 1½ pounder. "Pre-theater" dinner ordered before 6:30 p.m. Soup/salad plus selected entrées,

CUISINE & WINE: Mainly seafood, either fusion-y or simple, with some fish-free alternatives. Serious California wine list at moderate markups, little available under \$40/bottle. Sufficient choices by the glass (average \$8) include Bridlewood Viognier and Duckhorn Sauvignon Blanc. Full bar featuring creative margaritas, tequilas, ales, after-dinner drinks.

NEED TO KNOW: Next to historic Old Town graveyard. Valet parking, \$4. Short staircase in front; wheelchair lot and ramp behind restaurant; ask valet for directions or help. Can be very noisy.

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nia-cuisine salads, including a Caesar — all overpriced.

Most of the appetizers fall within the riskier "fusion" side of the equation, with mixed results. Perhaps too many chefs have created this broth. The best of our choices featured golden, greaseless, flash-fried wonton skins, each containing two chunks of red-velvet raw yellowfin tuna, with a surprise cleavage line of roasted mild green chilies. Served over baby bok choy and a slick of

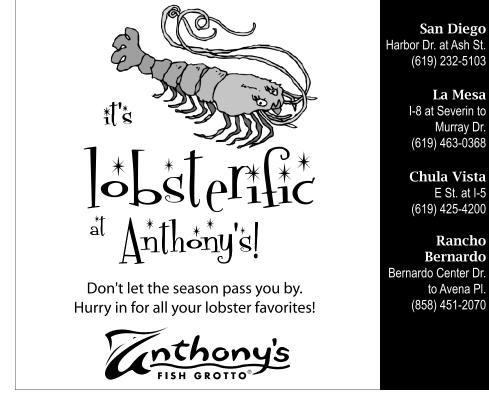
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slightly sweet plum-Cabernet sauce, the wontons were winners. So were succulent grilled portabella mushrooms oozing a filling of sweet crab meat, served over a reticent balsamic tomato sauce. Nearly as tasty, but less generous, was an appetizer special of seared jumbo sea scallops; although considerably short of jumbo size, the three scallops were succulent and sweet, floating atop an intriguing rough carrot purée. Lightly floured (rather than battered) and quick-seared, they were accorded the tender treatment that those precious little abalones should have enjoyed.

But a tartare pairing of skin-on raw salmon with coldsmoked salmon (lox) seemed woozily unfocused despite a scattering of capers and a mild cucumber-cilantro vinaigrette: the combination cried out for chunks of crunchy cucumber or suave avocado to lend contrast to the salmon siblings. And since Pacifica's larders had not yet received the new crop of local lobsters, we hoped to assuage our lobster lust with a handful of lobster pot stickers. These puffy, deep-fried gyoza shells were full of hot air, loose salt, and sesame seeds; at the center of each was a firm, salty nugget that might have actually included some crustacean DNA in its gene pool.

The entrée menu makes a clear division between Pacifica's two cooking styles. One section is labeled "Simply Grilled," from which you can order a variety of seafoods or a chicken breast, dressed with your choice of several elementary sauces and salsas,

and accompanied by the day's vegetable mixture. The regular entrée list tends to more elaborate, "chef-y" preparations.

Cafe Pacifica's delightful "signature" entrée straddles the line. Mustard-crusted catfish with a light, tangy breading arrives sizzling from the griddle, cooked precisely right, with the thinner end soft and the thick end firm-tender. The fish is farm-raised in Oregon, and those cooler waters create cleaner. milder flavors than you meet in cats farmed in the Mississippi mud. A "Simply Grilled" selection of wild king salmon proved that the cooks here know how to treat fish: the fillet was medium-rare as promised, and a lively papaya-cilantro salsa proved a companionable match. The evening's veggies (from our local Specialty Produce Company) were an interesting medley of baby golden beets, flageolets (skinny French string beans), and cooked wedges of pulpy end-of-season tomatoes.

Pacific salmon also appears among the fancier entrées, as "three herb crusted salmon with a gingered plum sauce atop wasabi mashed potatoes and asparagus." (Yes, the menu is certainly explicit.) The crust is a thin, delicate batter, actually a micro-pancake sealing the thick fillet, which reaches the table with dark-pink flesh and all juices intact. Surrounding the fish is a golden pond of sweet, zingy plum sauce — a lyrical love match until the sweetness grows cloying, and then the sassy wasabi mash comes to the rescue.

Even more Asian-tinged (but less satisfying) is "seared hal-

ibut stuffed with marinated ginger and crusted with sesame seeds over a wasabi vinaigrette.' Lean and bland, halibut's a hard fish to showcase, and this attempt to tame the overtame finally seems all hat, no cattle: the toasted black and white sesame seeds and the pickled sushi ginger overwhelm the rather dry flesh. The opposite side of the globe inspired a slightly spicy bouillabaisse, with clams, greenlip mussels, and many small squares of assorted fin fish swamped by a thick, rusty-brown broth of such intense salinity it might have been prepared with seawater.

Cafe Pacifica used to purchase its desserts from the famed La Jolla pâtissier Michele Coulon. Now the desserts are housemade (except for the Gelato Vero ice creams). The signature sweet is the crème brûlée. Many regular patrons rave about it, but to my palate the custard tasted exactly like Swiss Miss vanilla pudding from the dairy case — heavy, very sweet, with an undertone of cheap vanilla flavoring. On one occasion, the brown sugar topping was incompletely caramelized and still granular. (Those who love the crème brûlée can pick up a copy of Cafe Pacifica's recipe along with toothpicks, matches, and menus from a table on the front porch.) A smaller tasting of crème brûlée also appeared on a sampler dessert plate. It was arrayed alongside a small wedge of ordinary key lime pie, a chocolate fondue dip with the flavor of melted M&Ms, and some excellent raw strawberries and raspberries (including a pair of monster strawbs of ripe juiciness). As with the other courses, the simplest was the best.

Cafe Pacifica gets its seafood delivered seven afternoons a week from Chesapeake Fish Company on the Embarcadero; little if any remains by the next day. This makes it one of relatively few fish houses in town that serves fresh product daily. At one of my visits, I eavesdropped on a nearby clan of Zonies in ecstasy. "Boy!" said the granny, "Fish like this rarely comes to Phoenix!" And it's medium-rare in San Diego, too.

ABOUT CAFE PACIFICA

"People always ask us if we have ghosts, because the graveyard is next door and there are people buried under the sidewalk in front," jokes Frank Busic, the owner of Cafe Pacifica. "This was always a horse stable and the original watering station for San Diego. They didn't have running water then. There was a big water tank, and a horsedrawn trolley would go underneath; they'd fill it with water, and then they'd distribute the water around San Diego. Then the place was leveled. This structure was built in 1979 to look

"Cafe Pacifica opened on August 8, 1980. It was originally owned by Deacon Brown and Kitt Downing, the same people who later founded Pacifica Del Mar and Pacifica Grill. I was manager of Pacifica Del Mar from '91 to '92 with Kitt; he liked what I did there, and he moved me down here as general manager in '92. I had the opportunity to help open Bertrand at Mr. A's, and when I gave my notice here, Deacon

countered with 'What do you think about buying the restaurant?' So I've owned it since September 2000.

"Between '91 and '97 we had about four different [culinary-school-trained] chefs. And Deacon and I decided we'd had enough of these guys. And we had one guy in the back, Eddie Zamarripa, who'd toiled with them and learned quite a bit from them, and we decided to put him in charge. He's been our chef since then. He has better specials, better food costs, gets better talent in back of the house. He's one of those unsung heroes, because he didn't go to a fancy culinary school, but I guarantee, none of them [culinary school alums] can cook as well as he can.

"We have kind of a triedand-true menu. As each chef
came and went, their stronger
dishes stayed. Neil Stewart,
who was one of our earlier
chefs, from the mid-'80s, started
the 'Pacific Rim Cuisine' in
San Diego. This was one of his
testing grounds. Once he had
all his signature dishes, that's
when they opened Pacifica Del
Mar, and Neil instituted them
up there. He left there in '91
and opened several restaurants
that failed; he's now doing
catering.

"We get our fish from Chesapeake Fish Company. We told them to give us the best quality they can possibly give. It's not like produce or like a Japanese fish market, where you go down early in the morning and pick things out. They don't work like that. We're open dinners only, so we get the midafternoon shipment, and

we have the opportunity of getting some really select pieces. With both seafood and produce we order just enough for what we do that day. We even get it in on Sunday. We order enough volume over the year that it appeals to them [to work with us]. We get our produce from Specialty Produce. They do a great job picking out specialty vegetables for Eddie to play with, and their fruits are just great.

"I want to say, too, we make the best margarita in San Diego. It's a 'Pomerita' — pomegranate juice bottled in Greece, Cuervo Tradicional, Cointreau, and a dash of Rose's lime juice. It's the healthiest margarita in town."

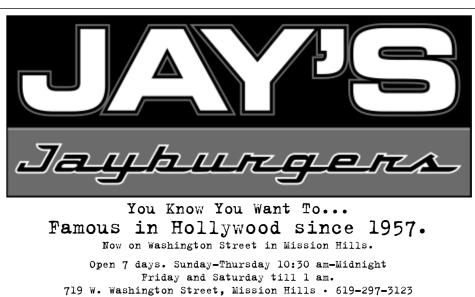
R.I.P., JUKE JOINT

Sadly, Juke Joint, in the Gaslamp, is closing because of noise complaints, mainly from the high-priced housing developments springing up around the club. Several questions come to mind: If they didn't want a lively atmosphere, why did these people move to the Gaslamp, the city's nighttime playground? And how is it that they can tolerate the stentorian choral yells of young white males partying on the patio at Dick's Last Resort, next door, but not the sweet bebop of Gilbert Castellanos? Juke Joint offered fabulous soul food (including one of the three best gumbos in San Diego County), great music, and a culturally rich grownup atmosphere. Its closing signals an ominous trend. Everybody loses — except downtown's new yuppies. I wish the owner the best of luck in finding new digs. ■











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hite Castle," says Jerry. "It's the only true burger.' "White what?" I say.

"Castle. No contest. Indescribable!"

"Yeah, but where on this planet do they make 'em? Transylvania?"

Jerry tries to stop his eyes from rolling back in his head. He's not the type to tell you you're an idiot to your face. "Look. Ask anybody who's lived east of the Mississippi, and they'll tell you. White Castle is burgers. The best darned burgers in America.

He leaves a nice long silence to make his point.

I mean, who's had time to go test burgers east of the Mississippi? Plus, the fact is, he has me at a disadvantage. I had to wear a woman's shirt today. A blouse. Was in a mad rush. I couldn't find a shirt in the pile at home that wasn't worn, torn, sweaty, stained, or from my 160-pound period. So I borrowed one from Carla, who had to point out that blouses button up the other way. Right to left. The girls' way.

"But don't worry," she said. "Nobody'll

Yeah, right. Now here I am in P.B. at a place called Rocky's, hunching protectively over the wrong-way buttons, next to Jerry - six foot something, lanky, Yankee, rugged, blue-eyed, a Minnesotan straight out of A Prairie Home Companion. Booming, deep voice, spouting Midwest liberal views like I never dare utter beyond a mutter. Talks about his hometown's Demo-

cratic-Farmer-Labor Party with pride. He's the mate of one of Carla's writing-class friends. They arranged this. Reckoned a couple of unreformed libs like us deserved each other's company. And I like him. He's one of those decent, caring, stub-

born Scandinavians who I guess are the backbone of the country.

So's White Castle, it seems. "Think of thin 21/2-inch square patties sitting on a bed of onions, punched with five holes so the steam rises through the meat and carries the flavor up into the tender, square top bun. That flavor!

They're small. But great for soaking up a night's beer.

He sighs.

"Only other back-East burger I miss is from Milwaukee. German. A patty of seasoned uncooked beef, raw, with sweet onion, in a black rye bun. No mayo. Blood oozing. Now that was a burger."

'Course, they don't look too bad here. A guy and gal sitting next to us are nose-down into two squishy, cheese-dripping burgers, making sounds of ecstasy. "Oh. Yes. Mmmm. Oh, God!"

"You've got to try one of these," says Dan, the guy. "I called in sick just so I could come do this. Honest. I phoned Kat. I said, 'Let's go to Rocky's!' Drove all the way from Mission

"Rocky's burgers?" says Kat. "Juicy, big, yummy." She wipes her mouth and smiles.

Now this other guy, Roy, chimes in. "Even In-N-Out doesn't hold a candle to these guys, he says. Turns out he's the carpenter who made

the varnished wood tables with stainless steel surfaces. This whole little corner bar has a logcabin feel about it, even though it's popping with nine sports TV screens, a pool table, and pictures of famous football players who've graced the place: Junior Seau, Bob Babich, others. Right now Roy's working on lowering some of the counter so it's a good height for people who come in in wheelchairs. Nice.

"Something to drink, or are you eating?" says Michelle, the barkeep with the sea green eyes. "Hey, nice shirt." She's looking at me, puzzled. "It's...different."

I cross my arms. "Right, right," I say. "Uh, we want eats.

She points to the blackboard. It's pretty simple. One-third-pound hamburger, \$3.95. With cheese, \$4.25. Half-pound burger, \$4.75. With cheese, \$5.35. French fries, \$1.95. You can have that anytime from 11:00 in the morning to 10:00 at night, seven days a week. That's it — except for a card on the bar that says Special: Monday to Friday, 11:00 to 2:00: 1/3-pound hamburger with cheese, French fries, and 16-ounce glass of Bud, Bud Light, Rocky's Crown Point ale, or soda, \$7.25.

"Yeah. I'll have that," I say. "With the Rocky's Crown Point ale.'

"Think I'll have your half-pounder," says Jerry. "No cheese. And a 7UP. Uh, these aren't just microwaved, are they?

"Don't worry, everything's fresh," says Michelle. "We make up our own patties. Fresh meat, no seasoning. We cook it on a flat grill, and we hand-cut the tomatoes and the red onions. Patty - Rockwood - she's owned Rocky's since she was in her 20s. In fact, she bought it 25 years ago this month! Don't worry. Patty sets the standards."

When we get to the testing moment, as Jerry's opening his maw and is about to measure Patty's patty against the five-hole steamed Best Burger in the World, all of us stop everything and stare.

Chomp. Seems like half the burger disappears.

"Juicy," says Jerry at last. "Flavorful. More traditional. Moisture, texture - not like a lot of those dry chain ones with no taste except the ketchup. Yes. Not bad at all."

Then he's picking up his burger again from its red plastic basket.

I chomp into mine. Mmm. He's right about that first bite. Juicy, and that sweet tang of the thick slice of red onion mixes with the lettuce and tomato and floppy cheese. But what really makes mine work is the Rocky's Crown Point ale. What a flavor. What a great washer-

Li'l old lady and her daughter come to sit beside us at the bar. Mom's just moved down from La Mesa to live near her daughter.

Jerry leans over. "Try the burger," he says. "It's almost the best I've ever had."

"Almost?"

Well, there was one, east of the Mississippi..." ■

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Shanken's Baby

"The rule is that it takes six years to go black on a new publication. I was thinking, 'I'll never make six years."

oor Bob Morrisey. More than 25 years after he founded *The Wine Spectator*—a tabloid industry newspaper that has since become a gargantuan wine-lifestyle glossy with enormous influence—gremlins continue to haunt him. In a New Year's

column written in the paper's earliest years, Morrisey resolved to do battle with the gremlins that had occasionally wreaked havoc on the paper's typesetting and printing. Usually, he won — Morrisey is "proud to say that it was one clean newspaper" — and

the gremlins must still be smarting. How else to explain his being referred to as "Bill Morrisey" in this column two weeks ago? The gremlins were at it again.

Sometimes, the gremlins were present at the editorial end of things as well. In the struggle to gather, write, assemble, print, and deliver a newspaper every two weeks, with a staff several bones short of skeletal, the occasional fact went unchecked. "You know, we got some bum dope once in a while." Still, says Morrisey, "I never had to write a correction." Rather, when the gremlins got the better of him, he would issue a "clarification."

"I had a column, second page inside, called 'In Vino Veracity."

The column featured a series of paragraphlong tidbits about industry doings and personalities. "It was easy reading, and some of it was fun reading. I'd find humorous things. There were a lot of names in it; the wine people loved that. My column gave me the latitude [to clarify things]. I could say, 'We said that... What we meant was...' That was our method of correction. The readers thought that was neat." One of those readers was fellow wine-media man Marvin Shanken, who published the industry newsletter Impact. "He said, 'You sure know how to work around a screwup."

"Marvin Shanken fell in love with that column. He just fell in love with the paper. He supported us with some good full-page ads." Shanken continued to regard the paper with an affectionate — and appraising — eye. "He wanted a consumer publication like *The Wine Spectator*. He had toyed with the idea [of buying it] — looked at our books and our operation.

He just wasn't sure it was there."

Enter the Brotherhood of the Knights of the Vine, a wineappreciation organization that traces its roots back to the 13thcentury French knights responsible for growing, making and tasting wines served to royalty. In 1979, the American

branch of the organization named *The Wine Spectator* the "Outstanding Wine Publication in America." Says Morrisey, "That did it. When that happened, Marvin flew out from New York and said, 'Let's really get serious.' He asked, 'Are you ready to sell it?' I said, 'I think I am.'"

"We were burned out. After three years of grinding and grinding and building and building, I wanted to go here" — he pats an ad-fattened copy of the magazine's current issue — "but I didn't have the money to take it there. The rule is that it takes six years to go black on a new publication. I was thinking, 'I'll never make six years.'" He flew to New York to complete the sale; the price was \$40,000. "It was like giving up my child."

Morrisey stayed on as an executive editor through 1981, but it was Shanken's baby now. When Morrisey ran the paper, "We declined to take any other than wine-oriented advertising. No booze. When Marvin took it over, he went into booze and cigars and all sorts of things. It was a matter of making money. It became a sophisticated type of magazine; it could handle that. He thought it was nuts to limit it to wine. I said, 'Well, it's a wine publication.' That's the way I wanted to keep it. It cost me. It may have been a bad judgment on my part; I don't know. I may be mulling that over for the rest of my life."

In an interview published on *Wine Spectator's* 20th anniversary (Shanken elected to drop the *The*), the new owner lists some of the im-

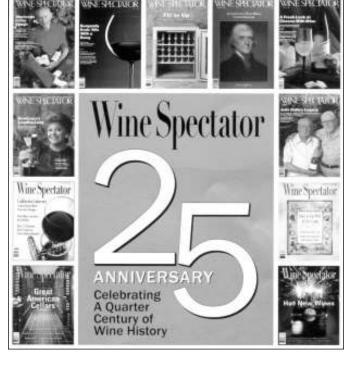
provements he would set out to make to the paper. "It focused almost exclusively on California wines, for example, and I wanted to cover the whole wine world." The paper did already have a couple of European correspondents, including master of wine Christopher Stephens, but overall, the charge was a fair one. "I didn't have a hell of a choice," explains Morrisey. He wasn't paying for material, and California was where his hungry-for-a-byline writers congregated. ("I did do a big story on Spain when I went to Spain," he admits, "and once I went on a cruise where they had three thousand bottles of wine — all foreign.")

Further, *The Wine Spectator* was first and foremost a newspaper and California was where the wine news was happening. "Cal-

ifornia wines were the ones that were taking off in the '70s," says Morrisey, noting the legendary California triumph at the 1976 Paris tasting. "The wine revolution was California wines."

But Shanken wasn't thinking only about news; he was thinking comment. Though Morrisey had been running editorials from the beginning (he fired a blast at the BATF in his very first issue), Shanken stated in the interview, "I thought Wine Spectator should be more authoritative and more opinionated." According to a brief history printed in the magazine's 25th anniversary issue, there were to be "no more interminable lists of medal-winning wines from obscure competitions." Wine Spectator would not merely report on what wine won what; instead, it would pick its own winners. In 1980, the paper adopted the point-scoring system that Morrisey had eschewed because of the public's unfamiliarity with the concept. By 1983, the now-familiar terms "Spectator Selection" and "Best Buy" were in place.

In the beginning, Morrisey had depended on the support of the industry for survival. The retailers generated revenue by paying for placement in the paper's "business directory"; they also provided a distribution point. The winer-



ies served as story material. Both placed ads. Industry insiders like Leon Adams talked the paper up; Jim Concannon of Concannon winery wrote one of the first letters to the editor, saying, "The Wine Spectator looks like a winner!" Morrisey was careful not to play favorites, and he was willing to squawk when the industry offended, but the 25th-anniversary official history pointedly states that under Shanken, "The magazine gave its primary loyalty to wine consumers, pushing for better wines at better prices, encouraging the development of the emerging wine culture."

In the end, that may have been the biggest change of all: Wine Spectator became not simply a news outlet but a voice for "wine culture" — a lifestyle magazine. It began profiling chefs as well as winemakers, reviewing restaurants and restaurant wine lists, offering traveler's guides to hotels, resorts, and wine regions around the world.

Morrisey was not surprised by the transformation. "Marvin, when he took it over, visualized it looking like W. That's what he wanted it to look like, and he did it. Boy, did he do it! I think that's wonderful; I'm very proud of that paper."

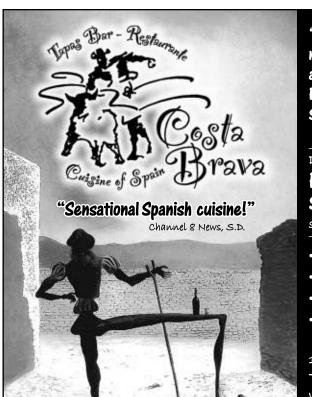


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BUBBY'S GELATO 937 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet), but does them exceedingly well. The "gourmet sandwiches" really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediterranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled eggplant, gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that's your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Häagen-Dazs, and feature an ever-changing array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewater and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. N.W. (10/01)

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KEALANI'S 137 West D Street, Encinitas, 760-94-ALOHA, Tucked between a 7-Eleven and a pizzeria, with an exterior sign that says "Saimin" (for Hawaii's version of Top Ramen), this island of the Islands prescribes "Living Da Aloha Spirit." A ukulele player sometimes serenades the noonday crowd at the sidewalk tables, and at any hour the food is "plate lunch" — two scoops of short-grain rice, mild housemade macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the out-standing kalua pig, zesty, smoky shreds of *imu*-style roast pork, resembling a moister version of Southern "pulled pork." The menu covers the whole panoply of island standards, from malasadas (Portuguese donuts) to musubi (Spam sushi), with a Saturday musual (Spain sushi), with a Saturday special of a luau's worth of "local food." While you're waiting, check out the droll Hawaiian vocabulary lessons under the glass tops of the tables. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive.

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What the Chef Eats

SASSAFRAS CHICKEN

BY ANDRE BELLARD

Executive Chef, Sassafras, Mission Hills

One of my favorite chicken dishes originates in the bayou of Lafayette, Louisiana. It all began in a little family-owned butcher shop. The owner, a good friend of my father, prepared several variations of deboned stuffed chicken. He once offered to teach me his technique for \$10,000, but I had been cooking for many years and felt I could figure it out myself. Then — voilà! — Jacques Pepin was on PBS demonstrating different deboning techniques.

I then had to decide on a stuffing. I love shrimp jambalaya, so, I thought, why not? You can use anything, but I like this combination of flavors. After preparing it at home several times, I fell in love with the dish. Now it is the signature item on my menu.

HOW TO DO IT Sauté onion until translucent. Add peppers, celery, tomato, all seasonings, and broth. Bring to a boil and add rice and shrimp. Cover

and simmer until all liquid is absorbed, about 17 minutes. Set aside to

To debone the chicken, place the bird breast side down and make an incision along the backbone. Pull the skin away from the carcass, so a knife can cut along the bones, and carefully follow the curvature of the breast. Take your time, as this takes practice. Pull the skin away as you go down. When you reach the wishbone, located near the



neck, remove it. This makes it easier to remove the flesh without tearing the meat. Now, hold the meat down with one hand, grab the bones with the other, and pull apart; the whole body should come apart. At this point, only the leg bones and wings should be attached. Cut the meat at the top of the leg and scrape in a

lemon-butter sauce are the staples of this French provincial restaurant. Dinners are à la carte. Charming room and sensitive wine list. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Reservations for weekend dinners advised. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

ROXY NATURAL FOODS RESTAU-**RANT** 517 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-5001. You don't

have to be a Self Realization Fellowship follower to fit in in Encinitas, but it helps. Roxy was made for the veggie crowd who've grown up around the fa-mous seaside compound. These days, that includes surfers, vegans, and even visiting Hollywood stars picky about their food. Actually, it is no longer strictly a vegetarian eatery: the owners have added chicken and fish for Encini-

tas's "new people" — the carnivores buying up property in the hills. But the vegan-veggie spirit still rules. Most popular item on the menu is owner Shahram Naimi's own invention: the scrumptious Roxy falafelburger. Its green "meat" is made from garbanzo beans, potatoes, onions, cilantro, and herbs, all bedded down with tomatoes a thick mat of sprouts, and melted

cheese, covered by a whole-wheat bun For chicken-lovers, the garlic chicken pizzas sell big-time. Other healthy treats include the three-egg avocado omelet with toast, the artichoke sandwich (with marinated artichoke hearts), and the squash enchilada din-ner (steamed banana squash with corn, bell peppers, and low-fat cream cheese in a flower tortilla). Payoff? You come





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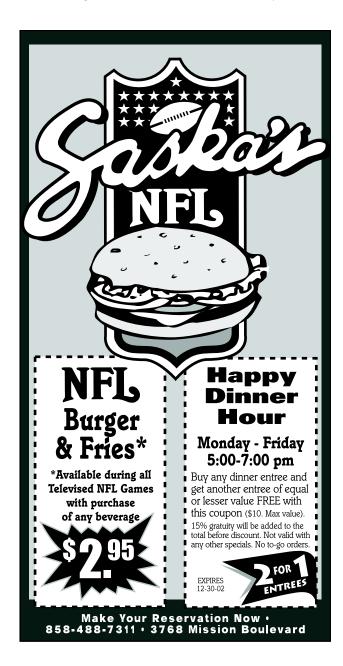
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downward stroke until all the meat is at the foot. Using a big, strong-bladed knife, crack the leg bone; the whole bone should come out. Do the same to the other side. Cut the wingtips at the second joint and remove by the same procedure. Liberally season the inside of the boneless chicken with Cajun seasoning or salt and pepper.

Add one egg to the

cooled rice and shrimp mixture and combine well. Stuff 1-1/2 cups of the jambalaya mix down the middle of the chicken and truss with butchers' twine, from back to front, keeping the loops 1 inch apart. Roast the chicken at 400 degrees for about 40 minutes, or until internal temperature is 165 degrees. For sauce, you can deglaze the pan with

the liquid with cornstarch mixed with a little water.

Serve Sassafras Chicken with roasted veggies, mashed potatoes, or whatever you like. This recipe feeds two people or one Cajun.

INGREDIENTS:

1 cup chopped onions 1/2 cup chopped green pepper 1/2 cup chopped celery 1/2 cup chopped and seeded fresh tomato

2 tablespoons Cajun seasoning

2 tablespoons minced garlic 1 teaspoon thyme

2 cups chicken stock or can

1 lb shrimp, peeled and

1 whole chicken (1 to 2 lbs),

cleaned, innards reserved for another use

Salt and pepper to taste, more

Cajun seasoning if desired

1 egg

out feeling good and full, not bad and bloated. Open daily, brunch through dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

ST. GERMAIN'S CAFE 1010 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-5411. Despite the Parisian name, the food here is all-American. Omelets are the café's best-known dish — 14 variations of three-eggers (or Eggbeaters by request) served with toast or a muffin, plus tasty herb-strewn "café potatoes" or fresh fruit salad. But don't overlook the Belgian waffles, scrambles, pancakes, Louisiana sausages, or the three versions of expertly poached eggs Benedict with gen-uine hollandaise. Sandwiches run to hearty American classics (including some veg choices), and along with beef burgers, turkey burgers, and veggie burgers, there are no fewer than six twists on lean charbroiled chicken breast on a burger bun. The sheltered patio is always crowded, but there's a

large interior dining room with a separate smoothies-and-ice-cream bar. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

white wine and thicken

ST. TROPEZ 947 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103D, Encinitas, 760-633-0084. If you love continental breakfast, this bright café with indoor-outdoor seating offers scores of house-baked pastries (among them the rare, elusive brioche) and four styles of coffee, including an excellent French roast. Parisian-style brunch/lunch choices embrace croque monsieur and croque madame (grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, topped with either light cream sauce or an egg), crepes, quiche, onion soup gratinée, or a chicken-filled volau-vent puff-pastry shell. Omelets are rather weighty. Some of the sandwiches offer Mediterranean flavors — try a pan bagnat (salade nicoise on a baguette) or one of the grilled panini. Desserts range

from cookies on up to elaborate cakes. Open daily, breakfast to very early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

WHEN IN ROME 1108 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-1771. This elegant restaurant offers three dining areas and a menu with outstanding appetizers and pasta dishes. There are many unusual preparations. Gorgeous presentation; warm, friendly service. A winner. Dressy-casual crowd. Open for dinner nightly. Expensive. — *E.W.*

NORTH INLAND

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potato salad, made-on-the-premises spaetzle, and strudel major pluses. Call for directions. Closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

BOLSA VIETNAMESE CUISINE RESTAURANT 9225 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Suite 118, Mira Mesa, 858-693-3663. Try this fine Vietnamese café with an enormous menu. Especially jolly weekends. Open daily for three meals with continuous service, same menu. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

CHIEU-ANH VIETNAMESE CUI-SINE 16769 Bernardo Center Drive, Suite 10, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-1231. Gourmet Vietnamese food is available here from a lengthy menu, including many items showing French influence. Good bets are chicken crepe, fresh fish with lemon grass, tangy-and-sour soup, egg rolls, and filet mignon beef. Chiêu-Anh enhances the selection of fine dining rooms in Rancho Bernardo, Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive. -E.W.

EL GALEON 503 West Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffeeshop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter, and a salad bar. Shrimp and *langostino* ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are welltreated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory albóndigas soup(lime it up, too.) Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inex-pensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (5/01)

EL TAQUITO MARISCOS 500 North Escondido Boulevard (Felix Plaza, next to Pool King), Escondido, 760-739-8204. Also 503 North Grande Escondido Avenue (Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-735-5819. At this sparkling, airy taqueria, a semi-open kitchen wafts out the alluring aroma of fresh corn tortillas. You can get breakfast right through lunch hour, fill up on huge combo plates, or create your own assortment of Baja-style mini-tacos (of asado, cabeza, pastor, carnitas, etc.) for pennies. The refried beans are as good as they get. But seafood is the focus, occupying a whole menu page offering gargantuan cocktails, soups, salads, antojitos, and hot and cold platters fea-turing shrimp, langostinos, tilapia, snapper, crab, etc. They're beautifully seasoned, if a tad overcooked. Try the lively levanta muerta ("raise the dead") seafood soup and rise again. Open daily, breakfast until late. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (5/01) to moderate

 $\textbf{GOLDEN}\,\textbf{EGG}\,\textbf{OMELET}\,\textbf{HOUSE}\,316$ West Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-489-6420. This morning treasure house is large but Swiss-style cute, its brick walls festooned with knicknacks (for sale), and silent wind chimes hang ing from every wooden rafter. This is the place on Sunday mornings, when three generations bond over great, generous breakfasts. Omelets are perfect -

light, thin crepe-like eggs wrapped around tall mounds of elaborate fillings. Thick waffles can be topped with fresh seasonal fruit. And then there are eggs, hash, crepes, huge burgers and sandwiches, and a dozen-odd potato casseroles. Whatever you choose will carry you deliciously through until dinner. No reservations, so expect a wait on weekends. Open daily, breakfastlunch (until 2 p.m.). Moderate. -N.W. (5/01)

LUNGREN BROTHER'S PIZZA AND KARAOKE 29,000 Lilac Road, Valley Center Road, Escondido, 760-749-2346. It's all so cozy here that you don't care that this restaurant was once the cooler room of a turkey farm. The combo of spaghetti with eggplant parmigiana (around \$6) is excellent, generous, and includes garlic bread and soup or salad. Wash it down with the house's gutsy red wine. Other specialties include meatball sandwiches, lasagna with spaghetti, and mini pizzas. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

GOLD COAST

BESTA WAN PIZZA HOUSE 148 Aberdeen Drive, Cardiff-By-The-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/01)

J. TAYLOR'S 1540 Camino del Mar, L'Auberge Del Mar Hotel, Del Mar, 858-259-1515. Excellent value, good service, relaxing atmosphere. "Small plates" dinner offers well-prepared bar-gain-priced five-course meal at moderate cost. Otherwise expensive. - E.W. (6/00)

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LA JOLLA

COME ON IN! 1030 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-551-1063, Delightful 30-seat restaurant in mini-mall serves excellent Euro-bistro food. Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The dinners are best bets with first-rate soups, pasta dishes, fresh fish. Try the daily fresh fish or gnocchi in Bolognese sauce. Or select nightly soup plus salad. Open all day Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.W. (1/00)

CUVEE 5656 La Jolla Boulevard (at Bird Rock Avenue), La Jolla, 858-551-4090. Also at 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 858-259-5878. Seasonal but rather underseasoned California-Mediterranean cuisine designed to accompany an in-teresting wine list priced at low retail plus \$8 "corkage" per bottle; same corkage for BYO. Menu suggests apt wine pairings for each dish. Dining rooms are pleasant but quite noisy. Reservations are urged; a few tables on heated garden patio are available to drop-ins. Small parking lot in alley behind restaurant. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Moderate. - N.W. (2/02)

DONOVAN'S STEAK AND CHOP **HOUSE** 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, Golden Triangle, 858-450-6666. At this excellent traditional steakhouse, the menu includes a variety of appetizers, among them a cocktail of giant shrimp with a spicy, tomatoey sauce and a large, lightly sautéed crab cake with house-made tartar sauce. The wet-aged prime beefsteaks are seasoned with sea salt and pepper and cooked on a gas grill precisely to your order. Bleu cheese, béarnaise and peppercorn sauces are available at extra charge. Non-beef entrées include fish, seafood, veal chop, pork chop, or a delicate Australian rack of lamb. Unlike many steakhouses where your money buys only the meat, entrées are served with vegetables and potato. Additional à la carte sides include creamed spinach and sautéed mushrooms. Among the house-made desserts the highlights are a light, creamy cheesecake with fresh strawberry sauce and a traditional creme brûlée. The service is attentive, friendly, and knowledgeable, in a masculine setting with dark wood-paneling, dim lighting, and only a moderate noise level. Cigar room off the bar. Open Mondays through Saturdays. Very expensive. — N.W. (9/02)

HARRY'S COFFEE SHOP 7545 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-7381. This landmark coffee shop is noted for its breakfasts, served from opening to closing. The buttermilk pancakes, varieties of waffles made from scratch, and egg combinations are all generous and well prepared. One of the few places where you can still get hot oatmeal or cream

of wheat. Harry's also serves freshly squeezed orange juice and entire carafes of freshly ground Kona coffee, as well as specialty coffee drinks. Open daily, breakfast and lunch, from 5:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Inexpensive. -

OCEAN KITCHEN 5525 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-459-3993, The dishes at this Mandarin and Cantonese restaurant contain no MSG, nor are there starches in the sauces. Very lively cooking with many unique recipes. The dinner menu is available from opening to closing. This remains one of our best natural Chinese food restaurants. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — $\hat{E.W.}$

PIATTI RISTORANTE 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. This country-style Italian restaurant serves admirable Italian dishes with light sauces and moderate prices. Not-to-be-missed items are the daily soups, rotisserie chicken and garlic mashed potatoes, vegetarian lasagne with zucchini, and ravioli with lemon sauce. Saturday and Sunday à la carte brunch offers 11 items, including pizza. Patio dining for all meals. Superb service. Arrive early for more leisurely dining. Very crowded weekends. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

ROPPONGI 875 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-551-5252. In terms of atmosphere and food preparation, one of the best restaurants in La Jolla. The Euro-Asian fusion menu offers a vast choice of 20 appetizers, or *tapas*, including several sushi rolls. Don't overlook the Thai coconut soup, Atlantic salmon, and duck confit at dinner, or the *niçoise* salad at lunch. Beautiful interior; lovely heated patio; excellent service. Be sure to reserve, especially for dinner, to avoid a very long wait. Open daily. Moderate (tapas) to expensive. *E.W.* (12/99)

SHABU SHABU JIN SANG 7614 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-4545. *Shabu* shabu is a style of Japanese cuisine in which the ingredients are cooked in boiling water and then dipped into sauces. The liquid becomes a soup, which you drink last. This gorgeous restaurant offers an excellent selection of shabu shabu entrées, electric cookers, patient servers, and an exotic appetizer list. Food is low calorie, low fat. Portions small, but aesthetic. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — $\vec{E.W.}$

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

HSU'S SZECHUAN CUISINE Hazard Village, 9350 F-G Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa, Kearny 858-279-9799. This restaurant is noted for its hot and spicy Szechuan dishes as well as for its Mandarin specialties. For Mongolian barbecue, you have a choice of beef, pork, lamb, or turkey with stir-fried vegetables (barbecue is not available Sunday morning). Extensive menu with many unusual dishes. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

IKEA RESTAURANT & CAFE 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley, 619-283-6166, ext.1200. Central shrine for San Diego's 10,000 Swedes, so they say. They come to taste open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, and meatballs again. This restaurant inside Sweden's wildly successful "home interi-ors" chain is a great intro to Swedish tastes. The food's more sensible than exciting, of course. But healthy — beef and pork for the meatballs are guaranteed hormone-free. You eat the meat-balls with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Fish is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon), are always on. And if you want to be dis-gustingly healthy, chew on their fresh vegetable plate (raw carrot sticks, cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms). All for a song. The only health hazard: hordes of babies and kids romping in the restaurant's mother-friendly play area. Inexpensive. - E.B. (5/02)

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TOFU HOUSE 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 619-576-6433. Also at 3805 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-4406. This stylish little pair of eateries is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes. Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the *soontofu* soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom), with raw egg drop you drop yourself, and a side of tasty fresh kimchee. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food — Tofu House serves vivid ethnic food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — M.N. (2/99)

TROPICAL STAR 6163 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Very modest surroundings: good authentic inexpensive food. Same menu all day Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. E.W. (8/99)

THE BEACHES

THE AUSTRALIAN PUB 1014 Grand A great place to take your kids after a morning at the beach. This relaxing pub, owned by a true-blue Aussie, offers heaps of good Aussie food. Try the Road Kill (grilled chicken breast with pico de gallo sauce and cheese "run over" between 2 pieces of sourdough) or the Aussie Burger (1/2-pound patty, with a fried egg, cheese, bacon, grilled onions, beets, pineapple, and a side of steak fries). And for an "outback experience," order up Vegemite (a beefy kinda paste) and four slices of bread it's the Aussie national food, mate. Open Mondays through Thursdays, lunch and dinner until midnight; weekends breakfast through dinner until 1 a.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

COSTA BRAVA 1653 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-1218, Cordial owner-host Javier Gonzalez opened this charming restaurant so that local Spaniards would have a place to gather with an authentic atmosphere of home, and indeed, the "Euro" atmosphere and late hours give a truly Iberian feel. The lively garlic-rich dishes here include a wide array of tasty tapas and, among the entrées, a paella that's made to order (sized to serve two or four; call ahead for larger groups). Patio seating in good weather. Parking lot and wheelchair access via the alley behind the restaurant. Open daily 11 a.m. to midnight, with bargain prices at Sunday brunch. Reservations advised for weekend evenings. Moderate. N.W. (2/02)

THE FISHERY 5040 Cass Street, Pacific Beach, 858-272-9985. Half fish market, half casual fish menu, it offers fine fish and chips, salads, and fish sandwiches. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

FRENCH GOURMET 960 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-1725. This pleasant, airy dining room serves French food with California influences. It's light, good-tasting, and easy on your purse. Breakfast items and lunch are served simultaneously. Ravishing desserts and bakery at one end of the restaurant. Open daily. Moderate. — GRINGO'S 4474 Mission Boulevard

(at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-490-2877. With better cooking than you'd guess from its name, this ambitious spin-off of the local Moon-doggies chain serves the sort of Mexican cuisine you might find at a seaside resort in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta — skillfully prepared with good, fresh ingredients, just a bit dumbed-down in the flavors. The chile verde, say, is beautifully seasoned if barely *picante*, and the luscious camarones borrachos are big white shrimp cooked just till done and not a moment more. Given the surefire location at the hub of PB partytown, the food is actually better than it needs to be. A vast list of tequilas, in-

Open daily, Moderate, - N.W. (6/02) IARED'S 880 East Harbor Island Drive. Harbor Island, 619-291-1028. The house specialty is steak, offered in a room directly on the harbor. Presenta-tion, in the manner, of Morton's, is to show you the entrées raw. Price of en-trée includes nothing else; vegetables, potatoes à la carte. Excellent appetizers, especially five-onion tart. First-rate bread and bread pudding. Dinner only,

teresting margaritas, and a sensible

wine list emphasizing affordable, food-friendly Chilean bottlings add to the

draw for a lively young crowd that revs the decibels to a roar on weekends.

Tuesday through Sunday; closed Monday. Expensive. — *E.W.* KARINYA THAI RESTAURANT 4475 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. The impressive menu boasts 80 items, of which 21 are appetizers. There's also a room with floor seating. Best bets here are firecracker shrimp, spicy fish cakes, stuffed chicken wings, and any item from the list of house specialties. Stunning presentation and excellent preparation. On weekends arrive early to avoid waiting

for tables. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.SASKA'S 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311, Venerable, local steak-and-seafood joint that tries harder, from the broth-thin homemade teriyaki sauce (sweet up front, fading to bitter ginger) for the well-cooked (if mild-flavored) fish to the cut-on-the-premises aged beef. The interior's low wood-slat ceilings, driftwood beams, dim light, and red-leather booths combine with the stay-up-late kitchen to make the space feel like a cozy haven, a respite from the brighter buzz of Mission Beach. The wine list runs the gamut from Cook's sparkling wine to Cristal champagne, stopping along the way at an interesting (if expensive) collection of reserves. Next door is the restaurant's serviceable sushi bar (858-488-7255) and twostory patio dining. Open seven days; lunch weekdays, brunch and lunch weekends; dinner until 1 a.m. weeknights, 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Sushi bar open nightly, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Moderate. — A.M. (8/02)

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ANTIQUE ROW CAFE 3002 Adams Avenue (at 30th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-9750, Antique-land's favorite eatery is a serious exhibit in its own right, especially if you're into sports memorabilia. Look for signed photos of Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio (all googly-eyed with Marilyn) on the walls. The word for the food: generous. All-day breakfast dishes include "The Works" omelet, stuffed with bacon, sausage, ham, bell peppers, onions, tomatoes, and cheese bulging over a big oval plate along with skins-on breakfast potatoes. "Philly Steak Heaven" (you choose: steak, ham, or turkey) is one of the more popular lunchtime dishes. Night choice: baked stuffed salmon. Three meals weekdays, breakfast and lunch weedends, Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

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PEKIN RESTAURANT 2877 University Avenue (near 30th Street), North Park, 619-295-2610. This old-time Chinese eatery was founded in 1931 by an immigrant from Canton; his grand-children now run it and it's hardly changed in 70 years. You'll find red-tasseled hanging lanterns with translucent pictures of songbirds, mother-ofpearl wall decorations, and big cushioned booths. The food is Gold Rush-era Cantonese-American: chop suey, chow mein, barbecued pork, bean cake with shrimp and rice — all for a song. Lunch and dinner weekdays, dinner Saturdays. Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

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RESTAURANT AFRIQUE Oak Plaza Mall, 4990 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-283-3838. The previous tenants' Chinese decor remains, but the atmosphere here is full-on Somali. Evenings, it's an unofficial club for the often-robed Somali men of the neighborhood. Dominoes and card games make it nicely rowdy. The food is mainly Somali, with some Ethiopian and Sudanese dishes. Try muufo (Somali bread) with marinated goat meat or chopped steak, or spiced rice with goat. Sudanese fuul (fava beans in tomato sauce) with regular or pita bread makes for lighter eating. Bananas come with each meal. There are right and wrong ways to eat — ask the owner, Abdiaziz, to show you. Many dishes come with pasta, a leftover from the Italian colonial period in Somalia.

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SHAM ROCKS SHACK BAR & **GRILL** 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (at 70th Street), La Mesa, 619-463-2263. It has the feel of a pub: nice solid-wood furniture, pool tables, dart boards, big open kitchen in back. Most of all, peo-ple know each other. As for the food yes, there's a little bit of Ireland, like the corned beef condition it's all-American pre-health-craze cholesterol city. Denver egg omelets with home fries, Philly cheese steaks, spaghetti and garlic bread, hamburgers, jalepeño poppers, steak and eggs, and of course fish and chips. Presentation's old-fashioned, too: heavy white dinner china plates and sturdy cutlery, as long as you agree to "please don't steal the forks." But Irish? Well, think James Joyce on a surfboard. Food from noon to 8 p.m., Sunday special brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kitchen is closed on Mondays; the bar is open. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

TOSHI SUSHI 5943 El Cajon Boule vard, College Area, 619-287-3536. Don't ask what's in the "dynamite" sauce (besides the obvious mayo and smelt roe) - it's a house secret, one the restaurant dangles before you in numerous contexts. Try it baked onto the rich, everything-goes Garbage Roll, where deep-fried shrimp, freshwater eel, and tuna add flavor to the creamycrunchy interplay of sauce and vegeta-bles. Rolls, both plain and elaborate, abound here. While some can be heavy on the rice and light on the fish, others are triumphs. The Toshi Tempura Special Roll takes battered whitefish and wraps it around the seaweed casing, which is then filled with just-cooked whitefish and a host of garnishes — an exotic-yet-homey fried-fish alternative. The Johnny Roll shows octopus at its st tender, but watch out for spotlight-hogging sweet cream cheese. The simpler sushi can vary — a brilliant, translucent slice of tuna offset by a blander, duller salmon. Japanese entrées are also available. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

VILLAGE GARDEN RESTAURANT AND BAKERY 8384 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-462-9100. The Garden is part of what makes La Mesa Vil-lage great. Its vine-covered garden patio is wonderful on warm evenings. The decor inside is kind of grandma-ish, lots of green and white, with flowershaped lamps sprouting out of over-head fans and brass rails with momsy curtains between the booths. It's bright and cheery. And so are the prices. This is traditional fare: creamed chipped beef on toast, sandwiches, a dozen difbeer on toast, sandwiches, a dozen dir-ferent omelets, salads, and eight "sig-nature" "big game" burgers. Maybe the best thing is their bread. Big, tender, and baked right there. Two must-haves: the Country Boy Sampler (a mix of Virginia baked ham, chicken, and dumplings), and a take-home loaf of their apple-nut bread. One sniff and you're gone. Evenings, catch the early bird special. Great deal on the threecourse meal plus drink. Open break-fast through early dinner Thursday through Sunday, breakfast and lunch Monday to Wednesday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

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PAIPA'S OASIS Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa, 619-445-6002. Forget gambling — gambol through the slots till you pass under two huge elephant tusks. The "Joe and the Volcano"-style place with a fountain tower gurgling in the center is Paipa's. Pay the woman. Now decide: a lot of a little, or a little of a lot. The huge salad bar is surrounded by a groaning U-shaped table laden with everything from peel 'n' eat shrimp to baked cod to Certified Black Angus prime rib. Keep coming back. Save them from throwing away this stuff. End with, say, strawberry cheesecake and coffee. Unlike the other suckers, you've gotten a return on your money, Moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

PEARLS OF THE SEA Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa, 619-445-6002. In a quiet refuge from the bustle of the casino, you'll find refined Hong Kong versions of Chinese classics, skillfully prepared in the light Cantonese style. The menu ranges from low-priced noodle bowls (including a dynamite Cantonese take on Filipino pansit) up to live Maine lobster and excellent Peking duck served with beau-tiful little Mandarin buns. The rear of the restaurant boasts live tanks, and if you love good seafood, do step back to choose your fish, which can be sensitively steamed, pan-fried, or deepfried — your option. (By the way, a whole fish to feed a tableful runs less than a skimpy fillet at any fancy restaurant.) Since most gamblers want to gobble and run, tell the server immediately if you want your meal served in leisurely courses (as the food deserves). No alcohol. Reserve for weekends or large groups. Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays; dinner until midnight all other weekdays; lunch and dinner from noon Saturday and Sunday; open until 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive, with a few large dishes and specialties at moderate prices. - N.W. (6/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

THE ABBEY CAFE 127 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-692-0311. Based on the chi-chi West Hollywood origi nal. Look for the wooden cross tied to the giant cactus. By all means go during the day and sit out on the patio. But the must-visit time is after sunset, when they light the patio wall with thousands of candles (okay, 250 of them). Inside the 1910 house you eat in dark-wood rooms with (working) fireplace, church pews, metal chalices, black iron sconces, and stone cherubim. Pick from the all-day breakfasts (try the chicken breast, eggs, and fruit dish) or sandwiches if you're feeling cheap

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BERTRAND AT MISTER A'S 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel Street), 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377. Bertrand Hug's airy, open renovation of this formerly "ancient regime" eatery offers a fabled panoramic city view with a casual-chic, highly romantic ambience. Chef Fabrice Poigin's modern French cuisine is a fine fit for the setting, including bistro classics and fresh inventions, emphasizing top-grade sea-

sonal ingredients. A huge, intelligent wine list covers a full range of prices, ages and origins, including "ripe" first-growth Bordeaux. Smoking and fair-weather dining on wraparound terrace/observation deck. Note: parking entrance on Fourth Avenue; wheelchair access via ramp to left of reception desk. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Expensive, but not bank-breaking. — N.W. (12/01)

CALIFORNIA CUISINE 1027 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-543-0790. This Hillcrest restaurant has been around forever and has a

durable reputation and an established clientele. Perhaps the flawless waitstaff working their sleek, calm dining room is the reason why. The menu is sensi-ble, but the preparations uneven. The appetizers are interesting, but don't live up to their promise. It is California Cuisine's classic entrées that endure despite their menu's excessive range. I recommend the New York steak or lamb loin, accompanied by one of their clever salads. If you appreciate life's finer things, California Cuisine is a place for a good meal. Moderate to expensive. — *M.N.* (5/99) CHEZ ODETTE 3614 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-299-1000. The nearest thing to a drop-in French bistro in town, even if Odette (yes, she's real) comes from Belgium. Her place is small, slick, and smells of fresh French bread. She and her husband are usually slaving away in the kitchen preparing for the constant banquets they seem to cater. She has cooked for Julie Andrews, Governor Jerry Brown, and Linda Ronstadt. For you, she'll cook great breakfast omelets (the *Provençal*, with peppers, mushrooms, tomatoes, and onions, or the

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RESTAURANTS

smoked salmon are two good ones). They come with sautéed potatoes with the perfect tang of garlic. Lunchtime, the salade niçoise (with tuna, anchovies, olives, and potatoes on lettuce) is the real thing, and so is the quiche Lor-raine. But be like the French: have your main meal in the middle of the day. Weekdays, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

EXTRAORDINARY DESSERTS 2929 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001.
The desserts here do live up to the name, whether you gobble them on the spot on the patio of this charming café or buy them to take home. Owner Karen Krasne's pastries are created with strict French techniques with flavors inspired by the global reach of her travels, from the rice fields of Bali to the souks of Morocco. The white cakes are true food for angels — ethereal and not excessively sweet, vibrant with flavors of fresh ripe fruits — and some of the chocolate cakes (e.g., the "Caribe") follow suit, while others are rich and dense. Not your piece of cake? There are also tarts, cookies, chocolates, ice cream dishes, puddings, breakfast pas-tries, and fine teas and coffees, along with Krasne's own lines of honeys, jams, chutneys, syrups, and popcorn — plus a truly lovely assortment of inter national craft objects. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend brunch until late, closing at 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and at midnight on week-ends. — N.W. (5/02)

THE GATHERING 902 West Washington Street (at Goldfinch Street), Mission Hills, 619-260-0400. Be prepared for surprises: the owner-bar-tender is a professional magician who occasionally enjoys entertaining his diners and hosts shows with aspiring amateurs during Happy Hours Thurs day through Sunday. This neighborhood favorite is comfortable with a *Cheers* atmosphere at the bar. Live jazz on Friday nights. Open daily, three meals, including Sunday brunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

HOB NOB HILL 2271 First Avenue (at Juniper Street), Banker's Hill, 619-239-8176. It opened in 1944 as a 14-stool lunch counter, but it's been under new management since the turn of the century. Now, you sweep in under the maroon canopy to shiny red booth seats, deep blue carpet, blond wood, paintings, and a half-wall of wine. You're thinking "business class," but don't be fooled. We're talking coffee-shop prices, especially with the all-day breakfasts and sandwiches, not to mention the burgers with a salad tossed in. It's across the street from a retirement condo complex and at dinner, savs the owner, "We cater to seniors. While there are à la carte choices, affordable three-course prix fixe dinners (with a regular entrée for each day of the week, Mom-style) are the order of the day — e.g., tasty barbecued pork on Saturdays, roast lamb or turkey Sundays. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

LAUREL RESTAURANT & BAR 505 Laurel Street (at Fifth Avenue), uptown, 619-239-2222. Chef Jason Sha effer is maintaining the flavors of Southern France that made Laurel's reputation as a sophisticated eatery, but he isn't simply carrying on - look for spritely innovations and frequent spe-cials that take advantage of seasonal foods. Also look for a duck confit that changes its environs — surrounded now by white beans, now by flageolets, or chard, or escarole. The restaurant is doing many things right: locally-grown vegetables are thoughtfully employed, the wine list is especially deep and broad in the Rhône department, and the chef is capable of intelligent inventiveness. Five-course prix fixe (appetizer, risotto, fish, meat, dessert, plus three glasses of house-selected wine) is available, and on Fridays, you can get lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Reservations recommended. Wheelchair elevator in back. Expensive to very expensive. — A.M. (9/02)

MIXX RESTAURANT 3671 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania), Hillcrest, 619-299-6499. A meal here resembles an informal dinner party at the home of a good, well-traveled cook. Fitly, the dining room resembles a bohemian liv ing room on steroids, with moody decor, rump-sprung Naugahyde ban-quettes, and witty paintings on the walls. The menu is an international hodgepodge of whatever chef-owner Deborah Helm fancies cooking: touristic Fisherman's Wharf crab-and-artichoke fondu in hollowed sourdough may cohabit with haute-Mex cremini mushroom quesadillas, "Indonesian" battered shrimp, or duck ragout with pasta sheets. Desserts (by Danielle Helm) carry through the "loving hands at home" theme - the most popular is a gooey peanut butter pie. A mainly California wine list is easy on both palate and wallet, with ample selections by the glass. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

PARALLEL 33 741 West Washington Street, Mission Hills, 619-260-0033 China, Pakistan, Algeria, Morocco, et cetera — the 33rd parallel. This new ethno-blend restaurant in Mission Hills is a hit for their shrewd, thoughtful creativity. It's not just "fusion food." Try the mango and ahi appetizer, one of the best I've ever eaten. Entrées like grilled salmon atop lobster tabbouleh or steak strips over mashed potato and caramelized onion show that chef Amiko Gubbins, of Café Japengo fame, knows what she's doing. — M.N. (10/99)

SAVOR 3687 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania Street), Hillcrest, 619-299-3663. This cute, converted cottage offers seasonal comfort food with a Mediterranean accent, including an excellent revisionist bouillabaisse (saucy rather than soupy). Seafoods are delivered fresh daily (except Sundays) and are well-treated by this kitchen. Meat dishes, if sometimes over-simple in preparation, arrive in huge portions. Weekend brunches on the front patio overlooking the street are wildly popular with the local crowd. Dining room has tight-packed tables and an open kitchen, and can be very noisy. Wheelchair lift to left of staircase. Open for lunch weekdays, brunch weekends, dinner nightly. Expensive. N.W. (2/02)

TRATTORIA POSITANO 142 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-6995. This younger sister to its namesake restaurant in Cardiff-bythe Sea is sure to be one of your favorite restaurants, not only for hearty but refined Italian food, but also for the warm atmosphere. Try sea bass, salmon, or any of the pasta dishes. A treat. Lunch and dinner daily. Upper moderate. –

DOWNTOWN

BAYOU BAR AND GRILL 329 Market Street (at Third Avenue), Gaslamp, 619-696-8747. Bayou has the most ex pansive (and expensive) Louisiana style menu in the Gaslamp. Their best dishes are terrific — for instance, their red beans and rice (the washday treat) is the area's sole authentic version. meaty and with a rich, deep heat. Eggplant dishes shine, too, as do seafood pastas and a huge pork chop with dressing. Alas, though, too many dishes are faux-Paul Prudhomme, with incoherent spicing and, at times, too much cayenne added too late in the cooking to cozy up to other flavors. Desserts are frankly, fabulously revisionist, including pecan pie and bread pudding half as heavy and twice and good as their Creole models. Reservations advisable. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (3/01)

BROADWAY PIZZA 1008 Broadway (at 10th Street), downtown, 619-232-6264. This restaurant, near the downtown Senior Center and City College, offers good, no-nonsense Italian-American food. And they're not skimpy: from a pizza slice to barbecue beef sandwiches, portions are generous and filling. The sausage link sub (Louisiana-style hot sausage link, marinara sauce, and melted cheese) is great grub, but if you like a full dinner, try the whole slab of beef ribs, with veggies, garlic bread and salad. But the main thing is while the rest of downtown snores, they're still open, from 10 a.m. to to 3 a.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

CANDELAS 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — Chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in "la nueva cocina Mexicana," a luxurious, inventive update of traditional Mexican fare, combining French techniques and Latin ingredients into a sophisticated new cuisine that you've never tasted before but will want to taste again. In a romantic Spanish-style dining room with extremely gracious service, you'll find a menu that emphasizes seafood, including jumbo prawns flamed with three tequilas, sea bass with *huitlacoche* ("corn fungus," but think of it as a mushroom), and a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster. Meat-lovers will also enjoy several dishes, including a thick veal chop with a rosemary-spiked update of traditional *mole* sauce. Reservations advised, slightly dressy. Expensive. – N.W. (11/00)

DIM SUM KINGDOM 730 Broadway (at Seventh Avenue), downtown 619-239-1782. This "99-cent joint" is a great place to start the day if you're low on cash and crave some Chinese-American food. Breakfasts range from shrimp egg soufflé with rice to pork chops with three eggs, rice, and toast. One of the best deals has to be the breakfast steak, two eggs, home fries, and toast. And the steak is bi-ig. Lunch and early dinners feature the usual buck-an-entrée Chinese fast-food choices. Three meals to 7 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

DOBSON'S 956 Broadway Circle, downtown, 619-231-6771. This reputable downtown restaurant offers class and comfort, geared for people who enjoy eating well. The food is good, of-ten very good, as with chicken liver mousse pâté, Mediterranean blue mussels, culotte steak, and, when available, the crude but virtuous soft-shell crab. Their sweets, such as brownies and bananas Foster strudel, are hefty, louche, and cheap. Bring a date to the upstairs dining room. Dobson's is suave, its confidence infectious. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (10/98)

GEN LAI SEN HAKKA SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 1065 12th Avenue (at C Street), downtown, 619-239-5478 or Gile-239-5479. Across the street from City College, you'll encounter a split personality. The good twin provides superb Hakka dishes, a style developed by a nomadic people originally from northwest China, now residents of mainly the south China coast. The bad twin dishes out gluey cornstarch-ridden stir-fries for starving students. But it's easy to tell which twin is which: The "chef recommend sizzle plates," the hot pots that taste like home cooking (best ordered by four or more), the greaseless fried rice, the noodles (especially "house special rice noodles"), and the whole steamed fish-of-the-day are palpable hits. And if you really want to know what the fuss about Hakka is all about, try the sizzle plate stuffed tofu these deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in each tender center resemble meat-flavored roasted marshmallows, and may just change your mind about bean curd. Open brunch through dinner daily. Pleasant service, very casual, mainly inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

HARBOR HOUSE 831 W. Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-1141. The two-level building and the view of the harbor are major attractions. Fish and seafood predominate, but chicken, pasta, and steak are also available. The dining room seats 250, so don't expect intimacy. Preparations are wholesome but not original. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

LA CASITA 1247 C Street (at 13th Street), downtown, 619-531-0044. Don't be fooled by the li'l old blue-andwhite clapboard house at the bottom of City College's hill. Princes and politicians come to this full-service restaurant to hammer out deals, mix with the Latino (or Anglo) community, and eat some of the best chorizo con huevos (spicy pork sausage with eggs) in town. Fair-weather eaters flock to the spacious garden patio to chow down among the songbirds. In the cozy Mexican-style interior, the pictures on the walls tell you who-all comes here for the good tacos and enchiladas or the delicious pork burritos. Most delicious of all is watching Anglo City-Hallers trying valiantly to learn to love the house-made *menudo* (tripe soup). Delivery anywhere downtown. Open weekdays, breakfast through early dinner; Saturday breakfast and lunch. — *E.B.* (11/00)

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new restaurant at the top of Horton Plaza is staffed by professionals and the food is very, very good. I suggest the calamari plate, and the rotisserie-roasted chicken or pork are both moist and delicious. Their monkfish is a deeply satisfying Southern delight. Try the airy, sweet goat cheese cheesecake for dessert. There is an elegant home-yness to Napa Valley Grille, a comforting, satisfying dining experience. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (3/00)

OSTERIA PANEVINO 722 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-595-7959. At this Tuscany-style Italian restaurant, the appetizers and pastas are as close to heaven as you can get, particularly the spinach ravioli and potato gnocchi in a four-cheese sauce. The stuffed focaccias are simply incredible, and the pizzas are well-nigh perfect. The exposed brick walls enhance the European feeling. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive, wines rather high. -

SIXTH AVENUE BISTRO 1165 Sixth Avenue (at B Street), downtown, 619-239-4194. This charming, airy café offers some very credible New Orleansstyle cooking at affordable prices. Among the sandwiches are an outstanding oyster po' boy (with big juicy oysters and good light batter) and a fine, fully-packed approximation of a muffaletta, albeit with a kaiser roll standing in for Central Grocery's big, round Italian bread. The mix-it-yourself jambalaya is tasty, too, even if kiel-basa proves a lame substitute for *chau*rice or andouille. Wine and beer. No reservations, breakfast to early dinner (closes 8 p.m.). Inexpensive. -N.W. (3/01)

VIDA CART Corner of Fifth Avenue and Island Avenue, downtown. (No phone.) This is the kind of street scene you would find in New York or San Francisco. Daniela, an artist from Bulgaria, started this evening-to-late-night food cart right under the historic Chinese Callan hotel. The idea was: extra cash between paintings. It has evolved into a late-night meeting spot for artists, students, chefs, and new down-towners looking for street-life. Friends and strangers sit around until 2 or 3 in the morning arguing about art, politics, and life in a town that's not used to staying up. Her staples are coffee, so-das, jumbo hot dogs, hot links, corn dogs, pretzels, and nachos. But her seven-inch pizza is as good as a meal, and the clincher is she has a fenced-off seating area where you can talk and watch the scene. And at Fifth and Island there's always a scene. Open Wednesday to Sunday 6 p.m. until 3 a.m. or so. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

BAY BEACH CAFE Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619- 435-4900. The dinner menu here has California's typical dumbed-down world-appetizer array, plus salads, pastas, grilled meats, a few sautée items and children's plates. The restau-rant is very family-friendly (full o' kids, actually), with a menu that appeals to the young in mouth: The chef seems to have a sweet tooth, since almost every dish involves honey or sugar — from the table butter that's intriguingly flavored with a honey-basil mixture to the "teriyaki" ribs in a glutinous Karo-like the day's fresh-fish selections, which are more attuned to adult palates with fresh, fine-quality seafood done simply and well. Ultra-noisy inside when crowded; reserve for the lovely terrace with a view of the beach. Open daily, lunch and dinner, with weekend break-fast. Moderate to slightly expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

ISLAND PASTA 1202 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-4545. This unassuming, spill-out-on-the-street restaurant has somehow got it right. Simple tables on the sidewalk, daily made-onthe-premises semolina pasta, most dishes costing in the single digits. A simple fettuccine Alfredo is a pleasure al fresco with a glass of wine, sparkling against the fresh flowers on the table, watching Coronado's world go by. The spaghetti pesto sauce is rich, too, with basil, pine nuts, and cheese, but all the standard Italian pasta and pizza dishes

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RHINOCEROS 1166 Orange Avenue (at Loma Avenue), Coronado, 619-435-2121. This bright, hectic bistro next door to the Lamb's Players Theatre draws pre-theatre crowds as well as locals — and that may be a problem, since the rushed pace of service doesn't abate even after the playgoers have departed. Perhaps that's why there are few appetizer choices (as though to discourage diners from spending extra time at the table). You may even be charged a "split plate" fee for sharing a first course despite ordering individual entrées. Meat and fish choices are simply prepared with ingredients of ordinary quality and generic veggie accompaniments Why, then, is Rhino so popular? Pasta (and nothing but pasta) is the answer - that's where the kitchen shines. Very noisy when crowded; street tables are slightly quieter despite heavy traffic. Reservations advised for weekends, pre-show dinners. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. - N.W. (7/01)

SOUTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER CAFETERIA 500 Third Avenue (at C Street), Chula Vista, 619-691-4599. Hey, this is a courthouse. You expect the cafeteria in its basement to be brown and anonymous. You know you'll be munching with worried groups of litigants and moms with custody-dispute kids. But here, it's all worth it. This cafeteria is one of bestkept county secrets. For years, concession-holder Ben Riddell has kept his prices stable and his portions big. Lunches like roast pork or meat loaf or roast turkey or chicken pot pie or lemon chicken are the comfort food that folks coming here need. Breakfast and lunch only, Monday to Friday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

SPIRO'S GYROS Ferry Landing, 1201 Street #4, Coronado, 619-435-1225. The food, the music, the view - are we outside Athens? Is this the Aegean? This inside-outside Greek café is located at the water's edge, and the heated patio has a spectacular view of San Diego, the bay, and the boat traf-fic. At sunset, sipping their excellent Greek wine (cheaper than their California), watch the sun set the city ablaze in gold. The prices keep Spiro's popular with the locals as well as tourists. Try the moussaka (eggplant casserole) or the souvlakia chicken, marinated in tzatziki sauce, served with tomatoes, onions, and pita bread. Open seven days until 8 p.m. Inexpensive. -E.B. (11/00)

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TIN FISH Imperial Beach Pier, 910

Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pigeons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by the sea air. The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages. (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The oyster shooters, for instance, boast a sauce made from fresh diced tomatoes topped with horseradish. The spicy fish tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy. Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. Live music on weekends, good vibes all the time. "Tin Fish Shuttle" (50 cents) runs from parking lot to the restaurant. Open daily, breakfast (to 10:30 a.m.) through early dinner. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, open daily lunch and early dinner, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center. Inexpensive to low moderate. - N.W. (7/01)

YE OLDE PLANK INN 24 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-423-5976. The last true beach pub on the coast? It's a great mix: biker jackets, ZZ-Top beards, shaved heads, Navy vets, Air America jocks, surfers, and sometimes half of Hollywood seems to turn up Food's pretty much always available, but the must-eat is their unbelievable weekend brunch. You get a 6- or 8-ounce steak (your choice, or substitute six sausages or ham or a pork loin), plus a one- to ten-egg scramble (or any style), home fries, and a pick-me-up drink (like a Bloody Mary, Screwdriver, Salty Dog, Bud, or Coke) from the bar, all at a standard coffee shop breakfast price. No wonder the place has stayed open since 1886. Inexpensive. E.B. (10/01)

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CAFE FRANCAIS LA BELLE CLAUDE Calle Galeana, #8186-A (at

7th Street, two steps off Revolución), Tijuana, 685-3415. Maybe it's no sur prise: the most French-like *patisserie* of all is in Tijuana. La Belle Claude, named after the owner's daughter, looks far too expensive, but it's not. Inside it's a light and airy place, full of beautifully varnished wood, almost like a ship's saloon, with little Eiffel towers painted here and there, Victorian ceiling fans and lamps, and a counter of display cases stuffed with cookies, artily frosted cakes, cheeses, and sodas. The menu is authentic too. offering such light dishes as Le Croque Monsieur (open-faced sandwich on honey bread with ham, grilled Swiss cheese, and béchamel sauce), the Croque-Madame (same as the "Monsieur" but with an egg), and salade niçoise (tuna, anchovies, tomatoes, cucumber, potatoes, egg, onions, and black olives). You can even order a *Provençal* omelet (zucchini, eggplant, tomatoes, and onions). Unusual bonus: the round cheeses, Cornish hen eggs, fresh vegetables, and honey on display all come from the owner's own farm, Rancho El Eden, beyond the Rodriquez dam. Open every day. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

EL FARO DE MAZATLAN 9542 Boulevard Sanchez Taboada, Plaza Financiera, Zona Río, Tijuana, 684-8882, 684-2236, or 684-8883. This fish and seafood restaurant offers a gorgeous dining room, an extensive menu with English translations, and fresh fish and seafood items which include abalone, squid, crab, clams, shrimp, and lobster. The atmosphere and service are lovely, but the fish may be too dry. The style of cuisine will appeal to those who prefer simple preparations. The price of the main course includes an appetizer (fried fish plus ceviche), seafood soup, and Mexican rolls. Open daily, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., same menu for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Moderate.

LA LENA 11191 Blvd. Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-2920. Don't miss the charming room, the open grill, and the tortilla maker who prepares fresh tortillas as the diners are seated. Dinners come with an appetizer and soup, and some of the entrées are extraordinary. Try the puños ("fist"). Roasted quail and chicken do well here. Open daily, lunch to late dinner. Take Revolución to the left-hand bend where it becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin high-rise towers of the Grand Hotel. A large sign marks the restaurant (on the right side of the road). Inexpensive to moderate. -

MR. FISH 6000 Blvd. Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-3603. It's fun to eat in this restaurant with its thatched roof and wide variety of fish and seafood Don't overlook the whole fish, either steamed or fried, the filet in garlic butter, or, for those who'd like a smorgasbord, the "Combination Mr. Fish," which supplies fresh lobster, shrimp, squid, and a filet of fish. The halfdozen preparations of crêpes are wild - there's even a Mexican version of blintzes. Open Sunday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Follow Revolución until it bends to the left

and becomes Agua Caliente, Continue past the twin high-rise towers. Mr. Fish is on the right-hand side of the road, just before the country club. Moderate. — *E.W.*

RICA TORTA Niños Heroes Avenue, No. 890, between 2nd and 3rd Streets (opposite Dorian's department store), Tijuana, 685-8579. This café may have the best tortas (call them Mexicanstyle hamburgers) in Tijuana. Sixinch rashers of marinated carne asada. slices of ham, squares of cheese, chopped salad, tomato slices, freshscooped avocado...it's a double-wide, double-high burger. The menu has 16 different kinds of tortas, from chorizo with eggs to beefsteak ranchero, all served in huge, three-ribbed, crisptoasted Mexican bread buns. There's other stuff, but to a burger buff, one of these is quite enough. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

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HEIDI AND BERNIE'S GERMAN BRATWURST TENT North Park Thursday Night Market, North Park Way (between 29th and 30th Streets), no phone. Also Scripps Ranch Saturday Morning Market (10380 Spring Canyon Road) and La Jolla's Sunday Morning Farmers Market (at Genter and Girard), 619-588-1288. Heidi and Bernie have kept it simple — just a blue-and-white square tent with a table and chairs. The menu is simple too: "Bratwurst Sausage in a Bun, Kosher Polish sausage, Louisiana Hot Link, Smoked Turkey and Chicken Sausage with Artichoke and Roasted Garlic, Hot Dog, Double Double Burger," and "Single Burger." But you know from Bernie's authentic Bayarian background that these sausages are the real, earthy thing. And the sauerkraut is sweet. Inexpensive.

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Dark Side Story

Aside from family members, who's going to stand up for Bob Crane?

n Auto Focus, Paul Schrader picks up the life of Bob Crane (1928-78) in 1964, when he ruled as "The King of the Los Angeles Airwaves" from the morning microphone on

KNX radio. Despite the disappointment of losing his semi-regular spot on *The Donna Reed Show*, he saw himself

as cut out for bigger things: "I can be Jack Lemmon!" Hogan's Heroes, the television sitcom (1965-71) set in a Nazi POW camp, complete with laugh track, was as big as things would get. Big enough, anyhow, to multiply his powers as a babe-magnet: exploits he would copiously document in photographs and on primitive video ("VTR," not yet VCR, for video tape recorder). The straight-arrow family man, the devoted husband to his high-school sweetheart, the regular churchgoer, the teetotaling imbiber of grapefruit juice "straight," would all fall by the wayside. Another wife, a starlet on the TV show, would be acquired. And the career, dogged by rumors of his extracurricular activities, would dwindle down to provincial dinner theater, ending in Scottsdale, Arizona, with his still unsolved bludgeoning death in

his motel room.

There the movie ends, too, albeit with a prime suspect, one John Carpenter: not the director of *Halloween*, etc., but a technology geek, and for purposes of

the present moral tale a Mephistophelean figure (played, and in truth overplayed, by a reptilian Willem Dafoe),

who kept Crane abreast of the latest in video equipment ("We are light-years ahead of everybody. It's like the Polaroid of home movies"), and who reaped the rewards, in turn, of the spillover from Crane's babe-magnetism. In Schrader's telling of it (from a novice screenplay by Michael Gerbosi), there had been a falling-out after Crane, in viewing one of his videos, spied Carpenter's hand on Crane's rear end in mid-orgy. Crane's accusation: "You're a perv." Carpenter's defense: "It's a group-grope." Relations thereafter were strained.

This is a story of the Dark Side in which the lightweightness of the main character (very few today would remember Crane for his public life if not for his private one) sanctions a light tone, a palm-rubbing approach of gossipy good fun: the side-by-side buddies



Auto Focus

whacking off on the sofa in front of the TV, the proud display of penileenhancement surgery ("Yeah, it's thicker"), and so on. Imagine, if you can, a similar approach being taken in the upcoming "biopic" on Frida Kahlo. Or last year's on Muhammad Ali. Aside from family members, who's going to stand up for Bob Crane? The moral decline of the hero thus becomes fodder for spectator sport rather than for the analyst's couch: the stereotypical Sexual Revolutionist of the post-Eisenhower Era, marching under the banner of "A day without sex is a day wasted." (Greg Kinnear's blandness and blankness in the role erase even the scowl lines from the real man.) The

prevailing breeziness proclaims, at every point, the second-rateness of the principal subject.

The movie probably works best as an exercise, a light workout, in remember-when nostalgia: the Pop Art graphics and cultural icons of the opening credits; the Space Age décors; the prelapsarian strip club with its live

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"house band" (in which Crane liked to sit in on drums, to unwind after a day's work); and above all the gradual advent of video, a sexual aid of truly revolutionary proportions. At the approach of the Grim Reaper, Schrader feels obliged to clear his throat and put on a more funereal face. The candied color of the earlier chapters drains away to an ashen gray. The hand-held camera wavers in the grasp of an arm-weary cameraman. The music by Angelo Badalamenti enters his ominous Twin Peaks mode. And the movie limps, crawls, squirms to the finish line. To say it more succinctly, Schrader feels obliged to poop his own party.

Punch-Drunk Love, by Paul Thomas Anderson, is a comedy of knee-jerk quirkiness about a major-league misfit impersonated by Adam Sandler. (E.g., he stockpiles Healthy Choice puddings for the promotional offer of frequent-flyer miles, although he never flies, nor does he eat pudding.) One hardly knows which is more of a shock: that the star of Billy Madison and Happy Gilmore turns out to want to play Hamlet, or that the maker of the two-and-a-half-hour Boogie Nights and the three-hour Magnolia can be content to make a mere ninety-minute movie. It's a cinch, in any case, that Sandler's character is not far enough removed from his usual nudniks, and that Sandler himself is not a good enough actor, for there to be any real edge to his temper tantrums, crying jags, bashful soliloquies, and whatnot. He always plays beneath himself; it's only a matter of how far. Even so, Emily Watson's romantic interest in him makes no more sense than Stella Stevens's or Jill St. John's in Jerry Lewis. The violent intrusion of a gang of phone-sex extortionists from Provo, Utah, is just a mark of Anderson's poverty of imagination and core of conventionality. One clever touch: the blue suit, white shirt, and red tie which everyone who knows our hero expresses surprise to see him wearing (almost a Pee-wee Herman ensemble, except no bow tie) are the only things we viewers ever see him wearing - day after day after day. What's his normal attire?

The Grey Zone, Tim Blake Nelson's filmization of his own stage play, invites viewers once again to be ground under the Nazi boot heel. It poses the timeless question of how low the human animal will sink for survival and not even for survival, necessarily, but just "for vodka and bed linens," and a postponed date of execution, at the Auschwitz death camp. The answer, in case you didn't know it, is that some will sink to collaboration with the enemy. A foredoomed uprising among the inmates holds out the hope of a Triumph of the Spirit, if of nothing else. The plot exposition is as murky and impenetrable as the photography. And why must stage dialogue still sound so stagy when moved to the screen? Nelson by now has used up the line of credit he earned (with me, at any rate) for his role in the Coen brothers' O Brother, Where Art Thou? (The title of his own previous film accurately states the fraction of his achievement: O.) And his casting here of the Coen favorite, Steve Buscemi, doesn't buy him any extension. But far be it from me to come between a boot heel and a willing grindee. My only counsel to such would be that he

need not worry about arriving early to avoid a line.

P.S. Punch-Drunk Love looks to be a straggler in the démodé trend of hyphenated movie titles: Spider-Man, Scooby-Doo, K-19: The Widowmaker, Eight-Legged Freaks, One-Hour Photo, 24-Hour Party People (even if the last three hyphens had to be at my own editorial discretion). The Grey Zone, were it not for the *The*, could take its place in the hot new trend: Blue Crush, Brown Sugar, Red Dragon, White Oleander. ■

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Abandon — Directorial debut of Stephen Gaghan, "Oscar-winning" screenwriter of *Traffic*. An unmoored, becalmed suspense film about a missing-person case on a college campus. Every now and then he does a scene, or a shot, in blue or gold (more often blue), and every now and then he jiggles the camera — filmmaking tips he

might have picked up from Steven Soderbergh's handling of Traffic. You can tell he's serious, because if someone on screen is going to do some recreational reading, it will be Graham Greene or Albert Camus. You can't tell it, though, from the devious ways he sets up the unsurprising surprise ending. With Katie Holmes. Benjamin Bratt, Charlie Hunnam, and Zooey Deschanel. 2002.

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Auto Focus — Reviewed this issue. With Greg Kinnear, Willem Dafoe, Rita Wilson, Maria Bello, and Ron Leibman; directed by Paul Schrader.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/25)

The Banger Sisters — A loosen-up lesson taught by two former groupies, one now the strait-laced wife of a Phoenix attorney, the other still a disciple of Sex, Drugs, Rock-and-Roll. (Or if not drugs, at least cigarettes and rum-and-Cokes.) The comic contrivances cannot compel attention as much as the documentary concern with Goldie Hawn's boob job: "You used to be much smaller-chested." "I went from one extreme to another. I overdid it." With Susan Sarandon and Geoffrey Rush; written and directed by Bob Dolman. 2002.

● (GASLAMP 15: LA COSTA 6: PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Below — Modest little WWII submarine drama takes a while to reveal itself as a ghost story: "I'm telling you, there's some bad hoodoo on this boat." The modesty persists, even then, except in amount of perspiration. A couple of eerie underwater sights: a school of stingrays buzzing a team of diving-suited repairmen, and an unexploded depth charge tumbling along the boat's deck. With Matt Davis, Bruce Greenwood, Olivia Williams, Holt McCallany, Jason Flemyng; directed by David Twohy. 2002.

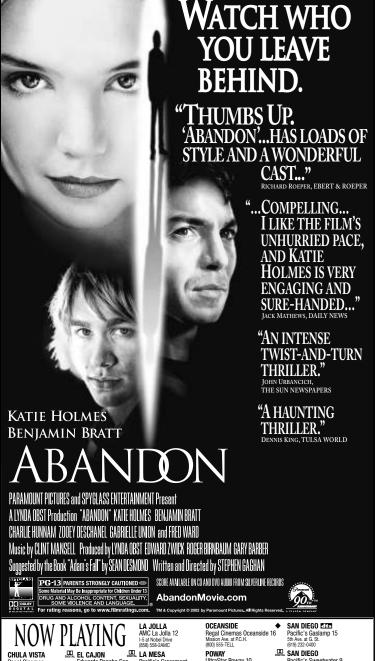
★ (HORTON PLAZA 14: SWEETWATER 9)

Blue Crush — Can the local Hawaiian surfer chick bounce back from a near drowning, conquer her fear, and win the Pipemasters Contest at the same time as she romances a GQ NFL QB? Director John Stockwell, of Crazy/Beautiful, murmurs some feminist sweet nothings, but his PC lip service is overcome by a penchant for Baywatch montages and a severe case of the fidgets. Wipeout! With Kate Bosworth, Matthew Davis, Michelle Rodriguez, Sanoe Lake. 2002.

(HARBOR DRIVE IN)

Bowling for Columbine — Michael Moore's engaging and enraging documentary on gun culture in America, and by extension violence, homicide, and the climate of fear in America. Dishevelled as ever in his baggy clothes and collection of ballcaps (one of them emblazoned with "Writer"), usually unshaven, a definitive schlump, he is still his own protagonist, no matter how antagonistic a one. Here he is, selecting a free rifle as a bonus "gift" for opening a CD account at a heartland bank cum licensed firearms dealer. Here he is, testing the theory that Torontonians don't bother to lock their homes, by going right up to some front doors and opening them. (Canada comes off very well in the film, not just for the low murder rate among a wellarmed populace, but for the bedrock of social beneficence.) And here he is, escorting two crippled survivors of the Columbine school shooting to Kmart headquarters, to "return" the bullets to their place of purchase. Surprisingly — you can see it plainly on his face — Kmart capitulates to the cease-and-desist demand, a tiny victory on Moore's quixotic quest to change the world. His search far and wide for connections and causalities, for an explanatory nexus, can at times resemble mental meandering. And he is not averse to the cheap shot and the heavy hand: a montage of U.S. foreign-affairs follies will be accompanied by Louis Armstrong's "What a Wonderful World." (Joey Ramone's





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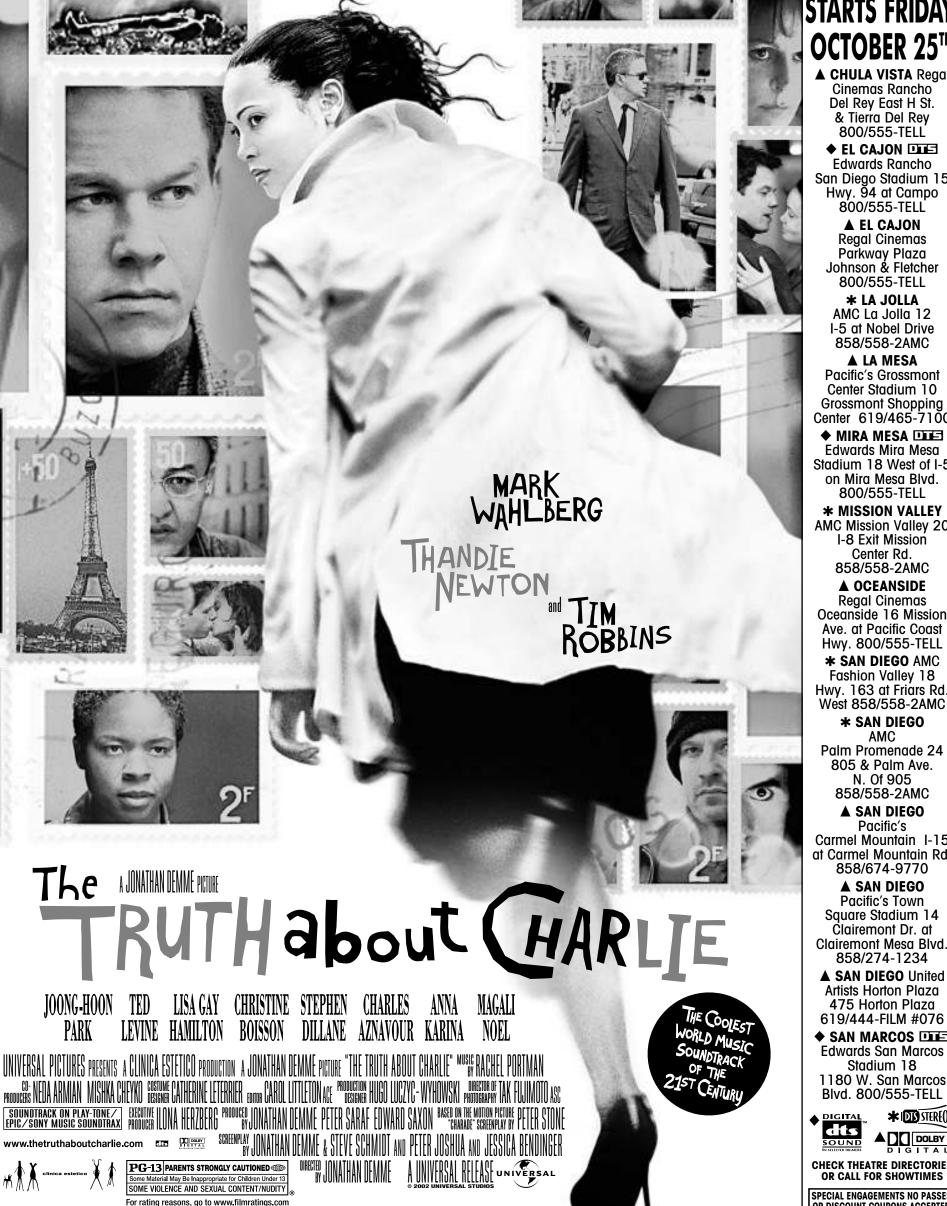
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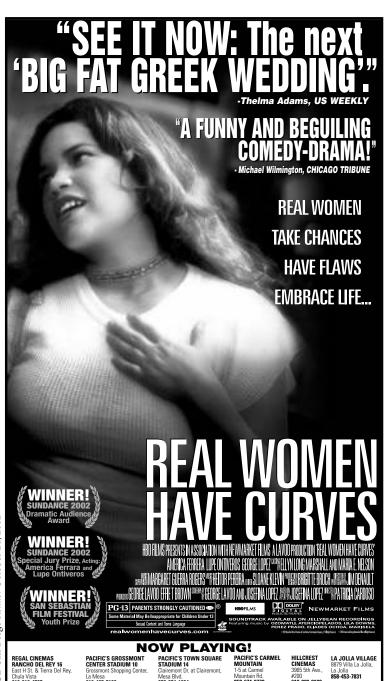
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sneeringly ironic cover version of the song will be heard in the closing credits.) Yet his sincerity, for all his showmanship and all his sarcasm, never seems in doubt. His lack of slickness may or may not say something about his level of expertise as a filmmaker. The film is not so much *unslick* as strategically and pragmatically *anti-slick*. The film mirrors the filmmaker. With

Marilyn Manson, Dick Clark, Charlton Heston. 2002.

★★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Brown Sugar — Romantic comedy starring Taye Diggs and Sanaa Lathan, directed by Rick Famuyiwa.
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8 Women — François Ozon offers up, for specialized tastes, a cinephiliac musical-comedy whodunit, set at a snowbound

country house in the late Fifties or early Sixties, with an all-female cast (exclusive of the faceless male corpse). The deliberate staginess and theatricality — it was adapted from a forgotten play by Robert Thomas — recall Alain Resnais's Mélo and Smoking/No Smoking, and the intermittent outbursts of song recall that same director's Life Is a Bed of Roses and Same Old Song. But Resnais, who always has more layers than a napoleon, was up to a good deal more in those films than just a campy celebration, a fluttering appreciation, of a Gallic gallery of screen divas (Catherine Deneuve, Isabelle Huppert, Emmanuelle Béart, Fanny Ardant, the octogenarian Danielle Darrieux, et al.)





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and their arsenal of artifice (clothes, hair, makeup). That's not to say there's nothing here to celebrate and appreciate. Huppert, the truest trouper of the group, continues to impress and amaze, contorting herself into the straight lines, sharp angles, clipped speech, and abrupt movements of a battleaxe spinster in the mold of Judith Anderson, Agnes Moorehead, Margaret Hamilton. And her impulsive Ugly Duckling transformation ("I just felt like looking pretty") is hands-down the high point of hilarity. Ardant, the last of the ensemble to make her entrance, is quite breathtaking, too, as an Ava Gardneresque voluptuary, although she hardly needs to turn herself inside-out for the purpose. And the less-known Ludivine Sagnier as the Sandra Dee teen in lime-green capris holds her own with the grande dames, and even steals a couple of scenes or three. All of the songs — eight altogether, one big solo per performer — are good fun, and more or less proper to the period. Until the last, they give you something to look forward to during the grinding plot mechanics of who did what to whom and when and where and why. This chugging, groaning, sputtering acting vehicle requires its eight passengers repeatedly to get out and push. 2002.

Formula 51 — Samuel L. Jackson and Robert Carlyle in the drug underworld, directed by Ronny Yu. (CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE

Ghost Ship — Supernatural thriller with Julianna Margulies, Gabriel Byrne, Ron Eldard, and Isaiah Washington, directed by

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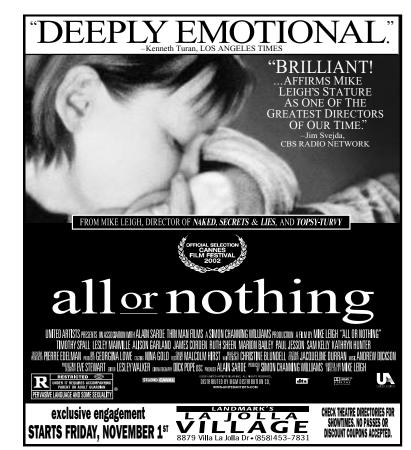
The Good Girl — Condescending gaze at low-rent Texans, principally the employees of a discount department store named Retail Rodeo. (A Southern accent continues to be condescension's favorite weapon.) A useful proving ground, nonetheless, for the unspoiled talent of Jennifer Aniston, underplaying the discontented wife of a pothead housepainter and the secret lover of a younger co-worker and would-be writer who calls himself Holden (his "slave name" is Tom) after the hero of *The Catcher in the* Rye. With John C. Reilly, Tim Blake Nelson, Jake Gyllenhaal, Zooey Deschanel; written by Mike White; directed by Miguel Arteta.

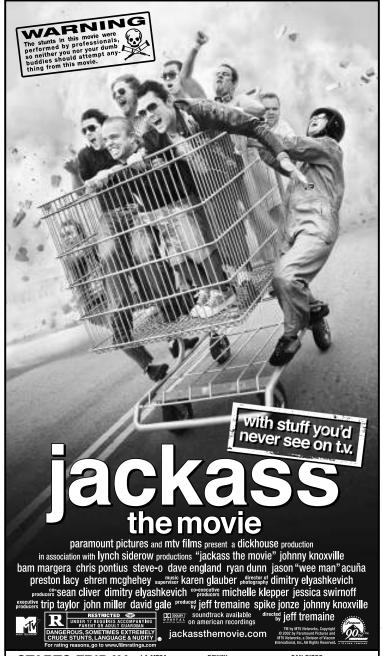
★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, THROUGH 10/24)

The Grev Zone — Reviewed this issue. With Allan Corduner, Harvey Keitel, David Arquette, Steve Buscemi, and Daniel Benzali; written and directed by Tim Blake

• (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 10/25)

Heaven — Directed by Tom Tykwer (Run, Lola, Run and The Princess and the Warrior) from an unrealized screenplay by the late Krzysztof Kieslowski (Red, White, and Blue), this is an apparently harmonious collaboration between a couple of fatechance-coincidence guys. The extended credits sequence, during which a bomb planted in an office wastebasket blows up instead in the cleaning lady's cart, presents a powerful illustration of the theme; and it immediately establishes the intensity of commitment, every carefully selected shot clicking into place with remorseless inevitability. Tykwer in general has toned down his visual tricksiness for the occasion, and cameraman Frank Griebe's soft, smooth, no-gloss color is a thing of beauty throughout. (The Tuscany setting unearths additional things of beauty.) The solemnity never falters, even as the storyline turns preposterous: the grand romance, or amour





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fou, of Philippa and Filippo, the revengeseeking Englishwoman who misguidedly planted the bomb, and the Italian policeman who helps her to carry out her revenge. Some big questions arise along the way: How does this grade-school teacher know how to make a time bomb? How is she able to come and go from police headquarters after her escape from custody? Why, if she

wants only to kill the right person and not to avoid punishment for killing a few wrong ones, does she go on the lam once she accomplishes her mission? There is no bigger contradiction, though, no greater paradox, than the infinite expressiveness of Cate Blanchett's eyes inside her stiff, sanded, plaster-of-Paris face. With Giovanni Ribisi. 2002.

★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Igby Goes Down — Offbeat youth comedy, not offbeat to the exclusion of incessant pop songs on the soundtrack, but offbeat in the extremeness of family dysfunction, or human-race dysfunction

out there on the path of Todd Solondz and Wes Anderson. First-time writer and director Burr Steers, nephew of Gore Vidal, shows off a cold-blooded, waspy, New Yorky wit — and "shows off" is very much the verb — which arouses occasional admiration and infrequent mirth. At least he distributes the rhinestones democratically among the mixed-nuts ensemble. At the same time, there's something monotonous about it all. With Kieran Culkin, Claire Danes, Ryan Phillippe, Susan Sarandon, Jeff Goldblum, Amanda Peet, Jared Harris, Bill Pullman, 2002.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA PALOMA, FROM 10/25)

I'm Going Home — Something like the twentieth feature film of the nonagenarian Portuguese director Manoel de Oliveira, still largely unknown in the U.S. In the circumstances, it would be churlish to say that it's a trifle boring: far better to be bored by a ninety-three-year-old who makes a film to please only himself than by a thirty-three-year-old who makes a film to please teenagers. Plus, it's barely an hour and a half in length, not much time to be bored. The subject of an aging French actor of highest principles — he has never worked for money or popularity and is not about to start now - might have seemed sentimental or self-pitying if the director had not so well kept his distance and his dignity. There are several lovely stretches, full of life, full of a sense of passing time: the wordless sequence of the protagonist paying his bill in a Parisian cafe, signing autographs on the sidewalk outside an art gallery, and buying a new pair of brown brogues; the breathless sequence of him getting made up in wig and mustache for the role of Buck Mulligan in a film of *Ulysses*; the rocky rehearsal of his scene, done as a single-take of the face of its American director (John Malkovich). And Michel Piccoli in the lead role still has savoir-vivre to burn. 2001.

★★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

In Praise of Love — Jean-Luc Godard film, shot half in 35mm black-and-white and half in digital-video color, centered around a fictional director played by Bruno

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Jackass — Big-screen version of the defunct MTV series, with Johnny Knoxville and Steve-O, directed by Jeff Tremaine. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18: GALAXY 6: GROSSMONT CENTER:

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The Man from Elysian Fields — Slowto-develop, yet not carefully or credibly developed, Faustian tale of a struggling writer whose financial straits impel him to moonlight as a male escort, and then as a collaborator with a dying Pulitzer Prize winner, rewriting the old lion's historical novel on Roman slaves into a topical piece on California migrants. Some glintingly polished lines; much honey-coated imagery. With Andy Garcia, Julianna Margulies, Olivia Williams, James Coburn, Mick Jagger, and Anjelica Huston; directed by George Hickenlooper. 2002.

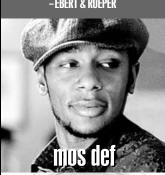
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Moonlight Mile — Strained chipperness in the face of tragedy: the innocent-bystander shooting of an imminent brideto-be. (Not just the characters are strained, but writer-director Brad Silberling most of all.) What the victim's parents do not know - Dustin Hoffman, Susan Sarandon — is that their daughter had already broken off the engagement; and the prospective son-in-law, currently staying with them, is too magnanimous to disillusion them, even to the point of sneaking out the bedroom window to make time with a perky postal worker: life goes on, at a jaunty clip. Jake Gyllenhaal, in the lead role, often brings to mind Hoffman in The Graduate (perhaps Hoffman's presence provides the hint), a beleaguered young man almost tongue-tied by his superior insight and honesty, until at last he administers a "truth enema" on the witness stand at the murder trial, a scene of excruciating



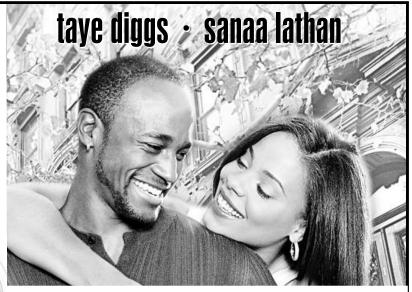
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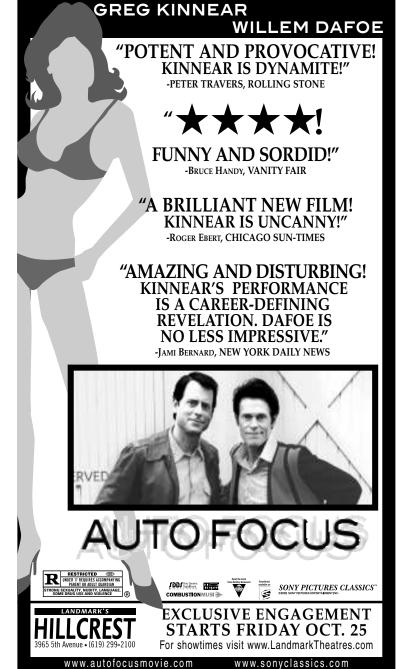
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embarrassment. With Ellen Pompeo and Holly Hunter, 2002.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12)

Mostly Martha — Germany's donation to the cinematic food drive seems unlikely to have received distribution without its appeal to the salivaries. And indeed, despite the pasty complexion of the film, the visual appeal of the dishes can match any screen menu outside of maybe Babette's Feast. Yet it has more to offer than just that. Written and directed by Sandra Nettelbeck, it is an easy-flowing comedy concerning a master chef who's a control freak in all areas except her temper whenever her cooking is questioned. She already has a full plate when her sister is killed in an accident and she inherits an eight-year-old niece. Plus her culinary second-in-command is eightmonths pregnant. So her boss, without consultation, takes the proactive measure of hiring a new helper, a talented Italian who brings into the kitchen, along with gnocchi, etc., a breezy new attitude and a boom box of paisano pop: Dean Martin, Louis Prima. The clash of Teutonic severity and Mediterranean serenity throws off some predictable sparks, and Sergio Castellitto is very touching as the drowsy-eyed, hunchedshouldered Italian with a casual knack for life. Martina Gedeck, under a permanently arched eyebrow, is aided in seeming a real person by being an unfamiliar face, though she could never have gotten away with it if she were not also an actress of skill and subtlety. The aforesaid easy flow quickens into burbling rapids during the closing credits, sweeping you through the happy ending. 2001.

★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

My Big Fat Greek Wedding — Selfanointed "Frump Girl" meets Mr. Wonderful, with the X-ray vision to see the beauty within. Only problem: he's not Greek. Nia Vardalos, scriptwriter and star, gets to unburden herself on her lineage "My cousins have two volumes, loud and louder"), and at the same time indulge herself in an Ugly Duckling fantasy. It seldom rises above an ethnic sitcom, but the "personal" angle stirs sympathy. With John Corbett, Michael Constantine, Lainie Kazan, Andrea Martin, Gia Carides; directed by Joel Zwick, 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

 $\textbf{One-Hour Photo} \longrightarrow Psychological$ suspenser, sort of a stripped-down Ruth Rendell thriller, about "Sy the photo guy" at SavMart, and his abnormal obsession with an outwardly perfect family whose lives he knows through their faithful patronage. It seems to be moving toward a conventional explosion of violence, and it is indeed conventional despite a little surprise in store at the end. (Very little.) Robin Williams, with a blond dve job, is no asset. broadcasting his creepiness at such a pitch as to alert any concerned parent or vigilant boss within a thousand miles. A respectable calling card, all the same, for music-video director Mark Romanek. With Connie Nielsen, Michael Vartan, Eriq LaSalle, Gary Cole. 2002.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14)

Paid in Full — Harlem dry cleaner turned drug dealer; with Mekhi Phifer and Wood Harris; directed by Charles Stone III. (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM

Punch-Drunk Love — Reviewed this issue. With Adam Sandler, Emily Watson, Luis Guzman, Philip Seymour Hoffman, and Mary Lynn Rajskub; written and directed by Paul Thomas Anderson. ★ (COVE: FLOWER HILL 4: MISSION VALLEY 20:

Real Women Have Curves

Elementary ethnic feminism, to do with the tough choice facing a chubby Chicana: whether to work in an L.A. sweatshop or to

attend Columbia University on a full scholarship. (An hour and a half to decide.) Corroboration of the title comes when four overweight seamstresses strip off to compare cellulite. The cellulite, at any rate, is real, if not the women. America Ferrera, Lupe Ontiveros, Ingrid Oliu; directed by Patricia Cardoso. 2002.

• (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Red Dragon — A remake of Manhunter, 1986, for the sole purpose of instating the "real" Hannibal Lecter — Anthony Hopkins — in the role. (It would have been simpler, if it would have been technologically possible, to cut-and-paste him digitally into the pre-existing film, obliterating Brian Cox.) And never mind that the aging, thickening, thinning-haired actor is here supposed to be younger than he was when he first assumed the role, over a decade earlier. Given that The Silence of the

Lambs, 1991, was itself essentially a re-do of ${\it Manhunter} — {\it the incarcerated psychopath}$ assisting the FBI on a serial-murder case the opportunities for *déjà vu* are manifold. The preludial explanation of how Hannibal the Cannibal initially got himself incarcerated seems a good place to start, and a few seconds before Jodie Foster walks into his life seems an obvious place to stop. (The actual climax - not the false climax but the de rigueur follow-up climax — is sufficiently well-staged to excuse its triteness.) Of course, as a mere consultant on the case, our ingratiating anthropophagite is not on screen for very many minutes; and the winner of the hot competition for most close-ups is no doubt Edward Norton as the empathic FBI profiler formerly played by William Petersen. It might not seem so, however, because the diffident Norton never scores as heavily from close range as does the taunting Hopkins or the tortured Ralph Fiennes, who misses the pathos that Tom Noonan put into the "Tooth Fairy Killer" in

Manhunter. Another telling point of comparison with the earlier version perhaps the single most telling — is the photography: the slick and polished image of *Manhunter* as against the rough, abraded image of *Red Dragon*. The photographer, curiously, was the same for each: Dante Spinotti. The difference, one surmises, must be the director: the preening Michael Mann versus the slovenly Brett Ratner. With Emily Watson, Mary-Louise Parker, Harvey Keitel, Philip Seymour Hoffman. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; **ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT** CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN: TOWN SOUARE 14)

The Ring — Heavily hyped remake of a

little-seen Japanese horror film follows around a Nancy Drew reporter (Naomi Watts) as she looks into the rumor of a videotape that kills its viewers one week to the minute after they view it. She even looks at the tape herself after intrepidly tracking down a copy of it at the Shelter Mountain Inn, where four simultaneously deceased teenagers had stayed the week previous. (The video looks a bit like a product of the 1920s avant-garde cinema, but not necessarily lethal.) She then asks the appropriate journalistic questions: "Who made it? Where'd it come from?" She has exactly one week to find the answers. Directed by the chameleonic Gore Verbinski (Mouse Hunt, The Mexican), the film is rather poorly photographed in a nauseous bluey-green or a bilious greeny-blue, but is watchable all the same. Its emphasis falls more on detective work than on cheap thrills, and it offers some quietly creepy details (the housefly in the video which can be plucked off the screen in freeze-frame









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mode) as well as one hair-raising scene of a panicked horse running free on a ferry. It even has a satisfactory if incomprehensible ending, before it presses on mandatorily to a less satisfactory and no more comprehensible second ending. With Martin Henderson, Brian Cox, Jane

Alexander. 2002.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO DEL REY 16;

The Rules of Attraction — The director of Killing Zoe (Roger Avary) unites with the

novelist of American Psycho (Bret Easton Ellis), to reach the combined maturity of a know-it-all sophomore (high school, not college), for a view of the modern university as a libertine's paradise of casual sex, drugs, and Nietzscheanism. It starts, you might say, with a bang: a drunken co-ed losing her virginity by rear entry in front of a camcorder, then getting thrown up on for added memorability. From there, it seldom lets up for a minute. If it's not hitting you over the head with its worldly wisdom, it's jabbing you in the ribs with its cinematic

cleverness: reverse motion, split screen, pixillation, alternating narrators, and so on. The would-be uncompromising vision nevertheless seems slightly compromised (a slight understatement) by a casting philosophy in common with a TV jeans ad: a haughty Master Race of buff beauties (James Van Der Beek, Shannyn Sossamon, Ian Somerhalder, Kip Pardue, Jessica Biel, Kate Bosworth). And all that cleverness, all that worldly wisdom, cannot manage to create any distance between the observers and the observed. The moviegoer can avoid contamination by steering clear. 2002.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15)

Secretary — Naughty romantic comedy (punish it if you please) about a selfmutilator since seventh grade, fresh out of the mental institution, who finds employment and a perfect match with a lone-wolf lawyer and closet spanker. It gives away its destination, or at least part of its itinerary, right at the outset, in a graceful ballet of secretarial services performed while cuffed to a crucifixion-like yoke (stapler

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Moonlight Mile (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:50, 4:30) 7:20, 10:05; **One-Hour Photo** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:40, 4:00) 6:40, 9:00; **Paid in Full** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:00, 4:25) 6:50, 9:10; Pokemon 4Ever (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10); **Red Dragon** (R) Fri. (1:25, 4:10) 7:00, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (10:45, 1:25, 4:10) 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 4:10) 7:00, 9:40; Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:35, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30; The Transporter (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 2:50, 5:00) 7:10, 9:20; The Truth About Charlie (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; The Tuxedo (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45

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La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) Ghost Ship (2002) (R); Jackass; The Truth about Charlie; Abandon (PG-13); The Ring (PG-13); Formula 51 (R); The Transporter (PG-13); Tuck Everlasting (PG); White Oleander (PG-13); Red Dragon (R); Moonlight Mile (PG-13); Sweet Home Alabama

La Jolla Village 8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831) The Grey Zone (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:25, 7:10, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (10:55) 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:25, 7:10, 9:45; **Heaven** (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:05) 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:35,

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(PG-13); Formula 51 (R); The Rules of Attraction (R); Tuck Everlasting (PG); Brown Sugar (PG-13); The Transporter (PG-13); White Oleander (PG-13); Red Dragon (R); Moonlight Mile (PG-13); Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13); The Tuxedo (PG-13); Barbershop (PG-13)

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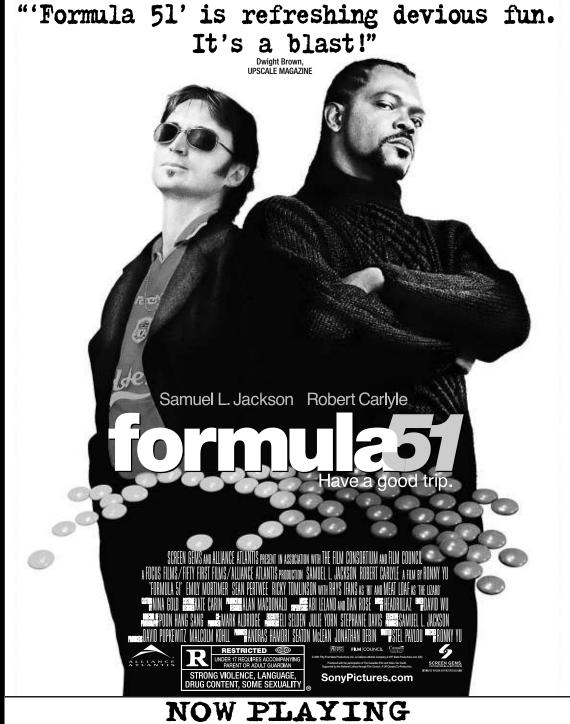
4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909) In Praise of Love (Not Rated) Fri. 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

UPTOWN

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operated by chin, etc.), and then it jumps back to six months earlier, taking its sweet time to return to the starting point (and beyond). The gradualness of development is one of the keys to the strategy, making sure that this feels like the unrehearsed mating dance of two autonomous oddballs, instead of the free-rein wish fulfillment of an S&M fantasist. (Although far from a pivotal peg, the concept of Sexual Harassment In The Workplace crops up parenthetically in a casual conversation among minor players, just to show that filmmaker Steven Shainberg has a certain familiarity with

contemporary society and has not been secluded in some unapproachable chateau out of *The 120 Days of Sodom*.) The potential offensiveness is deflected by two main devices. First, the utter and total individuality of Maggie (sister of Jake) Gyllenhaal, discouraging generalization. Not so much the individuality of her case-file character (prettier sister, alcoholic father, overprotective mother, and so forth, though Shainberg is no more interested in "psychology" than was Luis Buñuel, a filmmaker who is brought to mind at numerous points), but simply the

individuality of her look and manner: faintly moon-faced, buck-toothed, pig-snouted, with a twinkly Lillian Gish-y girlishness and a galumphing tomboy gait. (James Spader, more conventionally "attractive," feels obliged to signal his oddity more openly and incessantly.) Second, the absurdist, semisurrealist exaggeration, coupled with the isolated, unpeopled, quasi-laboratory setting, discouraging us from taking the thing literally. But how, then, may it be taken figuratively and without offense? Well: how about as a metaphor of the miracle of love, the finding of the right fit, the happy

discovery that what's wrong with you is all right with somebody else? Even then, however, the lightness of tone, the virtual giggliness of tone, might be felt to weaken not only the potential offensiveness but also the potential power. 2002.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Signs — For all those who can believe in crop circles, and those who only wish they could, this is not the answer to a prayer. M. Night Shyamalan, the writer and director of The Sixth Sense and Unbreakable, certainly takes a serious approach. So much

so that you might imagine the grim cast of characters labored under the impression they were in an Ibsen drama. There are reasons for that: the hero, played by Mel Gibson as a change from Bruce Willis, is a backsliding cleric whose wife was killed six months earlier in a roadside mishap, details of which are leaked out in dribs and drabs. In the end, the ponderous, portentous forward progress of the film, together with its charged atmosphere of Domestic Tragedy, proves to be, as it were, all approach and no (or very late) arrival; all heavy-handed foreplay and diminutive

12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00; Mon.-Tue. 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00; Wed. 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00: Thu, 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00: Space Station (Not Rated) Fri. 2:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sat. 10:30, 2:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sun.-Mon. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00; Tue. 2:00, 5:00; Wed. 2:00, 5:00, 7:00; Thu. 2:00, 5:00; Ultimate X (PG) Fri. 9:30; Sat.

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18 405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) **Abandon** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:25, 5:00) 7:45, 10:20; **The Banger Sisters** (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:40) 7:40; **Barbershop** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 4:15) 7:35, 10:25; **Brown Sugar** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 4:10) 7:15, 10:05; **Formula 51** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 5:15) 10:10; Ghost Ship (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:35, 2:25, 2:55, 4:45, 5:20) 7:20, 8:00, 9:45, 10:20; Jackass (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 12:20, 2:15, 2:45, 4:30, 5:05) 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:10; **Knockaround Guys** (R) Fri.-Thu. (4:30) 10:30; **My Big Fat** Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:45, 5:10) 8:00, 10:25; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 1:15, 4:00) 6:50, 7:30, 9:50; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 4:10) 7:00, 9:50: Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13) Fri.-Thu (1:00, 4:20) 7:20, 10:15; The Transporter (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 5:00) 7:50, 10:05; **The Truth About Charlie** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 3:50) 7:25, 10:00; **Tuck Ever**lasting (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:20, 4:50) 7:10, 9:45; The Tuxedo (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:15, 4:45) 7:50, 10:30; White Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:05, 4:40) 7:30, 10:15

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2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460) Abandon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40, 5:00) 7:20, 9:40; **Brown Sugar** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 4:55) 7:30, 10:05; **Formula 51** (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:00, 9:15; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:00, 5:15) 7:30, 9:45; **Jackass** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:50, 2:10, 3:00, 4:20, 5:10) 6:30, 7:20, 8:40, 9:30; **Jonah: A Veggie Tales** Movie (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:40, 4:50); Knockaround Guys (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:35) 7:25; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 2:50, 5:05) 7:20, 9:35; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:35) 6:25, 9:15; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:40, 5:15) 7:50, 10:25; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; **The** Transporter (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:45, 5:00) 7:15, 9:30; **The Truth About Charlie** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15; **The Tuxedo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:45, 5:05) 7:25, 9:45; **White** Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 4:50) 9:40

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100) Abandon (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 4:05, 7:15, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:05) 7:15, 9:30; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:00) 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 3:40, 5:45) 7:45, 10:05; **Jackass** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 8:10, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:30, 5:35) 7:35, 9:35; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:40) 4:40, 7:30, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:40) 7:00, 9:45; **The** Ring (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:50) 4:40, 8:00, 10:00, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:40) 7:30, 9:20, 9:55; Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:00) 4:10, 7:25, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:10) 7:25, 10:00; **The Transporter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun (1:10) 4:00, 7:35, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:00) 7:20, 9:30; The Truth About Charlie (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:20, 3:50) 7:40, 9:55; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:40) 7:10; White Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:20, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:25, 9:50

Grossmont Trolley 8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) **Brown Sugar** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 2:40) 5:00, 7:20, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:50, 5:30) 8:10; Formula 51 (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:45) 5:25, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:00) 8:20; **Jonah: A Veg-gie Tales Movie** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:00, 3:55) 5:50, 7:45, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 3:10, 5:50) 8:30; Knockaround Guys (R) Fri.-Sun.

(2:55) 7:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 5:40); **Moonlight Mile** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:50, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:45, 5:25) 8:05; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:35) 5:05, 7:25, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:25, 3:05, 5:45) 8:25; **Real Women Have Curves** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 1:55, 3:50)
5:45, 7:35, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:35, 3:15, 5:55) 8:35; Red Dragon (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:35) 5:10, 7:40, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:20) 8:00; The Tuxedo (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 2:50) 5:20, 7:30, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:55, 5:35) 8:15

"Two thumbs up."

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Ghost Ship (2002) (R); Formula 51 (R); Red Dragon (R); Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) Abandon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30

"'Punch-Drunk Love' leaves you addled, a little dizzy and overcome by a pleasing, unplaceable sensation — one best summed up in the movie's title."

A.O. Scott. The New York Times

4:45, 7:15, 9:45; **Brown Sugar** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Formula 51 (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 4:00, 8:30; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 11:15, 12:30, 1:30, 2:45, 3:45, 5:00, 6:00, 7:15, 8:15, 9:30, 10:30; **Jackass** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; **Knockaround Guys** (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:45, 6:15, 10:45; Red Dragon (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; The Transporter (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; **The Tuxedo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

"Amazing."

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262) Ghost Ship (2002) (R); Jackass; The Truth about Charlie; Paid in Full (R); Abandon (PG-13); The Ring (PG-13); Formula 51 (R); Tuck Everlasting (PG); Brown Sugar (PG-13); The Transporter (PG-13); White Oleander (PG-13); Knockaround Guys (R); Oleander (PG-13); Knockaround cutys (R); Red Dragon (R); Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie; Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13); The Tuxedo (PG-13); Barbershop (PG-13); My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG); XXX; Signs

Rancho Del Rey 16

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)

Abandon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05)

7:30, 10:00; Formula 51 (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:10, 5:30) 8:00, 10:30; Ghost Ship (R)

Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 1:00, 2:45, 3:15, 5:00, 5:30)

7:30, 7:55, 9:55, 10:20; Jackass (R) Fri.-Thu. (13:33, 2:65, 5:20) 7:50, 10:30; Janab: A Vege. (12:35, 2:50, 5:20) 7:50, 10:30; Jonah: A Veg-(12:35, 2:50, 5:20) 7:50, 10:30; Jonan: A Veggie Tales Movie (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 2:55, 5:10) 7:15, 9:30; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 3:05, 5:25) 7:45, 10:05; Real Women Have Curves (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 3:00, 5:15) 7:25, 9:40; Red Dragon (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:50) 7:00, 9:50; The Ring (PG-13) Fri.-Thu (1:05, 3:45) 7:05, 9:45; (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:05, 3:45) 7:05, 9:45; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 3:20) 6:55, 9:35; **The Transporter** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:35, 5:00) 7:20, 9:40; **The Truth About Charlie** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:40) 7:40, 10:15; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40, 5:20) 7:40, 10:10; The Tuxedo (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:50, 5:10) 7:35, 9:55; White Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:55, 3:30) 7:10, 10:25

Vogue 226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436) Signs (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:30, 8:00; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. 3:45, 10:00; Stealing Harvard (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:15

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392) Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13); Blue Crush

Sweetwater 9

Sweetwater 91920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) **Abandon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:30, 3:35) 5:40, 7:50, 10:05; Sun. (1:30, 3:35) 5:40, 7:50, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 5:00) 7:35; **Barbershop** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:05) 4:40, 7:00, 9:20; Sun. (2:05) 4:40, 7:00, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 5:10) 7:30; **Below** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00) 5:00, 9:10; Sun. (1:00) 5:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (5:05); **Brown Sugar** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:15) 4:50, 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (2:15) 4:50, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:25, 5:20) 7:45; **Formula 51** (R) Fri.-Sun. (3:25) 7:25; Mon.-Thu. (3:50) 8:05; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:20, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sun. (1:20, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:05; Mon.-Thu, (2:00, (1:20, 5:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:05; Mon.-1 ntl. (2:00 4:00, 5:55) 8:10; **Jackass** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:45; Sun. (1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 3:55, 5:45) 7:40; **Knockaround Guys** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:25) 5:25, 9:25; Sun. (1:25) 5:25, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 5:50); Real Women Have Curves (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (3:10) 7:15; Sun. (3:10) 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:40) 7:55; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:55) 4:30, 7:05, 9:35; Sun. (1:55) 4:30, 7:05, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:25) 7:50; **The Transporter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:10, 10:20; Sun. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:05, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 5:15) 8:00

"'Punch-Drunk Love' is not only one of the edgiest romantic comedies ever made, it's a romantic comedy on the edge: on the edge of being a comedy, on the edge of being romantic, on the edge of sanity and on the edge – the leading one – of American movies themselves." Geoff Pevere, The Toronto Star "Paul Thomas Anderson is, in the best sense, a filmmaker who is driving everything the audience, the form, his collaborators, himself most of all — to go further than they have before." A P.T. ANDERSON PICTURE PUNCH-DRUNK LOVE ADAM SANDLER EMILY WATSON PHILIP SEYMOUR HOFFMAN LUIS GUZMAN REVOLUTION STUDIOS/NEW LINE CINEMA PRESENT A JOANNE SELLAR/GHOULARDI FILM CO. PRODUCTION MUSIC JON BRION PRODUCED BY JOANNE SELLAR DANIEL LUPI PAUL THOMAS ANDERSON WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY PAUL THOMAS ANDERSON STRONG LANGUAGE INCLUDING A SCENE OF SEXUAL DIALOGUE

LIMITED ENGAGEMENTS START FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

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"Sandler's performance as a shy salesman given to sudden bursts of anger becomes tender

and moving as he stumbles into love. Sandler can act, beautifully."

"Adam Sandler is absolutely perfect...Emily Watson is sublime. 'Punch-Drunk Love' is an extraordinary experience."

Bruce Kirkland, The Toronto Sun

NORTH INLAND

RONSALI

Galaxy 6 Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Abandon (PG-13) Fri. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri. 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sat. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sun. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30,

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climax. Shyamalan does not lack intensity or concentration, and he is capable now and again of touching a sensitive spot, prompting a tremor: the first glimpse of an alien appendage disappearing into a cornfield, or the attempt to get a look at the shadowy prisoner locked behind the pantry door, or the siege in the cellar illuminated only by flashlight. Unhappily, the filmmaker, more cursed than blessed by his Sixth Sense, seems more concerned now to be a spiritual leader than a mere storyteller. Somehow, when alien invaders descend over the entire planet, the crisis of faith of one grieving widower in rural Pennsylvania is apt to seem small potatoes, no matter how symbolic or symptomatic of all mankind. And the confinement of most of the action to the family farm - like some Roger Corman grade-Z science fiction of the late Fifties — is ultimately stultifying. To be sure, the portable television, whenever the strictly monitoring father (no longer "Father") allows his children to watch it, serves to widen the scope, at least in our imaginations: the proliferation of crop circles in India (too fast and far apart to be a conspiracy of hoaxers), the strange lights suspended over Mexico City, the network broadcast of a Little Green Man's cameo appearance in a birthday-party home video, etc. One of the TV viewers is tactless enough to remark, "It's like War of the Worlds." We wish! With Joaquin Phoenix, Rory Culkin, Abigail Breslin, Cherry Jones. 2002. ★ (PALM PROMENADE 24; VOGUE)

Spirited Away — Cancellation of the retirement of Japanese animator Hayao Miyazaki, whose Princess Mononoke was a worthy valedictory to the traditional handdrawn method. For this addendum to his career, he has made liberal, corner-cutting use of computer-generated backgrounds; and the clash of styles creates perhaps the



most overt conflict in the entire film, together with an unwanted undercurrent of sadness and resignation. A contemporary fairy tale about a timid little girl (of indistinct race) who learns to cope - or in other words a textbook metaphor of growth — it lacks something of the drama and the narrative drive of Mononoke, though it lacks nothing in visual imagination (a fully realized spirit world where anything goes) and nothing, either, in audacity. No homegrown animated film from Disney, the U.S. distributor, would dare dish up such dreamy inscrutability. Nor would it dare drag on for more than two hours, a bit long

by any measure, even though individual episodes have the fascination of a Sunday installment of Little Nemo in Slumberland. Much of the strength of its grip comes from Miyazaki's meticulous simulation of the classical camerawork and cutting of liveaction filmmaking. The scene construction remains reliably solid, however vaporous the content. 2002.

★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 10/25: HILLCREST CINEMAS. THROUGH 10/24: LA JOLLA

Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones — The saga grinds on, in state-ofthe-art digital video: crisp and detailed yet somewhat overcast, monotoned, seemingly covered in a sort of pinkish-complected skin, like an unboiled wiener. The particulars — the diminished role of the reviled Jar-Jar Binks; the teen romance between Queen Padmé (now known as Senator Amidala) and an Anakin Skywalker who has inexplicably caught up to her in age; the emergence of the latter's Dark Side in the form of adolescent petulance (or in the form of Hayden Christensen's impersonation of Ryan Phillippe); the casting of Count Dracula in the role of Count Dooku (Christopher Lee); the rebel

army of identical, skeletal robots whose parade-ground drills are George Lucas's latest extraction from Leni Riefenstahl's Triumph of the Will; a new, improved, computer-animated Yoda to come to the rescue at the climax, with inverted syntax intact ("Around the survivors, a perimeter create"); and an up-in-the-air resolution ("Begun, the Clone War has") similar to the middle one in the earlier Star Wars trilogy, right down to the severed limb — are best left to the addicts. The unhooked will remain untempted. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Samuel L. Jackson. 2002.

Stealing Harvard — Jason Lee, with help from best bud Tom Green (what a comedy team! Stiff and Stiffer), turns to crime bumblingly — to fund his niece's college education. Forget Harvard. Podunk State would be beyond the wildest dreams of this dim bulb. Directed by Bruce McCulloch. 2002.

• (VOGUE)

Sweet Home Alabama — You can take the girl out of the country — take her away from her redneck husband, plant her in the Big Apple, launch her on a career as a fashion designer, affiance her to a Kennedyesque politico — but you can't take her out of the cliché. Reese Witherspoon, all by her lonesome, is asked to light up the dreariness, a firefly on a moonless night. With Josh Lucas, Patrick Dempsey, Mary Kay Place, Fred Ward, and Candice Bergen; directed by Andy Tennant, 2002.

• (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER: HARBOR DRIVE IN: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Thirteen Conversations about One

Thing — Four (or so) intersecting plotlines on the themes of the pursuit of happiness and the quirks of fate, but snipped up and patched together so that events that follow

5:45, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00; Jackass (R) Fri. 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sat. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sat. 11:30, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sun. 11:30, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri. 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri. 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sun. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770) **Abandon** (PG-13) Fri. (2:10) 5:00, 8:10, 10:25; Sat. (1:10, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sun. (1:10, 3:30) 7:10, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:45) 7:10, 9:20; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri. (1:15, 3:20) 5:30, 8:00, 10:20; Sat. (1:25, 3:40) 5:55, 8:15, 10:25; Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:30, 7:40, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:15, 5:30) 7:40, 9:45; **Jackass** (R) Fri. (1:05, 3:00) 5:05, 7:45, 10:00; Sat. (1:40, 3:45) 5:50, 8:20, 10:35; Sun. (1:05, 3:25) 5:55, 8:05, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:25, 5:55) 8:05, 10:00; Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie (G) Fri. (12:55, 2:55) 4:50; Sat. (12:50, 2:50) 4:50; Sun. (12:50, 2:55) 5:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:55, 4:50); My **Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri. (1:20, 3:30) 5:45, 7:55, 10:05; Sat. (12:30, 3:00) 5:15, 7:25, 9:40; Sun. (12:30, 2:50) 5:15, 7:30, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:20, 5:25) 7:30, 9:35; **Real** Women Have Curves (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 7:35.

9:50; Sun.-Thu. 7:00, 9:05; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:45) 4:45, 7:50, 10:35; Sun. (1:45) 4:25, 7:25, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:25) 7:25, 9:55; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri. (2:15) 5:20, 8:05, 10:30; Sat. (12:35, 3:05) 5:35, 8:05, 10:30; Sun. (12:35, 3:00) 5:25, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 4:40) 7:35, 10:00; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri. (1:30) 4:20, 7:20, 9:45; Sat. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:45; Sun. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:20, 9:40; The Truth About Charlie (PG-13) Fri. (1:50) 4:25, 8:10, 10:35; Sat. (12:40, 3:00) 5:25, 7:55, 10:20; Sun. (12:40, 3:05) 5:35, 7:55, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:35) 7:05, 9:30; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri. (1:10, 3:10) 5:10, 7:15, 9:30; Sat. (12:40,

2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:20; Sun. (12:45, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:00, 5:00) 7:15, 9:10; The Tuxedo (PG-13) Fri. (1:25, 3:35) 5:40, 7:50, 10:10; Sat. (12:55, 3:05) 5:20, 7:45, 9:55; Sun. (12:55, 3:20) 5:40, 7:45, 9:50; **White** Oleander (PG-13) Fri. (1:55) 4:30, 7:30, 10:15: Sat. (1:55) 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (1:30) 4:30, 7:00, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:30) 7:00, 9:15

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) **Abandon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30; **Ghost Ship** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; **Jackass** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30; Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 4:45; Mv **Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 2:45, 7:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 2:45; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sun.-Wed. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 7:00; Thu. 4:15, 7:00; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 8:00; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **The Transporter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:30, 5:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 12:30, 5:15; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **The Tuxedo** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:30, 7:15, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 2:30, 7:15; White Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15

RAMONA

Ramona Twin 626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711) **Abandon** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30)

7:15, 9:45; **Barbershop** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:15, 4:45) 7:10, 9:35; **Formula 51** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:15, 4:35) 7:05, 9:25; Ghost

Ship (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 12:05, 1:10, 2:20, 3:20, 4:30) 5:30, 6:50, 7:45, 9:15, 10:00; **Jackass** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:30, 2:20, 2:45, 4:35, 5:00) 6:45, 7:15, 9:00, 9:30; Jonah: A Veggie 5:00) 6:45, 7:15, 9:00, 9:30; Johan: A veggie Tales Movie (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:05, 3:10, 5:15); Knockaround Guys (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:20, 9:50; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:45, 5:05) 7:25, 9:50; Punch-**Drunk Love** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05) 7:40, 10:15; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Mon. (11:20, 2:00, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20; Tue.-Wed. 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20; Thu. (11:20, 2:00, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:10, 4:50) 7:40, 10:20; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 4:55) 7:35, 10:10; The Transporter (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:00, 5:10) 7:20, 9:35; **The Truth About Charlie** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:35, 4:50) $7:10, 9:30; \textbf{Tuck Everlasting} \ (PG) \ Fri.-Thu. \\ (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) \ 7:00, 9:15; \textbf{The Tuxedo}$ (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:35, 4:55) 7:30, 9:55; White Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:10) 7:35, 10:30

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Cinemas 4

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DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)

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7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15,

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425) Igby Goes Down (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 3:00, 8:00; Moonlight Mile (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:15, 5:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 12:15, 5:30; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; Punch-Drunk Love (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; **White** Oleander (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15,

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) **Abandon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:15, 5:40) 8:00, 10:25; Sun. (12:50, 3:15, 5:40) 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (5:20) 8:20; Ghost Ship (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:20, 5:35) 7:50, 10:05; Sun. (1:00, 3:20, 5:35) 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (5:30) 8:00; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:10, 5:30) 7:55, 10:20; Sun. (12:30, 3:10, 5:30) 7:55; Mon.-Thu. (5:35) 8:15; **Red Dragon** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:20, 4:20) 7:15, 10:00; Sun. (1:20, 4:20) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (5:00) 7:55; **The Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40, 4:30) 7:25, 10:10; Sun. (1:40, 4:30) 7:25; Mon.-Thu. (5:15) 8:10; Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:50, 4:45) 7:20, 9:55; Sun. (1:50, 4:45) 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (5:10) 7:50; **The Transporter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:35, 3:00, 5:20) 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (12:35, 3:00, 5:20) 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (5:25) 8:30; **Tuck Everlasting** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 2:55, 5:10) 7:35, 9:50; Sun. (12:40, 2:55, 5:10) 7:35; Mon.-Thu. (5:40) 8:25

La Paloma

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Igby Goes Down (R); The Rocky Horror Picture Show Friday, midnight

LA COSTA

La Costa 6

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The Banger Sisters (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 4:30; Ghost Ship (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30,

12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 3:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 3:15; Moonlight Mile (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:45, 7:00; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Sat. 1:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 1:00, 5:30, 7:45; Red Dragon (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:15, 7:15; **Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:15: White Oleander (PG-13) Fri -Sat 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13 College Boulevard and Mission Avenue

(760-806-1790) Ghost Ship (2002) (R); Jackass; Abandon $\begin{array}{l} (PG\text{-}13); \textbf{The Ring} \ (PG\text{-}13); \textbf{Formula 51} \ (R); \\ \textbf{Tuck Everlasting} \ (PG); \textbf{Brown Sugar} \\ (PG\text{-}13); \textbf{The Transporter} \ (PG\text{-}13); \textbf{Red} \end{array}$ Dragon (R); Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie; Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13); The Tuxedo

 $(PG\text{-}13); \textbf{My Big Fat Greek Wedding}\ (PG)$

Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733) Ghost Ship (2002) (R); Jackass; The Truth about Charlie; Abandon (PG-13); The Ring (PG-13); Formula 51 (R); Brown Sugar (PG-13); The Transporter (PG-13); White Oleander (PG-13); Knockaround Guys (R); Red Dragon (R); Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie; Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13); The Tuxedo (PG-13); Barbershop (PG-13); My Big Fat Greek Wedding

each other on screen do not follow each other in chronology. Additional choppingup and rearranging are achieved through chapter headings excerpted from the dialogue: "Ignorance is bliss," "Fuck guilt," "Fortune smiles on some and laughs at others," "Eighteen inches of personal space," and so forth. There might be something to be gotten from the out-of-joint construction — a sense of the seeming randomness of the universe, the mysterious interconnectedness of all things, the surreptitious action of cause and effect, the endless recurrence of the pattern — but it's hard to be sure you're really getting it. Even so, the film is stronger on overall vision than on the fine points of dialogue and narrative. The former tends to sound "written" and artificial, while the latter tends to look contrived, uninventive, thesis-driven, illustrative. Somehow it's not surprising to hear that the filmmaking sisters, director and co-writer Jill Sprecher and co-writer Karen Sprecher, acknowledge Bertrand Russell's The Concept of Happiness as a "jumping-off point." The economical, energy-efficient, no-waste performance of Alan Arkin as the consummate sourpuss, suspicious of anyone's good fortune or good humor, so dominates the proceedings as to foment impatience with the alternating plotlines. (Despite the presence in them of such watchable players as John Turturro, Barbara Sukowa, Clea DuVall, Tia Texada.) The office milieu around Arkin — a tight-fisted insurance outfit — reminds us that the Sprechers had earlier collaborated on Clockwatchers. Their ambition since then has increased by leaps and bounds. Their charm has increased, too, by at least a hop and a skip. With Matthew McConaughey, Amy Irving, Frankie Faison, William Wise, 2002. ★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

The Truth about Charlie — Jonathan Demme's remake of Stanley Donen's Charade, with Mark Wahlberg, Thandie Newton, and Stephen Dillane. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18: GROSSMONT CENTER: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 10/25)

Tuck Everlasting — Jay Russell's treatment of the Natalie Babbitt children's novel posits a backwoods family with a

an Diego Reade



MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Tuxedo — Effects-laden Jackie Chan comedy about a mere chauffeur, a martial non-artist, who acquires superspy powers through a gadgety suit of evening clothes. (The stuff of fantasy rather than science fiction.) Chan's physical gifts are a little stifled, and the shrewish Jennifer Love Hewitt tramples all over him in the verbal department. Directed by Kevin Donovan. 2002.

• (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16;

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Night") is imprisoned for murder. A hairtearing women's picture (hair-hacking and hair-blackening, too), with some authentically messy emotion en route to the triumphal uplift. Alison Lohman, Michelle Pfeiffer, Robin Wright Penn, Renée Zellweger, Patrick Fugit; directed by Peter Kosminsky. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4: GASLAMP 15: GROSSMONT CENTER: LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: TOWN SOUARE 14)

XXX — National Security recruits a multitattooed Xtreme sportsman to save the world from a group of Russian terrorists known as Anarchy 99: it takes an anarchist to catch an anarchist. See him slide down a stair railing on a sterling silver canapé tray. See him jump a castle wall on a motorcycle. See him outrun an avalanche on a snowboard. Who thinks up this stuff? (And what's he smoking?) Vin Diesel, who made a favorable impression in *Pitch Black* and *The Fast and the Furious*, seems here to have set his sights on being the next Stallone. Or next Schwarzenegger. Or next Seagal. In short, next laughingstock. With Samuel L. Jackson, Asia Argento, and Marton Csokas; directed by Rob Cohen. 2002.

• (PALM PROMENADE 24)



private Fountain of Youth (more than that, a

Fountain of Indestructibility), and it weighs

the merits of an eternal life ("What we Tucks

have, you can't really call living. We just are. We're like rocks stuck at the side of a river")

against those of a full life. The height of the

teen (Alexis Bledel, a younger Robin Tunney

corn is established straightaway, with the

garden-variety overhead shot of a nubile

or slightly younger Thora Birch) lying supine on the grass, a garland of flowers

awaiting her woodman. The ensuing

plastic lips) and the intrusion of a

around her head, a sort of Baby Chatterley

romance with a hundred-and-four-year-old boy (Jonathan Jackson, with novelty-shop

plundering Ponce de León (Ben Kingsley)

it felt to be addressed as one. With William

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6;

GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12;

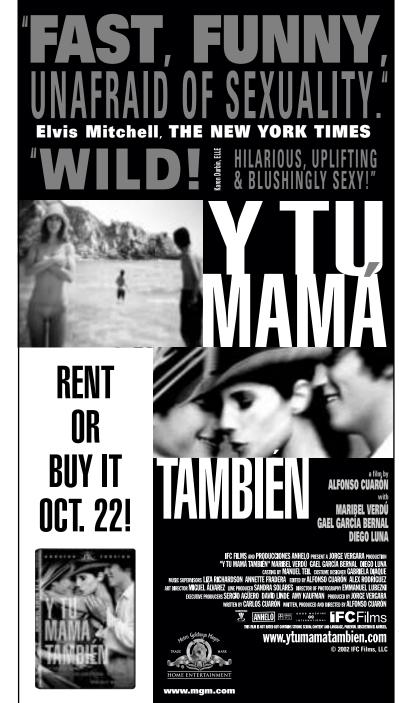
Hurt, Sissy Spacek, Amy Irving. 2002.

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0920.

ASSISTANT. Private corporate executive in Mission Hills needs personal assistant. Available for travel. Ability to multi-task, and confidentiality essential. Requires impeccable references. Fax resume: 619-32-5361.

ASSOCIATES. Marketing Researchers ASSOCIATES. Marketing Hesearchers. No sales Bilingual also needed. Telephone surveys, opinion polls. Up to \$12/hour. Good communication skills light math/spelling skills. Type 25wpm. Healthcare, dental, vision. Apply in person, weekdays, 9am-4pm: Directions In Research, 8593 Aero Drive, San Diego CA 92123. Jobline: 858-707-6094.

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619-718-9533 or apply in person: Upper Crust, 5664 Mission Center Road, #404 (Ralphs Shopping Center), San Diego, 92108.

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Banking. City National Bank, California's premier business and private bank, has the following position available: Client Services Representative (part time, 19 hours/week). Candidate must have 6 months teller and/or cash handling experience. Good communication and some PC knowledge required. You will accept deposits, cash checks and pay withdrawals. Must be able to cross sell bank products. Please apply in person or call: City National Bank, 4275 Executive Drive, Suite 101, La Jolla, CA 92037. Phone: 858-642-4902.

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BILINGUAL INTERVIEWERS, Spanish and English. No sales. Marketing research. To \$12/hour. Good communication/spelling skills. Type 25wpm. Kaiser Healthcare, 401(k). Apply weekdays, 9am-4pm: Directions In Research, 8593 Aero Drive, San Diego, 92123. Jobline: 858-707-6093. 858-707-6094.

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CALL TAKERS. Greater San Diego Transportation Network is looking for full time Call Takers to work in 24/7 taxi call center. \$7.25 per hour or \$7.7.5 if billingual in Spanish. Pre-employment physical, drug and background check. EOE/drug free workplace. Apply in person, Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm, 639 13th Street.

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COUNTY: 019-443-0500.

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CASHIER/LOT ATTENDANT, 30 to 40 hours/week. 9am-5pm or 6pm-midnight Wednesday-Sunday. \$8/hour plus mileage. Must have own vehicle to drive from La Jolla to Ocean Beach. www. sunsetparking.com or call 619-238-8064 x13.

CASHIER/CUSTOMER SERVICE. Burns Drugs in La Jolla, a unique pharmacy, is looking for an experienced Cashier. Must be good at working with the public and be able to multitask. Please apply in person: 7824 Girard Avenue.

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DEADLINES: Business classifieds are accepted until 6pm Tuesday, two days prior to the issue. Call by Friday for earlyplacement discounts. Ads may be placed by phone using a credit

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must arrive at our PO Box by 7 am, Monday. Mail all ads to

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SanDiegoReader.com. Free ads placed online appear only on the Reader's Web site. The deadline is 6 pm Monday. See below for instructions on placing online ads that also appear in the paper.

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BY PHONE: With a touch-tone phone and a Visa, Discover, or MasterCard, you can use our 24-hour Ad Line. Fill out the form below before calling; then be ready to dictate the information into the system when requested. Call (619) 233-9797, ext. 8055.

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CLASSROOM AIDES. Work with developmentally disabled children in a nonpublic school. Experience preferred. Allied Gardens, Chula Vista and Lakeside. Monday-Friday, 7:30am-1pm. \$8.144/hour to start, depending on experience. EOE. www. vistahill.org or E-mail to HRDept@ steincenter.org. Fax resume to 619-281-0164. Apply in person, weekdays, 9am-4pm, Stein Education Center, Attention: HR, 6145 Decena Drive, San Diego CA 92120.

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CONSUMER HEALTH ADVOCATE. The legal Aid Society of San Diego needs at Health Advocate with strong oral and written communication skills. English/Spanish required. EOE. Send resume to: Interview Committee, Legal Aid Society of San Diego, 110 S. Euclid Avenue, San Diego, CA, 92114.

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COSMETIC COUNTER. Burns Drugs in La Jolla, a unique pharmacy, is looking for an experienced Cosmetic Counter person. Please apply in person: 7824 Girard Avenue.

COUNSELOR, Child Development. Full/ part-time positions available in Point Loma area. B.A. degree in related (psychology) field preferred. Fax resume to attention: Robert, 619-523-0249 or mail: 3485 Kenyon Street, San Diego CA

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CUSTOMER SERVICE: Mayer Reprographics is now hiring for our Hillcrest location. No experience OK, we will train. Apply 8am-5pm Monday-Friday: 1065 University Avenue, Hillcrest.

CUSTOMER SERVICE. Do you have "perky" personality? San Diego Coffe Co. needs you for our front office! If yo enjoy greeting people, talking on th phone and drinking coffee, call Jill at 858 292.8388

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day, October, 28, 2002 to Otay Water District, Attention: HR-CSR I, 2554 Sweetwater Springs Boulevard, Spring /alley, CA 91978; by e-mail, hr06@ otaywater.gov: by fax, 619-660-7288.

Customer Service, Call Center North County company. 1st shift, temp-to-hire. \$13/hour. E-mail: greg@securestaff.com or call Secure Staffing Service, Inc. at

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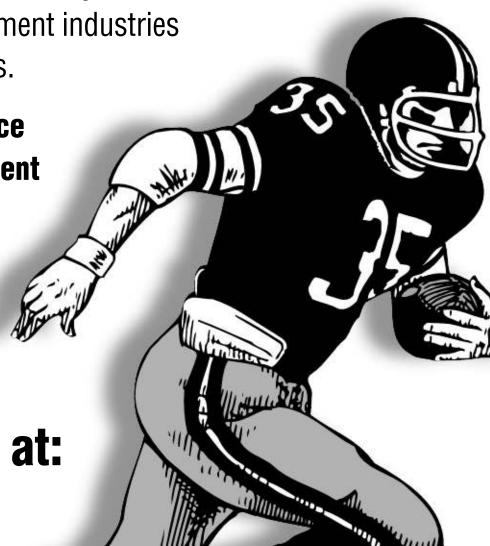
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Exam date: Saturday, 11/2/02, 7:30am,
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DISPATCHERS wanted. Full and part time, evenings and graveyards, includes weekends. No experience necessary. Must have good phone skills. Fax your re-sume to Juan, 858-244-1401.

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DRIVER - Part time, 8AM-12PM, Monday-Friday. Truck provided. Must present cur-rent DMV. Dependable and reliable only. Jorge, 619-275-5245; 619-607-2289.

DRIVER/COURIER. Hesco Couriers. Drive own pickup/van. Earn wage plus Drive own pickup/van. Earn wage plus mileage or route available in company ve-hicle. Clean DMV. 24-hour jobline, 858-571-7398. 800-574-3726.

DRIVERS needed for large reprographics company. Drive our vehicles. Full benefits. Bring current DMV printout. Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm, Saturday, 9am-1pm, 7584 Metropolitan Drive, San Diego. 619-927.9300

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DRIVERS. Day/night shifts. Experienced/ inexperienced. All welcomed. We train. North County/San Diego City. North City Cab Company, 4896 Voltaire. Call 24 hours, 619-260-0100.

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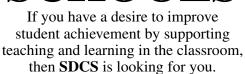
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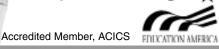
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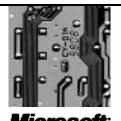


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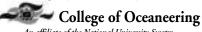
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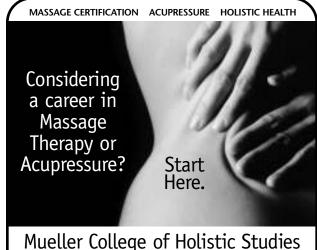
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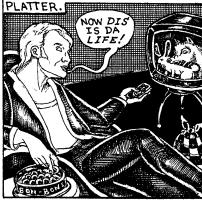
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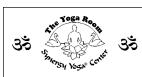
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HI I'M 37, Sicilian, 5'10", 180lbs., lean and fit, Christian. Seeking friendship and marriage with a woman younger than me. (11/6) \$\overline{4}\)49094

TALIAN/AMERICAN, 48, 6', 182lbs., athletic, attractive, biking, hiking, tennis, metaphysics, arts, comedy clubs, dancing. Seeking Filipino, 30-50, very attractive, North County, for relationship. (10/30) 75.49076

6'2", HANDSOME, YOUNG looking, 50, 6-2", HANDSOME, YOUNG looking, 50, nonsmoker, educated, financially secure, athletic, white professional. Honest, responsible, communicative, unencumbered, humoristic hugger. North Coastal homeowner. You: One beautiful woman! (11/06) \$\frac{11}{20}\$49029

NATURAL MAN SEEKS natural woman. Your being intelligent, educated, professional, creative, funny, realistic, unencumbered, health conscious, tall, slim, attractive, at least 45, would be terrific. (10/30) \$\mathbf{T}\$49060

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37 YEAR-OLD MALE, 5'11", blue eyed, brown hair, fit, fun, intelligent, dog lover, into the arts and outdoors. Looking for woman with similar interests. (11/6)

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GOOD LOOKING, 35, 170lbs., 6'2", enjoy beach, dancing, sports outings, looking for similar woman for dating, 25 to 40, call Jeff, I'll make you happy. (10/30)

☐ 49028 ☐ CHILLI COLORADO seeks Spanish rice with zest! Me: 50, John Baluchi type, self employed, homeowner devoted to kindness, simplicity. White rice OK, let's celebrate! (10/30) ☐ 49032

MODERN MAN wants astonishing relationship with 5'7"+, independent, attractive woman. Me: 53, white, handsome, 5'10", 175lbs., medium build, clean, blond/blue, fun, active, romantic gentleman. (10/30) ☎49019

51, TALL, SLENDER, affectionate, spiritual explorer. Seeking petite or somewhat slender, catless woman, for day hikes, Cowles Mountain, conversation, romance. Voicemails only. No Emails. (10/30) \$\frac{\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\tex{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$

46, ATHLETIC, self employed. Enjoys going to gym, cycling, surfing, going out to eat. Like to meet someone with same interests. (10/30) ☎49065

FROM EUROPE and new in town and it's boring. Looking for friend. 33, 6', nice guy. (11/6) ☎49156

JEWISH MAN LOOKING FOR Jewish woman, 35-50, for a meaningful relationship. Only serious may apply. (10/30)

LARGE HISPANIC FEMALE, 40-57, voluptuous, attractive, sexy, wanted by attractive, black artist, green eyes, for passionate lifetime commitment/marriage. I will love you always. (11/6) \$\frac{\tau}{\tau}\$49091

FUN, ADVENTUROUS, JEWISH male, 33, likes being outdoors, movies and great conversation. If you like to laugh and en-

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CHRISTIAN, RECOVERY alcoholic, 43, gentle, kindhearted down to earth, not shallow, hate TV, like hiking, reading, scripture, personal growth, seeks Christian woman, similar interests. (11/6)

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BLONDE, SLIM, FIT, SMART? Executive, engineer, MBA, 41, 6'3", 175lbs., slim, fit, well dressed, Spanish descendant/accent; excellent manners, personality, values. Enjoy dancing, traveling, exercising. (10/30) \$\mathbf{T}\$49011

ROMANCE, OUTDOORS, moonlight beach walks. 61, still a kid at heart, have a lot of love to give; coffee, boogie boards, bikes, etc. (10/30) \$\overline{\alpha}\$49016

Young, BLACK MAN who is open to a kind heart, hoping to find someone who is honest and open-minded. Good times, drama free. (11/6) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$49138

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE, North County, professional, 41, 61", slim/athletic build, loves to travel and play. Seeking athletic lady for biking or tennis. Friends first. (10/30) 349046

BRAIN DONOR WANTED. Looking for soul transplant. Necromancy skills a plus. Ozzy, Enya, family picnics, church. Must be able to talk with the dead. (10/30)

SEEKING ATTRACTIVE, funny, independent dent, intelligent, outgoing Asian girl, 25-35. I work out regularly and enjoy art museums, fine dining, movies, sporting events, theatre and travel. (11/6) 249143

TALL, ATTRACTIVE, 45 year old male in mint condition, seeks 35-43 year old female in mint condition for committed long term relationship. No pretenders please. (11/06) \$\mathbf{T}\$49116

male, very young 50ish, sexy, lovable, divorced father, lives alone, seeks stylish, shapely, sexy, romantic woman. Enjoy intimate, romantic evenings together. (10/30) \$\alpha\$49014

geurer. (10/30) 2749014

MILITARY FAMILY WOMAN wanted by North County dad. 34, 5'6", loves outdoor activities, movies, hot tubbing, camping, good communicator, adventurous, affectionate, humorous, nonsmoker. (10/30) 2749059

ATTRACTIVE, TALL, 50, single white male, affectionate, kind, sense of humor, smart, enjoys dinner, movies, outdoors. Seeking attractive woman for dating, companionship. (10/30) \$\textit{\textit{Taylor}}\textit{20}\$

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like to meet an Asian lady with same loves. (11/6) 249130

Ioves. (11/6) **A**49130

INNER BEAUTY, humor most important. I'm 46, white, decent shape, seeking romantic, unencumbered soul mate. Prefererebral/outgoing personality. Open to age and body size. (11/6) **A**49134

age and body size. (11/6) \$\infty\$ 49134

ATTRACTIVE, BLACK MALE, age 23, living with herpes. Seeking an intelligent, artistic, adventurous, fit woman for friendship/more. Are you interested? (10/30) \$\infty\$ 49061

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HIKE, HIKE, HIKE, nice smile, kind, strong, thoughtful. 40, 6', 200lbs., never married. Easygoing, smart, fun, desert, beach, mountains, motorcycling, home improvement, adventuring, wine, laughing. (11/6) ★49141

GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR, white male 43, 5'9", 170lbs., financially secure, ro-mantic, honest, athletic. Seeking female for dining out, travel, dancing, concerts and fun. (11/6) 429126

and fun. (11/6) \$\frac{\pi}{49126}\$ **ASTROLOGER.** Pisces, Scorpio mo Leo rising. Love those heavenly boo 5'3", tall, thin, bald. (11/6) \$\frac{\pi}{49145}\$

SINGLE AND SEARCHING, 38 year old, never lucky enough to find my one true sweetheart. Attractive, responsible, easygoing. Care to take a chance with me? (10/30) 27-49049

TALL, HANDSOME, ROMANTIC, part-time Latino dad. South Bay homeowner. Looking for tall, romantic, affectionate, slender, very attractive, 40-50s, woman for very long-term relationship. (10/30)

A Few Reasons To Respond To My Ad

Passionate, fun, silly, goal-oriented and affectionate, 25-year-old entrepreneur/movie buff, looking for the same in woman for potential relationship. Movie buffs will be given 100 extra credit points. You love sparkling conversation, laughing till your stomach is sore and you're honest. No smoking, no drugs please. (10/30) \$\mathbf{T}\$49037

ROMANTIC, AFFECTIONATE, educated, fit, easygoing, down to earth. Seeking a nice full figured or medium build Cau-casian, 18-35, for friendship or relation-ship. Let's share together! (116) 49146

HANDSOME. HIGH QUALITY. healthy. 61", 190lbs., widower. Retired, successful businessman, homeowner, seeks pretty lady, 45-65, curvy figure, dates, fun, laughs. Possible long term. (11/6)

SINCERE, NATURAL, adventurer; healing arts, tai chi, world traveler, dancing, spiritual life. Attractive, fit, white, seeks 35-40s, healthy, considerate, passionate significant other. All nationalities welcome. (11/6) 249103

VOLUPTUOUS, FULL HIPS, Sensuous adventurous lady wanted by 59, white male, for romance, weekend trips, walks, dining out, Vegas, fun. (10/30) \$\infty\$49024

HANDSOME, CHARMING, romantic, successful executive, 50s, centered, spiritual, jeans to tux, 5'8", eclectic. Seeking classy, sophisticated, stylish, sensual, seeking classy, sophisticated, stylish, sensual, seeking turbul passionate, well-educated, fit, pr sional lady, 35-55. (10/30) **ক**49079

AN INTRIGUING MIX of tenderness and strength. Looking for same in a partner. Me: 50, 5'9", 160lbs., fit, educated and independent. You be yourself. (116)

ATTRACTIVE, SLENDER, kind, sincere, creative type, looking for female with same qualities, 21-31. For fun, laughter, conversation and adventure. (116) \$\pi\$49144

tive, 58, trim, 5°10°, blond/green eyes clean, caring, considerate, romantic seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun happy, exciting, committed relationship. (11/6) **2**49095

MAN IN WHEELCHAIR, still alive. Looking for some fun. (11/6) ☎49109

CHINESE, 24-35, GIRL call this tall, cool, fit, handsome, 39 year Caucasian for lasting relationship, if you're active, not a social butterfly, into healthy lifestyle. (10/30) \$\frac{1}{27}49042\$

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PROFESSIONAL, 57, secure in finances/ emotions, seeks witty, educated, profes-sional (law/management/education?) Top down, hikes, tennis, space (yours/mine), doesn't need my income. (10/30) \$\tilde{\tau}\$49023

SEEKING ATTRACTIVE, petite, young fe

EUROPEAN, PROFESSIONAL, 58 years, widely traveled, attractive, very fit, enjoys outdoor activities, old time values. Seeking slim and trim partner with similar interests. (11/6) 249149

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BIGFISHY SEEKS hot babefish for upstream swimming. Bigfishy is 36, exceedingly pleasing, passionate, open minded. No cold fish! This is the hot fish pond. (10/30) ☎49015

cated, gainfully employed man, 38, en-joys mediation, seeks attractive, fit, intelli-gent, older woman, 50s, for companionship and conversation. (10/30)

very smart, literate, creative and Catholic. Impossible? Prove me wrong. (10/30) 49062

I'M LOOKING for a woman that wants to find a friend and enjoy the fun that brings. (10/30) 49010

DOWN TO EARTH, looking at the future. If you're a super hot/sexy girl who rocks, we should meet. Let timeless eternity take its course. (11/6) 3749154

HANDSOME, SEXY, successful execu-

BLACK GENTLEMAN, 42, 5'9". Athletic handsome, intelligent, creative, articulate, educated. Seeking attractive, slender or athletic female, any race, for a little wining, dining and dancing. (10/30) \$\frac{49022}\$

for some fun. (11/6) **A** 49109

SINGLE, WHITE MALE, 37, 6', 200lbs., cute, athletic, love kids. Looking for nice woman, 28-45, for walks, dining out, movies, friendship, romance, long-term relationship. (10/30) **A** 49027

ladies. Into meeting new people and having fun. Not really looking for anything serious. (10/30) 749054

male who's intellectually, spiritually, musi-cally, and physically adventurous and emotionally stable. I'm 38, monogamous, 6'4" tall, 215lbs., and in shape. (11/6) 49114

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ATTRACTIVE, BLACK LADY, 25-40, fit good sense of humor, affectionate. For friendship dating, romance, with white male, successful, sense of humor, blue eyes muscular (10/20) \$\frac{90.025}{20.025}\$

Very attractive man looking for free spirited woman to enjoy the best that San Diego and the world has to offer. (10/30) \$\frac{10}{30}\$

NORTH COASTAL GUY, 50s, seeks woman who enjoys beach, surf, Mexico. I'm semi-retired and open to travel for ocean fun. I'm educated and experienced. (10/30) ☎ 49045

BOYISH, HANDSOME, monogamous man, 47, wants to please you. Desires being cuddled by a nurturing, voluptuous, sensuous woman, for a mutually satisfying relationship. Age open. (10/30) \$\tilde{\tau}\$49084

NEW TO SAN DIEGO! 23 college grad, for 21-25 who would like to explore San Diego with honest, intelligent, good looking, down-to-earth guy. (11/6) 49106

ing, down-to-earth guy. (11/6) ★49106

ONE FOOT IN THE 60S, 6'2", self-employed, music, nature, good communication, dance, romantic, RV travel, Byrds, Beatles, Stones, Dylan, Eagles, Fleet-wood Mac, happy. (11/6) ★49120

AFRICAN AMERICAN, 46, sincere, honest, healthy, attractive, 5'10", 1701bs, enjoys music, beach, dining, coffeehouses. Seeking marriage minded, attractive, blonde female, 33-41, reliable. Be my lady, (11/6) ★49128 ADVENTURE IS IN MY BLOOD. 65

160lbs., 5'10", professor who travels the world lecturing and seeks adventures in foreign countries. Ready for adventure? (11/6) **3**49135 ACTIVE, 33, BROWN/BLUE, good looking, easygoing, funny, sexy musician, mountains, ocean, surfing, working out, job. Looking for pretty, spontaneous girl, race open. Smile. (10/30) 73 49036

PROFESSIONAL, BLACK MALE, 51 years, 6'3", interest in meeting honest, nonsmoking, good humor, down to earth female for friendship and possible relationship. Race unimportant. (10/30)

WANTED: FULL-FIGURED, passionate, romantic, sincere! Serious, white male, seeks special woman, 50, 6', brown/blue. Enjoys: walks, movies, music, dinner, sports, cuddling, being together. (10/30) 749/044 YOU: ASIAN, GOOD VALUES and heart

intelligent, cute, creative type, 22-35. Me: same, but Caucasian. 5'5", 145lbs., M.A. degree, 40. Want long-term relationship. (10/30) **5**49012 NORTH COUNTY COASTAL, tall, 57, traveler, walker, loves ocean, Hawaii. Looking for someone special to share life's ups and downs, sincere, nice looking, lovable, aloha. (11/6) 🕿 49119

HISPANIC, 40, FIT handsome, college educated, stable, homeowner. Enjoy beach, cycling, reading, movies. Looking for counterpart with old values, integrity, sincerity, 24-38. childless marriage sincerity, 24-38, childless, marriage minded. (10/30) \$\frac{\tag{100}}{249007}\$ LOOKING FOR SOMEONE.(11/06)

SPIRITUALLY MINDED MAN, 40, 6'2"



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first. (11/6) **T**49107

THERE IS LONELINESS in physical beauty. I seek a bright, slender, very pretty woman who wishes to share movies, theater, chats, dreams, hands and hearts. (11/6) **T**49101

ATTRACTIVE, LOVING, affectionate, sincere, white male, 51, 6', 190lbs., blue eyes, easygoing, unencumbered, unpretentious, positive, financially, emotionally secure. Seeking female for romance, love, togetherness, intimacy. (11/6) 7249097

MR. DIPLOMAT. Tall, nice looking and so polite. Seeking middle class, curvy lady for understated adventures and mutual developments. Adieu. (11/6) \$\mathbf{a}\$49150

JAZZ, MOZART, PUCCINI, Renoir, Rodin. Seeking slim, attractive woman, 37-43. If these interests get your attention, especially jazz, please call this gentleman. Thank you. (10/30) \$\alpha\$49035

TOTALLY COOL GRANDPA, 55, North County, handsome, romantic, fit. Wants County, handsome, romantic, fit. Wants attractive, slim, positive, reliable lady, for sunset dinners, casual bike rides, beach walks and more. (10/30) \$\frac{1}{2}\$49074

JUST ONE SPECIAL WOMAN sought by 72-year-old energetic gentleman who will dance with you, prepare gourmet meals and make you smile. Do call. (10/30) 749013

ADVENTUROUS ATTORNEY seeks more anced, successful, Irish Catholic, 6'3", 195lbs., 44. Seeking similar woods 44. Seeking similar woman ready long-term relationship. (11/6)

CHRISTIAN. NICE LOOKING. humorous. 46, 5'11", 180lbs., childless. Love movies, dining, laughing, joking, honesty, openness. You: Christian, slender, easygoing. (10/30) ☎49009 slender, happy, fun,

TOTALLY LOVABLE! I'm 38. 5'10". 174lbs., financially secure, handsome, easygoing, charming, romantic, passionate with nice body/smile. Seeking sincere female who needs a special love. (10/30)

HANDSOME, ATTRACTIVE, black man

JAPANESE/ITALIAN, down to earth person. Live music at the Casbah over a club, likes movies and the beach. Looking for honesty, sincerity, communication, consideration. (10/30) \$\frac{\text{T}}{\text{4}}49050

entist hippie, seeks petite, sweet, child-less, vivacious, creative, intelligent lady, 30ish. Loves animals, rock concerts, pho-tography, exploring, hiking. Central San Diego. (10/30) **2** 49063

FUNNY, AFFECTIONATE, mature, intelligent, educated, male looking for similar woman that would like to share friendship, good times. No drugs, heavy drinkers. Sincerity, honesty, 32-45. (10/30) \$\pi\$49056

sonality but missing someone good your life? Then call me. Let's see if v have good chemistry. (11/6) **1**49152

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communicative, 5'10", 40, brown/brown, slim, exercise, thoughtful, spiritual, caring, music, creative, romantic, affection-

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Okav. Johnson...here's the deal. You work the houses on that side of the street and I'll work this side, then we'll meet by the school.





ate, kayaking, learn, play, fun times together with you. (10/30) \$\infty\$49070

RED MEAT

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ATTRACTIVE, WHITE MALE, senior, 60s, very active, retired. Seeking divorced, widowed female for caring relationship. Helpful if you enjoy outdoors, biking, RV camping and travel. (11/6) \$\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overline{\overl **52, RETIRED,** distinguished, world traveler. Golf, tennis, shopping, fun loving, athletic gentleman. Dining, movies, theatre, travel and sports. Hobbies: classic cars, art and estate jewelry. (11/6) **14**9148

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- 10. Stinging remark14. Craps play
- 15. Actress Messing or Winger
- 16. Film rating org.
 17. Helper's humbled remark (x 7)
- 20. Radio station employee
- 21. Put in rollers
- 22. Snider of heavy metal's 'Twisted Sister
- 23. Mystery writer Buchanan and others
- 24. Rapids transit?
- 27. Memorable times (x 7)
- 32. Brillo pad competitor
- 35. Swelling reducer
- 36. Goosebumb-raising 37. 25-year-old's company,
- perhaps 40. Signaling "yes"
- 42. Shul scroll
- 43. "____ outta there!"
 44. Teamwork deterrent
- 45. Go-getter's motto (x 7)
- 50. Off the mark
- 51. Car document
- 55. Elton John's johns
- 58. Sch. featured in "Good Will Hunting"
- 59. First name in cooking
- 60. Time of settlement (x 7)
- 64. Pelvic parts
- 65. Western director Sergio
- 66. Morales of PBS' "American Family"
- 68. Perfect places
- 69. Pull (in)

- 1. Swap
- 2. Sank the putt, with "out"
- 3. Barkin or Burstyn
- 4. Biblical prophet 5. "Crocodile Dundee"
- contraction 6. VCR button: Abbr.
- 7. "When Will ____ Loved?"

 8. San Joaquin Valley city

- 9 Hire 10. Z3 or X5
- 11. "... peas in
- 12. Like no-hitters and triple plays
- 13. Lie in the sun too long
- 18. Astronaut's insignia 19. Stayed mad
- 24. Onetime cosmonaut's insignia

- 25. Reply to a captain
- 26. One in a gardener's handful 28. Lucy of "Charlie's Angels"
- 29. Niagara River source
- 30. Picture card
- 31. Utah's ____ Canyon
- 32. Planes in the news
- 33. Nebraska City's county 34. Bombay wear
- 38. Demolish
- 39. Hot beginning?
- 40. Gingrich who resigned from Congress in 1999
- 41. Miner's quest
- 43. Japanese bread
- 46. Pittance
- 47. Churchill called it "soul-destroying"
- 48. He's a doll 49. Catherine of "Being John
- Malkovich" 52. Emerge
- 53. Biblical mount 54. Basketball Hall-of-Famer Baylor
- 55. To Europeans, it began in 1939: Abbr.
- 56. Irishman or Welshman
- 57. Around the time el sol rises
- 59. Meagerly maintains, with
- 61. Senator Bailey Hutchison 62. Classified ad inits.
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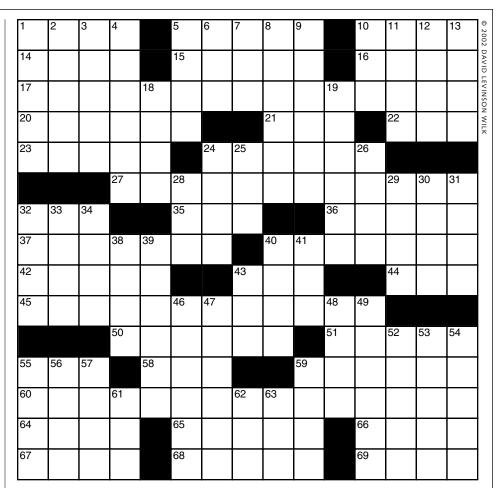
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- $1.\ Margaret\ Toups,\ Imperial\ Beach$ 2. David Tilley, La Mesa
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BONITA. \$1000-\$1050. Excellent 2 bedroom, 1 bath in attractive newer property.

room, 1 bath in attractive newer property. Air conditioning. Covered parking. Private storage. Pool, spa, laundry. No pets. 5151 Robinwood Road. Manager, 619-

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CARDIFF. \$2250. 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse. 2-car garage. Great ocean view, pool, jacuzzi, deck, 2000 square feet. Nonsmoking, no pets. Jay, 760-902-9354.

CARDIFF. \$1200. 1 bedroom house white water view, walk to beach, 750 feet, fireplace, washer/dryer, all appliances, large yard, off-street parking, available, no lease. \$1200. 760-753-7173.

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CARDIFF. \$1795, includes utilities. Two bedrooms with sundeck, ocean view, blocks from beach. Separate two room guest house with bathroom. Washer/dryer, garage. 11/1/02. Incredible deal. guest house dryer, garage. 11/1/0 lease, 760-634-1397.

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CARDIFF. \$1695 includes water, trash. 2 bedroom, enjoy coastal living! Walk to beach, Glen Park. Beautifully remodeled interior/exterior. Laundry facilities. Available 11/15. 760-943-9524; 760-815-8372.

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CARDIFF. \$1550. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, townhouse duplex. Deck, balcony, patio. No dogs. Spacious. Washer/dryer. Near beach. 245 Norfolk. Open Saturday, 10/26. 1pm-3pm. 760-724-3538.

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CARLSBAD. Coastal living! Ocean view condominium rentals beginning at \$1415/ month. Elegant 1 bedroom with den and 2 bedroom floor plans. Garages with remote access. Panoramic views. Swimbies and the state of the mote access. Failurallic views. Swin-ming pool, spa and tennis courts. Tan-ning facility and resident business center. Seagate Condominium Rentals, 6555 Seagate Road. 877-838-8003. Website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1065.

CARLSBAD. \$1895, Spanish style condo. 2 blocks from beach, 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 3 patios, 2 car garage, new carpet, paint, kitchen. Available 11/1. Call Ron, 858-342-0840

858-342-0840.

CARLSBAD. From \$1125. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New berber carpet. In-house washer/dryer. Ceramic tile. Mirror door closet. Covered parking. Extra storage. Controlled access gate. Pool. Spa. Tennis court. Walking distance from mail and movie theater. 760-720-0212.

CARLSBAD. Open house Tuesday, 10/29, 4-8pm. Up to 1 month free! 1, 2, 3 bedrooms from \$1185. Gated community.

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CARLSBAD. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 2 bath Fireplace, pool/spa, gardener paid. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

CARLSBAD. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Renovated units. Berber carpets, ceramic tile, chrome fixtures, decorator paint, crown molding, much more. No dogs. Available November. Richard, 760-729-2008

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CARLSBAD. \$1250. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath apartment. No pets. Off-street parking. 1100 square feet. 3475 Roosevelt Avenue #12. Available now. Agent, 858-755-1139; www.scuba-rentals.com.

CARLSBAD. \$1900. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. 2-car. No pets. Spacious Split Level with 2028 square feet. 1851 Valencia. Available now. Agent, 858-755-1139; www.scuba-rentals.com. uba-rentals.com.

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Ited, 760-436-727.3.

CARLSBAD. \$1200-\$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath/2 bedroom, 1 bath. 2 blocks from beach and village. Fireplace, all appliances, pool, jacuzzi, assigned parking. 760.720,2155

CARLSBAD/OCEANSIDE, SOUTH. \$850 \$950. Panoramic, ocean/lagoon top floor view. Quiet, bright, 867 square feet, 1 bedroom plus smaller, 1 bedroom apartment, older charm renovated. No pets. Nonsmoking. 699 Eaton. 760-967-8121.

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CARLSBAD/LA COSTA. 1 bedroom, \$1150. 2 bedroom, \$1375-\$1425. Includes garage, washer/dryer, fireplace, pool, spa, sauna, gym, tennis, racquetball, gated. Open Saturday 9am-2pm. 760-753-0562

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CARMEL VALLEY. \$1599. Elysian. Upper 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath condo. 2 car. Washer/dryer, pool, spa, workout. Available 11/1. 760-944-9497. E-mail: sumit@

CARMEL VALLEY. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 2 car. Pet OK. 12634 Carmel Country Road #119. Available now. Agent, 858-755-1139; www.scuba-

carmet valley. \$2400. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house. 2-car garage, 2128 square feet. Private and quiet neighborhood. 3690 Foxgrove. Available now. Agent, 858-755-1139; www.scubargathle.org

CARMEL VALLEY. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, refrigerator, washer/dryer, fireplace, balcony, pool, tennis, jacuzzi and sauna. Available 12/1. Pet OK. Call Dave, 858-457-2014.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$2100. Groves. 3 bed-room, 2.5 bath condo. Hardwood floors. 1-car garage. Pool, jacuzzi, washer/dryer, water/trash included. No smoking. 619-

CARMEL VALLEY. \$2700. 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. One bedroom converted to office. Beautiful backyard with heated pa-

tio. Will consider pets. Available immediately. 4261 Calle Isabelino. 619-838-1866.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$3400. 4 bedroom, 3-1/2 bath house, huge lot, gorgeous house with ocean view, near shopping, freeway and Del Mar. Washer/dryer hookups. Year lease. Available now. 13386 Gelbourne. www.cal-prop.com. 858-483-3534

CHULA VISTA. Two wooded apartment CHULA VISTA. Iwo wooded apartment communities! Both offer excellent location! Laundry, barbecues, off-street parking. The Forest: \$785. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Ceiling fans, dishwasher, swimming pool. The Park: \$755. All utilities paid. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Breakfast bar. Cat OK. 556-581 Arizona Street. www.sdreader.com/rent/2031. 619-691-9415

CHULA VISTA. \$725/month. \$150 deposit. 1 bedroom, fully furnished. 2 blocks from Chula Vista Center. Off-street parking. Laundry room. Lots of trees. 521 Park Way. Office open daily (near Fifth and G). 619-420-5084.

CHULA VISTA. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. \$1500, 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Excellent 2-story house. Garage, fireplace, centrally located. Nonsmoking. No pets. 559 Rosevelt, located behind 561 Roosevelt. 619-464-4441.

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CHULA VISTA. \$1850. Otay Ranch house. 4 bedroom plus loft, 3 bath. 1271 St. Helena. Available now. No pets, non-smoking. Must see. Great location. A&. Property Management, 619-220-4840, 209

CHULA VISTA. \$895. Newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath, Sea breezes, Laundry. Off-street parking. 1419 Tobias Drive. Ray, 619-426-8626.

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CHULA VISTA. \$1295/month. Brand new condo. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Washer/dryer, attached garage, balcony with pool view. No pets. 619-520-3564 or 858-455-1685.

CHULA VISTA. \$675. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, carpet, blinds, laundry on site, pool. 1 assigned parking. 400 square feet. No pets. One with ocean view! 659 Sea Vale Street #5 (off Broadway). Agent, 619-298-7724.

CHULA VISTA/PARAGUE

CHULA VISTA/RANCHO DEL REY. \$1700. Sparkling 2 bedroom plus loft, 2 1/2 bath, 2-car. Former model, all the up grades, canyon view. Agent, 619-426-0661.

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CHULA VISTA. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house. Bright and spacious. Large kitchen, 2-car garage, fenced yard. Close to 1-805. Military discount available. For more information and to view other vacancies in San Diego area, check out www. SanDiegoApartments.com.

CHULA VISTA. \$1200. Nice 3 bedroom, custom house. Washer and dryer hookup. Near shops. Quiet street. Easy move in. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

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CHULA VISTA. \$950. Huge 2 bed, 2 bath.

Private balcony overlooking lush landscape and sparkling pool. In great
smaller quiet community. Laundry facility
on-site. Walk to shopping, restaurants,
parks, and newly renovated downtown
area. Easy freeway access. Must see. Located at 515 Glover Avenue. 619-4766659.

CHULA VISTA. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath courtyard apartment in garden setting. Controlled access parking, laundry, air conditioning. No pets. 540 Naples. Manager, 619-422-5709.

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CHULA VISTA. \$925. Spacious 2 bedroom deluxe 1 bath upper unit in newer
garden complex with gated parking, air
conditioning, new carpet, central vacuum. No pets. 1615 5th Avenue. Man-

GHULA VISTA. \$725. Large 1 bedroom. Parking, Laundry. On bus route. 1 block to downtown. 184 F Street. 619-420-2205.

CHULA VISTA. \$2095. Sun Bow.— 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath with alarm, sp, tile/hardwood floors and landscaper included. Pet OK. Agent, 619-886-4115.

CHULA VISTA. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$725. \$500 deposit. Laundry, parking. 583 Park Way. 619-243-4000 x0.

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CHULA VISTA. \$100 off! \$1390 and \$1590. 2 units available. 2 huge bedrooms, 2 bath, great location, across from \$1590. 2 units available. 2 huge bed-rooms, 2 bath, great location, across from park, attached garage, laundry in unit. 958-780-0027

CITY HEIGHTS. \$2000 plus deposit. Huge 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 masters house. Beautiful canyon view from huge deck, secluded, private driveway. Quiet. 858-488-3996.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$1300. 3 bedroom, 2.5 fenced yard, garde eady, 858-505-4848.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$475. Senior complex. 1 bedroom unit, upstairs (no elevator) in gated building. Laundry on-site. Close to shopping and business. 4154 46th Street.

snopping and business. 4154 46th Street. Agent, www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100. CITY HEIGHTS. \$680. 1 bedroom, up-stairs unit. Gated, laundry room, off-street parking, near park/bus line.Do not disturb tenants. 4141 51st Street #4. 619-262-5771.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$900, plus \$900 security. Cute 1 bedroom duplex. Ceiling fan. Close to I-15. Garage. Water/gardener included. No pets. By appointment only. 619-284-2595.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath \$500 deposit. New carpet. 3722 Marlbor-ough. 619-243-4000 x0.

ough. 619-243-4000 x0. CITY HEIGHTS. \$1150. Newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Hardwood floors, new appliances, washer/drys-available, safe neighborhood. References required. No pets. 3231 38th Street. Open house Sunday, 1pm-3pm. Jason, 619-316-4633.

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CITY HEIGHTS. Newly remodeled senior community! 55 and up! 1 and 2 bedrooms available now. Garden setting. Secure gated entry. Underground parking. Close to shopping, freeways and bus lines. www.sunrisemgmt.com, Ray, 619-583-5409.

CLAIREMONT/MISSION BAY. \$1075. bedroom, 1 bath. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Stackable washer/dryer. Fully equipped kitchens. Vaulted ceilings, select units. Patios/balconies. Assigned covered carport. Lap pool. Jacuzzi Tennis courts. Fitness center. Cats only! Near beaches/freeways. Canyon Ridge Apartments, 3187 Cowley Way. 619-276-1400. www.sdreader.com/rent/2021.

CLAIREMONT. Minutes away from work and play! Up to 1 month free! From \$1349. 1 and 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment homes. Attached garages available. High speed data lines. Resort style pool, spa. Fitness center. Business centers. Washer/dryer. Avion @ Spectrum, 8811 Spectrum Center Blvd. 888-218-0709. www.sdreader.com/rent/2029. CLAIREMONT. \$875 and up. 1 bedrooms. 2 bedrooms, from \$1050 and up. Looking for clean, quiet and homey? Our lovely complex is peaceful and quiet day and night! Walking to all your needs. Patios and courtyard. Garages available. 619-276-3222. For photo, floor plans, directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1028.

CLAIREMONT. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. 2-car garage. Available 11/1. Washer/dryer. Large yard. No pets. New carpet, paint. Close to everything. 858-274-2431.

CLAIREMONT. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, downstairs unit, centrally located, gated complex with pool/jacuzzi, laundry onsite, covered parking with storage. Cat OK. 858-467-9866.

888-467-9866.

CLAIREMONT. \$1495-\$1595. Huge 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment in newly renovated community, 3 parking spaces included! Some units have yards! 6010 Mount Aguilar. 858-270-5500.

CLAIREMONT. \$1100. Unfurnished homes, 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, large yard, garage, gardener and shopping. No pets. ASPM, 858-565-6420.

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CLAIREMONT. \$1795. Nice 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. 2-car garage. Large, newly landscaped backyard. Quiet neighborhood. Refrigerator included. Available November 1. No pets. 760-635-

CLAIREMONT. \$750-\$1050. 1 and 2 bed-rooms. Bring your pet. Short drive to the beach. A few houses also available. Large yards. Dishwasher, parking. Charge. 858-751-1497.

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CLAIREMONT. \$1800. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, garage, fireplace, fenced for pets. Washer and dryer. Gardener included must see to appreciate. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

CLAIREMONT, \$1050, 2 bedroom, 2 bath upstairs unit. Laundry on-site. Centrally located. New carpet, fresh paint. 1204 Vega Street #6. Available approximately 10/25/02. K & R Properties, 858-490-

CLAIREMONT. \$1575. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Carport with extra room, laundry, appliances, new paint. No cats/dogs. 4841 Conrad Avenue. www.geocites.com/rizohristova/. 858-974-3907.

CLAIREMONT. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 1 bath Large, private fenced yard. Stove, refrig-

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CLAIREMONT. \$1695. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath with 2-car garage, covered patio and spa. 3864 Marlesta Drive. Agent, 858-560-1178.

CLAIREMONT. \$910. Small 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 1-car garage. No pets. New carpet, appliances. Share yard. 3228 Jemez Drive. Agent, 858-453-6115.

CLAIREMONT. Furnished studios. \$950 per month on a month to month basis. Microwave, mini-refrigerator, laundry, heated pool, spa, continental breakfast buffet. Great central location. Once a week maid service, includes all utilities and linens. Garden surroundings. Park-ing. No pets. 5415 Clairemont Mesa Drive. Call 1-800-562-2217. www.

screader.com/rent/2035.

CLAIREMONT/BAY HO. \$2000. 3 bed-room, 1-1/2 bath newly renovated house. 2-car garage, refrigerator, washer/dryer included. Quiet neighborhood. No pets. Available 11/1. 858-274-3860.

COLLEGE AREA. \$800/month. Brand new studio. Excellent view and quiet. Available now. See pictures and application, www.members.cov.net/studiorental. Please call 619-282-2393.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1695, plus utilities. Attractive 3 bedroom, 2 bath private home. 2-car garage, fireplace, back patio, back-yard. House amenities. Nonsmoker. Available 11/1. 619-253-1014.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1700 and up. Huge 3 bedroom apartment, upper corner unit. Appliances, newly refurbished. Laundry facilities. Off street parking. Near all. Available 11/18-11/20. 858-455-5956.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. From \$825. Remodeled large 1 and 2 bedroom, 1 Remodeled large 1 and 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Large kitchen. New appliances! Ceiling fan. Courtyard. Cable ready. New carpet! Laundry. Gated community. Pool. Controlled access. Cats OK. Pacific Piones Village, 4355 46th Street. 619-282-1191. www.pacificliving.com, Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/2001.

COLLEGE AREA. 1 bedrooms from \$750 Air conditioning, heating, pool. Gated access. Assigned parking. Two laundry rooms. Close to bus, stores, freeway, and more! Aztec Pacific Apartments, 6663 Montezuma Rd. Please call 619-286-2611. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. www.pacificliving.com. Photos and floor plans, visit website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1042.

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COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$900 Large 1 bedroom craftsman-style duplex, rose garden, porch, breakfast nook. Nonsmoking. Air conditioning. Pet negotiable. New carpet. Terrace backyard. 858-272-1197.

COLLEGE AREA. \$795. Spacious and air conditioned 1 bedroom. Ceramic tile, large walk-in closet. Pool. Off-street parking, laundry. Windsong Apartments, 4601 63rd, 619-229-9248.

COLLEGE AREA, \$1575. 3 bedroom, 2

COLLEGE AREA. \$1700/month. Custom, clean 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home. Fire-place, 2-car garage, large yard and patio, 5 miles to downtown. 619-472-2405.

COLLEGE AREA. \$795. Small 1 bedroom unit, quiet small complex. New flooring. Private entrance. Quiet pet OK. Side enclosed yard. Ground floor. Available now.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1195. 3 bedroom, 2

COLLEGE AREA. \$775. Large 1 bedroom. Quiet. Air conditioning, pool, laundry, security gated, parking. Available 11/1. 4445 Marcellena Road. Manager #2. 619-

COLLEGE AREA. \$750. 1 bedroom. Utilities included. Air conditioning. Carport. On-site laundry. Walk to shopping, bus route. No pets. EOH. 619-299-8746.

COLLEGE AREA. Motel. \$249 and up/

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COLLEGE AREA. Short-term specialists. Studios from \$350/week. 1 bedroom apartments from \$595/week (including tax). Fully furnished, full kitchen, maid, phone with dataport, cable, HBO, continental breakfast, air conditioning, heated pool, barbecue, laundry. Mention this ad for discounted rates. Best Western Lamplighter Inn and Suites. 619-582-3088.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Covered patio, fenced yard. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

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COLLEGE AREA. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath luxury condo. Washer/dryer, brand new appliances, fireplace, gated community. Close to parks. Available now. 619-426-5570; 619-204-5285.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$1585. Clean 3 bedroom, 1 bath, Spanish style house. Fireplace, ceiling fans, garage, refrigerator, stove, washer/dryer hook-ups. No pets. 619-200-1812

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$600 rent. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom apartment. No pets. Manager in #2. At 4423 Menlo Avenue #8. 619-283-3353.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1350. 3 bedroom, custom patio, hardwood floors, spacious kitchen. Near all. Pet negotiable. Low deposit. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1200

COLLEGE AREA/ROLANDO. Village classic 2 bedroom, 1 bath house with fenced yard, washer/gas dryer, refrigera-tor, stove. Hardwood floors. \$1500/month plus deposit. References required. 619-

660-9143.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1125-\$1150. 2 bedroom. 2 bath. Controlled access underroom, 2 bath. Controlled access under-ground parking and elevator. Dish-washer, disposal, great floor plans. Gated. \$1000 off 1st month on approved credit. 5565 Hardy Avenue. www.cethron. com. Agent, 619-295-1100.

COLLEGE AREA/ROLANDO. \$875. Large private 1 bedroom condo. Remodeled. private 1 bedroom condo. Remodeled. New carpet, linoleum, paint, kitchen and bathroom fixtures. Gated, assigned park-ing. Pool, storage, dishwasher. 619-583-5330.

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COLLEGE AREA. \$675. 1 bedroom. Upper unit in quiet complex. Balcony, off street parking, laundry facilities. No pets. 4914 67th Street. Call for appointment.

CORONADO, \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Central location, clean hardwood floors. Pet OK. 619-435-0108.

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CORONADO. Luxury waterfront apartments. Furnished studios from \$849. Studio, 1, 2 bedroom apartments. Also offering, short term corporate apartments/vacation stays. World class amenities. Pool. Spa. Training facility. Movie theater. Basketball. Volleyball. Indoor golf driving range. Tennis. Coronado Bay Club. 1515 Second Street. EHO. www.coronadobayclub.com, 619-435-2254. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1094.

CORONADO. \$925-\$1195. Large 1 and 2 bedroom. 1 bath apartments. Only 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Unly I block to bay! Laundry, courtyard, some off-street parking. 137-1/2 D Avenue. 858-270-5500.

CROWN POINT. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry facilities. No pets. 2070 Oliver Avenue. 619-221-8233.

CROWN POINT. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Spectacular views, Mission Bay. Security, garage, monthly lease. \$1695, 858-490-1341.

CROWN POINT. \$895. Immaculate 1 bed-room, 1 bath near bay. Hidden in green-ery. Freshly painted. New carpet and ap-pliances. Fee. www.pchrent.com.

CROWN POINT. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 crown Point: \$1500.2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, townhouse style apartment. Laundry inside. Off-street parking. Jacuzzi onsite, close to the bay, quiet location. 3 unicomplex. 3742 Jewell Street #A. Available now. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

CROWN POINT. Pacific Becah. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 block to bay, great location. Quiet small garden. Barbecue area. No pets. Must see. 3990 Crown

PICTURE STORY

Photograph from the San Diego Historical Society



Navy man at the end of what must have Abeen a long V-J Day in San Diego, August 14, 1945.

Almost a year earlier, the Merchants Association of San Diego and the local chapter of the California Tavern Association pledged to close retail stores and bars "on the day of victory over Germany or Japan," our daily noted.

The Tavern Association president "announced he would appoint committees to establish an office to contact law enforcement agencies and army and navy officials to work out methods of cooperating in the suppression of the sale of alcoholic beverages to minors, and to control possible excessive emotionalism on V-day." — by Robert Mizrachi

Point Drive. 858-483-3534. www.cal-

CROWN POINT. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, parking, small gated community, quiet, roomy, excellent condition, available 11/8. No pets. 3723 Ingraham Street. 858-483-3534 www.cal-prop.com. CROWN POINT. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage style, steps to beach, small garden, bbarbecue area, quiet street. Available 11/12. No pets. 3758 Yosemite Street. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.

com.

CROWN POINT. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, steps to beach, quiet area, large living room, dining area, barbecue area. No pets. 1774 La Playa Avenue. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

DEL CERRO. \$1700/month. Large 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, new paint, 2 fireplaces, wet bar, laundry, patio, 2 car. Pool, spa. No pets/smoke. 619-229-2090.

DEL CERRO. \$1250. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. Pool. 5757 College Avenue. 619-286-1777.

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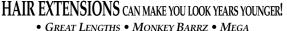
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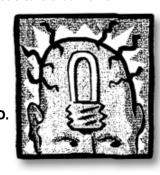
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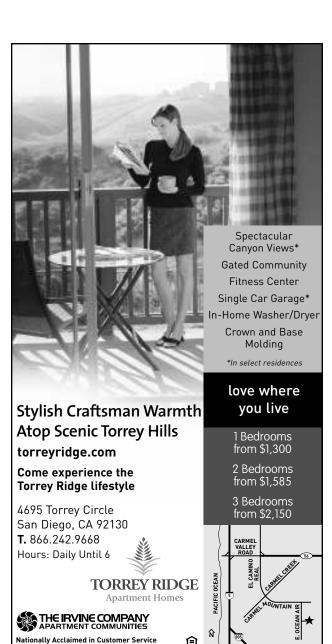
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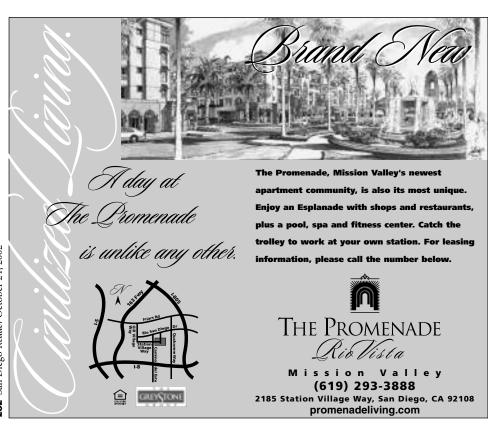
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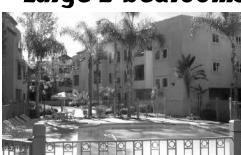
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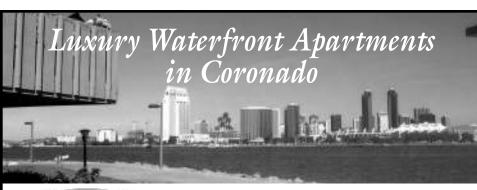
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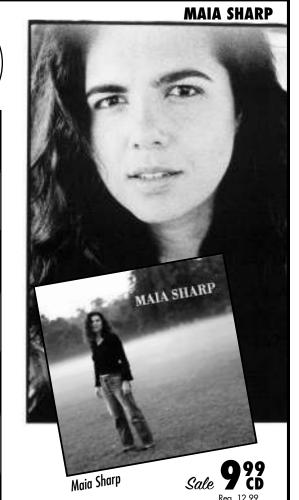
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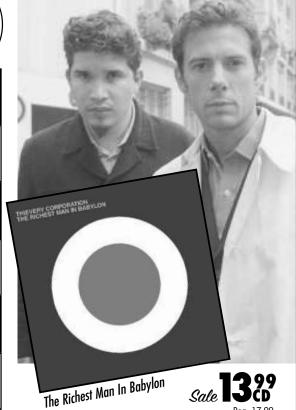
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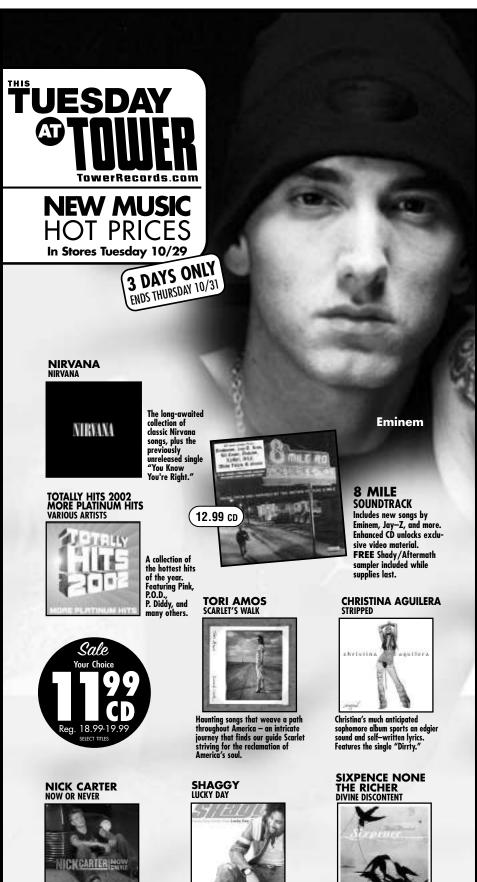
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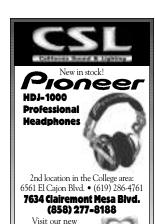
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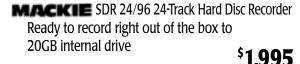
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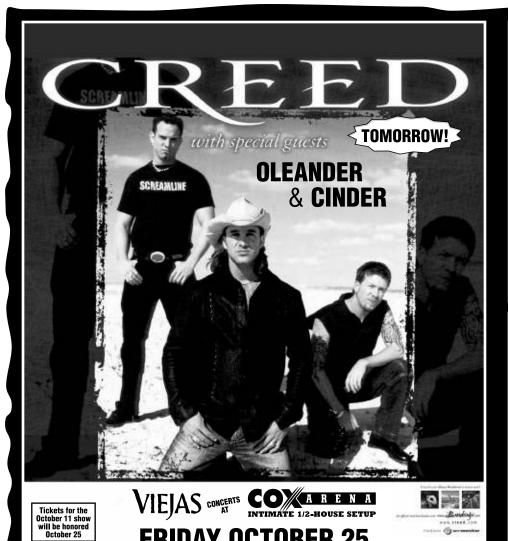


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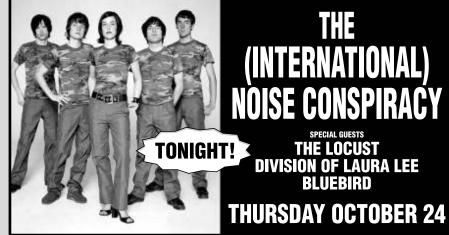
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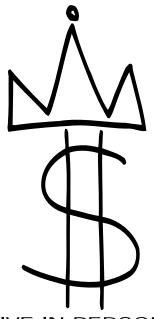


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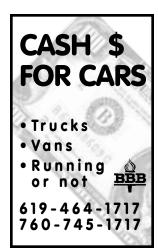


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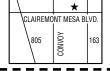
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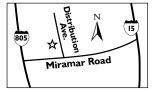
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- CORRECTION: Two weeks ago, I mistakenly wrote that Lutherans believe there is only one God, when I should have written that it is the Lutherans' Missouri Synod which believes that (and it was that organization which demoted its radio preacher). I apologize for the error.

- In September, Australia's Daily Telegraph reported that the Federal Attorney General's office had ruled that eyesight and medical tests required of flight crews and air traffic controllers could no longer be given because they violate the country's anti-discrimination laws. The Civil Aviation Safety Agency, concerned about physically unqualified pilots, announced immediately that it would appeal the ruling, but the association of cabin crew members, for one, was reluctant to support the appeal because it fears that such medical tests make it easier for airlines to impose weight restrictions on flight atten-

- Sen. Jorge Capitanich recently introduced a bill in the Argentine legislature to help restore voters' faith in elected officials to pull the country out of its long and severe economic crisis. (It is a common street scene in Buenos Aires that politicians, once they are identified by passersby, are targets of insults and spitting.) If the bill passes, all congressional and presidential candidates would be required not only to prove they have paid their taxes and to disclose any criminal records but also to submit to psychiatric exams to assure voters that they are emotionally fit to hold office.

Latest Protests

— A formerly obese woman organized a "million-pound march" for Ottawa in October to protest the Ontario Parliament's proposed funding cutbacks on stomach-stapling surgery. (Attendance was about 998,000 pounds short.) And to protest unemployment in Escravos, Nigeria, in July, about 600 women held hundreds of workers captive inside an oil terminal and threatened to take off their own clothes, which Nigerians regard as gravely shocking. And in Rajasthan, India, protesters opposed to distribution of the allegedly mob-financed movie Kante said they would

release poisonous snakes into the darkened theaters showing the film.

Cultural Diversity

— In July, on her return from a frowned-upon pilgrimage with a female friend just after her wedding, Sangeeta Sauda, age 20 and of a Khanjar tribal community in India, volunteered to hold a red-hot iron in her hands in public to prove to her husband that she was still as pure as the Hindu goddess Sita. She passed the test, but police in Indore, watching the ceremony, later arrested Sauda's husband and in-laws for allegedly pressuring her to hurt herself.

- Among the more daring indigenous national games (from a September ABC News report): fish-fighting in Thailand (just like cockfighting but with specially bred fish in a tank); competitive kite-flying in several Southeast Asia countries (kites with sharp edges for contestants to try to shred opponents' kites); and pato, which is now played in Argentina with a partially buried ball with handles, but which originally was played by burying a duck up to his neck and attempting to yank it up while on horseback.

- To battle dry spells in Nepal and neighboring northern India in July and August, dozens of farmer's wives gathered in the fields to perform naked dances at midnight in order to appease Indra, the Hindu god of rain; the women of Uttar Pradesh state in India were less successful, but the 200 Nepalese women who began dancing in mid-August were rewarded with the start of the monsoon season, which soon created floods and landslides. And in Lambertville, N.J., in August, a nude Douglas B. Carroll, 24, was arrested at 3 a.m. and told police he thought running across a bridge naked, really fast, would bring rain; the next night, it rained.

- Thailand's public health minister issued a warning in August against the growing fad of keeping as pets the large Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches, which are being widely sold for about \$1.20 each. According to her, their bacteria- and virus-laden, 2-1/2-inch-long bodies, and very quick breeding ability, make them somewhat unsuitable as pets.

Awesome!

- In August, in Goshen, Ind., Chad Hershberger, 45, survived having his skull split wide open by an exploding piece of metal in a septic-tank accident. (He initially remained conscious while being treated for the 2-inch, ear-to-ear gash but later underwent major surgery and lost his left eye.) And in June, a 20-year-old man accidentally fired his spear gun, hitting himself in the head while fishing near Chania, Crete, but survived despite being in the water for six hours before being discovered and enduring three hours' surgery just to remove the spear (which had entered his jaw and broken through the top of his skull); because the spear passed through a nonactive part of the brain, the man was soon back on his feet with no serious problems.

Boredom, Illustrated

A 16-year-old boy was sent to Sherman Hospital in Elgin, Ill., in September with seconddegree burns after he and two pals started playing a game in which each would splash gasoline on his shorts and set himself on fire before rolling on the ground to try to extinguish the flames. One of the boys told police they agreed to three rounds each as a sort of competition.

A Benefit of Obesity: Secret Hiding Places

 James Scott Woods, 26, was arrested in Mount Carmel, Tenn., in July after police were called to a house on a robbery complaint. Officers could not find evidence of the robbery and were inclined to let Woods go but on a hunch discovered a half-ounce of marijuana, plus a pipe and \$187 cash, tucked into a fold of Woods's stomach. (A few minutes later, Woods was also charged with tampering with evidence when he allegedly broke his handcuffs and tried to swallow the mari-

Recurring Themes

- Nature 3, Humans 0. Rodrigo Vazquez's mobile home in Rockingham County, Pa., and a vacant house in Homestead, Pa., were nearly destroyed in August when gas appliances ignited the owners' pest-control foggers. And Larry

Goble's house caught fire (before a neighbor helped extinguish it) after an accident started by Goble's attempt to burn a wasps' nest on an outside wall (Corn Fork, Ky., July).

Our Civilization in Decline

- The large health insurer AmeriChoice Corp. (under investigation in New York and New Jersey in recent years) was criticized for giving away chickens in poor neighborhoods to get people to switch their Medicaid coverage to the company (Brooklyn, N.Y., August). The Springfield, Fla., city commissioners voted to accept as many as 15 new police cars for free provided that the North Carolina company that supplied them could plaster them with ads (August). And the trade journal Advertising Age reported in September that Island Def Jam music company is actively considering selling product placements in the lyrics of some of the company's artists' recordings. (Current product mentions in lyrics are believed to be uncompensated and at the whim of the artist.)

Also, in the Last Month ...

— Montana's Libertarian U.S. Senate candidate Stan Jones said the reason that his skin is blue, probably permanently, is because he had been drinking a homemade silver solution favored by some libertarians to guard against illness. Surgeons reattached a man's upper lip after friends found it on a street after it had been severed in a fight (Wellington, New Zealand). Canadian Football League running back Ron Williams and six teammates made a group "fair catch" of a woman who jumped from the fourth floor of a burning building (Edmonton, Alberta). Among the volunteers on the re-election campaign of imprisoned former U.S. Rep. James Traficant is Leo Glaser, a remorseful juror who helped convict Traficant of racketeering and who now believes he was innocent (Girard, Ohio).

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Angela scared me. Angela is my second child, my middle daughter, my moody one. Like some kind of Cajun delicacy, Angela is sweet and hot and complex. From the small Catholic academy she attends with her older sister Rebecca and her younger sister Lucy, Angela brings home awards for exemplary behavior. "A joy to have in class," the second-grade teacher's notes say. "Always on task. A little angel."

At home, Angela instigates. She provokes. Sitting in the far backseat of our van between Lucy and little brother Johnny, Angela murmurs in a barely audible tone.

"Mommmy-y-y-y,' Johnny cries out moments later. "Angela said my hair looks stupid." "Angel-AH," I say with a

warning rise in my voice. Angela smiles a half-smile, lips bitten together to keep from laughing. "Sorry, Johnny," she says loud enough for me to hear. Then more murmuring.

"Mommmmy-y-y," Lucy whines. "Angela said she wouldn't be my friend."

"Everybody just be quiet," I call back. "If you can't be nice, just be quiet until we get home."

Then, at odd times, without any prompting or cajoling, Angela writes me a letter telling me how much she loves me. Or she cleans up her room without being asked. Or she looks up at me with her enormous brown eyes and says, "You look really beautiful, Mom."

Last Thursday, Angela came home sick from school. I'd had sick kids for more than a week. Johnny and two-year-old Ben started out the week before with a sore throat/fever/cold combination. Rebecca missed school Monday and Tuesday with the same ailment. I wasn't entirely surprised when I got a call from school a little before lunch Thursday saying Angela was in the office. "I think you probably want to come right away, Mrs. Albright," the secretary told me. 'Angela is crying and complaining that her back hurts. She seems to be in quite a bit of pain."

I packed Johnny and Ben into the van and drove the three miles from our home to school. When I arrived, I found Angela on a cot in the office. Her face was still wet with tears.

"What's the matter, sweetie?" I asked as I helped her sit up.

"My back really hurt, Mommy," Angela said shakily. "When I was going to lunch, it just started to hurt.'

"Was it a sharp pain or an ache?"

"Kind of halfway in between."

"On the outside or on the inside?"

"On the inside."

"Does it hurt now?"

"No.

I gathered up Angela's backpack from her classroom and drove her home. She perked up a little when she changed out of her school uniform into play clothes. She ate lunch and played with Johnny and Ben while I chatted with a girlfriend who had come over for lunch.

After lunch, Angela began to wilt. She lay on the couch and asked me, "Are you going to call the doctor?"

"Yes," I answered as I dialed the pediatrician's number. A few minutes later, I told Angela, "They can see you in 45 minutes. Get your shoes on, and let's go."

Angela shivered in the car on the way to the doctor's office. Her face flushed pink, and she complained about her back again.

"Hang in there, sweetie," I told her. "Dr. Gross will find out what's wrong."

In the examining room, the nurse took Angela's temperature. "101.3," she noted on Angela's chart. She tested Angela for strep. Negative. After three trips to the bathroom, Angela produced a urine sample. Negative.

Back in the examining room, Angela began to moan. "My sides hurt, Mommy," she said. Tears ran down her face.

"Do you feel like you're going to throw up?" I asked and wrapped my arms around her shoulders.

"No," Angela sobbed. "My sides just really

hurt."

I felt Angela's body stiffen over and over again as muscle spasms wracked her sides. I stepped outside and called out to the nurse, "She's in quite a bit of distress. Is there anything you can do to help her?"

The nurse came back with a big dose of Motrin. Angela's spasms let up a little, then stopped completely. She sniffled and wiped her eyes. I tried to comfort her while Ben got ready to jump from a chair onto the examining table. Johnny climbed under the examining table and looked at a book.

"I can't find anything surgically wrong with her," Dr. Gross told us after palpating Angela's belly again. "That's good news. It's probably not her appendix or her kidneys. Just to be sure, I'm going to send you for a blood test."

Later that evening, after my husband Jack and I had put the kids to bed, Dr. Gross called with the test results. "Nothing out of the ordinary," he said. "Looks like it's just the virus the other kids had."

I crept upstairs and eased open the door to the room Angela shares with Rebecca and Lucy. A pool of light illuminated Rebecca's pillow and the book she read in the darkened room, "Time

to turn out your light," I told Rebecca.
"Okay, Mommy," Rebecca answered. "Is Angela going to be all right?"

I sat on the edge of Angela's bed and gently stroked her warm cheek. "I think so," I said. "Now go to sleep." I leaned over and kissed Rebecca. "Good night, sweetie."

"Good night, Mom."

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